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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

### **PRIESTS**

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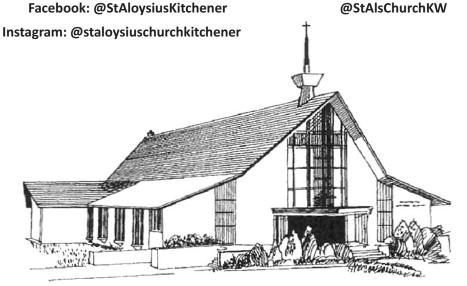
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### **OFFICE HOURS:**

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

<b>SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE</b>
SATURDAY 5:00pm

SUNDAY......9:00am (interpreted for the deaf)

....11:00am .....7:00pm MONDAY.......8:30am TUESDAY.....6:00pm WEDNESDAY....8:30am THURSDAY.....8:30am FRIDAY.....8:30am

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE** 

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.

<u>FUNERALS</u> - 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.

<u>PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK</u> - 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.

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

### MASS INTENTIONS

May 19 - May 25, 2025

Monday 9.30 am (ferial)

8:30 am

Tuesday

6:00 pm

*(ferial)* + Frank Lustic

- Int. of Eduarda Avila

<u>Wednesday</u>

(ferial)

8:30 am

+ Mary Teo Dinh + Pope Francis

**Thursday** 

(ferial)

8:30 am

- In Thanksgiving to St. Rita of Cascia

**Friday** 

(ferial)

8:30 am

+ Albert Bursey

Saturday

(ferial)

8:30 am

### Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sat 5pm + Luiza Cabral + Conception Pereira Sun 9am + Joan Nolan - Int. of Mary O'Malley

**Sun 11am** + Francis Cooke

Children's Liturgy in parish hall during 11am Mass

Sun 7pm - Int. of our Parishioners



May 19 - May 25, 2025

### Monday - Victoria Day

• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service10:30 am	
• Adoration, Confessions and Mass 5:00 pm	
• Marian Movement for Priests Prayer Group following 6pm Mass	
<u>Wednesday</u>	
• Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service10:00 am	
CWL Carmel Mass and fellowship 6:00 pm	
<u>Thursday</u>	
• Doon Village Mass/Communion Service10:00 am	
<u>Saturday</u>	
• Confessions	
Sunday	
Children's Liturgy during 11:00 am Mass	

#### OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection for May 11	\$2570.00
Sunday Loose Collection for May 11	\$1440.00
Total Offertory for May 11, 2025	\$4010.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)	\$854.69



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### News from the St. Aloysius CWL

<u>May 21 at 6pm</u> 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.



### **Bring Flowers to Mary**

May is the month of Our Lady! On Tuesday, May 27, we will have a procession to bring flowers to Mary during the 6 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.* 

### St. Aloysius Parish Potluck Dinner

Join us for a potluck dinner on Fri May 30 in our Parish Hall. Doors will open at 5:30pm, and the dinner will start at 6pm. Sign up in the church foyer and remember to list the dish you are bringing, and the number of guests. We hope to see you!



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.

May 24–World Day of Prayer for the Church in China In May 2007, Pope Benedict XVI asked that May 24 be observed as a Day of Prayer of the Church in China. He chose this day since it is the traditional Feast of Our Lady of Help of Christians, venerated at the Shrine of Sheshan in Shanghai.

### Special Collection May 25 – Pope's Pastoral Works

Next weekend's special collection helps the Holy Father's charitable endeavors. It helps to aid global humanitarian efforts, and supports the Pope's charitable activities worldwide. Catholics around the world are asked to contribute to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. *Please be generous*.



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. At Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Waterloo on May 23/24; Fri 6:45-9:30pm and Sat 8:45am-4:00pm. Cost is \$130 for materials, snacks and lunch. Register via <a href="mailto:davefromcm@gmail.com">davefromcm@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:https://www.criticalmassmusic.org/tour-dates">https://www.criticalmassmusic.org/tour-dates</a>

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass – Last Chance to Register! Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, 2025 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance. Register at hamiltondiocese.com under 'Upcoming Events'.

### Adult Faith Formation through VLCFF

The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation.

We are currently taking enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2025. Three and five week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information about the programs, and how to register, visit; www.hamiltondioceselearns.com



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

**Serra Club Vocation Seed** - The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email Father Mark at <u>vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</u> or find out more at hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

### Gospel Reflection: Fifth Sunday of Easter -

In Today's Gospel we hear words spoken by Jesus before his death and Resurrection at the Last Supper. John's Gospel does not include an institution of the Eucharist narrative; instead, Jesus washes his disciples' feet. Immediately after, Jesus predicts his betrayal by Judas. Today's Gospel follows that prediction. It can be read as a continuing explanation of Jesus' act of washing his disciples' feet. It begins with the announcement that this is the moment when the Son of Man will be glorified. This theme continues throughout John's Passion. Jesus will be glorified in his death on the cross and in his Resurrection, and the disciples will glorify Jesus in the love they show.

John's Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. This is a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice. It is difficult to choose to love when faced with hatred and anger. Jesus tells the disciples that all will know that they are his disciples because of the love they show for one another. This description of the early Christian community will be repeated in the Acts of the Apostles: "See how they love one another." Christian love is the hallmark of Christianity. We see it lived in the witness of the martyrs. We see it in the example of the lives of the saints. We see it in the holy women and men who live and love daily, making small and large sacrifices for others. Taken from Loyola Press



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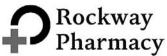


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