

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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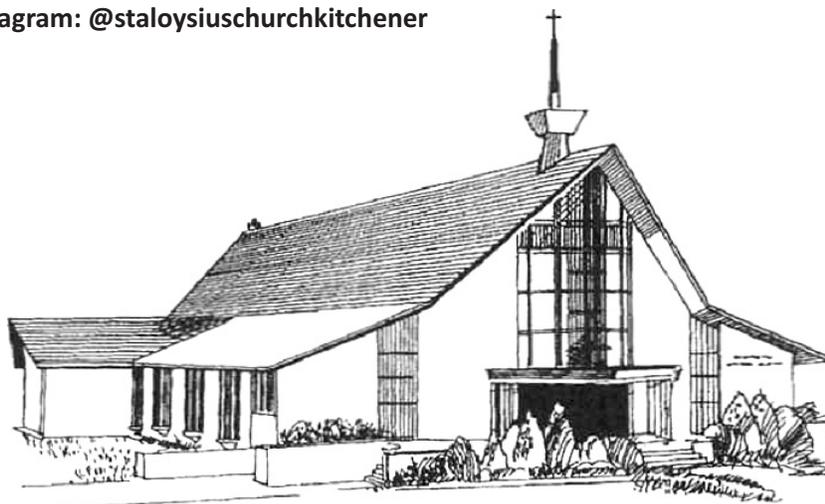
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**OFFICE HOURS:**

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

**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY..... 5:00pm

SUNDAY.....9:00am

*(interpreted for the deaf)*

.....11:00am

.....7:00pm

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

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.

**BAPTISM** - 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.

**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, 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.

**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.

## THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Nov 1 – Nov 7, 2021

**Monday** (Solemnity - All Saint's Day)

**8:30 am** + All Consecrated Priest's souls in Purgatory – Jacinthe Thibodeau

**Tuesday** (The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed – All Soul's Day)

**7:00 pm** + Deceased Indigenous Children – Diocese of Hamilton

**Wednesday** (ferial)

**8:30 am** + Arthur Ladzik

**Thursday** (Memorial – St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop)

**8:30 am** + Deceased friends & family of Lois Tessner

**Friday** (ferial)

**8:30 am** + All Souls in Purgatory & the Intentions of Ron Frumkin

**9:00 am** – *First Friday Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.*

### Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Sat 5:00pm** + Jose Carreiro – Rosa and Carlos

**Sun 9:00am** + Arthur Ladzik – Rita and Don

**Sun 11:00am** + Lucy De Amorim - Parents

**Sun 7:00pm** - Int. of Parishioners of St. Aloysius

### 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.** Please contact us in advance by phone or email to arrange an appointment during office hours.

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

- 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 at least 15 minutes before Mass time.
- Follow the direction of Ushers will seat you at the available designated seats.

Thank you for continuing to follow our Covid-19 safety measures to help keep everyone safe and healthy!



Please remember St. Aloysius Parish in your will. (The Bequest Clause can be added to your existing Will as a codicil).  
**Bequest Clause**

I give and bequeath to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton, under a special Act of legislative Assembly of Ontario, and whose offices are located in \_\_\_\_\_ for the benefit of St. Aloysius Parish, Kitchener; the sum of \$\_\_dollars, or \_\_\_percentage of the Estate, or the total of the residue of the Estate



**2022 Church envelopes** will soon be available for pickup after all Masses. If your home address has changed, or if you would like to order a new set of envelopes, please call or email our parish office as soon as possible so we can update our records.

### **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.

**Online Learning for Adult Faith Formation** - The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to have The University of Dayton: Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) as a partner in adult faith formation. Whether taking courses for professional development in ministry or for personal nourishment, the VLCFF provides a breadth of opportunity for learning including full certificate programs, five-week online courses and three-week intensive online seminars. For more information check out the [Hamilton Diocese learns web page](#) or contact the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at (905) 528-7988 x 2339 or [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com).

**ReStart: A Separation and Divorce Recovery Program** - Feeling the need for support, healing and/or hope after a separation or divorce? The Diocesan ReStart Programs support your journey, providing you with tools to remain healthy. For more information contact Teresa at the Family Ministry Office - (905) 528-7988, ext. 2250.

