

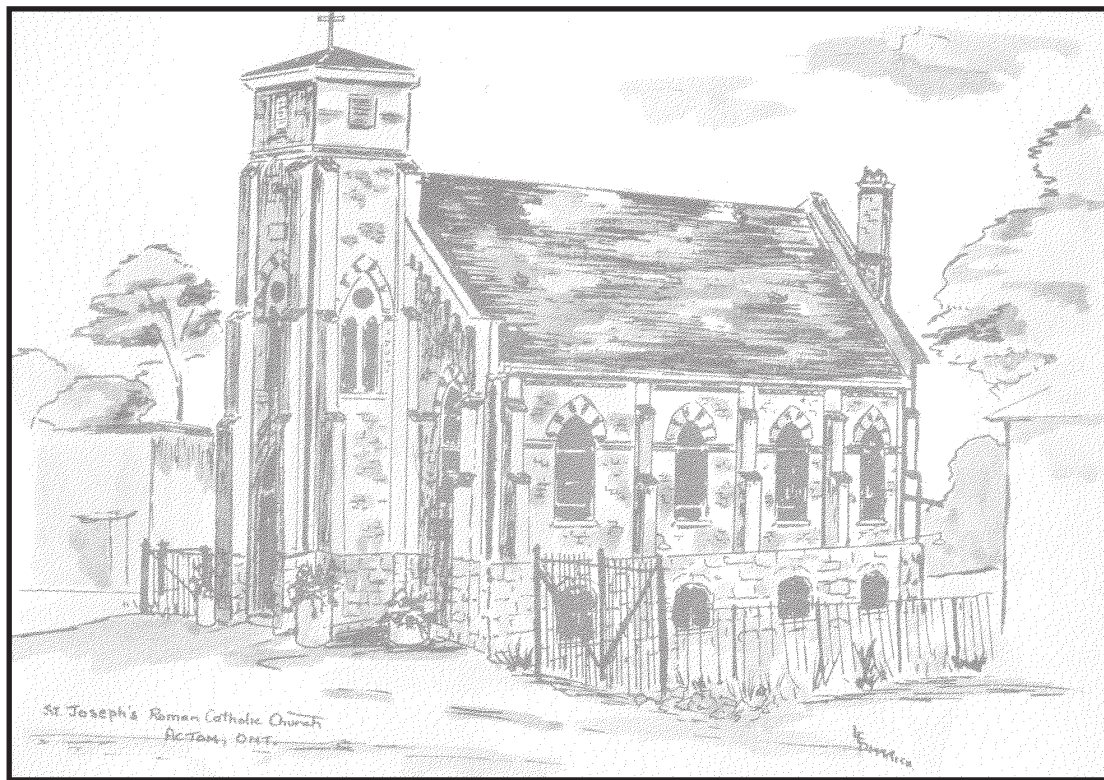
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## SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:00 am

## EXPOSITION:

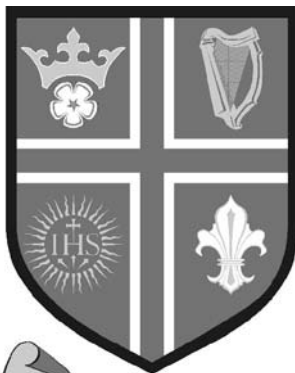
Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

## 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

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.

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## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR:

**A**s we end this liturgical year, we are reminded of the last moments of Christ's earthly life. With his being the last Sunday that we read from the Gospel of St. Luke, we are introduced once again to one of the major themes of this gospel, namely the idea of irony. Throughout his gospel Luke could show Jesus using a reverse image in teaching about God. The irony of this gospel is the sign which Pilate hung above the Cross of the Crucified Lord. With the words 'The King of the Jews', the people would have laughed at the sign and that particular notion of a condemned man being a king. What Luke is teaching us is that Jesus is truly a King like no other. He rules through service and by humble submission to His Father in Heaven. Earthly kings are not servants, they are served. Earthly kings submit to no one. Jesus pointed the World to His Father.

Luke truly stresses that the sign upon Jesus' Cross was correct. The crowd jeered at Jesus; the one criminal made fun of Him as well even as he too was being put to death. We see the innocence of Jesus hanging next to complete depravity.

Luke shows the contrast in the second criminal who, in admitting his own guilt, recognized the complete innocence of Jesus. Further, unlike the first criminal, he did not ask for Jesus to save him. He asked only to be remembered by Jesus.

Luke's love of irony allowed Jesus to challenge our assumptions about God and about our own righteousness. His whole purpose in writing was to make clear to his people and to us, who is the true King we need to recognize. We must know who Jesus is, for if we do not, we cannot possibly be true disciples.

