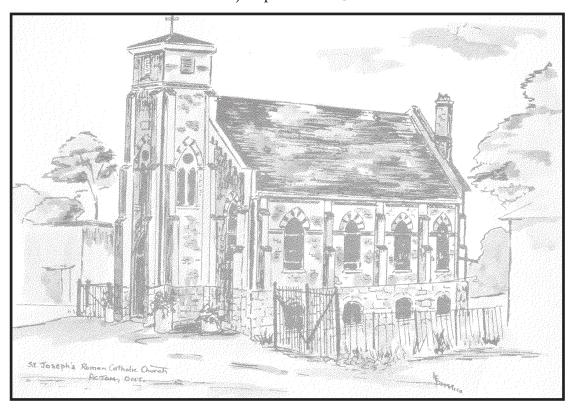
# St. Joseph Patron of Canada Parish

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Office Hours: Tues. & Wed. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, Fri. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

#### **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.

### A Word From Our Pastor:

e tend to think of Lent as a time for stepping up acts of personal devotion and piety without giving much thought to its real purpose, which is an invitation to repent, be converted and return to God.

Repentance is not just being sorry for your sins. While sorrow is part of repentance, the real point of repentance is to make a deep radical change in both our perspective and in our commitment to God. To repent is to make a deep moral and spiritual transformation. Repentance, as Jesus describes it in our Gospel of this Sunday, is to change one's mind about Jesus and commit oneself fully to Him.

Jesus faced people who believed that those who were killed, died as a result of not keeping the rules, as if their deaths were their own fault. Jesus, quite annoyed with this attitude, made clear to His audience that, unless they reformed, that is, begin to take a different approach to their faith, they would meet the same fate. He doesn't mean that they will die the same horrific way, but He does mean that without repenting, without making serious changes in their behavior based on a serious commitment to God, their deaths will be no less tragic.

Jesus is not trying to use threats or scare tactics. He is trying to motivate people to change their lives in deep profound ways. This is the call of Lent. It is to examine our lives and to practice living a whole life of repentance. This is not a life of Constant confessions and beating ourselves up. A life of repentance is a life of conversion, a life that works to grow closer to God every day.

### Fr. Mark

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"Fasting is the soul of prayer, mercy is the lifeblood of fasting. So if you pray, fast; if you fast, show mercy; if you want your petition to be heard, hear the petition of others. If you do not close your ear to others, you open God's ear to yourself."

-- St. Peter Chrysologus

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

Mary Humenyk, Laura Kupferschmidt, Paul Kavanagh

Stations of the Cross will be said on Fridays in Lent at 4:30 p.m. There will not be Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.



This week we pray especially for the following families:

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### **HOLY WEEK**

Thurs. April 14 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper. Adoration until 10:00 p.m.

Fri. April 15 9:00 a.m. Passion Service with Holy Communion 12:00 p.m. Passion Service with Holy Communion

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Sat. April 16 12:00 p.m. Blessing of food baskets in the Church

8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Sun. April 17 Easter Sunday Masses 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

DAY & TIME		MASS INTENTIONS (March 21 – March 27)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues	7:00 p.m.	Anne Lidbury	CWL
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of: Helena Dyczkowska	Kwiatkowski Family
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Intentions of our Parish	
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Generosa Ramos	Abel Ramos
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Helen Klemencic	Estate of Helen Klemencic
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	Pro populo	
Sun.	10:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
Sun.	11:30 a.m.	Annie Rea	Rea Family



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

#### **Bulletins** are available online at:

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

### **MFFTINGS**

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

Evenings with His Excellency, Bishop Lobsinger – Join Auxiliary Bishop, Wayne Lobsinger, for *Evenings with His Excellency*, an opportunity to learn more and ask questions about our Catholic Faith. You may attend online or in person at Canadian Martyrs Parish, Hamilton, on the  $2_{nd}$  Friday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, visit:

https://www.canadianmartyrshamilton.com/upcoming/202 1/9/10/evenings-with-his-excellency





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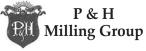
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