

St. Aloysius Parish, Kitchener

Upcoming Events: – Jan 8 - Feb 5 2012

Please check the bulletin board at the Library door for more information on some of these events.

ST. ALOYSIUS – UPCOMING EVENTS

EXPOSITION:

Our monthly Exposition of the Holy Eucharist begins following the 8:15 am Mass on **Wednesday, January 18**, and continues until Benediction at 3:30 pm. During the day, you are invited to come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Please enter by the Library Door. Our parish intention this month is: *That the dedication of Christians to peace may bear witness to the name of Christ before all men and women of good will.*



SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Please fill out a Baptism application form located at the back of the church, at the church office, or online at www.staloyusius.on.ca. Return to the office via collection plate (in an envelope marked "Office"), mail or personal delivery to the church office.

First Reconciliation/First Communion and Confirmation: Please call the Church office for information.

First Reconciliation/Communion Parent Information Meeting on **January 11, 2012** at 7:45 pm (approx 30 min)

Reconciliation Lesson 1: January 25

Reconciliation Lesson 2: February 1

Reconciliation Lesson 3: February 8

Reconciliation Lesson Times: 5 – 6 pm **OR** 6:15 – 7:15 pm **OR** 7:30 – 8:30 pm

Confirmation: *Parent Information Meeting: **February 2, 2012** at 7:45 pm.*

St. Aloysius Parish Mass Schedule For Retirement Homes

Fergus Place:	10:00 am (Wed.)	February 1
Emmanuel Village:	10:00 am (Tues.)	January 10 February 7
Doon Village:	10:00 am (Mon.)	January 16 February 13

Communion services are held at these locations on the weeks no Mass is being said.

Theology of the Body for teens

We have started a new program for teens in our parish called "Theology of the Body". It focuses on a fun and interactive way of teaching teens about sexuality in the Catholic tradition based on the writings of Blessed John Paul II. Teens (13-17), boys and girls, meet in two separate groups on a monthly basis. Our next session

for girls and boys will take place on **Friday, January 13 at 7:45 pm**. Bring a friend along. For more information contact the parish office.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Young Adults Group

We invite young adults (age 18-35 not married) to our Young Adults meeting, every 1st and 3rd Sunday at St. Aloysius Church Centre. Our hope is to give our young adults an opportunity to learn more about their faith in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, as well as create a community of young Catholic adults who wish to support each other. Next meeting: **Jan 15 at 8pm**. For information find us on facebook under "St. Aloysius Young Adults Kitchener" group or go to www.staloyusius.on.ca

YTOL Youth group (high school age)

We invite young high school age Catholics to come and join our YTOL Youth Group. Since we started, we've had great fun getting to know our faith and creating meaningful friendships. Next meeting will be in the new year. Feel free to speak with Fr. Kuzma if you need more information or just come and join us. Next meeting: **Jan 20 at 7:45 pm**.

St. Aloysius Church presents:

CATHOLIC "NEW EVANGELIZATION" SERIES PART III: "CATHOLICS & HISTORY"

featuring

Michael Coren

History Matters. The Catholic Church, founded by Jesus Christ almost 2000 years ago, has a proven track record of producing the greatest saints the world has ever seen. Yet, in all those years, not all of her members have been saints. Join Michael Coren, as he takes an honest look at the most controversial historical accusations made against the Catholic Church: the Crusades, the Inquisition, Galileo, Pius XII, the Holocaust, and more. You may be surprised to learn that you haven't been given the whole story by pop historians who propose their own lists of saints and sinners.

All are invited. Admission is a free will offering.

Thursday, February 9th, 2012 at 7:45 pm

Important dates:

January 22 (2:30 – 6:30) Legion of Mary Curia

January 26: 7:30 pm – Finance Committee Meeting



POT-LUCK SUPPER!!! – Mark your calendar now for our pot-luck supper on **Friday, January 27** in the Parish Centre. Doors open at 5:30. Meal starts at 6:00 p.m.

Coffee, tea and fruit punch provided. Please sign up ahead of time on the poster at one of the church entrances. Hope you can make it!!!

