

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

*St. Aloysius Gonzaga*

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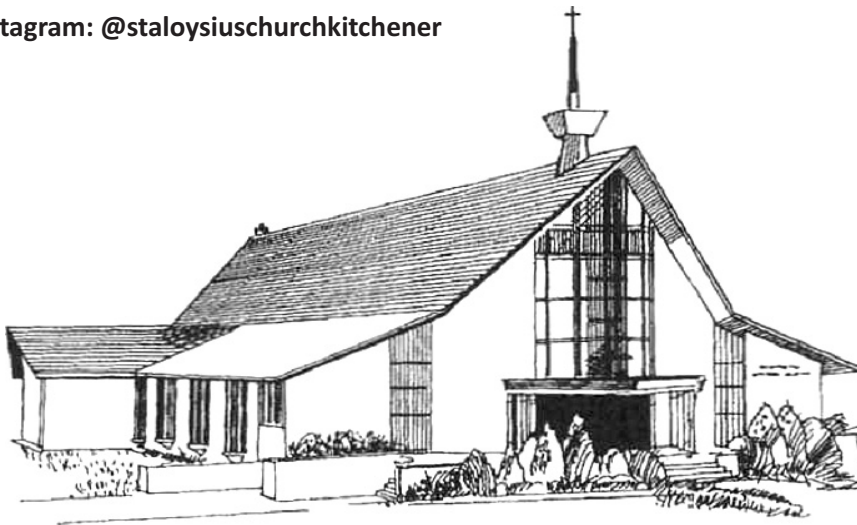
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#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

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

#### **SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY..... 5:00pm

SUNDAY.....9:00am

.....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](http://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, or in our parish office. 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.

## ASCENSION OF THE LORD



**May 18 – May 24 2026**

|                             |                                                                         |
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| <b>Monday</b><br>8:30 am    | (ferial)<br>- Int. of Stephanie Andrade + Joseph Loi Hoang              |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>6:00 pm   | (ferial)<br>- Int. of Mariano Andrade + Frank Lustic                    |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>8:30 am | (ferial)<br>+ Ernest McDonald and Mark Ciccio<br>- Int. of Adam Pacheco |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>8:30 am  | (ferial)<br>- Int. of John and Saida Andrade + Maria Pereira            |
| <b>Friday</b><br>8:30 am    | (ferial)<br>+ Fr. Chris Buda + Jose Costa                               |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>8:30 am  | (ferial)<br>+ Solomon M. Mabitad<br>+ Arturo Lina Villapando            |

### Solemnity – Pentecost Sunday

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| <b>Sat 5pm</b>                                                       | + Beatrice Costello + Leonard George             |
| <b>Sun 9am</b>                                                       | - Int. of our Parishioners                       |
| <b>Sun 11am</b>                                                      | - Int. of All Priests in the Diocese of Hamilton |
| <b>Children's Liturgy downstairs in parish hall during 11am Mass</b> |                                                  |
| <b>Sun 7pm Mass</b>                                                  | + Ken Lang                                       |

### **Schedule of Events**

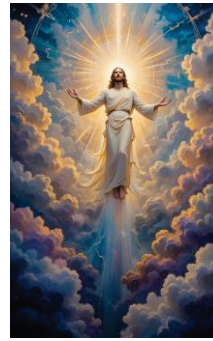
**May 18 – May 24, 2026**

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| <b>Monday</b>    | • Stained Glass Guild ..... 4:00 pm                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | • Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service ..... 10:30 am<br>• Adoration, Confessions and Mass ..... 5:00 pm<br>• Marian Movement for Priests Prayer Group following 6pm Mass |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | • Briarfield Gardens Communion Service/Mass ..... 10:00 am<br>• CWL Mass at Carmel of St. Joseph ..... 6:00 pm<br>• Bible Study Group ..... 6:30 pm                         |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | • Fergus Place Mass/Communion Service ..... 10:00 am                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | • Confessions ..... 3:45-4:30 pm                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | • Children's Liturgy ..... During 11am Mass                                                                                                                                 |

**Tap to Give** We extend our sincere thanks to all parishioners who have made use of our *Tap-to-Donate* machine located in the church lobby. *Your continued support is appreciated.* The device is simple to use—just tap your debit card, credit card, or mobile wallet to contribute \$5, \$10, or \$20. This provides a convenient option for those who may not have cash on hand.



**Offertory Report unavailable this week**



### **This weekend we mark the Ascension of the Lord**

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord marks the fortieth day after Easter, when Jesus ascended body and soul into Heaven and took His place at the right hand of the Father. With His Ascension, Christ completes His earthly mission and opens the way for us to share in His divine life.

As we reflect on this mystery, may we renew our hope in the promise of the Resurrection and our call to one day be united with God in Heaven.

### **Pope's Pastoral Works Collection this weekend -**

This collection provides immediate funds to the Holy Father to support humanitarian relief efforts worldwide, aiding victims of war, famine, and natural disasters. Look for the envelope in your offertory box and please be generous.



