

"It is better to be a child of God, than king of the whole world!"

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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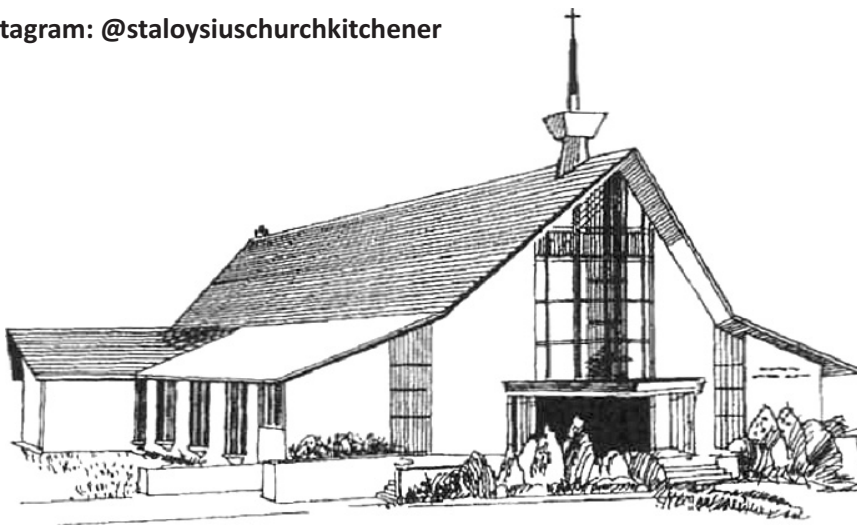
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OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY: Closed, TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm, FRIDAY: 9am-12pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY..... 5:00pm

SUNDAY.....9:00am

(interpreted for the deaf)

.....11:00am

.....7:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY.....8:30am

TUESDAY.....6:00pm

WEDNESDAY....8:30am

THURSDAY.....8:30am

FRIDAY.....8:30am

SATURDAY.....8:30am

CONFESSIONS - Tuesday: 5 - 5:45pm, Saturday: 3:45 - 4:30pm, or by appointment.

BAPTISM - Please contact our parish office for more details.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC - Please contact our Parish Office for more information.

FUNERALS - When death occurs or is expected in your family, please contact the parish office and we will assist you in making the necessary arrangements. For information on Catholic Funeral Rites, Cremation & Catholic cemetery locations, please visit thecatholiccemeteries.ca or call 1-800-661-5985.

MARRIAGE - Please contact the parish office at least Twelve (12) months in advance.

PARISH RECORDS AND REGISTRATION - New to the parish? You can pick up Registration forms in the Church foyer, in our parish office, or download one from our website. Please help to keep our parish records up-to-date and please inform us if you are moving.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK - Please contact the parish office to notify the Priest if a friend or family member is in the hospital or would like to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE - If you feel called to the Priesthood or religious life, please speak with one of our Priests for more information.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MASS INTENTIONS

May 12 – May 18, 2025

Monday 8:30 am	(ferial) + Mary Nen Dinh
Tuesday 6:00 pm	(ferial) + Mary Ann Sellner + Laura McAuley
Wednesday 8:30 am	(Feast – St. Matthias, Apostle) + Lucy De Amorim + Iris DeSouza
Thursday 8:30 am	(ferial) + Joseph Bang Dinh - Int. of Millie Marinko & Roger Keels
Friday 8:30 am	(ferial) + Mary Dinh Nen – Int. of Mille Marinko & Roger Keels
Saturday 8:30 am	(ferial) - Int. of Millie Marinko & Roger Keels
Fifth Sunday of Easter	
Sat 5pm	- Int. of our Parishioners
Sun 9am	+ Arabella Acosta + Gordon Presseau
Sun 11am	+ John McCotter
Children's Liturgy in parish hall during 11am Mass	
Sun 7pm	+ Dianne Cousineau

Schedule of Events

May 12 – May 18, 2025

Monday	
• Stained Glass Guild	4:00 pm
• Food Pantry Open	7-8pm
Tuesday	
• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service	10:30 am
• Adoration, Confessions and Mass.....	5:00 pm
• Marian Movement for Priests Prayer Group	following 6pm Mass
Wednesday	
• Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service	10:00 am
Thursday	
• Fergus Place Mass/Communion Service	10:00 am
Saturday	
• Confessions	3:45-4:30 pm
Sunday	
• Children's Liturgy	during 11:00 am Mass

Save the date! Our next Parish Potluck Dinner is coming up **Friday May 30 at 6pm** in our parish hall. Signups will start next weekend in our lobby!

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection for May 4.....	\$2329.00
Sunday Loose Collection for May 4	\$1367.00
Total Offertory for May 4, 2025	\$3696.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....	\$854.69



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News from the St. Aloysius CWL - After mass this weekend, purchase a carnation for a suggested \$3 donation per stem to celebrate Mother's Day.

