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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

#### **PRIESTS**

#### **Pastor**

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Catherine Bennett

#### **Children's Liturgy:**

Kim Ansty

#### **Finance Council:**

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#### **Legion of Mary:**

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Kate McDougall

#### **Cursillo Information:**

Dan Brown

#### **Prison Ministry:**

Mary Ann Mooney

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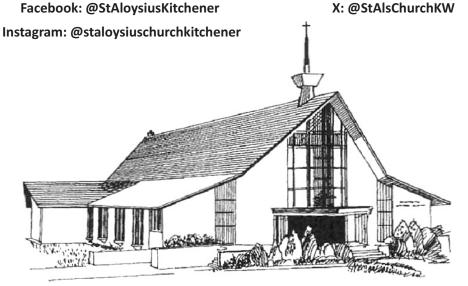
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# St. Aloysius Catholic Church

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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<br>7:00pm    | WEDNESDAY8:30am       |
|                      | THURSDAY8:30am        |
|                      | 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.



Sept 29 - Oct 5, 2025

Monday (Feast – St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael, Archangels)
8:30 am

**Tuesday** (Memorial – St. Jerome)

6:00 pm - Int. of Elderly people who are sick, suffering and

preparing for final journey

+ Len Thurnell

Wednesday(Memorial – St. Therese of the Child Jesus)8:30 am+ David Clopher+ Wayne Donahue

**Thursday** (Memorial – The Holy Guardian Angels)

8:30 am + Leslie Stumpf

Friday (ferial)

8:30 am - Int. of the Gignac Family

Saturday (Memorial – St. Francis of Assisi)
8:30 am + Mary Alves + Claudette Mordeczko

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

<u>Sat 5pm</u> + Helen and Alex Lupinos + Vernon Rama

Sun 9am - Int. of our Parishioners

Sun 11am + Ramon Aguto

<u>Sun 7pm</u> - Int. of All Priests in the Diocese of Hamilton

| Sept 29 – Oct 5, 2025                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday Schedule Kevents                                       |
| Stained Glass Guild                                           |
| <u>Tuesday</u>                                                |
| • Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service10:30 am              |
| Adoration, Confessions and Mass 5:00 pm                       |
| • Marian Movement for Priests Prayer Group following 6pm Mass |
| Wednesday                                                     |
| Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service10:00 am             |
| • RCIA/RCIC                                                   |
| <u>Thursday</u>                                               |
| Fergus Place Mass/Communion Service10:00 am                   |
| CWL Executive Meeting 6:30 pm                                 |
| <u>Friday</u>                                                 |
| • First Friday Adoration and Expositionfollowing 8:30 am Mass |
| <u>Saturday</u>                                               |
| Confessions 3:45-4:30 pm                                      |

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#### Sunday

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

#### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

| Sunday Envelope Collection for Sept 21      | \$1927.00 |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sunday Loose/Tip Tap Collection for Sept 21 |           |
| Total Offertory for Sept 21, 2025           |           |
| Pro Authorized Giving (weekly amount)       | ¢051 22   |





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're 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!

**Every weekend in October**, volunteer sign-up sheets will be available in the foyer. Come see where you can make a difference — your parish family needs you!



First Holy Communion/First Reconciliation - Is your child baptized and in Grade 2 or above? If so, they're invited to begin their journey toward

receiving First Holy Communion & First Reconciliation.

#### **Confirmation**

Students in **Grade 7 or above**, who have already received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Reconciliation, are invited to register for **Confirmation**, which will be celebrated on **Saturday**, **November 22**, **2025**.

Property Registration Deadline: October 15, 2025

Visit our website to learn more and register today:

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#### News from the CWL

The CWL would like to thank everyone who came out to their General Meeting and to their first 'Yarn and Yap' events this past week. They would also like to share some opportunities

coming up where they are looking for volunteers:

<u>Christmas Bazaar Helpers</u> Date: Nov 15 from 9-3. Assist with raffle tables/sales and some food handling. They will need some help with room set up prior to the event. They are also looking for donations for the raffle, silent auction, and tombola, as well as children's table and craft table

<u>Senior Dinner Volunteers</u> Date: Dec 3 from 4:30 pm to 8 pm in Parish Hall. Help serve dinner to the seniors, and with clean up. They also need someone to be Santa. Volunteers will be served a pizza dinner before the event.



**New Church Doors Coming!** This fall, we're replacing the church's main and side entrance doors to improve beauty, security, and energy efficiency. We're so thankful for everyone who has

already contributed—your generosity is making this project possible! Thanks to our Parishioners, \$3090.00 has been donated so far to the project. The total cost for the new doors is approximately \$35,000. Please consider supporting this important upgrade. Every gif brings us closer to our goal. Thank you for helping preserve and improve our church for future generations. Look for our "Special Appeal" envelopes.



#### 40 Days for Life

From September 24 to November 2, the annual 40 Days for Life campaign invites us to pray, fast, and stand peacefully for the protection of unborn lives. St. Aloysius Parish has committed to covering a day with prayer at the Freeport

Hospital vigil site. Parishioners are encouraged to sign up for a one-hour time slot between 7am and 7pm. Sign-up sheets are available in the church foyer. Learn more at: www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener.

#### Mass & Reception for Carmelite Nuns in St. Agatha -

The Committee for the Carmelite Nuns invite you to attend a special Mass at Holy Family RC Church on Mon Oct 27 at 5pm, followed by dinner in the parish hall. Meal for two is a minimum donation of \$250 (eligible for a tax receipt). More info at <a href="https://www.thecarmel.ca">www.thecarmel.ca</a>. RSVP required by Oct 10.

**Struggling in your Marriage?** Retrouvaille is a marriage program that helps struggling couples to restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationships. The program helps to improve communication, build stronger marriages and aids couples to reconnect. Join them for an upcoming weekend **Oct 17, 18 and 19.** For more information visit <a href="https://www.retrouvaille.org">www.retrouvaille.org</a>.

# **Tip Tap Donations** - Have you tried our new TipTap machine yet?

We're excited to offer a simple, secure, and convenient way to support our parish—our brand-new *TipTap* contactless donation device, now available in the church lobby!



Just tap your debit card, credit card, or mobile wallet to give a quick donation of \$5, \$10, or \$20—every gift, big or small, helps us continue the important work God is doing in our community.

Thank you for your generous and faithful support!



Jubilee Multicultural Mass - St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Waterdown (715 Centre Rd) is hosting the Diocesan Jubilee Multicultural Mass on Sun Oct 5 at 3pm. This vibrant celebration embraces the rich cultural diversity that enriches our diocesan community. The Mass will feature prayers, readings, and hymns proclaimed in multiple languages

including Spanish, Polish, Italian, Vietnamese, Korean, and others, reflecting the many cultures united in faith. Following the Mass, join them for a reception featuring cultural foods and entertainment from various communities.

**Diocesan Vocations Month – October 2025**Bishop Crosby has designated October as Diocesan Vocations Month. You 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 (religious life or consecrated virginity lived in the world) 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/.

#### World Hunger Fund – Special Collection

Next weekend is our World Hunger Fund special collection. Each year, our Parish sends the World Hunger Fund offertory collection to local and national charities that help to combat hunger.

#### Gospel Reflection: - 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.

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