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

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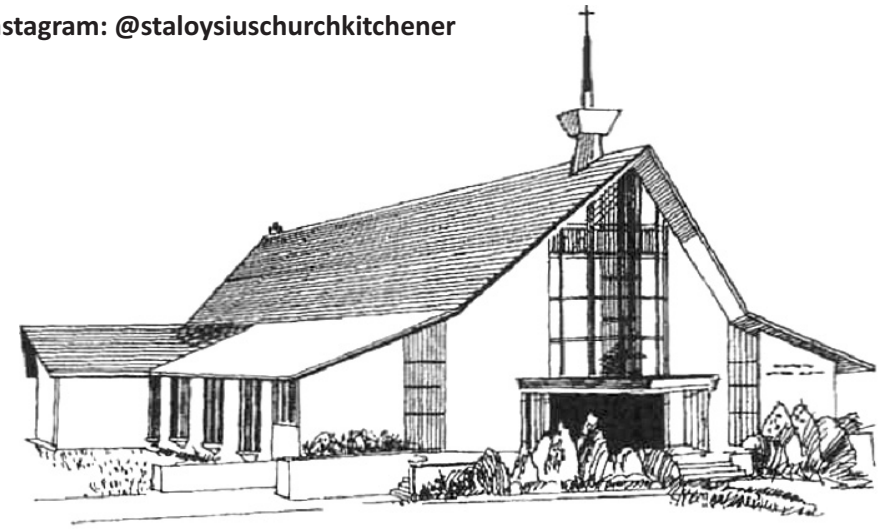

OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY: Closed, TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm, FRIDAY: 9am-12pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE
SATURDAY..... 5:00pm
SUNDAY.....9:00am
.....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, 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Nov 17 – Nov 23, 2025

Monday *(Memorial – St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious)*
8:30 am + Maria Teo and Joseph Bang

Tuesday *(ferial)*
6:00 pm + Luz Elena Frumkin

Wednesday *(ferial)*
8:30 am + Mary Gartner

Thursday *(ferial)*
8:30 am + All Souls in Purgatory

Friday *(Memorial – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)*
8:30 am + Aquino Coranes and Fausto Ganados

Saturday *(Memorial – St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr)*
No Mass this Morning

Solemnity – Our Lord Jesus Christ, Kind of the Universe
Sat 5pm + Manuel and Hortencia Avila
+ Maria Nen
Sun 9am + Claudette Mordeczko
Sun 11am + Bernard Koebel
Children's Liturgy downstairs in Parish Hall during 11am Mass
Sun 7pm - Int. of our Parishioners

Schedule of Events

Nov 17 – Nov 23, 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 Communion Service/Mass .....10:00 am
- Rehearsal for Sacrament of Confirmation ..... 6:30 pm
- RCIA/RCIC ..... 7:00 pm

Thursday
- Fergus Place Communion Service/Mass .....10:00 am

Saturday
- Sacrament of Confirmation.....10:30 am
- Confessions ..... 3:45-4:30 pm

Sunday
- Children's Liturgy (Parish Hall) ..... during 11:00 am Mass

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection for Nov 9.....$1990.00
Sunday Loose/Tip Tap Collection for Nov 9.....$1257.00
Total Offertory for Nov 9, 2025 ..... $3247.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)..... ....$862.54

Please 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.

Sacrament of Confirmation Information

This week, 78 young people from our parish community are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please keep them in your prayers as they complete their preparation and open their hearts to the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Here are the important dates this week;

Wed Nov 19 at 6:30pm - *Mandatory Rehearsal* for all Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors

Sat Nov 22 at 10:30am –*Sacrament of Confirmation*

May God bless all our candidates and their families during this joyful and faith-filled time.

News from the CWL

- Thank you to everyone who donated, helped, and came out for their annual Christmas Bazaar. You were all part of its success. Come to their general meeting on Tuesday November 18 after mass at approximately 6:30pm to be one of the first to hear the results of the bazaar.

Looking ahead, the Senior's Dinner is December 3. Members of the CWL will be giving out tickets after masses on November 22/23 and November 29/30.