Be sure to pick up a baby bottle to help raise money for Marillac Place. Fill a bottle with donations, and return filled bottles on Father's Day weekend.

May 21 at 6pm is the CWL Mass at the Carmel in St. Agatha. If you wish to carpool, meet at the church parking lot at 5pm. After Mass, the Carmel gift shop will be open for purchases. Upon return to St. Aloysius Church, enjoy a small treat and coffee/tea in the church hall.

RCIA/RCIC - Interested in Becoming Catholic? We'd Love to Walk With You! - Have you or someone you know been thinking about becoming Catholic? Whether you're an adult or have a child who has finished Grade 2 and interested in becoming Catholic, we invite you to consider joining our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) or RCIC (for children). These programs offer a supportive journey into the Catholic faith, and they'll **begin in the fall of 2025**. It is a welcoming space to learn, ask questions and grow in faith. To learn more, speak with one of our priests after Mass or contact the parish office.



Bring Flowers to Mary at St. Aloysius Church

May is the month of Our Lady! On Tuesday, May 27, we will have a procession to bring flowers to Mary during the 6:00 o'clock evening Mass. All are welcome.

Here is the schedule for the evening;

5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5:30pm Recitation of the Rosary and Benediction
6:00pm Mass, beginning with procession of flowers to Mary
Flowers will be provided.



National Family and Life Week May 11-18 - As we journey together as "Pilgrims of Hope" in this Jubilee Year, let us reflect on

the gift of hope God gives us through our families.

All families, parishes and parish groups, ecclesial movements and associations, as well as Catholic schools are encouraged to take time this week to celebrate their own families, express gratitude, offer forgiveness, or share meaningful moments with loved ones. This week is an opportunity to promote life and live out our call to love each other within our homes, communities, and the world.

May God's loving care inspire all families to abound in hope, living our call to holiness as missionary disciples. Let us not just be glimmers of hope but beacons of hope!



World Day of Prayer for Vocations -

May 11 is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Christians are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and pray for vocations. Christ, the Good Shepherd, continues to lead his people through His

Bishops, Priests, and Deacons and calls many to follow Him in this way. Priestly, diaconal and religious vocations should be a constant concern in the hearts of God's people.

Canada Health Day May 12

Canada Health day is celebrated in health care facilities and community services across the Country. This day reminds us that health and healing are essential aspects of our baptismal vocation. We are called to take responsibility for our personal health to prevent illness and to seek a healthy lifestyle. Good health concerns the physical, emotional, social and spiritual health of our communities, respect for God's creatures and the nurturing of the whole earth.



Struggling with the impact of divorce or separation? Join the award-winning

Critical Mass for an inspiring two-day retreat, where music, testimonies, and faith-filled

discussions will guide you toward hope and healing. Space is limited to 25 participants, so register early! Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Waterloo on May 23/24 Fri 6:45- 9:30pm and Saturday 8:45am – 4:00pm. Cost is \$130 and includes materials, snacks and lunch.

Register through davefromcm@gmail.com or online; <https://www.criticalmassmusic.org/tour-dates>



Retreat at The Carmel - The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild is hosting their annual retreat at the Carmelite Monastery on Sat May 24. The retreat will give you an opportunity to experience the graces and blessings of

the Jubilee Year. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided. Space is limited! Register by May 16 by phone; 519-884-6700 or email; saintagatha@thecarmel.ca For more information visit thecarmel.ca.



May Heroes of Hope During the month of May in this Jubilee Year, we are asked to pray for Educators.

Lord God, by the grace of our baptism, you have given us new life in Christ and called us to

serve as pilgrims of hope.

We pray in thanksgiving for those who have responded to your call to serve in our many education communities. We praise you for the witness of their faith and the gifts of wisdom and knowledge they generously share with their students, inspiring them to be missionary disciples, who love and care for one another and for our common home.

Through their varied ministries, may they touch the hearts of all in our community who long for the hope, born of our Christian faith, that never disappoints. *We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*

Gospel Reflection: Fourth Sunday of Easter –

Today's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge to his authority by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the Pharisees and other Jewish leaders. Already, the Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angered that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus.

Set in a moment of tension and conflict, today's Gospel reading is Jesus' answer to the question, "Are you the Messiah?" Jesus responds by saying, in essence, "If you have to ask, then you are not one of my sheep." Then Jesus asserts his unity with the Father. At the conclusion of these words, John reports that the Jews intend to stone Jesus for blasphemy, but he escapes arrest.

The image of Jesus as Good Shepherd and the community of followers as his sheep has endured over the centuries as a primary image in our faith tradition. The image speaks to us about the protection, security, and care that shepherds represent for their sheep.

Today's Gospel speaks powerfully about the familiarity and intimacy between Jesus and his disciples, expressed as recognizing and knowing another's voice. It also speaks to the relationship between Jesus and the Father. To know Jesus is to know the Father. Jesus doesn't just bring us closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us. Our relationship with Jesus is an invitation to share in the life of God. *Taken from Loyola Press*

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