

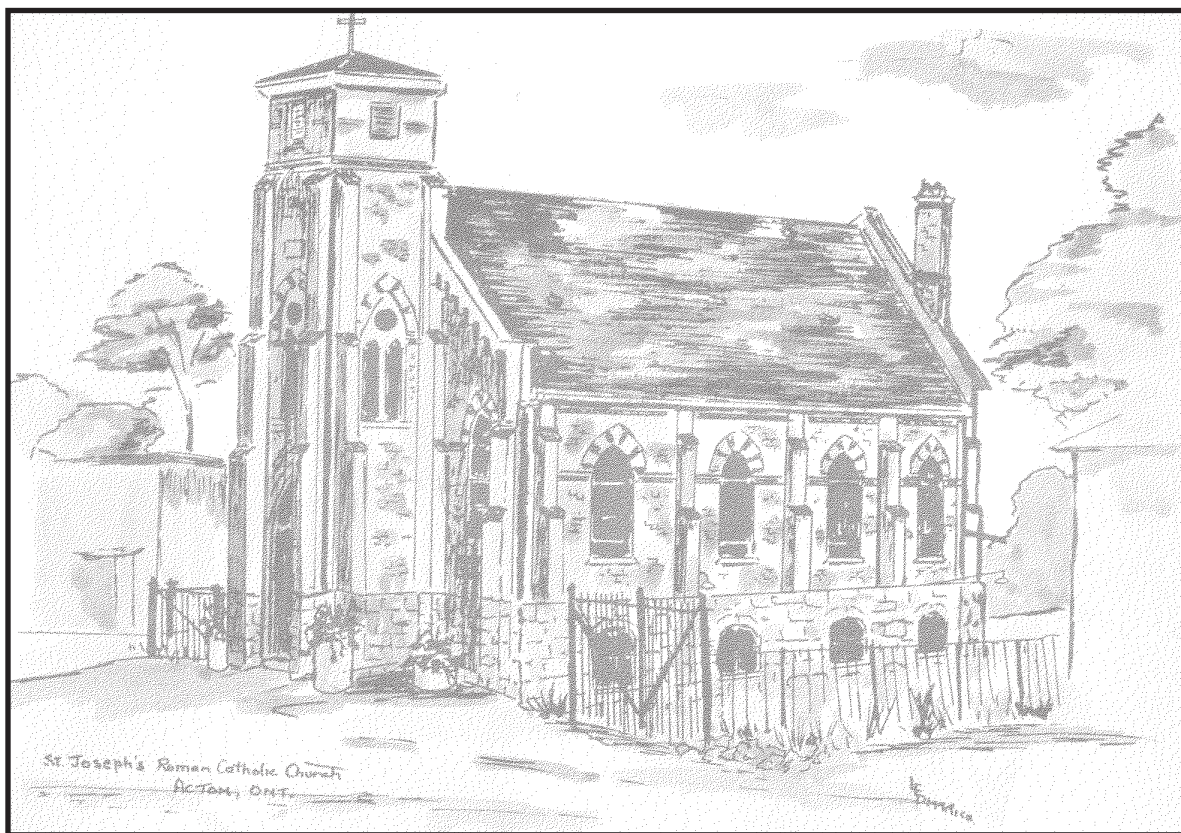
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Saturday 5:00 pm

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:

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:

I was debating this week on what I was going to put into this Sunday's bulletin. The Gospel for this Sunday is the beautiful image of Jesus' teaching His disciples how to pray using the words of the Our Father. Proper prayer allows us to grow in our relationship with God.

This is also the weekend that we as a Church celebrate the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. This day was established by Pope Francis in 2015, I believe, to coincide with the memorial of St. Anne and St. Joachim, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This memorial is always celebrated on July 26th.

Pope Francis instituted this World Day by reminding the faithful of the importance of Grandparents and the Elderly in our society. Grandparents, in particular, play an important role because if they are serious about their faith lives, then they set the tone for the other generations in the family in the development of their own faith lives.

