

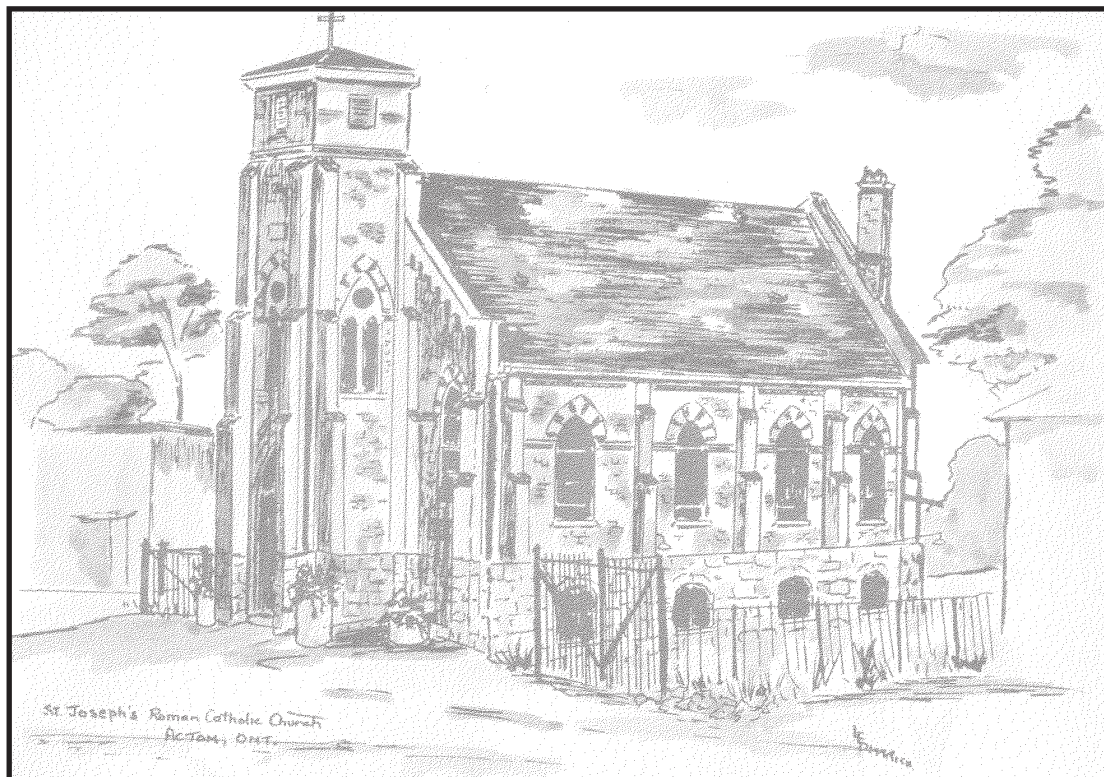
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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:00 am

EXPOSITION:

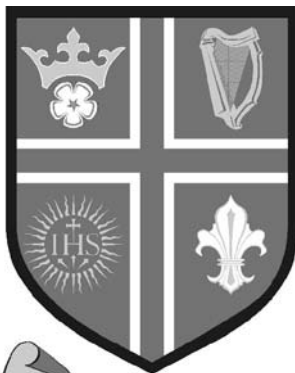
Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

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:

This is a beautiful time of the year when people are buying and planting in their gardens around their homes. One can go to a garden centre at this very moment and be overwhelmed at the colours and beauty they see. I recently purchased some planters and hanging baskets and have placed them around the front of my residence. Any type of flowers can add colour to any place of residence. I was recently reading where the bee population is in decline because their hives have been attacked by a specific fungus which destroys them. The article went on to say that adding extra flowers this year will help the bee population. Any help can be beneficial at this time.

With this being the month of May, we are reminded that it is traditionally celebrated as the month of Mary. The reason is obvious during this month, flowers are in bloom. As expression of our devotion and love we can bring flowers to Mary. This devotion is not about the flowers, but about Mary. In fact, one of the titles with which we can honour Mary is the title 'Rosa Mystica' (Mystical Rose). We have just celebrated Mothers' Day on which we honour all mothers, but we need to remind ourselves that Mary is the mother of all humanity.

