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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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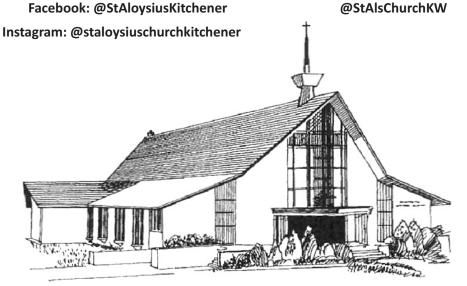
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OFFICE HOURS:

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)

....11:00am7:00pm 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

May 26 - June 1, 2025

Monday (Memorial – St. Philip Neri, Priest)
8:30 am - Int. of Ray and Tracey O'Malley

<u>Tuesday</u> (ferial)

6:00 pm - Int. of Rosa and Carlos Paiva

Wednesday (ferial)

8:30 am + Jozef Chovanec - Int. of Pope Leo XIV

Thursday (ferial)

8:30 am + Albert Bursey - In Thanksgiving for Robert Nesbit

Friday (ferial)

8:30 am - Int. of Antwan Shenouda – Int. of Sarah Onel Yago

<u>Saturday</u> (Feast – The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

8:30 am - Int. of Maria Costa

Solemnity - The Ascension of the Lord

<u>Sat 5pm</u> + Conception Pereira + Mary Ann Sellner <u>Sun 9am</u> + Ula Flossie Byrne + Randy Dopp

Sun 11am + Arthur Ladzik

Children's Liturgy in parish hall during 11am Mass

Sun 7pm - Int. of our Parishioners

May 26 - Jun 1, 2025 Schedule Fevents Monday Stained Glass Guild4:00 pm • Food Pantry Open......7-8 pm 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 Friday <u>Saturday</u> • Confessions.......3:45-4:30 pm Sunday Children's Liturgy......during 11:00 am Mass

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection for May 18	\$2175.75
Sunday Loose Collection for May 18	\$1185.00
Total Offertory for May 18, 2025	\$3360.75



Bring Flowers to Mary



Join us on Tuesday, May 27, for 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, Benediction **6:00pm** Mass, beginning with procession of flowers to Mary. *Flowers will be provided.*

St. Aloysius Parish Potluck Dinner

We hope to see 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.



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, beginning 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 office.

Special Collection May 25 - Pope's Pastoral Works

This 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*.

Ways to support St. Aloysius Parish <u>Donate through your smartphone:</u> Scan the QR Code to donate to through CanadaHelps





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Building on a legacy of care, St. Joseph's St. Mary's Health Health System recently launched St. Mary's Health and St. Mary's Health @

Home to renew Catholic care in the Region of Waterloo and meet the changing health and social needs of the community.

- St. Mary's General Hospital was founded by the Sisters of St. Joseph more than a century ago, and its legacy of compassionate care continues to guide their work today.
- St. Mary's Health aims to enhance home and community care services, expand access to primary and specialty care.

The first offering under this new initiative is St. Mary's Health @ Home, a hospital-to-home program that supports patients as they transition from hospital care back to their homes.

For more information, please visit:

- St. Joseph's Health System; https://sjhs.ca/news/advancing-<u>care-beyond-boundaries-home-and-community-based-care-for-</u> the-region-of-waterloo/
- St. Mary's Health@Home; https://www.stmaryshealthhome.ca/

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.

They 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 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



Collection for Church Repairs & Maintenance Jun 1

We are deeply grateful to all who continue to support our Parish. As you know, caring for a church of this age and size brings ongoing

maintenance and repair needs, both inside and out.

Next weekend, we will be holding a special collection dedicated to help cover the costs of these essential repairs and upkeep. Your generosity makes it possible for us to preserve and improve our beloved church for all who worship

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our Parish community.

Serra Club Vocation Seed - Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to Him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life?

If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email Father Mark at vocations@hamiltondiocese.com find out more at hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Gospel Reflection: Sixth Sunday of Easter

This portion of John's Gospel comes near the end of the first of four chapters that make up Jesus' long farewell discourse at the Last Supper. This section of chapter 14 actually sums up the themes of the opening of the discourse: the Christian's life is not shaped by Jesus' absence but by God's abiding presence; God's presence overcomes anxiety about God's absence; and the present holds in it the seeds of a fresh future shaped by love, not fear.

These verses also contain a glimpse of some of the other themes of the farewell discourse: Jesus' relationship with the Father and the disciples' relationship to Jesus connect the disciples to the Father as well. Jesus promises to send an Advocate or intercessor who will remind the disciples of everything that Jesus taught them and bring them peace.

Jesus is preparing his disciples in advance for his absence so that they will continue to believe in him and not feel all alone after his return to the Father. After the initial excitement of his Easter appearances, Jesus will remain with his followers in a very different way throughout the centuries.

As our celebration of the Easter season is coming to an end, the liturgy reminds us that Jesus remains with us through the Holy Spirit, who teaches us everything we need to know, reminds us of all that Jesus taught, and brings us peace. Taken from Loyola Press



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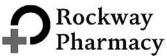


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