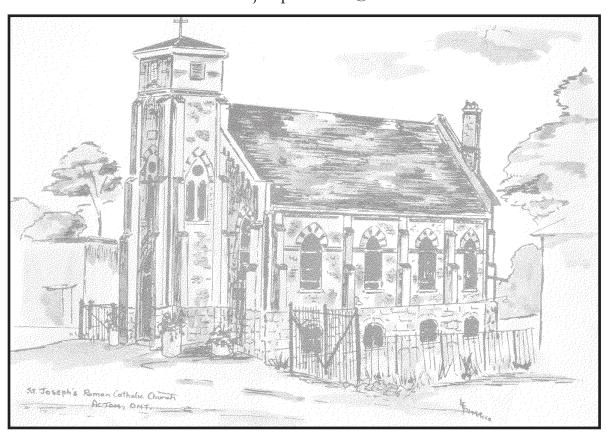
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Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am 11:00 am

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.

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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:

e read this Sunday, for the second week, the "Bread of Life" discourse from the Gospel of John.

Following the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand, Jesus had an eager audience. They attempted to make Him an earthly king and they are back following Him in today's Gospel. The people believed that Jesus could supply them with food and fulfil their material hopes without any effort on their own part The deeper meaning of the miracle, its spiritual significance, escapes them completely. They fail to understand what Jesus is talking about and they fail to realize that Jesus is the sign of God's presence in their midst.

In today's Gospel, Jesus reprimands the people for their lack of understanding of the deeper meaning of the miracle. This hunger for food which the people desired was the starting point for Jesus to begin His teaching about the deeper hunger all of us have for something more than physical sustenance.

John's Gospel is giving its readers a choice. Before Christ, the people believed that you encountered God by keeping the Law, the Torah. John m in his gospel is now offering a new kind of and encounter with God. Staying faithful to Jesus was a new way to encounter God. The challenge for the crowd which was following Jesus was to abandon the way they had known for a new way to God.

That challenge remains for us today as well. Hardly one among us does not wish for more out of life. One can work hard for material success. Some are successful, while others have trouble along the way. But our readings today are trying to tell us that there is something beyond food and success that is worth striving for. Even Paul is trying to tell us that there is something more than keeping our bellies full. Paul tells us that with baptism we should have given up something old for something better: "Put away your old self of your former way of life and put on the new self."

The readings of this Sunday are trying to tell us that we must make pursuit of God the most important pursuit of our lives. It can be a bit frightening to surrender particular values and habits that we've grown accustomed to, but the bread God gives is better than what we've got now.

Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

Farmers everywhere provide bread for all humanity, but it is Christ alone who is the bread of life...Even if all the physical hunger of the world were satisfied, even if everyone who is hungry were fed by his or her own labor or by the generosity of others, the deepest hunger of man would still exist...Therefore, I say, Come, all of you, to Christ. He is the bread of life. Come to Christ and you will never be hungry St. John Paul II again.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week and next please pray especially for: Lorne Quackenbush, Adrian Landry, Donna Mae Zacheriah Paul Kavanagh, Gary Elfring, Dennis DeMelo

Summer Bulletin Schedule: The next bulletin will be published for the weekend of August 18.



We pray especially for the following families of our parish:

Week of August 5 – August 11: Kavanagh, Kelly, Kilby, Knapton, Kolosko, Kolozsvari Week of August 12 - August 18: Kosir, Kozubal, Kwiatkowski, Kopec, LaSelva, Lampkin

Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony

Father Mark arranges 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. Applications may be obtained from Father Mark.

AUGUST 4, 2024

DAY & TIME		MASS INTENTIONS (Aug 5 – August 11)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues.	7:00 p.m.	People of the Holy Land	
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory	
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Pope Francis	
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Sick and Infirm of Our Parish	
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Daniel Earl Haffey	Suzanne Blanchet-Haffey
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Harry Bilof	Marie Bilof
Sun.	11:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
DAY & TIME		MASS INTENTIONS (August 12 – August 18)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues.	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Our Parish	
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	Sick and Infirm of Our Parish	
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Indigenous People of Canada	
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	People of Ukraine	
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Annie Rea	Rea Family
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Helen Klemencic	Ann Montgomery
Sun.	11:00 a.m.	Pro populo	



Sat. Aug 10 5 p.m. Chris Lector Ex. Minister Patricia Sun. Aug 11 9 a.m. 11 a.m. Lector Elijah Jay Ex. Minister Ann Lar Sat. Aug 17 5 p.m. Lector Patricia Ex. Minister Nancy Sun. Aug 18 11 a.m. 9 a.m.

Gita Lector Kazi Ex. Minister Marcus Jay

MEETINGS

Mon. 6:00 p.m. Tops Tues.

Aug 20 7:30 p.m. (after Mass) KofC General 8:00 p.m. Wed. **Acton Sharing** **DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS -** The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, is hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on first Saturdays to October. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. The presiders for these days will be: Bishop Douglas Crosby (September 7) and Bishop Daniel Miehm (October 5). For more information, see the Diocesan website.





CONTACT PERSONS for CWL and K of C

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