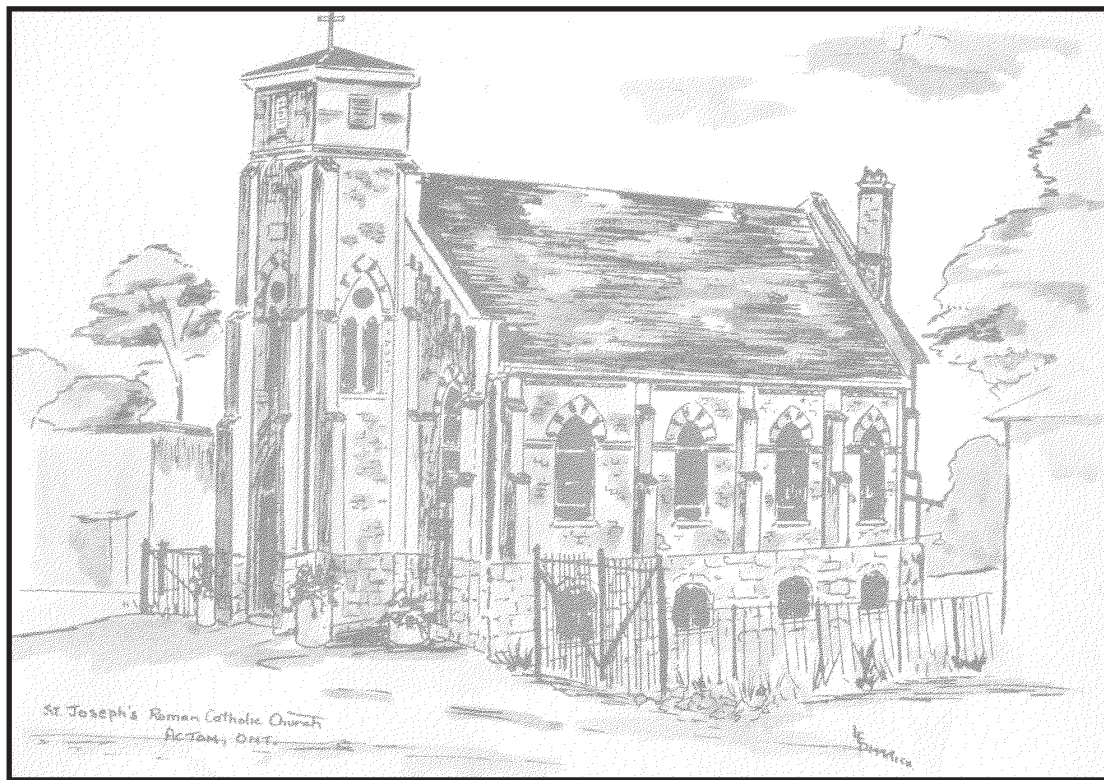


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Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:00 am

EXPOSITION:

Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

Catholic Women's League

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

Christ the King 905-702-8838

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:

We have come to the end of another Easter Season with the Solemnity of Pentecost. The Pascal candle is moved from its place of prominence in front of the altar after the last Mass. It is returned to its place by the Baptismal font, where it will only be used during the rest of the year for Baptisms and Funerals. This represents the belief that one is Baptized into the death of Christ through His Resurrection. It also shows that the 'Light of Christ' has entered the world and is always present.

On this Pentecost Sunday, as we are reminded of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, it is always appropriate to do a review of them. These gifts which are mentioned in Isaiah 11:2-3, show us that they would be present in the Messiah to come and now have been extended to us through the Holy Spirit.

The gift of wisdom makes us relish and only love the things which come from Heaven. Basically, it is the gift of choosing God above all other things. The gift of understanding helps us to grasp the truths of our faith. This gift allows us to achieve a deeper insight into the Scriptures and the Doctrines of the Church.

The gift of counsel (prudence) allows us to see and correctly choose those things that help to give glory to God and guide us toward our own Salvation. It helps us to separate good from evil. The gift of fortitude brings the courage to overcome the obstacles and difficulties that arise from practicing our faith. Being a person of faith, one who openly lives a life of faith, is not always easy. The values of our faith are not always shared by the majority in our world.

The gift of knowledge helps us to know the right path to follow and the dangers to avoid in our journey to Heaven. It enables us to possess the vision of the Kingdom of God and helps us to remain on the proper course. This gift of piety allows us to have the confidence in God which leads us to live a Christian life.

Finally, the gift of the fear of the Lord leads us to show respect for God. This 'fear' does not mean that we become afraid of God, but rather that

we seek to not offend God. We are not afraid of what God will do to us; we are afraid of disappointing God. When we love someone, we always fear hurting them.

These gifts of the Holy Spirit are there for us as individuals. If we use them in a proper and faithful manner, they can be used for the entire community of faith. Jesus' prayer that we may be one with Him and the Father will then be achieved.

Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

How can we not give thanks to God for the wonders the Spirit has never ceased to accomplish in these two millenniums of Christian life? Indeed, the event of grace at Pentecost has continued to bear its marvellous fruits, everywhere instilling apostolic zeal, a desire for contemplation, the commitment to live and serve God and our brothers and sisters with complete dedication.

-Pope John Paul II (May 31, 1998)

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

COFFEE CAKES FOR FATHER'S DAY!

After the Masses on June 17 and 18, the CWL will be selling coffee cakes in the Church Hall. Volunteers to bake coffee cakes would be greatly appreciated. If you can, please contact Christie at cwl@lartist.com or text/call at 519-400-6012. Cake drop-offs will be Saturday morning, June 17 in the Hall.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Colleen Decarlis, Lisa Fuller,
Madeline Ainsworth***

MAY 28, 2023

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (May 29 – June 4)	REQUESTED BY:
Mon.	Father away, no weekday Masses	
Tues.		
Wed.		
Thurs.		
Fri.		
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Annie Rea	Rea Family
Sun. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Daniel Earl Haffey Pro populo	Suzanne Blanchet-Haffey



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:

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



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

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

Religious Articles and Gifts for all Occasions
Please call Geralda 905-691-9082

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

stjosephacton@hamiltondiocese.com

CWL General Meeting: Potluck and Pins!

Tuesday, June 13. Mass at 6:00, dinner in the hall at 6:30. Pins will be presented to people who have hit milestones in their membership.

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



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