

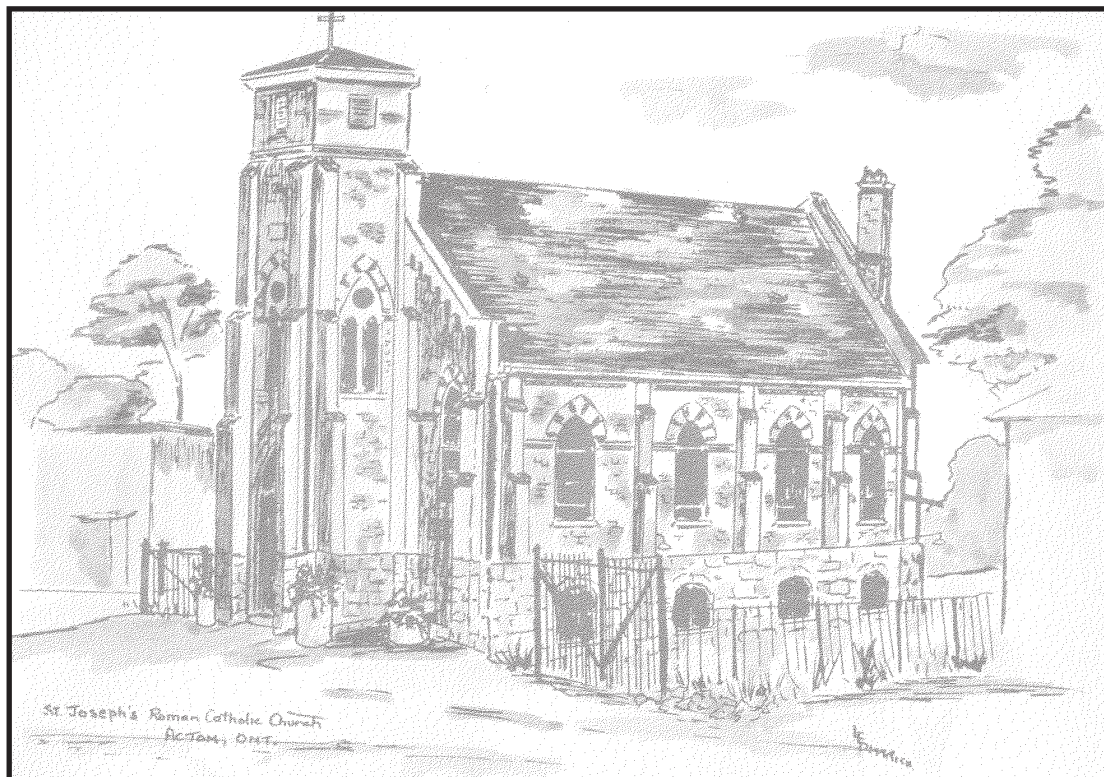
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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:00 am

EXPOSITION:

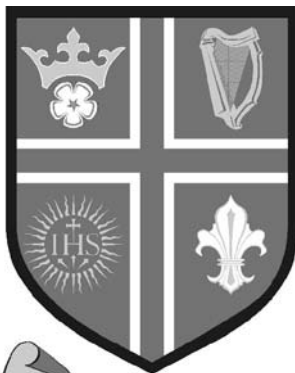
Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

Catholic Women's League

Knights of Columbus

St. Vincent Charities



BAPTISMS:

By arrangement with the pastor.

MARRIAGES:

By arrangement one year in advance.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm
or by appointment.

SCHOOLS:

St. Joseph 519-853-3730

Christ the King 905-702-8838

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

We invite you to register in our parish community
by filling in a blue registration form.

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR:

We are coming to the end of summer. Many of us will be disappointed because the weather has been great this year and we have had the opportunities to travel more often and more freely than the previous two summers. People are getting out more often now. I could not help but notice that when I was walking through the Leathertown Festival this past Sunday. It was great seeing everybody out enjoying themselves and the weather was great as well.

Many will be going on journeys at the end of this month or the beginning of September. I am specifically talking about young people going to new schools for studies especially those going to College or University for the first time. These are exciting times for many. Yes, a little nervousness, but still a time of anticipation.

I guess you can say that all of us are on a journey. We should see it as being one which is spiritual. Yes, our life journey is full of doubts, difficulties, and tensions. Still, if we are open to the possibility that heaven is at the end of this journey of ours, then we can overcome anything that may challenge us. We must never take salvation for granted. It is offered to all, but it is not given freely.

In this Sunday's Gospel, when Jesus is asked "how many will be saved?", He does not provide an answer. Rather, He leaves it in the hands of His Eternal Father. It is the wrong question to be asked. The question which should be asked is: "how does one attain salvation?" Jesus is warning us against having an over-confident or presumptuous attitude. We cannot sit back and take salvation for granted, expecting God to do everything for us. Entrance to heaven is not easy. If we want to make this journey, we cannot afford to be complacent. We need to 'strive' as Jesus says in the Gospel.

