

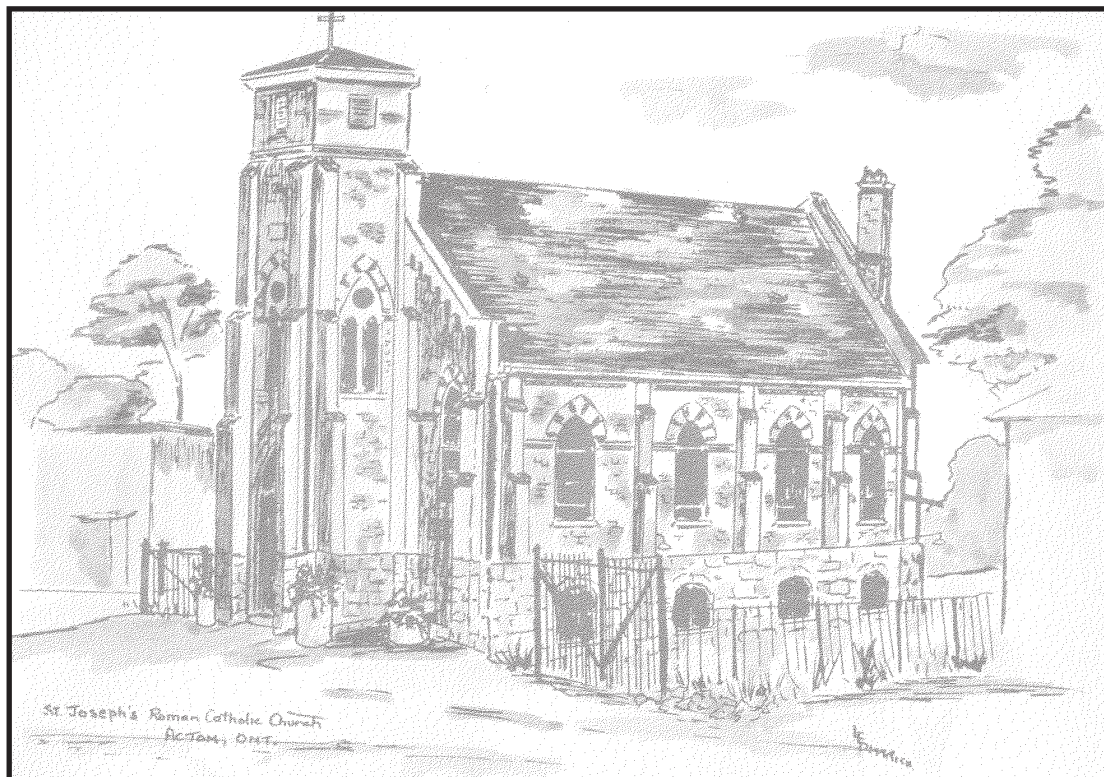
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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:00 am

EXPOSITION:

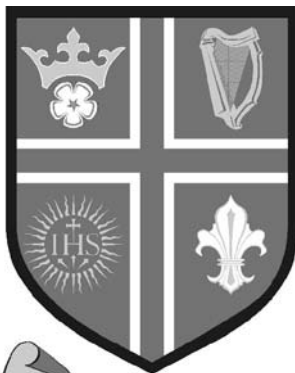
Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

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:

As we celebrate the Sixth Sunday of Easter and come closer to celebrating the Ascension of the Lord and Pentecost Sunday we also need to celebrate all mothers on the Mother's Day weekend.

With this thought in mind, I remember reading a story from a priest who had a wonderful married couple in his parish. Eventually the wife became ill and died. The husband, now a widower, was responsible for raising his children because he and his wife had several children who were still quite young. The two grandmothers stepped in and did as much as they could, but the children obviously still missed their mother. In particular, the youngest, although she barely knew her mother, still continually wished for a mother in her life.

Eventually the father fell in love and remarried. The wedding took place in the where the priest who told the story was the Pastor. At the end of the wedding ceremony, the priest gave the final blessings. However, before there was applause and the recessional hymn began, the youngest of the children asked her new stepmother in a voice all could hear: "Are you my mother now?"

On this Mother's Day we need to remind ourselves that motherhood is a very high calling and for all mothers to be true to this calling. It is important for women to realize that the love, guidance and influence they provide to their children are distinct and invaluable.

Who can mothers look towards for a true model of motherhood? Today's culture offers many models for mothers to mirror, however, often these role models are either all together wrong or they offer a very limited and unrealistic view of true motherhood.

If a mother is to be honest and true to her calling, then she needs to look at the woman who became the greatest mother of all. I am of course speaking of Mary, The Blessed Mother. Born into humble surroundings, she was called by God to be the mother of the Son of God. She truly lived out her call in both obedience and faith.

One aspect of Mary's life that has meaning and inspiration for mothers today is the profound suffering which she endured during the Passion of Our Lord. With only a few others, Mary stood at the foot of the Cross of her Son.

All mothers need to find in Mary, our Blessed Mother, the faith, hope, courage, and love to stand firm at the foot of the Cross. All suffering will be healed as we are united by the power of the Cross. Mothers are the ones in a family who take on much of the pain and suffering and it is their faith which allows a family to gain strength and to grow.

Let us pray for all mothers living and deceased on this Mother's Day. They gave us life and taught us to cherish the love of God and others.

Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Even while living in this world, the heart of Mary was so filled with tenderness and compassion for men, that no one ever suffered so much for his own pains as Mary suffered for the pains of others."

--St. Jerome

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Rhonda Chartrand, Marie Zions,
Susan Lindsay, Avelinda Toledo***

Young Adults Night – June 3, 2023 – Acton/Halton Hills- Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our Diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, June 3rd at St. Joseph, Patron of Canada (64 Church Street East, Acton, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.

For more information: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

MAY 14, 2023

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (May 15 – May 21)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues 7:00 p.m.	Jo Ann Duval	Her Children
Wed 9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Matthew and Jervy Kwiatkowski	Kwiatkowski Family
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Indigenous People of Canada	
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	People of Ukraine	
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Jean Marcoux	Suzanne Blanchet-Haffey
Sun. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Pro populo Joanne Vranic	Yvonne Caswell



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



This week we pray especially for the following families:

*Humenyk, Iaizzo, Isky,
Jakob, Jakubiec, James*



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@artist.com

K of C: Marc MacDonald: grand.knight.8050@gmail.com

TO INFORM, ENCOURAGE AND HEAL - June is Indigenous History Month in Canada. We invite you take time in this season to learn more about the Catholic Church's commitment to ongoing reconciliation efforts with Indigenous communities through a four-week learning opportunity through the VLCFF (Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation). To learn more about this study, please visit us at www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

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

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