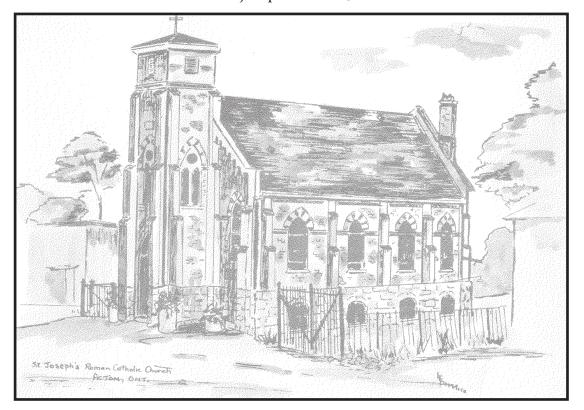
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Office Hours: Tues. & Wed. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, Fri. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

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:

he story of the Good Samaritan is one of the most well-known passages in all of the Gospels. In our modern world we look upon this story as one of great comfort, however, when Jesus told this parable, first seen in Luke's Gospel, the story was radical, scandalous, and demanding.

When the lawyer approached Jesus with the question as to who his neighbour was, he already knew the answer. He was a scribe who would have been taught what the law was and what it represented. The neighbour who the lawyer believed to be was a fellow Jewish person. Jesus showing how this question or belief should be so radical, turned the question around by asking the lawyer how one should act as a neighbour.

With Jesus using the images of the priest and the Levite, His is challenging the 'status quo' of the time. Was being a neighbour based on a sense of duty or one of compassion? Our Lord is asking us today to think about the quality and quantity of our acts in helping those in need. Jesus is encouraging us not to pick or choose or to limit the scope of our giving. Basically, the question that needs to be asked is "Are we doing what Jesus would want us to do in His name?" It is very easy avoid putting ourselves out there and helping those in need. We can find endless excuses to avoid unpleasant duties and let the opportunity to do good pass us by. The pandemic has made this even easier to do. One could say that the road from Jericho to Jerusalem can come through our neighbourhoods every day of our lives. If we don't look the other way, we can see and encounter people who are hurt, lonely, hungry for God, and disappointed in failure. We can be the Samaritan of the Gospel.

The book of Deuteronomy reminds us of how to act in response to God's love for our neighbour. It can be quite easy for us because God wants all of us. He does not want just parts of us. He does not want our love just when it is convenient or easy for us. God especially loves us when He knows our response is difficult.

We will never have to justify ourselves before God if we simply love God with all that we have and all that we are. Loving God will fill us with compassion and lead us to do the right thing.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"In the twilight of life, God will not judge us on our earthly possessions and human success, but rather on how much we have loved."

- St. John of the Cross

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week and next please pray especially for:

Pat Haffey, Corrie Derksen, Pat O'Meara, Mary Humenyk, Gonti Chelliah

Office Hours: The office at 39 John Street South is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The St. Vincent Charities Food Assistance Program runs from 10 to 11 am on Fridays. If you are visiting the office on Fridays for other business, please avoid coming at that time.

Summer Bulletin Schedule: Please note the bulletin will not be published each week throughout the summer. The next bulletin will be published for the weekend of July 24.

Family Prayer

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

Week of July 11 -July July 17: Smith, Sokolowski, South, Stade, Stewart, Stoltz

Week of July 18 – July 24: Swain, Tanney, Taylor, Toledo, Torres, Umbrello

Guelph Walking Pilgrimage: Those who walk the Guelph-to-Midland pilgrimage find it to be a unique and grace-filled experience. For eight days pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. Join us, as we cast off routine for eight days and acquiesce to a community of higher purpose. Participate for 1 day, a weekend or the full 8 days! Cost \$400 for 8 days or \$75 per day. This covers 3 meals and snacks daily, entry fees and camping services. You bring your tent, chair, and personal gear/clothing in a duffel bag. To register or for more information go to www.ignatiusguelph.ca (under programs - Guelph Walking Pilgrimage) NOTE registration deadline July 8, 2022.

Fr. Mark

DAY & TIME		MASS INTENTIONS (July 11– July 17)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues.	7:00 p.m.	Tony and Mary Gorjup	Gorjup Family
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	People of Ukraine	
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Indigenous People of Canada	
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Our Parish	
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Annie Rea	Rea Family
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Vincencia Kosir	Maria Berlingieri
Sun.	11:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
DAY & TIME		MASS INTENTIONS (July 18 – July 24)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues.	7:00 p.m.	People of Ukraine	
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	Indigenous People of Canada	
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of: Rea, Mastracci, and Reinhardt families	Rea Family
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Lynne Spencer	Spencer Family
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Rezi Zitnick	Kosir Family
Sun.	* * 9:00 a.m.	Intentions of The Bell Family	
Sun.	* * 11:00 a.m.	Intentions of Grandparents and the Elderly	

**Please Note: Sunday Masses have resumed regular hours. All other Mass times remain unchanged.

Bulletins are available online at:

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



Mon. 6:00 p.m. Tops

Wed. 8:00 p.m. AA

Religious Articles and Gifts for all Occasions Please call Geralda 905-691-9082

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.



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.





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:

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