### **News from the St. Aloysius CWL -**

On May 20<sup>th</sup>, members of the CWL will be going to the Carmel Of St. Joseph in St. Agatha to celebrate mass with Fr. Melvin and the Sisters at 6pm. They will be carpooling from the St. Aloysius parking lot at 5:15pm if you would like to meet in the parking lot. The shop downstairs at the Carmel will be open after mass. Following mass, the group will return to St. Aloysius for cake and coffee/tea in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome to join them!

The CWL Bursary application for this year is now available. Graduating students who will be going on to post secondary in September of 2026 are welcome to apply by June 10 for a chance at the \$500 bursary. See more on our website at; <https://www.stalloysius.on.ca/catholic-womens-league>

### **May is the month of Our Lady!**

**On Tues May 26,** 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.*

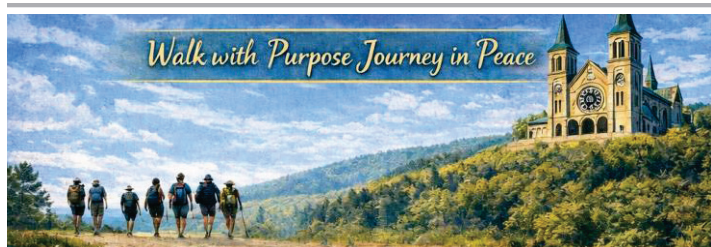


**World Communications Day May 17** – Today Catholics are invited to reflect upon the media of social communication (films, radio, television, newspapers, audiovisuals) and how these influence our lives. The media can promote values that lead to a more fully human society. The Church's ministry is twofold. The media can be used to promote the Gospel. At the same time, receivers of the materials presented by the media, the faithful have a duty to support and promote worthwhile presentations on media and reject those which promote values contrary to spiritual growth

**The Diocese Wedding Anniversary Mass** - Are you celebrating a milestone Anniversary this year? Join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sun May 31 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. Register at [hamiltondiocese.com](https://hamiltondiocese.com).

**The Mount Mary Retreat Program** is celebrating its 50th anniversary. Young people in our Catholic schools have the opportunity to attend this retreat in their Grade Eight year. It has made a lasting impact on generations of students. To commemorate this milestone anniversary, a celebration is being held at the Retreat Centre in Ancaster on Sunday May 31 from 1-4:30pm. All former students, teachers and their families are invited to attend. There will be a Mass, a time for fellowship, and touring the grounds to recall fond memories.

**Remember St. Aloysius Parish in your Will**  
Your faith and generosity help sustain our parish community. By including the Parish in your will, you ensure that your love and support continue to bless future generations. For details, please contact the Parish Office.



**Guelph Walking Pilgrimage to Midland Aug 1-8**  
Those who walk the Guelph-to-Midland pilgrimage find it to be a unique and grace-filled experience. For eight days pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. *Participate for 1 day, a weekend or the full 8 days!* Cost \$400 for 8 days or \$75 per day. They carry your gear, provide 3 meals and snacks daily, and cover entry and camping fees. You bring your tent, chair and personal gear/clothing in a duffle bag. To register or for more information go to [www.ignatiusguelph.ca](http://www.ignatiusguelph.ca)



**Frassati Leadership Program** - Calling all those entering Grade 10 in Sept 2026! Are you looking to grow in your faith and explore what it means to be a Catholic leader? The Frassati Leadership Program may be for you. Join

other Grade 10 students as they reflect on the foundations of Catholic leadership and grow in faith and leadership skills. For more info visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati/>

**Diocese of Hamilton Marriage Tip** - Being able to count on your spouse is a vital component of a healthy and happy marriage. We establish this kind of relationship by discussing what behaviours and actions we want to expect from each other. Couples need to create a list of expectations that they each agree will be helpful to their day to day married life. The list might include: setting a boundary on cell phone and computer use during family/couple time; agreeing to saying I love you daily; using manners during daily interactions; praying together at one or more points during the day; having a hug or kiss of greeting each time you depart or reunite during the day; agreeing to speak the truth about feelings, not bury them within. An agreed upon list put into action brings feelings of security and a deeper love. *From the Diocese of Hamilton Family Ministry Office*

**Gospel Reflection: The Ascension of the Lord** - The Final Commission, as this Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Here we are told that the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary. They see Jesus, and both worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach, "to make disciples of all nations." It is a task which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples for; recall that Jesus had sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal. However, earlier the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this Final Commission, the eleven are told to go to "all nations." The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people; the task now is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity, one of the clearest attestations found in Scripture for baptism in the name of the Trinity. In the Acts of the Apostles and in the Letters of Paul, baptism is more frequently offered "in the name of Jesus." The ending of Matthew's Gospel can be understood as the beginning of the Church. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue to teach in his name and to bring others into the community of disciples through baptism. The Gospel ends, as it had begun, with the promise that Jesus will continue to be Emmanuel, "God with us" for all eternity. *Taken From Loyola Press*

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