40th Anniversary of World Youth Day – Nov 23

Instituted in 1985 at the conclusion of the International Year of Youth and in conjunction with Saint John Paul II's World Youth Day gatherings, this observance had taken place on Palm Sunday. In 2020, Pope Francis transferred the date to the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

Pope Leo XIV writes in honour of the 40th World Youth Day;

"Dear young people, in the face of the world's sufferings and hopes, let us fix our gaze on Jesus. As he was dying on the cross, he entrusted the Virgin Mary to John as his mother, and John to her as her son. That ultimate gift of love is for every disciple, for each of us. I invite you to welcome this holy bond with Mary, a mother full of affection and understanding, and to cultivate it in particular by praying the Rosary. That way, in every situation of our life, we will experience that we are never alone, for as children we are always loved, forgiven and encouraged by God. Bear witness to this joyfully!"

Prayer Hour for the Unborn at St. Aloysius

Our unborn need your help. Please consider a sacrifice of prayer for an hour. On Sat Nov 29 after the 5pm Mass, Our Lord will be Exposed, and we will begin an hour of planned prayers. Please join us!

Sunday Missals - Don't miss out! We have a few Sunday missals for sale at the back of the church by the confessional room. Missals are $6 dollars each while supplies last. There are also a limited number of children's missals for $10 each.

Envelopes in the Church Foyer - Please remember to pick up your 2026 parish offertory envelopes in the church lobby. They are filed by envelope number. If you are unsure of your envelope number, please contact the parish office.

Thank You for Supporting Our Church Door Project

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners for your generous donations toward our parish building upgrades. Since the beginning of August, we have received **$12,270** in support of the installation of our new church doors at the front of our church, our Marian Entrance and Parish Hall entrance. Your generosity is helping a great deal towards the cost of **just over $35,000** for the new doors.

If you would like to contribute to this important project, **"Special Appeal" envelopes** are available at the back of the church. Thank you once again for your kindness and continued support — **your generosity truly opens doors!**

Un "Be-Leaf" able Volunteers!

Fall is that wonderful time of year when the leaves change from green to many shades of red, orange and yellow. It is certainly a gift from God before the season officially changes to winter. Although it is a lovely gift, it also means all of those beautiful leaves eventually fall with the drop in temperatures. We have a small team of amazing volunteers who have spent countless hours raking, collecting and disposing of dozens upon dozens of bags of leaves on our church property this fall. The work is almost complete, as most of the leaves have now dropped. *We really appreciate your dedication and help with this tremendous task!*

Tap to Give…..Thank You for Your Generosity!

We extend our sincere thanks to all parishioners who have made use of our new *Tap-to-Donate* machine located in the church lobby. *Your continued support is deeply 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.

CURSILLO is a movement that helps us get closer to God. There will be a women's Cursillo weekend from November 23-25, 2025, in Deemerton, Ontario. For information, contact Dan Brown at dmbrown269@gmail.com

The Act II – Separated & Divorced Support Group meets on the 3rd Tues of every month at 7:30 pm, in the Resource Centre at St. Michael's Parish Waterloo. With the support of others, you can begin to heal after a divorce. For more information visit their website; stmichaelw.ca or contact their parish office 519-884-9311.

SISTERS ADORERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

The Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood, a community of Contemplative Sisters, have been present in the Hamilton Diocese since 1946. In addition to their ministry of prayer, they produce altar breads for many Parishes, including St. Aloysius Parish. If you are interested in exploring a vocation of the Contemplative way of life, please contact them. More info can be found through their website at www.pbsisters.ca.

Serra Club "Vocation Seeds" "By your endurance you will gain your souls." Be patient with yourself and with God as you await the sign of your call. 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: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
Online: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Gospel Reflection: Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

- In the context of Luke, today's Gospel appears near the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. His warnings and predictions are ominous but can be read in many ways.

To those who first heard Luke's Gospel, those may have been words of encouragement. Luke tries to interpret the fall of Jerusalem for them and to locate it in God's plans for humankind (salvation history). At the same time, Luke is suggesting to his audience that there will be a considerable elapse of time before Jesus' final coming. Luke's listeners have likely seen much upheaval and are anxious to know if these are the signs of Jesus' coming. Luke is urging greater patience.

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for "It will lead to your giving testimony" (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation.

Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties.

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