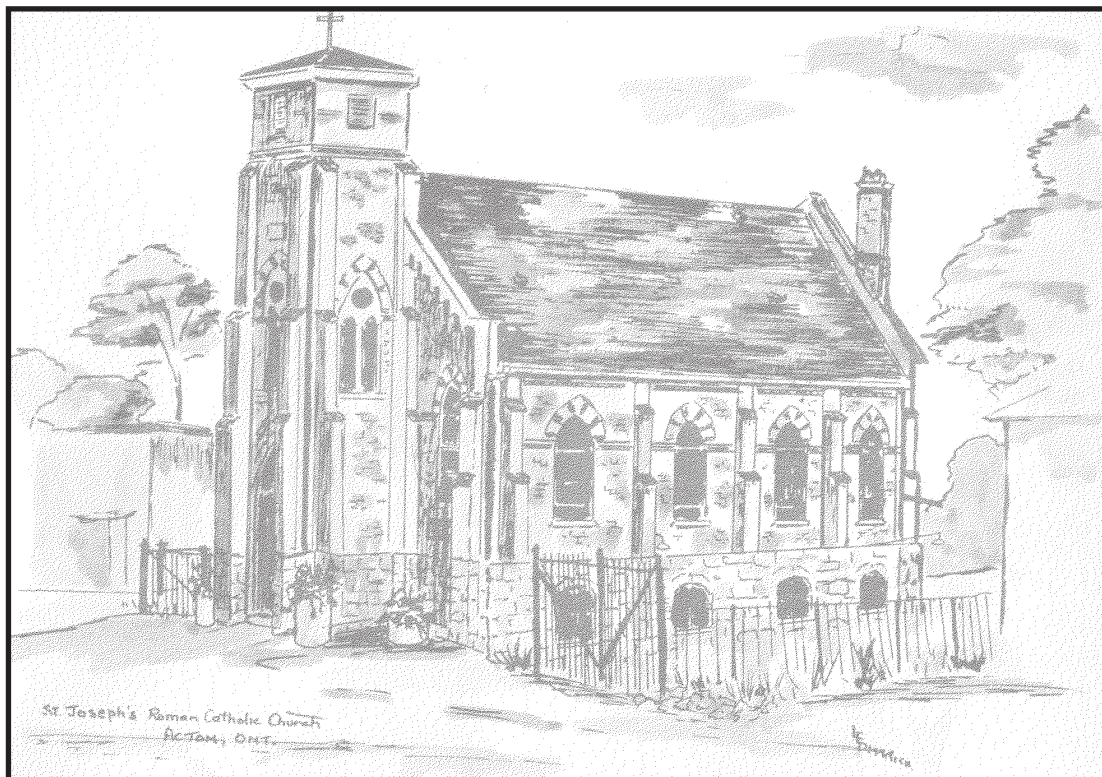


# St. Joseph Patron of Canada Parish

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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



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## 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:

Once again Jesus uses the image of the vineyard to teach about the Kingdom of God. We are reminded that God's ways are not our ways. The vineyard owner, who represents God, goes beyond what any other owner would do. No owner would personally plant a vineyard, put a hedge around it to protect it from animals, dig a winepress, and build a tower so that guards could watch for thieves. Usually a landlord would say, "Here is the land, put on it what you need to. I will be back to collect the rent later." This landlord was quite different, he provided everything. All the tenants had to do was to care for the vines and then collect the harvest.

The problem was that the tenants were ungrateful for all that the landowner had done for them. They were starting to act like God. The challenge for us is to ask ourselves: "Are we grateful to God? Do we recognize all that He has given us, beginning with our very lives? Have we noticed any blessing in our lives?" We may not react as the tenants did in a violent way, but our reaction may be one of apathy instead of anger. Which is worse? The truth is that we may reject Him in so many ways.

This parable challenges us to keep working in God's service and not become complacent. Christ is concerned that we respond to His appeal to bear fruit and become an immense and beautiful harvest.