How can we achieve this? By developing a friendship with God and His Son. Friendship with the Lord is the proper response to God's invitation to join Him in the Kingdom. Friendships require work, as we are shown in our relationships here on earth. It is the same with heaven and with God. Acquaintances are not friendships. Many will desire a casual relationship with God, Jesus warns us that it must take a far greater effort to reach heaven.

We need to pray that is our relationship with God truly becomes important enough for us to work on it in a serious manner, that we will, in fact, have enough time to make a difference.

Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"The Christian does not think God will love us because we are good, but that God will make us good because He loves us."
- C.S.Lewis

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week and next please pray especially for:
***Eileen Quackenbush, Helen Garrett,
Jasmin Lang, Bev Boisvenue,
Austin Hunak, Ian Munday***



We are praying especially for the following families of our parish:

- Week of Aug 22-Aug 28:
***Beaton, Bell, Bhikha,
Biernacki, Blanchet-Haffey, Bolina***
- Week of Aug 29-Sept 4:
***Bonello, Borkowski, Bosboom,
Brozic, Campbell, Cantwell***

CWL NEWS

Michael House Diaper Drive in September

The CWL will be accepting donations of diapers as well as other new-baby and new-mother needs for Michael House. Michael House provides shelter and support to pregnant and parenting women and their children in need. A table will be set up in the church basement in September. Many thanks for your generosity.

General Meeting: Tuesday, September 13 in the basement after the 7:00 p.m. Mass.

Donations to Michael House gratefully collected in the basement and at the meeting. (Michael House is a Guelph shelter and support home for pregnant and parenting women and their children in need.)

Save the date! Pot Luck and Pin Presentation Tuesday, October 25.

Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony
Father Mark arranges all Baptisms and Marriages personally, by appointment. Please see Father after Mass to set a time for an interview. Marriages must be arranged one year in advance. Completion of a marriage preparation course is required. Application forms may be obtained from Father Mark

AUGUST 21 & 28, 2022

| DAY & TIME | MASS INTENTIONS (Aug 22– Aug 28) | REQUESTED BY: |
|------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Tues. 7:00 p.m. | <i>Intentions of Dodie McGilloway</i> | Susan McGilloway-Robson |
| Wed. 9:00 a.m. | <i>Intentions of David and Anne Hunter</i> | Janine Milton |
| Thurs. 7:00 p.m. | Wilfred and Jo Ann Duval | Duval Family |
| Fri. 9:00 a.m. | Steve Ivacko | Spencer Family |
| Sat. 5:00 p.m. | Clelia and Giuseppe Dalla Nora | Luisetto Family |
| Sun. 9:00 a.m. | <i>Intentions of Sophia Podsada</i> | Podsada Family |
| Sun. 11:00 a.m. | Pro populo | |
| DAY & TIME | MASS INTENTIONS (Aug 29 – September 4) | REQUESTED BY: |
| Tues. No Mass | | |
| Wed. No Mass | | |
| Thurs. No Mass | | |
| Fri. No Mass | | |
| Sat. 5:00 p.m. | Annie Rea | Rea Family |
| Sun. 9:00 a.m. | Donal O'Sullivan | Janine Milton |
| Sun. 11:00 a.m. | Pro populo | |

Please note: There will be no weekday Masses when Father Mark is away from August 29 through September 2.

Bulletins are available online at:

<http://www.parishbulletins.com/bulletins/097>



We have returned to our Lector/Extraordinary Minister schedule. Please see Eddie MacDonald if you have any questions or if you are interested in joining the team.

MEETINGS

Mon. 6:00 p.m. Tops
Wed. 8:00 p.m. AA



CONTACT PERSONS for CWL and K of C

Anyone interested in learning more about our parish Catholic Women's League or Knights of Columbus is invited to call the appropriate contact person:

CWL: Christie deSouza: 519-400-6012 cwl@lartist.com
K of C: Sean Saunders: grand.knight.8050@gmail.com

Acton Fall Fair - We are excited that the Fall Fair is back! The Knights will be managing the set-up, parking, security, front gate, and teardown. The CWL will be managing the round house, selling tickets. Student volunteers are needed for stamping and finally, baking/sandwiches/crock pot dishes to feed our many volunteers is also requested.

Your HELP is NEEDED!

Our parish and its services groups partake in managing a number of areas of the Fall Fair and in return receive part of the proceeds. This is the biggest fundraiser of the year and ***your help is truly needed***. High School Students are needed as well and can use for community hours. Please see sign up sheet at the back of the church.




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