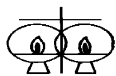


Please Note: For Confession times, refer to bulletin cover.



MASS INTENTIONS

April 23-29, 2018

Monday (ferial) *Acts 11.1-18, John 10.1-10*

8:15 am - Int. of Fr. David Avila – Lee Ann Paiva

Tuesday (ferial) *Acts 11.19-26, John 10.22-30*

8:15 am + Donna Power – Wilf & Brenda

7:00 pm + Cecil Donnelly – J. Carnegie & Family

Healing Mass

Wednesday (feast) *St. Mark, evangelist*

1 Peter 5.5b-14, Mark 16.15-20

8:15 am + Dec. Gignac Family Members – Louise Schwartz

Thursday (ferial) *Acts 13.13-25, John 13.16-20*

8:15 am + Brenda Harrison – Puren/D’Silva Families

Friday (ferial) *Acts 13. 26-33, John 14.1-6*

8:15 am + Jerry Stemmler – Karl & Ruth Ann Gmach

Saturday (ferial) *Acts 13.44-52, John 14.7-14*

8:15 am + Gerard Stemmler – Judy Wiens

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 9.26-31, 1 John 3.18-24, John 15.1-8

Sat. 5:00 pm +Gerard Shoemaker – Mary Busch

Sun. 9:00 am -Int. of Carlos & Rosa Paiva & Family

11:00 am +Matei & Maria Petuker - Family

Sunday School for children 3-7 years old – Parish Centre

7:00 pm - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Aloysius and

+ Those in Our Parish Book of Life

Schedule of Events

April 23-29, 2018

Monday

- Stained Glass Guild..... 7 – 9:00 pm

Tuesday

- Prayer Hour for Vocations 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
- Baptism Preparation Meeting..... 7:30 pm

Wednesday

- Celebrating the Word Bible Study9:00 – 11:00 am
- C.W.L. General Meeting..... 7:30 pm

Thursday

- Legion of Mary 9:00 am & 7:30 pm

Friday

- Divine Mercy Hour for the Unborn (Library Ent.)..... 3:00 pm
- Potluckdoors open at 5:30 pm & dinner at 6:00 pm

OFFERTORY REPORT

117 CONTRIBUTORS . . . (Average - \$17.90).....	\$2,094.00
LOOSE	\$755.00
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$1068.00
Offertory Collection 15-04-18	\$3,917.00

Please remember St. Aloysius's 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.



Parish Life

There will be a **Mass of Anointing for the sick**, here, on **Tuesday, April 24** at 7:00pm. Please plan to attend and bring your friends and relatives who feel unwell. Let the healing Jesus touch us and bring comfort to us.

The **CWL** would like to invite the Parish to their **April 25 meeting**, at 7:30 pm in the Parish Centre. Our guest speaker is a personal trainer. She will be providing advice on how to stay fit. She also has door prizes to hand out.

All are welcome. Drinks and light snacks to follow the meeting.

POT-LUCK SUPPER!!! – Mark your calendar now for our pot-luck supper on **Friday, April 27** in the Parish Centre. Doors open at 5:30. Meal starts at 6pm. Coffee, tea and fruit punch provided. Please **sign up** ahead of time on the poster at one of the church entrances so we will have enough tables set up for all. Hope you can make it!!! Last week because of bad weather not many made it to church, so make sure you have signed this week

Thank you - We congratulate and thank all the students from St. Timothy School who participated at the Children's Mass on Sunday. In spite of bad weather still many made it to the Mass, showing your commitment to the Lord. Well done.

First Communion - Group B - Due to bad weather we had to cancel First Communion on April 15 and we have rescheduled it to April 22 at 1pm. Please pray for these children.

THE WORD AMONG US: This publication brings scripture to life, providing interesting topics. It enriches and sustains one's spiritual life and faith education. St. Aloysius has a group subscription which runs from June/18 – May/19 at **\$27** per person per year. If you are a first-time subscriber, or wish to RENEW your current subscription, drop an envelope (clearly marked "Word Among Us") with your name and phone number, along with **\$27**, into the collection basket during Mass, or to the Parish Office. **We must have all orders/renewals by April 30.**

Please Note...

AN APRIL AFTERNOON CWL BRIDGE & CARD PARTY

Tickets are available for the annual card party on **Wednesday, April 25**, Parish Life Centre, St. Anthony Daniel Parish, 29 Midland Dr, Kit. Cost: \$15 per person which includes lunch, refreshments and prizes as well as a fun afternoon of cards. For tickets contact Linda at 519-893-2534 or the Parish Office at 519-893-6960.

Grief Support Group: St. Michael's (Waterloo), is offering a 6 week grief support programme to assist people after the death of a loved one or a significant loss. This programme follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, and experienced leader in grief counseling. It will run **Apr 25 – May 30** (Wednesday evenings), from 7 – 8:30 pm St. Michael's Parish. No fee. Register by April 10 by calling 519-884-9311.