**Diocese of Hamilton MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH - Marriage Tip 113:** As we continue to deal with the COVID virus in our communities, people are feeling the continued burden of the unknown about its dangers and how long it will last. This causes stress which might cause couples to lash out at the one they love most. Take some time to change the pattern of your life by planning some fun activities for the two of you, communicate truthfully about how you are feeling, acknowledge that your spouse may not be at their best because they are stressed, hold hands and hug often as touch can relieve stress and pray together that God will give you strength. Feeling united will reduce stress levels for both of you and create a more peaceful environment to help you deal with the unknowns.



**Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour heading to bed on Nov 6<sup>th</sup> or you'll be very early for Church next weekend!** The clocks officially go back an hour at 2am on Nov 7 and we gain an extra hour of sleep.

**[St. Aloysius Canada Helps Donations.](https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/119110450RR0049-st-aloysius-parish/)** If you are financially able, you can support St. Aloysius Parish through our CanadaHelps donation portal. You can choose a one-time or a monthly gift with your credit card or Pay-Pal **account**. To make a donation to St. Aloysius Church through CanadaHelps, please visit this link; <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/119110450RR0049-st-aloysius-parish/> or visit our website at [staloysius.on.ca](http://staloysius.on.ca) and click on the **'Donate' button** on our homepage.

If you prefer, you can mail in your Sunday collection to our Parish Office. Interested in Pre-Authorized giving from your bank account? Click here to find out more: <https://www.staloysius.on.ca/pre-authorized-giving> We thank everyone who is financially able to support us during these difficult times.



**Gospel Reflection**  
**31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**– Oct 31, 2021**

As we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, our Lectionary skips a chapter that helps set the context for today's reading. If we were to read the sections skipped (chapter 11 and part of chapter 12), we would hear about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, his cleansing of the Temple, and the questioning of Jesus' authority by the chief priests, scribes, and elders. The context, therefore, for this Gospel is Jesus' growing exposure before the Jewish authorities. Jesus is being questioned and tested by the Jewish authorities, yet the scribe who addresses Jesus in today's Gospel seems to be an admirer; he is not testing Jesus.

The question posed in today's Gospel requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional commandments, numbering into the hundreds. For a devout Jew, adherence to the Mosaic Law is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of these commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus was not the only Jewish religious teacher to connect these two commandments, love of God and love of neighbor. Both commandments were central elements of the religious tradition that Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed, these commandments continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor. Many believe, however, that this connection was heard in a new and fresh way when spoken by Jesus.

The scribe who questions Jesus in today's Gospel engages in a positive dialogue with Jesus. He agrees with Jesus' teaching that the commandments to love God and love neighbor stand above the commandment to offer worship and sacrifice in the Temple. With this dialogue, Jesus appears to close the debate with the Jewish authorities. Mark reports that no one dared to question Jesus further.

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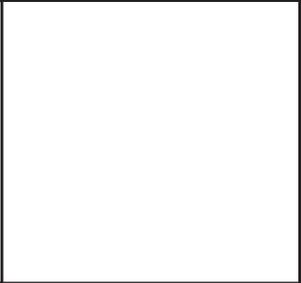


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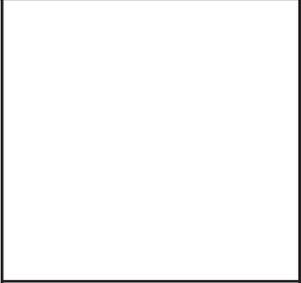

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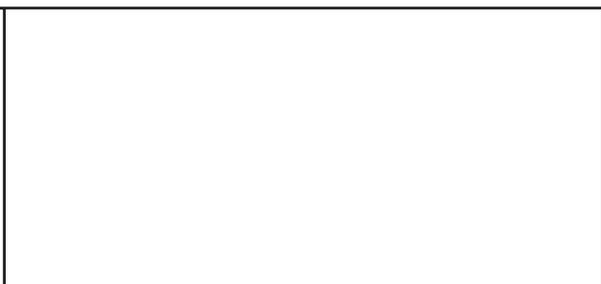
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