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St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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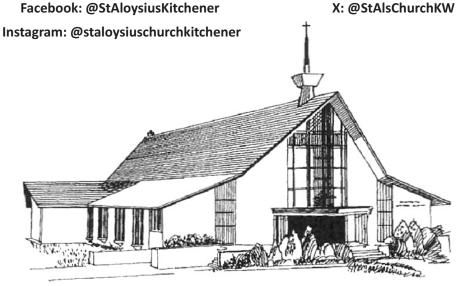
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OFFICE HOURS:

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

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE	WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE		
SATURDAY 5:00pm	MONDAY8:30am		
SUNDAY9:00am	TUESDAY6:00pm		
11:00am	WEDNESDAY8:30am		
	THURSDAY8:30am		
7:00pm	FRIDAY8:30am		
	SATURDAY8:30am		

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.



Oct 20 - Oct 26, 2025

Monday (ferial)

8:30 am - Int. of Natasha and Len + Remedios Manzanero

Tuesday

NO MASS TONIGHT

6:00 pm

Wednesday NO MASS TODAY

8:30 am

Thursday (ferial)

8:30 am + Lucy De Amorim + Bill Mikol

<u>Friday</u> (ferial)

8:30 am + Tommy Thomson and Gerard Bonnar

Saturday (ferial)

8:30 am

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5pm + Vernon Rama + Jim Whaling

Sun 9am + Shaun O'Malley

Sun 11am + Manuel Pacheco + David Park

Sun 7pm - Int. of our Parishioners

Schedule Frents Oct 20 - Oct 26, 2025
Monday Schedule Sales Allert 193
Stained Glass Guild 4:00 pm
<u>Tuesday</u>
• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service10:30 am
 No Mass or evening prayer service tonight
<u>Wednesday</u>
 No morning Mass and office closed today
Confirmation Information Night 6:30 pm
• RCIA/RCIC
<u>Thursday</u>
• Fergus Place Mass/Communion Service10:00 am
<u>Friday</u>
Potluck Dinner 6:00 pm
<u>Saturday</u>
• Confessions
<u>Sunday</u>
• Children's Liturgy (Parish Hall)during 11:00 am Mass

OFFERTORY REPORT Sunday Envelope Collection for Oct 12......\$3112.00 Sunday Loose/Tip Tap Collection for Oct 12.....\$1280.00 Total Offertory for Oct 12, 2025.....\$4390.00 Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....\$882.38

World Mission Sunday – Special Collection

This weekend is World Mission Sunday, a special day that unites Catholics worldwide in prayer, solidarity, and support for the Church's mission efforts. Look for your World Mission Sunday envelope in your offertory box and please give generously!



Ministry Month at St. Aloysius! Have you ever wondered how you can make a meaningful impact in our parish community? Now's your chance! This October, we are inviting YOU to explore

the many vibrant ministries at St. Aloysius Parish — and maybe even discover a new way to share your time and talents.

Whether you feel called to greet others as an Usher, proclaim the Word as a Lector, bring joy through Music Ministry, or help with Children's Liturgy, Lawn & Garden care, or our Retirement Home Ministry, there's a place for everyone!

This weekend, we have sign-up sheets in our lobby for those interested in becoming Ushers and joining our Music Ministry in one of our available choirs. Please sign up for your preferred Mass.

Thank you for sharing your time and talents with our Parish!



News from the CWL

The CWL is hosting a night of knitting and crochet open to all parishioners and friends. Learn the basics of knitting and share your expertise if you are experienced in knitting or

crochet work. 'Yarn and Yap' is coming up Thursday October 30 from 6-7 in the parish hall. Bring yourself, a coffee or tea, and any knitting/crochet supplies you might have.

The annual Christmas bazaar will be coming up Sat Nov 15 from 10am-1pm. They are looking for volunteers to assist. They are also looking for donations for the raffle, silent auction, and tombola, as well as children's table and craft table. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office during business hours.

The CWL Seniors Dinner is coming up Wed Dec 4. If you would like to volunteer your time, please contact the parish office for more information.