Many of us can attest that when we were children, our grandparents were, in many ways, our first teachers of the Faith. I can remember personally, my grandmother taking me to Mass on Sundays at Sacred Heart Church in Hamilton when I was a young boy. In fact, I believe I went to Mass more with my grandmother than I did with my parents at a certain age of my life. These are important reminders of the significance the role of a grandparent or grandparents can have in a child's life.

The images of St. Anne and St. Joachim can give hope to all of us that God answers our prayers and needs. If we were to look at couples in Sacred Scripture, we would see that they were rewarded for faithfulness by God. We have Abraham and Sarah who were rewarded by God with a son because of their hospitality towards others.

In the New Testament, we have Elizabeth and Zechariah who were faithful as well to God. Their reward was of course a son, John the Baptist who heralded the coming of the Lord.

We do not read of St. Anne and St. Joachim in Scripture. They are mentioned in several writings which were never included in Sacred Scripture, but

we can still believe that they were holy, righteous individuals who taught their daughter to love God and to cherish the birth of her Son.

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly allows us to give thanks for our grandparent, living and deceased. We can learn so much wisdom, experience, and guidance from them. We must remember to share this with all generations.

Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"The Christian does not think God will love us because we are good, but that God will make us good because He loves us."
- C.S.Lewis

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week and next please pray especially for:

**Bill Woodcock, Michael Symboluk,
Colleen Decarlis, Lisa Fuller, Pat Haffey,
Mary Humenyk**



We pray especially for the following families of our parish:

Week of July 28 – Aug 3:

**Baginski, Bahro, Bartczak,
Banks, Baxter, Beaton**

Week of Aug 4 – Aug 10:

**Bell, Biernacki, Bilof, Bodi,
Blanchet-Haffey, Bonello**

ENHANCING SELF-ESTEEM - This program provides the opportunity to increase your self-awareness and to learn specific skills for building a positive self-esteem, which will assist you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will run Tuesdays from Sept. 23 – Nov. 25 from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com and looking under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com

JULY 27 & AUGUST 3, 2025

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (July 28 – Aug 3)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues. 7:00 p.m.	Helen Fowler	Mary Smith
Wed. 9:00 a.m.	Maria Albano	Schiafone Family
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Stephanie Lampkin	Lois Walker
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	Rosemary and Philip Paznar	Kosir Family
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Allan Singh	Carolyn Montgomery and Brianna Tonelli
Sun. 9:00 a.m.	Irina and Eugeniusz Drabek	Mira and Karl Pek
Sun. 11:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (Aug 4 – Aug 10)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues. 7:00 p.m.	<i>Intentions of Thomas Gawel</i>	Kosir Family
Wed. 9:00 a.m.	Theodore and Maria Pawluch	Kazi and Zorika
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Joseph and Joan Wilflin	Wilflin Family
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	Stephen Humenyk	CWL
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	<i>Intentions of Dariusz Nieroda</i>	Nieroda Family
Sun. 9:00 a.m.	Leon Leokadia	Mira and Karl Pek
Sun. 11:00 a.m.	Pro populo	



Sat. Aug 2	5 p.m.	
Lector	Kathleen	
Ex. Minister	Chris	
Sun. Aug 3	9 a.m.	11 a.m.
Lector	Kazi	Lar
Ex. Minister	Jay	Aaron
Sat. Aug 9	5 p.m.	
Lector	Chris	
Ex. Minister	Patricia	
Sun. Aug 10	9 a.m.	11 a.m.
Lector	Catherine	Cheryl
Ex. Minister	Kazi	Lorin

Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony

Father Mark arranges 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. Applications may be obtained from Father Mark.

Bulletins are available online at:

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



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:

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Summer Bulletin Schedule: Please note the bulletin will not be published each week throughout the summer. The next bulletin will be published for the weekend of August 10th.





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