The second criminal is actually a beautiful model of discipleship. He acknowledged his guilt and his unworthiness to approach Jesus with a request to be saved. His recognition of Jesus' innocence and the sin in his own life made it possible for Jesus to save him and to freely offer him a place in Paradise anyway.

We are reminded on this Solemnity, that Christ the King rules from the Cross, not from a palace or from an earthly piece of land. His Kingdom is not a place, but a people who give their hearts lovingly to Him by shaping their lives according to His will. This is true discipleship, and we are called to act upon it in our lives.

*Fr. Mark*

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## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

Hope means hoping when things are hopeless, or it is no virtue at all... As long as matters are really hopeful, hope is mere flattery or platitude; it is only when everything is hopeless that hope begins to be a strength.

— G. K. Chesterton

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## PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week and next please pray especially for:

*Brendan Ryan, Cecilia Tracy,  
Marg Davey*

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**Bulletins** are available online at:

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



We are praying especially for the following families of our parish:

*Kruszewski, Kwiatkowski, LaSelva,  
Lampkin, Luisetto, Lynch*

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## WYD FUNDRAISING DINNER: A Taste of Portugal...

**Save the Date!** The Diocesan World Youth Day Planning Team warmly invites you to a fundraising dinner at St. Mary's Church in Hamilton on Saturday, February 04, 2023. Join us and celebrate the delegation of young people who will be attending World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal this summer while enjoying fine Portuguese food, music and cultural dance! Tickets will be available soon and full tables are available to purchase for families. Please contact our office for more details or to reserve tickets: [wyd@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:wyd@hamiltondiocese.com)

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## MOUNT MARY IMMACULATE RETREAT CENTRE

(437 Wilson St. E, Ancaster ON) is hosting an Open House and Christmas Market December 10th from 10:00 am-4:00pm. Guests are welcome to tour the grounds and buildings, enjoy seasonal refreshments and do some Christmas shopping. Admission is free, and all are welcome! For more information about Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre please visit: [www.mountmary.ca](http://www.mountmary.ca)

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## SAVE THE DATE: THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS IS BACK!

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available on line by mid-November at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

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**NOVEMBER 20, 2022**

| DAY & TIME              | MASS INTENTIONS (November 21 - 27)     | REQUESTED BY:             |
|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Tues. 7:00 p.m.         | Rezi Zitnik                            | Kosir Family              |
| Wed. 9:00 a.m.          | <i>Intentions of Helena Dyczkowska</i> | Kwiatkowski Family        |
| Thurs. <b>9:00 a.m.</b> | Helen and Dusan Klemencic              | Estate of Helen Klemencic |
| Fri. 9:00 a.m.          | Deceased of the Cule Family            | Spencer Family            |
| Sat. 5:00 p.m.          | Pierre Agnes                           | Luisetto Family           |
| Sun. 9:00 a.m.          | Greg Saldanha                          | Clive and Simona Gomes    |
| 11:00 a.m.              | Pro populo                             |                           |



We have returned to our Lector/Extraordinary Minister schedule. Please see Eddie MacDonald if you have any questions or are interested in joining the team.



**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

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

**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.

**MEETINGS**

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

**CWL Christmas Dinner  
 December 13<sup>th</sup>**

Church Hall at 6:30 pm  
 Tickets will be \$25 for this delicious turkey dinner cooked and served to the ladies by the Knights of Columbus.  
 Tickets will be available after mass on Nov. 19 & 20, Nov. 27 & 28 & Dec. 3 & 4.  
 Also you can call Cathy Coles 905-864-2404 for a ticket or to arrange a ride to the dinner.

**St. Joseph's Patron of Canada CWL Christmas Bazaar**

November 26 from 10 am to 2 pm. in the Church Hall. There will be a penny sale, religious articles, caricatures by artist Lar, homemade baking with Christmas cookie plates and meat pies. All proceeds to the charities of the CWL. As always, donations of baked goods are appreciated and can be dropped off in the Church Hall Friday evening Nov.25,7-8 pm or Saturday November 26, 9-10 am.

**Bazaar Penny Table**

A box is still at the back of the Church this week to collect Canadian Tire Money or cash. These donations will be used to purchase prizes for the Bazaar's Penny Table.

**COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS...When you have Lost a Loved One**

- Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies on coping at Christmas. The session will be facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese. The gathering will be held at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. West in Hamilton, on Sunday, Nov. 27, 2022 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. You are also welcome to join the session by zoom. The event is FREE of charge. Please call Sarah to reserve a seat, or to receive the zoom link: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or e-mail her at [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com) (You are welcome to attend even if you have not registered in advance.)






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