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St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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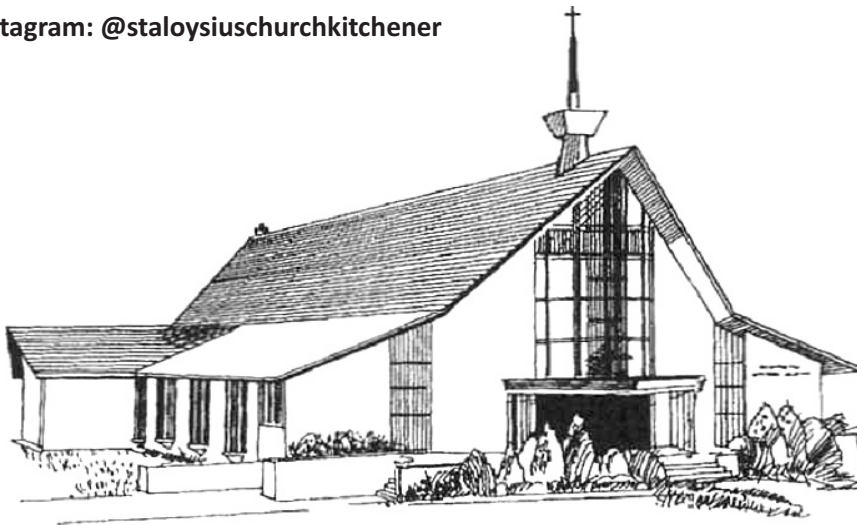
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OFFICE HOURS:

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

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.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS INTENTIONS

Oct 27 – Nov 2, 2025

Monday (ferial)
8:30 am - Int. of Eduarda Avila – Int of Alexandra Castro

Tuesday (Feast – St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles)
6:00 pm + All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday (ferial)
8:30 am - Int. of Bridget Andrews

Thursday (ferial)
8:30 am + Kevin Gervais

Friday (ferial)
8:30 am + Vernon Rama

Saturday (Solemnity of All Saints)
8:30 am + Claudette Mordeczko + Sister Brigid Nwosu

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)

Sat 5pm - Int. of Parishioners

Sun 9am + All Souls in Purgatory

Sun 11am + All Souls in Purgatory

Children's Liturgy downstairs in Parish Hall during 11am Mass

Sun 7pm + All Souls in Purgatory



Oct 27 – Nov 2, 2025

Monday

- Stained Glass Guild 4:00 pm
- Food Pantry Open 6-7 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
- RCIA/RCIC 7:00 pm

Thursday

- CWL Yarn and Yap – Knitting and Crochet Group 6:00 pm

Saturday

- Confessions 3:45-4:30 pm

Sunday

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

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection for Oct 19.....\$1830.00

Sunday Loose/Tip Tap Collection for Oct 19\$1180.00

Total Offertory for Oct 19, 2025 **\$3010.00**

Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....\$882.38

World Mission Sunday\$722.00

Special Collection next weekend Repairs & Maintenance

Our church has required several important upgrades and repairs recently, including new boiler components, a new air conditioning unit in the Rectory and outdoor painting. We are deeply grateful for the generosity of our parishioners, whose support helps us maintain our beautiful church building. Please consider contributing to this special collection. Look for the designated envelope in your offertory box next weekend.



Ministry Month at St. Aloysius!

During the month of October discover how you can make a meaningful impact in our parish community. Explore the many ministries at St. Aloysius Parish — and maybe discover a new way to share your time and talents.

This weekend, we have sign-up sheets in our lobby for those interested in assisting with our Long Term Care/Retirement Home and Lawn and Garden Ministries.

We have some amazing volunteers who are helping to maintain the property by collecting many bags of fallen leaves. *They can't do it alone!* Please consider volunteering your time to help collect leaves on our property.

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.



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!

