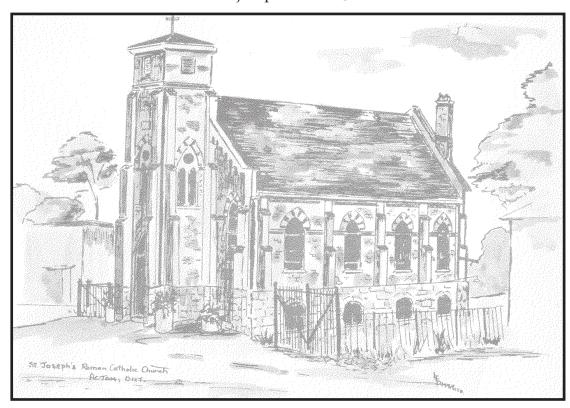
# St. Joseph Patron of Canada Parish

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Office Hours: Tues. & Wed. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, Fri. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

#### **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:

movie which my parents had always told me about when I was young was "The Keys to the Kingdom" which was made in 1944 and starred Gregory Peck. I never saw it listed on TV as I was growing up and I was intrigued in viewing it. About two weeks before my ordination as a priest in 1995, I was at the Eaton's store in downtown Toronto when I came upon a VHS copy of the film. I purchased it and decided to watch it back at St. Augustine's Seminary the next evening. I was able to borrow the VCR in the seminary TV common room and watched the movie with two other seminarians. I found the movie enjoyable to watch, although somewhat dated. The film deals with a young missionary priest (Peck) and his struggles in China. Much of the movie is filmed in flashback and is narrated by him as an elderly priest. Still the film is inspiring and one I would encourage anyone to watch.

We have this week in our Gospel the image of the Keys to the Kingdom where it originated from. Jesus offers this symbol to Peter to lead the early Church. St. Peter would be the last person that many of us would have chosen to bear this responsibility, he did not even impress his contemporaries. By human reasoning he was a disastrous choice and should never have been appointed. You could hardly describe him as a stable person because at times he was brave while on other occasions he displayed complete cowardice.

Nevertheless, in our Gospel, Jesus, while on the road to Caesarea Philippi, appointed him as the leader of the Church. Christ had confidence in Peter and was able to release a great power within him and entrust him with a mission which was critical for the continuation of the Church. This is a very human aspect of Peter's life to which we can easily relate. His weakness and moments of betrayal are echoed in our own lives. We can learn from Peter whose deep-seated trust in the person of Christ more than compensated for any failure as will a similar trust on our part.

"The Keys to the Kingdom" may be an enjoyable old movie, but the symbol and image of the term is still important for us today in our relationship with Christ and His Church. We need to always be mindful of the example of St. Peter in our own faith lives. An example of a man who had his struggles but was still able to trust in God.

#### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"Act as if everything depended on you; trust as if everything depended on God."

~ St. Ignatius of Loyola

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

### Susan McGilloway-Robson, Roberto Luisetto, Colleen Decarlis

Parking Lot Paving – After consultation with the Diocese, we have entered a contract for paving our parking lot. We have again secured Halton Hills Paving which has done other work for us and were the company giving the better price. Work will begin on a Monday and we hope to be finished within a week.

#### **Bulletins** are available online at:

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

**Collection Counters:** We are not counting after Masses for now. We will devise a new and safe way to resume in the future.

### Pope's August Prayer Intention:

#### The Maritime World

In his prayer intention for the month of August, Pope Francis calls us to "pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

"The life of sailors or fishermen and their families is very difficult.

Sometimes they are victims of forced labor or are left behind in distant ports.

The competition of industrial fishing and the problem of pollution make their work even more complicated. Without the people of the sea, many parts of the world would starve.

Let us pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families."

Fr. Mark

DAY & TIME		MASS INTENTIONS (August 24-30)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of St. Joseph School Staff and Students	
Wed	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of St. Joseph Patron of Canada Parishioners	
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the Holy Father	
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Living and Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Council 8050 and their Families	Knights of Columbus 8050
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	JoAnn and Wilfred Duval	Their Families
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	Pro populo	
Sun.	10:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
Sun.	11:30 a.m.	Tony and Mary Gorjup	Gorjup Family

### Masses from prior to the Covid19 shutdown have now all been rescheduled.



Only Lectors are serving until further notice. There may be a Sunday which has no Lector assigned. If you are a Lector and are able to fill in, it would be most appreciated.

Sat. August 1 5:00 p.m.

Sun. August 3 8:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.





#### **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: Christy deSouza: cwl@lartist.com

K of C: Sean Saunders: grand.knight.8050@gmail.com

### **MEETINGS**

**Currently Suspended** 



This week we pray especially for the following families:

### Downey, Dunn, Duval, Dzioba, Foster, Fowler

#### **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 can be obtained from Father Mark.

#### **Bible Study Reminder:**

Temporarily suspended.





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