"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

Facebook: @StAloysiusKitchener

SATURDAY..... 5:00pm SUNDAY......9:00am (interpreted for the deaf)11:00am7:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Twitter: @StAlsChurchKW

MONDAY.......8:30am TUESDAY......7:00pm WEDNESDAY....8:30am THURSDAY.....8:30am FRIDAY.....8:30am

CONFESSIONS - Tuesday: 6 - 6:45pm, Saturday: 3:45 - 4:30pm, or by appointment.

<u>BAPTISM</u> - Please fill out an application form and contact our parish office for more details. Application forms can be found online or in our front foyer.

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.

<u>PARISH RECORDS AND REGISTRATION</u> - 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.

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 4 – Oct 10, 2021

Monday (Memorial – St. Francis of Assisi)

8:30 am + Lucy De Amorim - Parents

Tuesday (ferial)

7:00 pm + All Souls in Purgatory – Rosa Paiva

Wednesday (ferial)

8:30 am + Robert Paleczny

Thursday8:30 amHsauro Oliveira – Elisa Oliveira

Friday (ferial)

8:30 am + Deceased friends and family of Lois Tessner

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>Sat 5:00pm</u> + Jose Carreiro – Rosa and Carlos
 <u>Sun 9:00am</u> + Arthur Ladzik – Kathy and Family
 <u>Sun 11:00am</u> – Int. of Matei and Maria Petuker - Family
 <u>Sun 7:00pm</u> - Int. of Parishioners of St. Aloysius Parish

Parish News

We are happy to see you! We now have more space to welcome you at our public Masses! Physically distant seating and our Covid-19 health and safety regulations remain in place. Our Parish Office is open by appointment only. If you need to reach us, send an email to info@staloysius.on.ca or call 519-893-1220 during office hours.

Parish Office Hours – by appointment only:

Monday - Closed

Tuesday - Thursday: 9am-12pm and 1pm-4:30pm

Friday: 9am-12pm

Protect each other.



Mask wearing is mandatory when coming to Mass. Thank you continuing to be kind and charitable and thank for you

continuing to follow the guidance of health authorities and the Diocese of Hamilton. Let's work together to help prevent the spread of Covid-19.

Important information:

The Obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been suspended until further notice. If you choose to return to Mass at this time, please read the important guidelines below.

- All Masses are first come first served
- Masks must be worn at Church
- Physical distancing measures are in place.
- Doors Open 30 minutes prior to Mass and will lock during Mass or prior to Mass if we have reached our Church capacity.
- Please arrive at the main door of St. Aloysius (all other doors will be locked) at least 15 minutes before Mass time.
- Entrance is NOT permitted to those who have an elevated temperature, or are suffering from a cough or cold symptoms, shortness of breath, undue fatigue, loss of appetite, muscle aches, runny nose, chills involving shakes, loss of taste or smell
- If you have been in contact with a COVID-19 positive person you must stay home.
- If anyone you live with is experiencing any new symptoms of Covid-19 or waiting for test results, please stay home
- If you have traveled outside Canada within the past 14 days, and you have been told to self-isolate, you are not to enter the Church
- Everyone is to use the hand sanitizer provided as we use scent free sanitizer.
- Please Maintain a two metre (6 foot) distance
- Follow the direction of Ushers will seat you at the available designated seats.
- Offertory collection is not done during Mass, kindly deposit it in the basket in the Church lobby.

Diocese of Hamilton Statement on Covid Vaccines:



The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the

Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

STATEMENT OF APOLOGY BY THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF CANADA TO THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF THIS LAND

The Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, took the opportunity to affirm and acknowledge to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. They acknowledged the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. They also sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools, and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally.

Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, the Bishops pledged to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, they invited the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. They further committed to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

A delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous Peoples, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. The Bishops of Canada have pledged to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

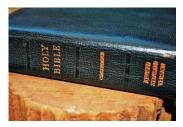
We are committed to continue the journey with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. For more information, please contact the diocese or visit www.cccb.ca.

News from the St. Aloysius Prayer Shawl Ministry:



The group is currently busy knitting scarves for the homeless in Waterloo Region. Last year, they distributed over 150 knitted and crocheted scarves for those in need! If you are

interested in making scarves for the homeless, it would be greatly appreciated. We also have wool for you to use. If you would like to get involved and need wool for the project, please contact Ann Stuart by email at nannieann@rogers.com.



Gospel Reflection - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sun Oct 3

Jesus' teaching about divorce and remarriage can be a challenging one for many people. The Church

continues to uphold the strong and positive teaching of Jesus that God intends for a man and woman to make a lifelong commitment to one another in the Sacrament of Marriage. Many of us, however, know people whose marriage has not been a lifelong commitment. The example of Jesus teaches us that we are called to act with compassion and love in our relationships with all, and especially when people are hurting because of difficulties in their relationships. Most importantly, we remember that when marriages thrive, it is a sign of God's grace at work.

As you gather as a family, talk about what it means to make a promise or a commitment to someone. Offer examples of promises that are fairly easy to keep. Read today's Gospel, Mark 10:2-16. Talk about examples of promises and commitments that might be more difficult to honor, like the marriage commitment that Jesus is asked about in this Gospel. Talk about how we need God to help us honor our commitment to love and care for each other. Jesus teaches that we should be like children before God, trusting God's promise to care for us and asking for his help to keep our commitments to love and care for others. Conclude by praying together that God will give his grace to us that we may honor our commitments to one another. Pray together Saint Ignatius of Loyola's prayer, the <u>Suscipe</u>.

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