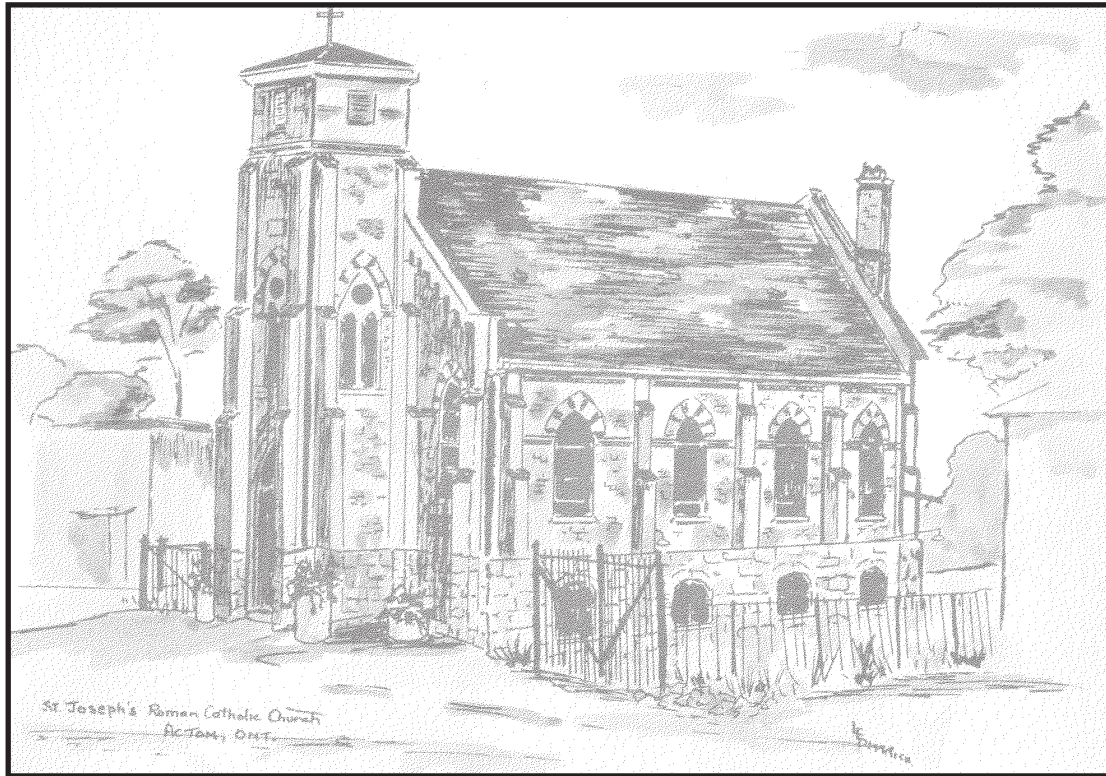


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Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
11:00 am

EXPOSITION:

Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

Catholic Women's League
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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
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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:

As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him." *From Proverbs*

Happy Father's Day to all fathers, stepfathers, and grandfathers on this their special day. Five weeks ago, we observed Mother's Day and offered prayers and blessings for our mothers. Today, this Father's Day, we are doing the same for our fathers.

We are very blessed here at St. Joseph's for the fact that our Parish is named in honour of the earthly stepfather of our Lord. St. Joseph truly represents what a father should be. Even though the Gospels do not record a single word which St. Joseph spoke, he was there, attentively present to Mary and Jesus. This is what mattered the most.

Joseph protected Mary and Jesus from King Herod and taught his foster Son the family trade; it's no surprise that Jesus was happy to be called "the son of the carpenter." He would have brought his Son to the synagogue as a youth, to learn and grow in the Jewish faith and traditions. Yes, St. Joseph was, and still is, a beautiful example for all fathers to emulate.

I came upon a beautiful story from the life of St. Therese of Lisieux. St. Therese used to ask an innocent question of her fellow first grade classmates: "Have you ever seen a Saint praying?" She would add: "If you haven't, come to my house in the evening. You will see my dad on his knees in his room with outstretched arms, praying for us his children, every day."

These images of both St. Joseph and St. Therese remind us on this Father's Day of what fatherhood should be. This is a time for all fathers to reflect upon their duties as responsible and well-integrated men. True fatherhood demands commitment. This commitment demands maturity, sacrifice, and love. Fatherhood also demands responsibility for all his actions. Our country, our society, our Church have an urgent need for good fathers.

Once again let us pray for all fathers on this Father's Day. We pray that they continue to seek out God's grace and blessing and that they continue to provide great love to their families.

Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Nothing could better express the pride and emotion a father feels when he understands that he has handed down to his child what really matters in life, that is, a wise heart." - Pope Francis, General Audience, Feb. 4

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Evelyn Morel, Gerry Cronin,
Curtis Golden***

PODCAST: Essential but Disposable Labour, Migrant Workers Exploited in Canada – In collaboration with the Sisters of St. Joseph Toronto and the Collaborative Network to End Exploitation, we have created a podcast which centres the voices and experiences of Migrant Workers in Canada. In a limited number of bi-weekly episodes, we join in conversation with workers, immigration specialists and frontline advocates to understand the systems and policies that compose this labour market and how our Ministries can better serve this community. You can find the podcast on Spotify or visit the CNEE website here: <https://www.cnee.ca/podcast/>.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT – July 1st - Our diocesan Vocations Office invites all young adults (ages 20s & 30s) of our diocese to attend our Canada Day Young Adults Night. Arrival and Holy Hour in the church (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food, testimony/talk and Compline (9:00pm) in the Hall followed by Canada Day Fireworks from the Hill. Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

JUNE 18, 2023

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (June 19 – June 25)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues. 7:00 p.m.	People of Ukraine	
Wed. 9:00 a.m.	Grace Mendes	Her Parents
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Indigenous People of Canada	
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	Dusan and Helen Klemencic	Estate of Helen Klemencic
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Luke Paul	Gomes Family
Sun. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Abel and Virginia Castellino Pro populo	Castellino Family



Sat. June 24 5 p.m.
Ex. Minister Nancy
Lector Eddie
Music Martin
Usher Roberto

Sun. June 25 9 a.m. 11 a.m.
Ex. Minister Jay Ann
Lector Andrew Elijah
Music Christie
Usher Decio Paul H.

Please see Eddie MacDonald if you have any questions or 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:

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

Religious Articles and Gifts for all Occasions
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This week we pray especially for the following families:

*Knapton, Kolosko, Kolozsvari,
Kopec, Kosir, Kozubal*

Office Email: If you have a problem reaching the office through our regular email, our alternate address is:

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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.



Bulletins are available online at:

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