The St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Women's League is holding a **GARAGE SALE** at St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall, 19 Flamingo Dr, Elmira on **Saturday, April 28th from 8am to 12 noon**. For more information please call Carol Kieswetter at 519-669-5392.

MOTORCYCLE BLESSING – All Motorcycle Riders are invited for a beginning of the season motorcycles blessing. Weather permitting it will take place on **Saturday, April 28th at 12 p.m. in front of St. Clement Church in St. Clements**. Please bring any friends who wish to join us. The blessing will be followed by a ride together.

The Saint John's Bible Reception – All are welcome!

Sing for Joy! A concert of music inspired by the illuminations of The Saint John's Bible takes place on **Sunday, April 29** at 7pm at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. Music will be performed by the Diocesan Choir, the combined choirs of the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate and the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, and the Grand Philharmonic Choir. A highlight of the evening will be excerpts from Bernstein's Chichester Psalms.

Pre-Catechumenate/Inquiry Webinar (Part One)

"Inviting to the RCIA: Dimensions of Invitation" will be held on **Monday, April 30**, from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Chancery Office, Conference Room A, and Tuesday, May 1 from 7:00 – 9:00 at Blessed Sacrament Kitchener, as well as by webinar. Anyone interested in attending may contact Anthony De Feo at 905-528-7988, ext. 2336.

An **ECUMENICAL PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY GATHERING** will be **Tuesday, May 1**, 1 to 3:30pm. (doors open at noon). If you are involved in Prayer Shawl Ministry or would like to learn about it, please plan to attend. This event is being hosted by the WK United Mennonite and St. Louis, Waterloo Prayer Shawl Ministries at St. Louis Gymnasium, 53 Allen St. E Waterloo (accessible gym entrance off Willow Street). Rev. Nancy Brubaker, Lead Pastor, First Mennonite Church, Kitchener will be our guest presenter. Wear your own personal shawl and bring shawls & resources to share. Free-will offering. To register or for more information, please contact prayershawlgathering2018@gmail.com or 519-572-5435.

St. Michael's Parish Youth Group presents "YOUTH ALPHA" at 80 University Ave W, Waterloo in the Parish Centre.

Youth Alpha is a program for grades 7 to 12, designed to engage young people in dialogue, fellowship, and spiritual growth. It begins with a hot meal, video talk, and small group discussion with a new theme each week illuminating the Christian faith.

Begins: **Thursday, May 3rd**, 6:15 pm to 8:15 pm (runs every Thursday for 9 weeks). Contact: Andrea Laughlin by email andrea@stmichaelw.ca or phone 519-884-9311 ext. 34 for more information and to REGISTER TODAY! Visit the website www.alphacanada.org/try/ for further information.

St. Anne's Parish 70th Jubilee Celebration: (268 East Eve, Kit.) All former parishioners and guests are invited to this event on **May 5**. There will be a Jubilee Mass at 5pm with Msgr. Kroetsch, former pastors and guest priests. This will be followed by a Jubilee Banquet at 7pm at the Schwaben Club (1668 King St E). Dinner will be \$35 per person. For tickets: Parish Office 519-745-5302.

Healing After an Abortion... It Is Possible

Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. Project Rachel offers a confidential service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850 and let us help you through the healing process.

"Worth a Second Look" thrift shop located at the former location of St. Vincent de Paul is looking for donations. We are a charity that is a project of the Working Centre. Our goal is to provide low cost furniture and housewares to the community and helping to support many of our projects including Saint John's Kitchen. Items requested are:

furniture, all decorator items, small electrical appliances, clean household items, books/current magazines, health/beauty products, jewellery, crafts/art supplies, all collectibles, music and movies, toys, Gardening and hardware items

Items can be dropped off at 97 Victoria Street North (entrance off of Duke or Weber Sts. at Heit Lane). Pickups are available for larger donations by calling ([519-569-7566 Ext. 1](tel:519-569-7566)) to make an appointment. Thank you in advance for your help.

From the pastor's desk

Jesus is the good shepherd

Dear friends: Today is Good Shepherd Sunday and Vocation Sunday, and today's readings present us with two images, the Children of God and the Good Shepherd.

In today's gospel passage, Jesus emphasizes the self-sacrificing element in His own life in that He is the Good Shepherd who is laying down His life for His sheep. He contrasts the Good Shepherd who owns the sheep, to someone who is simply hired to look after them.

The scriptures tell us the extraordinary love of God for us, has taken in Jesus, the form of the Good Shepherd. The image of the Good Shepherd was perhaps the favourite early Christian image of our Savior, and has a long tradition in the history of God's people. It is one that would be immediately understood by the people of the time. We have the popular images of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, carrying a sheep over His shoulders, or we have a smiling Jesus sitting under a tree, with a little lamb on His lap. This image of the shepherd appeals to us because it shows the tenderness of Jesus and His compassion. Jesus, the eternal Shepherd, sends us out into the world to spread the message of love, to bring back the strayed sheep.



Fr. Jerome Mascarenhas