

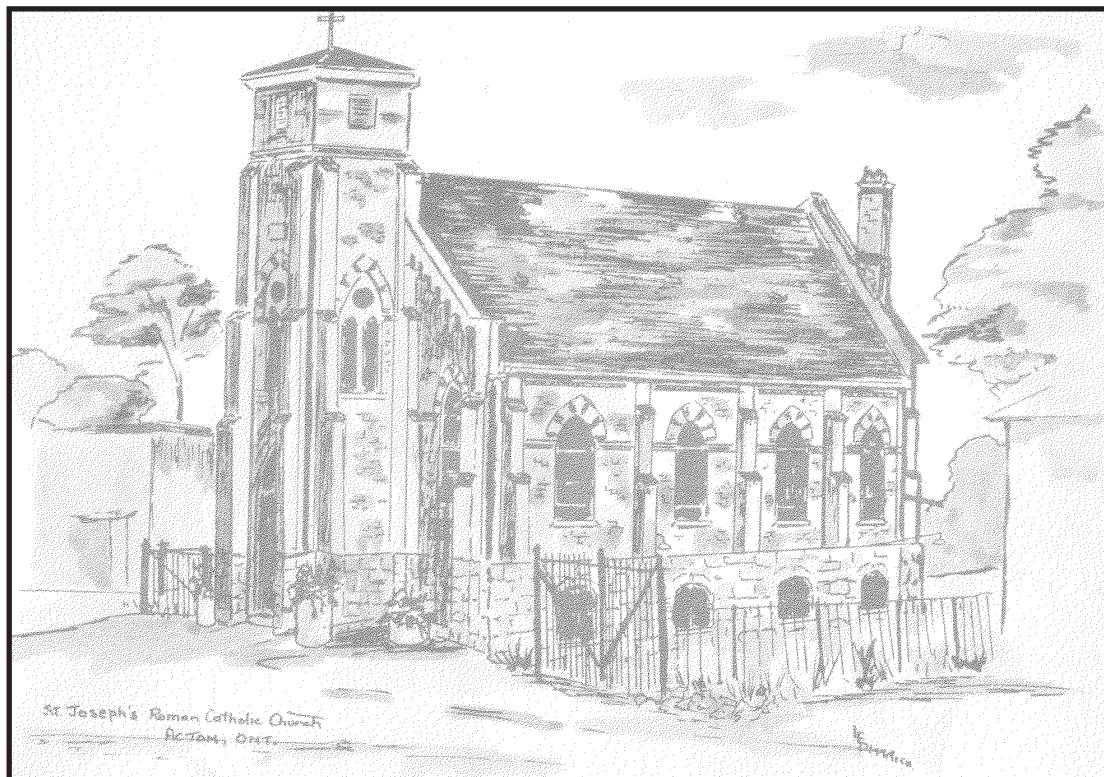
# St. Joseph Patron of Canada Parish

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## SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:00 am

## EXPOSITION:

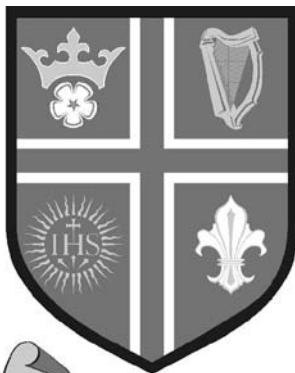
Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

## 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

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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:

I was reading a story recently of a couple who were basically 'church hoppers'. They were a couple who tried different churches or denominations. They had never found a church where they thought that God was present. Though they had never been in a Catholic Church, they had developed a contempt for Catholicism. However, they attended a funeral for a Catholic friend in the church.

According to the story, the couple was moved by the belief that Christ was truly present. The Mass, though a funeral, really was not about their deceased friend. The priest was also not central to the experience. Everything pointed them to the bread and wine on the altar. They truly had an experience and they 'felt unworthy'. Whether or not the couple became members of the Church the author did not express, but it would be wonderful if this were the case. Still, the experience that the couple witnessed does show the profound experience one can have before the Eucharist.

Our Gospel of this Corpus Christi Sunday should make us ponder the significance of the Eucharist. At the feeding of the 5000, Jesus is challenging His Apostles to feed the crowd. Obviously, they protest that they cannot do this. All they can offer is five breads and two fish. What Jesus taught His Apostles then, and that He teaches us still, is that in His hands it is sufficient. If we give what we have, Jesus can work with it and He gives back in abundance. What we understand is that not only was the crowd fed, but they were also satisfied. Their hunger was more than just physical, Jesus fed their need to receive His love.

What Luke also reminds us, is that Jesus uses human beings to deliver what He offers. We give our gifts, 'our sacrifice' to the Lord. Our gifts are blessed by the priest through 'in persona Christi' and returned to us in a far greater form than that in which they were offered.

We must also make the connection between the Body of Christ, the Eucharist, and the Body of Christ: The Church. If the Eucharist is merely a ritual meal, where we just go through the motions, then it lacks meaning. To be truly satisfying, we must recognize the hunger that the Eucharist feeds. When we receive the Body of Christ, we become the Body of Christ that is the Church. As the Church, we are called

to feed many hungers. We must never separate Jesus' presence in the Eucharist from the link of the Church. It is who we are as Catholics. The heart of our faith as a Church.

*Fr. Mark*

**NEW: CATECHIST FORMATION PROGRAM** - The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to offer a catechist formation program through Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation. This program is open to Pastor recommended candidates. Topics covered during our year together will include:

- The New Directory for Catechesis
- The relationship between evangelization and catechesis
- Sacramental preparation
- Culture and its impact on ministry
- Additional specialized formation for ministry with all stages of life.

For more information contact your Pastor or the Evangelization and Catechesis Office [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com)

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"Receive Communion often, very often...there you have the sole remedy, if you want to be cured. Jesus has not put this attraction in your heart for nothing..."

—St. Therese of Lisieux

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Brendan Ryan, Gonti Chelliah,  
Laura Kupferschmidt***



This week we pray especially for the following families:

***Pratt, Previte, Pupo,  
Quackenbush, Querques,  
Raats***

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DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (June 20 – June 26)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues NO MASS		
Wed. NO MASS		
Thurs. NO MASS		
Fri. NO MASS		
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Luigi and Teresa Bottero	Luisetto Family
Sun. 8:30 a.m.	Pro populo	The Bell Family
10:00 a.m.	<i>Intentions of The Bell Family</i>	
11:30 a.m.	Pro populo	



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

## MEETINGS

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

Religious Articles and Gifts for all Occasions  
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### 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

### PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - Parenting Tip 141

Summer days are upon us, a perfect time to unwind a little and spend some quality time as a family. Playing outdoor and indoor games, walking in nature, having water balloon fights, and taking time to thank God for our many blessings are all ways to build relationships with each other. Children need to be well connected to their family in order to feel safe, secure and important. Time together is the best way to build these significant bonds. Family Ministry Office.

### Bulletins are available online at:

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

#### 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.

**Father's Day Special!** The CWL would like to help you honour those special men in your life by offering a variety of home baked coffee cakes to bring home on Father's Day. The cakes will be ready to be picked up after each Mass on Father's Day weekend. Prices will vary according to size. Bon Appetit!!






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