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

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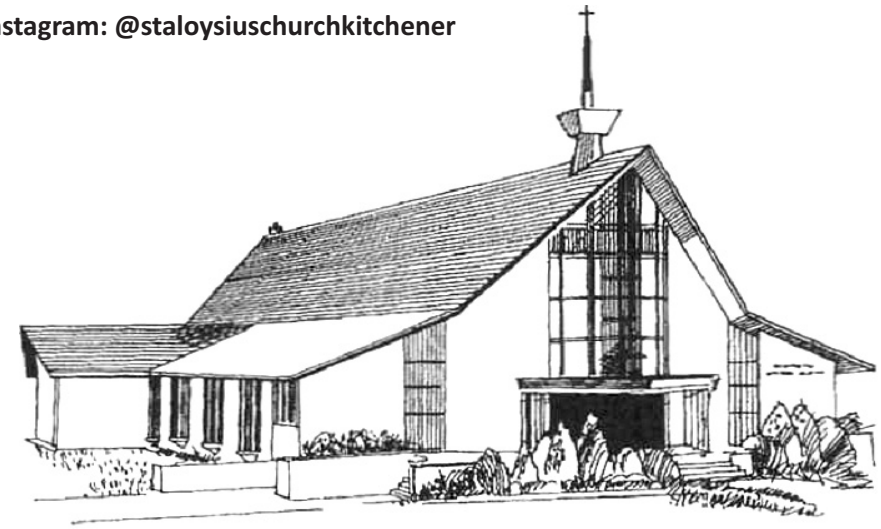

OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY: Closed, TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm, FRIDAY: 9am-12pm

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS

May 5 – May 11, 2025

Monday *(ferial)*
8:30 am + Joseph Loi Hoang
- Int. of David and Rose O'Malley

Tuesday *(Memorial - St. Francois de Laval, Bishop – Patron of Canadian Bishops)*
6:00 pm - Int. of Fr. David Avila
+ Mary Dinh Nen

Wednesday *(ferial)*
8:30 am + Ephrazinia and Cornelius Kubrak

Thursday *(ferial)*
8:30 am + Laura McAuley

Friday *(ferial)*
8:30 am - Int. of Joyce and Mike Coopman

Saturday *(ferial)*
8:30 am + Doreen Arthurs and Grant Hoey

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sat 5pm - Int. of Father Melvin Pinto
Sun 9am + Herb and Violet Altman
Sun 11am - Int. of our Parishioners
Children's Liturgy in parish hall during 11am Mass
Sun 7pm + Pope Francis

Schedule of Events

May 5 – May 11, 2025

Monday
- Stained Glass Guild .....4:00 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
- St. Timothy School Catholic Education Week Liturgy/Mass.....10:00 am

Thursday
- St. Aloysius School – Catholic Education Week Mass.....9:30 am
- Doon Village Mass/Communion Service .....10:00 am

Friday
- St. Kateri School – Catholic Education Week Liturgy/Mass .....12:30 pm

Saturday
- Secular Carmel Meeting.....9:30 am
- Monthly Baptisms.....3:00 pm
- Confessions ..... 3:45-4:30 pm

Sunday
- Children's Liturgy ..... during 11:00 am Mass

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection for April 27.....$2498.00
Sunday Loose Collection for April 27 .....$1292.00
Total Offertory for Apr 27, 2025 ..... $3790.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)..... .....$854.69

Ways to support St. Aloysius Parish Electronically

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News from the St. Aloysius CWL

The CWL will be offering a Bursary for $500 to any graduating Grade 12 student who is going on to post secondary studies. The student's family must be parishioners of St. Aloysius and applicants must show service to the church in some capacity. Please email catherine.hann@ymail.com for further details, or visit; https://www.staloysius.on.ca/catholic-womens-league

Catholic Education PILGRIMS OF HOPE
"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given to us."
Pope Francis

Catholic Education Week begins Sun May 4. The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to learn about the various celebrations that are happening in your children's school. Publicly funded Catholic education has existed in Ontario since 1841 and its graduates have served Ontario and Canada very well. The current generation of students in our publicly funded Catholic schools will serve with the same spirit and generosity as their previous generations.

RCIA/RCIC

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a Catholic? Consider joining our R.C.I.A (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) or R.C.I.C (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) *for children over the age of 8.* The programs will begin in the fall of 2025. Please speak with one of our Priests after Mass or call our parish office for more information.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the children of our parish schools who are receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend. We ask that you please keep them in your prayers.

Red Dress Day to Honour MMIWG (Murdered & Missing Indigenous Women & Girls)

St. Mary's Church Truth & ReconciliACTION Circle, in collaboration with the Waterloo Catholic Education Center, will have prayers and smudging for remembrance and healing in support of Red Dress Day to honour all murdered and missing Indigenous women and girls. Join them, May 5 at 9am at St. Mary's Church Reconciliation Garden. Following the service, the group will join 'Healing of the Seven Generations' in Victoria Park to support their program to remember and honour MMIWG.

'March for Life' bus from Kitchener - The KW Right to Life Association will travel to Toronto Sat May 10, to join the March for Life at Toronto's Queen's Park. The bus will leave from the front of Walmart's Fairview Park Mall parking Lot at 8:00 am and will return to Kitchener around 4pm. Reserve your seat for $25 dollars. Children and students are free. For more information, call 519-746-5433 or jane@kwrtl.ca.

Spring Clothing Drive - St. Aloysius School is holding their spring Clothing Drive on Sat May 10 from 9am-noon. You can drop off items in their back parking lot off Connaught Street. They will accept any item made from fabric, and the items can be in any condition, including stained or with holes. Please bring clothing, bedding, pillows, purses, luggage, shoes and boots to the drive.

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.

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. Ame*

Gospel Reflection: Third Sunday of Easter – In today's Gospel, the disciples are in Galilee, returning to their work of fishing. Jesus calls to the disciples from the shore, but just as when Jesus first appeared to Mary of Magdala, the disciples do not recognize him immediately. Still, they follow the stranger's instructions and bring in a large haul of fish. It is at this point that one of the disciples realizes that Jesus is appearing to them.

Once on the shore, they see that Jesus has already prepared fish and bread on a charcoal fire. Jesus directs the disciples to bring their catch of fish as well. Jesus is host at the meal that follows, feeding the disciples the bread and fish. In this detail we see allusions to the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes told in John 6.

There are also allusions in the Gospel to our gathering for the celebration of the Mass. In the Eucharist, we too are fed by Jesus in the bread and wine that have become his very Body and Blood.

After the meal, Jesus directs himself to Simon Peter. The community of John's Gospel probably looked down on Peter because of his denial of Jesus. This dialogue with Simon Peter is a reversal of Peter's three denials. Peter is forgiven. Having been restored to friendship with Jesus, Simon Peter is sent on a mission. "Feed my lambs . . . Tend my sheep . . . Feed my sheep." These commands indicate that Peter is to be as Jesus, even unto sacrificing for the flock. As Jesus has fed Peter in this meal and as Jesus feeds us in the Eucharist, so he also sends us to follow him, asking that we offer our lives in service and sacrifice.

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