In this month of May we are encouraged to pray the Rosary to honour Mary. The name of the Rosary also comes from the name of the beautiful flower which is so popular for gifts and for gardens. When we pray the Rosary, we offer to Mary a garden of roses which do not wither and die. We can show this devotion to Mary long after the month of May has ended.

During May, we can offer flowers to Mary everyday. These flowers are not physical ones, although those are beautiful, rather the flowers we can offer are spiritual ones in the form of prayer, trust, and love.

The love we can offer to Mary is a love about which Jesus speaks to His Apostles in the

Gospel of this Sunday. Jesus offers a new commandment: "that you love on another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." It is not a love based on emotion or one which is fleeting, but rather one which is rooted in self sacrifice and unity with God.

On this Fifth Sunday of Easter, let us be generous in our love to others and to God. It is a love which should make us use our hearts as the source of inspiration.

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:

***Karin Brozic, Fran Walters,
Danielle Little***



This week we pray especially for the following families:

***Kwiatkowski, LaSelva, Lampkin,
Luisetto, Lynch, MacDonald***

The Ignatius Jesuit Centre will be hosting an 8-Day Retreat on *Listening to Indigenous Voices* May 18 @ 7:30 pm - May 26 @ 1:00 pm. Facilitated by Shasha Sky and Dave Skene from White Owl Native Ancestry Assoc. in collaboration with Victoria Blanco, Mark Hathaway, and Trevor Scott, SJ, from the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice. The group gathers to acknowledge Truth and Reconciliation Call to Action #60 and educate on the ways we can honour and respect Indigenous spirituality and the history of residential schools in Canada. Cost and accommodation information can be found at www.ignatiusguelph.ca

MAY 15, 2022

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (May16 - May 22)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues 7:00 p.m.	People of Ukraine	
Wed. 9:00 a.m.	<i>Intentions of Nora McCabe</i>	June McCabe
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Indigenous People of Canada	
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	Charles Spencer	Spencer Family
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Daniel Earl Haffey	CWL
Sun. 8:30 a.m.	Edward Maschke	Hannah Family
10:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
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 most appreciated.



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

The Office of Youth Ministry is pleased to present Accompanying Forward – An Afternoon with Roy Petitfils May 27 at 1 pm for a virtual conversation about accompanying young people as they navigate their new realities and their mental health. Roy is a Catholic author, speaker, and psychotherapist with over 25 years experience ministering to youth and young adults in parishes, dioceses, and schools. Registration can be found on our Diocesan website under Youth Ministers Events and Resources.

Bulletins are available online at:

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

Religious Articles and Gifts for all Occasions
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MEETINGS

Mon. 6:00 p.m. Tops

Wed. 8:00 p.m. AA

Aging with Wisdom and Grace is the fifth talk for the Hamilton Diocesan Speaker Series. Using her own experiences and the wisdom of her contemporaries, Dr. Elizabeth Bookser Barkley will explore some of the physical, emotional, and psychological issues we face as we age. The presentation will be interactive, challenging participants to reflect on their own aging journey. Pope Francis has repeatedly spoken of the importance of the elderly in our society, so join us to embrace this important stage of every person's life. Dr. Bookser Barkley, Ph.D., is a professor of English at Mount St. Joseph University in Cincinnati, Ohio. She is the author of four books, including *Life After Death: Practical Help for the Widowed*, and numerous other feature articles. She is married, the mother of three daughters and the grandmother of seven. **Join us Wednesday, May 18 from 7-8:30p.m.** Check the Diocesan website at <https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/> for more information on the series and to register. For more information contact Teresa Hartnett at thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2250

Wedding Anniversary Mass 2022 Registration The Wedding Anniversary Mass, which would normally have been scheduled for June of 2022, will not occur this year due to the continued concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/> and we will be happy to send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. The Wedding Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page under Upcoming Events.




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