

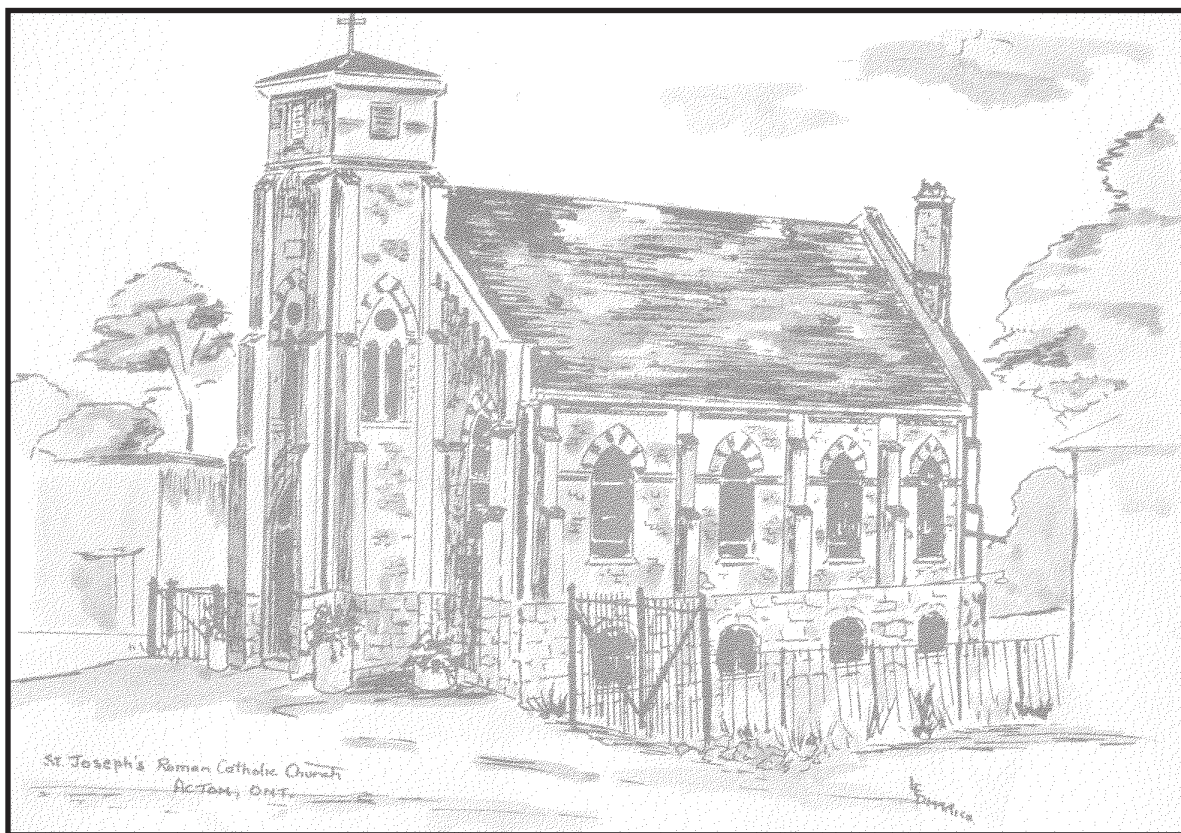
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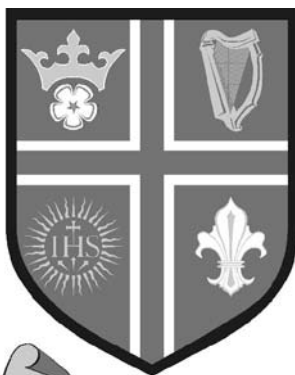
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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
11:00 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:

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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:

How often we meet an individual when they are out of the element in which we recognize them. I can always remember running into one of my teachers when I was a young child. Sometimes I would be with my parents, and I would see the teacher shopping. It caught me off guard because they were out of the element in which I would have usually seen them.

I have had the same experience when I have been out shopping. People are surprised that I am out shopping in the first place. They also have just seen me at church wearing vestments etc. People have said to me on numerous occasions that they just did not recognize me away from church.

The two disciples in our Gospel for this Third Sunday of Easter faced the same situation. Yes, they knew Jesus, they were His disciples, but like the rest of His disciples, they were devastated by His crucifixion and death. Now they were facing the unbelievable statement that He had risen from the dead!

The one disciple was Cleopas, the other may have been his wife Mary who had been at the foot of the Cross. By the time he had written his Gospel, Luke would have recognized the belief of the couple being missionaries in the expansion of the early Church.

Still, the pair did not recognize Jesus as He walked along with them to Emmaus. It must be noted that though their hearts were burning within them, they did not encounter Jesus in the discussion. They were moved, but it took one more step for them to see who Jesus was and to see Him clearly.

This step was in "the breaking of the bread". We, of course, know it as the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of our Lord. From the very beginning of Christianity, Luke makes it clear that the Word (Scripture) and the Sacrament work together to create an encounter with Christ. This is the mystery that

we must be continuously learning throughout our lives.

The story of Jesus and the disciples on the road to Emmaus points the finger at us to shed light on situations in our own lives. Yes, there are times that we may forget that Jesus is walking with us, ready to help us throughout our lives. The Gospel of this Sunday allows us the opportunity to reflect on the importance of recognizing the Lord's presence in our lives.

Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"We must love them both, those whose opinions we share and those whose opinions we reject, for both have labored in the search for truth, and both have helped us in finding it."

- Thomas Aquinas

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Ian Munday, Mary Albert,
Brian Tanney***



This week we pray especially for the following families of our parish:

***Duval, Dzioba, Eugenio,
Ferlito, Fernandes, Foster-Fiore***

Bulletins are available online at:

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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

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (April 20 - April 26)	REQUESTED BY:
Tue. 7:00 p.m.	<i>Intentions of Pope Leo</i>	
Wed. 9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Our Parish	
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Sick of Our Parish	
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	World Peace	
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Daniel Earl Haffey	Suzanne Blanchet-Haffey
Sun. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus 8050 Pro populo	Knights of Columbus 8050



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: Ian Nolan: grand.knight.8050@gmail.com

MEETINGS

Tues. 7:30 p.m. K of C General
Wed. 8:00 p.m. Acton Sharing



Sat. Apr 25 5 p.m.
Lector Maria
Ex. Minister Chris
Sun. Apr 26 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
Lector Ann Gita
Ex. Minister Kazi Lar

THE YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI The Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed this to be the "Year of St. Francis of Assisi," a special Jubilee in celebration of the 800th year since the holy death of St. Francis. The Diocese of Hamilton has put together a special webpage in celebration of this moment of faith. Join us in prayer and contemplation as we turn our hearts towards this saint of simplicity, peace, and joyful discipleship. All resources for adults and young people can be found here:
<https://hamiltondiocese.com/year-of-st-francis-of-assisi/>

WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027 The young people of the world have begun their preparations to meet with the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV at the 41st International Celebration of World Youth Day, Seoul, South Korea. To learn more about this pilgrimage of faith, visit: <https://wydseoul.org/en> Join us in praying for all young people discerning their participation from our Diocese.

The annual spring Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery will be celebrated on Saturday April 25th at 11:00am at Our Lady of Victory Mausoleum.

From the Knights of Columbus 8050 - Thank you to all the volunteers and patrons for their time and support in making the Lenten Fish Fry a success. Proceeds raised go back into the community.





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