

# 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:

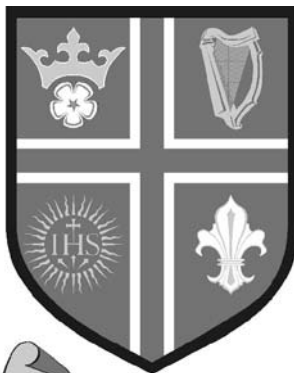
Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

## 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

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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:

**A**s we pray and celebrate the Second Sunday of Lent, it is a proper time to look at the Sacrament of Baptism during this Holy Season.

Many people do not connect Baptism with the Season of Lent. They will connect Lent with the tools which are seen and used throughout the season. These tools are of course, prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Others may be focused on the Easter Triduum which celebrates the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus, therefore they will see Lent as being a season of preparation.

There is nothing wrong with developing mindsets which help us with Lent by using the tools of the season. In fact, one can say that our faith revolves around one event, the Death and Resurrection of Christ. Everything we think and believe about God always has to be with this event in mind. During Lent we are called to observe Jesus's act of obedience, and act of will. It is an act of or a response to love.

How does our Baptism come into play with this belief? Lent gives us an opportunity to ponder Baptism. Remembering Baptism during Lent is important because it is the first step toward entering in the experience of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, the loving obedience of Christ. You might say that we are allowed a glimpse into what God call us to become, a disciple of Christ.

In Baptism, we enter into the Death of Christ so that we can also share in His resurrection. Lent calls this experience to mind. If we desire this belief, then we can participate in the experience of Jesus' incredible act of loving obedience.

On Easter Sunday, we are asked to renew our Baptismal promises. This involves saying yes to God. And professing love of Christ. We can grow in these promises by trusting in God. We can be inspired by Abraham's trust in God in our First Reading this Sunday. He did not know what God was asking of him, to leave his homeland and find a new

home. Still, he listened to God and trusted in Him.

The Transfiguration story from our Gospel of today is also a story of trust and obedience. With Jesus flanked by Moses and Elijah, we are reminded to listen to them intently and respond.

Lent calls us to look at the perfect act of trust, Jesus' Death and Resurrection, it reminds us that we can share in this experience by pointing us toward our Baptism during this Season of Lent.

*Fr. Mark*

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### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and, in this way, to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life..."

-- Pope Benedict XVI

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### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Paul Kavanagh, Ronald Parker,  
Fran Walters***

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**Bulletins** are available online at:

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

**From the Parish Office:** Tax Receipts are available at the back of the church. 2023 envelopes are still available for pickup in the hall.

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**Movie Nights** - Thursday evenings in the hall following 7pm Mass. All are welcome, popcorn and drinks available for a donation.

**March 9th - *The Reluctant Saint* -B/W (1hr45min)**

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**Lenten Lunches-** Join all the Christian Churches in Acton as we journey through Lent. We meet at noon on Wednesdays at the Salvation Army Church for worship and gather for lunch after the service.

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MARCH 5, 2023

## HOLY WEEK

**Holy Thursday** April 6 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper. Adoration until 10:00 p.m.  
**Good Friday** April 7 11:00 p.m. Passion Service with Holy Communion  
 3:00 p.m. Passion Service with Holy Communion  
**Holy Saturday** April 8 12:00 p.m. Blessing of food baskets **in the Church**  
 8:00 p.m. **Easter Vigil Mass**  
**Easter Sunday** April 9 **Easter Masses 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.**

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (March 6 – March 12)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues 7:00 p.m.	People of Turkey and Syria	
Wed 9:00 a.m.	<i>Intentions of the Mulligan Family</i>	June McCabe
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	People of Ukraine	
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	Annie Rea	Lianna Reinhardt
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	John Bonello	Theresa Bonello
Sun. 9:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
11:00 a.m.	Beverly Boisvenue	Christie deSouza



Please see Eddie MacDonald if you have any questions or are interested in joining the team.

**Stations of the Cross will be said on Fridays in Lent at 5:00 p.m. There will not be Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.**



This week we pray especially for the following families:

**Bonello, Borkowski, Bosboom,  
Bourque, Brozic, Buck**

### CWL General Meeting Date Change!

The Tuesday, March 14 General meeting is being moved to **Tuesday, March 28 at 7:30**. Apologies for any inconvenience that causes. We look forward to seeing everyone who can make it.



### 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](mailto:cwl@lartist.com)

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