*Fr. Mark*

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## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"No ray of sunlight is ever lost, but the green which it awakes into existence needs time to sprout, and it is not always granted to the sower to see the harvest. All work that is worth anything is done in faith."  
~ Albert Schweitzer

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## PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Fran Walters, Danielle Little,  
Eileen Quackenbush***

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**Bulletins** are available online at:

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

## Pope's September Prayer Intention:

### Respect for the Planet's Resources

In his prayer intention for the month of September, Pope Francis calls us to "pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered but shared".

*We are squeezing out the planet's goods.*

*Squeezing them out, as if the earth were an orange. Countries and businesses from the global north have enriched themselves by exploiting the natural resources of the south, creating an "ecological debt." Who is going to pay this debt?*

*In addition, this "ecological debt" is increased when multinationals do abroad what they would never be allowed to do in their own countries. It is outrageous.*

*Today, not tomorrow; today, we have to take care of Creation responsibly.*

*Let us pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered but shared in a just and respectful manner.*

*No to plundering; yes, to sharing.*

- Pope Francis, September 2020

Each year, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation is observed on September 1. The international celebration marks the beginning of the Season of Creation, which extends to 4 October, the feast of St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology.

### **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 can be obtained from Father Mark.

OCTOBER 4, 2020

| DAY & TIME       | MASS INTENTIONS (October 5-October 11) | REQUESTED BY:           |
|------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Tues 7:00 p.m.   | <i>Intentions of Emily Jakubiec</i>    | Kwiatkowski Family      |
| Wed 9:00 a.m.    | <i>Intentions of Julian Podsada</i>    | Podsada Family          |
| Thurs. 7:00 p.m. | Deceased family members                | Eileen Quackenbush      |
| Fri. 9:00 a.m.   | Tonica Spehar                          | Borkowski Family        |
| Sat. 5:00 p.m.   | Silvana Zanini                         | Luisetto Family         |
| Sun. 8:30 a.m.   | Pro populo                             |                         |
| Sun. 10:00 a.m.  | Pro populo                             |                         |
| Sun. 11:30 a.m.  | Luigi Bottero                          | Maria Albano and Family |



Only Lectors are serving until further notice. There may be a Sunday which has no Lector assigned. If you are a Lector and are able to fill in, it would be most appreciated.

- Sat. 5:00 p.m.  
Sun. 8:30 a.m.  
10:00 a.m.  
11:30 a.m.



### 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: Christy deSouza: [cwl@lartist.com](mailto:cwl@lartist.com)  
K of C: Sean Saunders: [grand.knight.8050@gmail.com](mailto:grand.knight.8050@gmail.com)

## MEETINGS

Currently Suspended



This week we pray especially for the following families:

***Baginski, Bairos-Driedger, Banks, Beaton, Bhikha, Biernacki***

**Diaper Drive for Michael House** - September traditionally has the CWL "Baby Shower" for Michael House, a shelter and support for pregnant and parenting women in need in Guelph. For this year, instead of the party, we are asking everyone who can to donate diapers. If you are able, please bring in a package (or more!) of any size of diapers. There are tables set aside in the basement for drop-off before or after Mass over the next couple of weekends. Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

Michael House also accepts monetary donations through their website at [michaelhouse.ca](http://michaelhouse.ca)

**Catechetical Correspondence Course** - Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.





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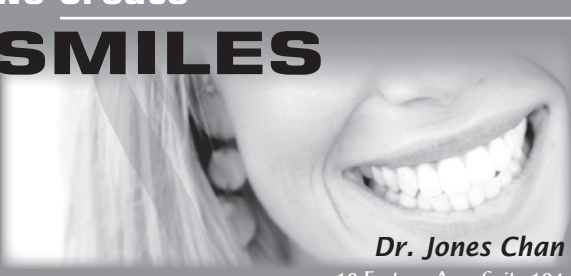


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