Prayer Shawl Ministry: If you, or someone you know is in need of comfort, and would like a beautiful shawl made by one of our ladies, contact the Church at 519-893-1220 or me, Ann Stuart, at my email nannieann@rogers.com or call 519-748-4223, and I will gladly provide you with one. If you have any **unwanted wool**, for these Prayer Shawls, you may deposit it in the box at the Library Entrance. Thank you!

Next meeting: January 12 at 9:15 am

ST. ALOYSIUS C.W.L. NEWS

HAPPY NEW YEAR to all our members and all parishioners. It promises to be a very eventful year for our parish as we prepare to celebrate our next anniversary. It is a time for each of us to get involved in parish groups with the plan to bring everyone closer to God.

January is MEMBERSHIP month for the Catholic Women's League. We are inviting every lady who is over 18 to come and join us. The weekend of **Jan.14/15** we will have a presentation at all Masses & members with information at all doors of the Church. We are not just BAZAAR ladies! We are involved in working with all levels of government, & all levels of our Church, to promote the good of all peoples Why not come and check us out for yourself???

On Jan 17, 7:30 p.m. we will have a **"Just in Case"** meeting. The idea is to prepare all the needed paperwork and direction for our families - just in case, we should pass away unexpectedly. Father Kuzma will come to discuss funeral preparation and we will provide sheets for you to put in your "just in case" file. Everyone of us needs to do this for we never know when the time will come. Why not bring your daughters & other family members? They will need this planning too.

The ladies of **Anselma House** happily received the gifts we delivered after our Christmas party. Thank you to all who participated. Thank you as well, to all who helped with the Seniors' Supper. I think everyone had a good time as well as a great dinner. Don't forget your SECRET Sister!!!

We are interested in collecting **Christmas Decorations** that you don't use. I have a recycling plan in mind. We can use artificial greens, flowers, and ornaments in good condition. (NOT glass balls or long tinsel please.) If in doubt - throw them out!!! A large box marked for this purpose will be at the MAIN door of the Church for the weekends of January 15 and 22. Thank you.



ATTENTION: Prayer Assistants and/or Ministers of Holy Communion are needed for the Freeport site. Prayer Assistants offer assistance to the Minister of Holy Communion and water to the patients. We go early on Wednesday mornings. If you have a morning you can spare once or twice a month, consider this beautiful ministry. For details in getting started call Valerie 519-748-0691

Scripture Studies - "Celebrating the Word" – on readings for the upcoming Sunday meets:
*Mondays at 9 am in the **Marian Room**.
Contact Theresa at 519-748-1753 or Bev at 519-748-2046 for information. **Everyone is welcome!**



ALLERGY ALERT: While many of us enjoy our perfumes and after shaves, there are those who are seriously allergic to fragrance. We would ask that you considerately use these after church. Thank you!

Zehrs' Tapes: You may place your Zehrs' Tapes in the collection basket at Mass. Proceeds for Food Pantry.

IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY

St. Louis C.W.L. Card Party: January 25, 2012 at 7 pm. Light lunch – door prizes. Admission: \$6 Bring your own cards.

Kitchener Knights of Columbus Annual Trip Draw

Don't miss it! This year's prizes are as follows:
- 1st Prize: 15-day luxury coach tour of Ireland
- 2nd Prize: Alaskan Cruise
- 3rd & 4th Prizes: Trips to Las Vegas with \$500 spending cash. There are also five prizes of \$1000, five of \$500, and ten of \$100. Tickets are \$100 each. The draw will be held **January 17/12** at 9 pm at Blessed Sacrament Church Hall. For tickets call or e-mail Brian Hughes at 519-578-3401 or hughesbrian@hotmail.com.

Bibles for Missions Thrift Store

Donate your treasures and gently used articles to 200 Highland Rd W 9 Mon – Sat 10 am – 5 pm. Volunteers needed: volunteers: drive truck, move furniture, stock, sort and serve customers. Students can obtain community service hours. Call 519-578-3860 or drop by. Donations help us support the Bible League as they assist in community development in India while spreading the Gospel.

JOB/VOLUNTEER/HEALTH POSTINGS: Please check the bulletin board at the Library entrance.