Mass cancellations this week

Please note the following mass cancellations this week due to a Priests' seminar

Tuesday Oct 21 – Evening Mass, Confessions, Adoration and the evening prayer group are cancelled.

Wednesday Oct 22 – Morning mass is cancelled, and the parish office will be closed.

Important Dates for Sacrament of Confirmation

Wed Oct 22 at 6:30pm – Mandatory Information session for registered Candidates and Parents/Guardians Wed Nov 19 at 6:30pm – Mandatory Rehearsal for all Candidates and Sponsors

Sat Nov 22 at 10:30am – Sacrament of Confirmation for all Candidates

Next Parish Potluck is this Friday night at 6pm!



Join us for a potluck dinner on Fri Oct 24 in our Parish Hall. Doors will open at 5:30pm, and the dinner will start at 6pm. Sign up in the church foyer. Remember to list the dish you are

bringing and the number of guests. We hope to see you!

Mass for Departed Souls - On Tuesday Nov 4 at 6pm we will be having a Mass to pray for those who have died over the past year in our parish community. Please join us as we remember our departed parishioners.

40 Days for Life - From Sept 24 to Nov 2, the annual 40 Days for Life campaign invites us to pray, fast, and stand peacefully for the protection of unborn lives. Parishioners are encouraged to sign up to adopt a one-hour time slot. Sign-up and find more information at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener.



Installation of our new doors is underway at St. Aloysius. - A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has already contributed to our church door replacement fundraising campaign. We are replacing both front double doors and 2 side door

entrances to help with security, energy efficiency and the beauty of our church. Thanks to our parish community, we've already raised over \$4500.00 towards the approximate \$35,000.00 cost of the doors. If you'd like to contribute, please look for the "Special Appeal" envelopes at the back of the church. Thank you for your continued support!

Tip Tap Donations - Thanks to everyone who's already



tried out our new tap-to-donate machine in the lobby. We really appreciate your support! it is very easy to use. Just tap your debit card, credit card, or mobile wallet to donate \$5, \$10, or \$20. It's a great option for those who don't carry cash. We're so grateful for your continued generosity!

Catholic Speed Dating Event in Hamilton

Organized by St. Ann and Immaculate Heart of Mary Parishes in Hamilton - Are you seeking a genuine relationship grounded in shared values? Join them for an evening of Catholic Speed Dating designed to foster lifelong relationships within the Catholic Community.

Nov 15 from 6:30 - 9:30pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish 934 Hwy 8, Stoney Creek. Pre-register by November 8. For more information go to;

https://stannhamilton.church/speed-dating

A Walk with Jesus Retreat Day for Grieving Parents

The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join them as they welcome Deacon Henry DeMena from North Carolina to facilitate a retreat day for parents who have lost a child through death. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, join them for this day of healing and support. The retreat is coming up Nov 22 from 9am-4pm at the Church of Our Lady Basilica in Guelph (lunch is included). Register on the Diocesan home page at hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events or by calling the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Diocesan Vocations Month – October 2025You are asked to pray for vocations throughout the month. If you know someone you think should consider a particular vocation, such as marriage, priesthood, consecrated life or the permanent diaconate, be sure to tell that person. For more information about praying for vocations, visit: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/pray-for-vocations/

Gospel Reflection: - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This is the first of two parables that Jesus tells in Luke 18 about prayer. This first parable is a lesson in persistence in prayer. While the parable seems to present prayer as nagging God for what we want, such a reading misses the point. God is not like the judge in the parable, worn down by requests and coerced to respond. The key is found in the description of the judge as corrupt and unjust. Since God can be neither, we must understand Jesus to be saying that if even an unjust judge responds to the persistence of the widow, how much more so will God listen to our prayers. God truly wants to hear our needs and respond generously. It is the final lament of Jesus that gets to the point of the parable. The lesson is about the persistence of the one who prays. God wants us to be like the persistent widow, staying in relationship with God, confident that God hears and answers prayers. Then Jesus laments, "Will such faith be found when the Son of Man comes?" In this lament, Jesus notes how easy it can be for us Loyola Press - Sunday Connection to lose heart.



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