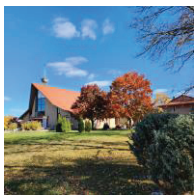
40 Days for Life - The annual 40 Days for Life campaign continues until November 2, 2025. The campaign invites us to pray, fast, and stand peacefully for the protection of unborn lives. Parishioners are encouraged to sign up to adopt a one-hour time slot. Sign-up and find more information at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener

Note from the Parish Office - We will soon be preparing your church offertory envelopes for 2026. If you no longer require envelopes, or have a new address, please inform the office as soon as possible.



Sunday Missals on Sale Next weekend - Look for them starting next weekend at the back of the church for sale while supplies last. Regular Missals are \$6.00 each and Children's Missals are \$10 each.

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday Nov 2. Remember to turn your manual clocks back an hour before heading to bed on Sat Nov 1. Most digital and Wi-Fi-connected devices automatically adjust, but it's a good idea to double check your clocks when you wake up on Nov. 2. That way, you can avoid showing up to Mass an hour too early next Sunday.



Our new church doors are here!

We're thrilled to share that new sets of doors have already been installed at the Marian Entrance and the Church Hall entrances and it's all thanks to the generosity of our parish community. These

new doors enhance both the security and energy efficiency of our church—while adding to its welcoming appearance.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has already contributed to the Church Door Replacement Fund. Together, we've raised over \$6,545.00 toward the total project cost of approximately \$35,000. If you'd like to help us with this important project, "Special Appeal" envelopes are available at the back of the church. *Thank you for your continued kindness and support.*

News from the CWL - The CWL is hosting a night of knitting and crochet open to all parishioners and friends. 'Yarn and Yap' is coming up this Thurs Oct 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. Any CWL members who can help out, please reach out to the CWL Executive. Prizes for the bazaar are still needed especially in the \$5-\$10 range, as well as children's items for the tombola 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.

Vocations Dance – Nov 7 - Mount Mary, Ancaster

Father Mark Morley invites the young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend a Regency period dance for dating couples and singles who are discerning the vocation of sacramental marriage on Fri Nov 7th, at Mount Mary Retreat Centre (437 Wilson Street East, Ancaster) starting at 7:00pm. The evening includes a talk, dance instruction, and hors d'oeuvres. Cost: \$20 per person. Online registration required by Monday, November 3rd. Space is limited. For registration and more details, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

Mercy: The heart of Justice

- A one day retreat is being held on Sat Nov 8 at St. Brigid's Villa (Ignatius Spirituality Centre) in Guelph. Registration at 9am; retreat from 9:30 to 3:30 pm. Potluck lunch. Free parking, coffee/tea provided. Cost is \$30.00. Sponsored by Development and Peace. To register, please contact Patti at pattitusch@gmail.com before Oct 31st.

Rekindling the Light: Retreat Day for Busy Ministers

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is very pleased to offer a full-day retreat for all adult ministry leaders on Sat Nov 15 at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Cambridge. Join them for a day of prayer and sharing of the graces of pastoral ministry. Register at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

Separated & Divorced Support Group

- The Act II monthly informal support group meets on the 3rd Tuesday 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. Registration is not required. Visit their website stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced or contact our Parish office 519-884-9311, for more information.

A Walk with Jesus Retreat Day for Grieving Parents

The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join them for a retreat day for parents who have lost a child. Whether the death is recent or some time ago, join them for this day of healing and support. 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.



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

Gospel Reflection: - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The second parable that Jesus tells in Luke 18 addresses attitude in prayer. In contrasting the prayer of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray in humility before God. Jesus again surprises his listeners by showing the tax collector as the example of faith, rather than the Pharisee. Remember that Pharisees were members of a sect of Judaism active in Jesus' time. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for Jewish piety. If anyone would be a model for prayer, a Pharisee was a likely candidate. In contrast, Jesus offers the tax collector as a model for prayer. Tax collectors were collaborators with the Roman authorities in a system that allowed the tax collectors to line their own pockets by charging in excess of the defined taxes. Yet, in this parable, Jesus offers the humility of the tax collector as a model for the prayer of a disciple. The parable reminds us that when we pray, we must remember our need for God in our lives. If we are too full of ourselves, there is too little room for God's grace to work in us. **Loyola Press – Sunday Connection**

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