

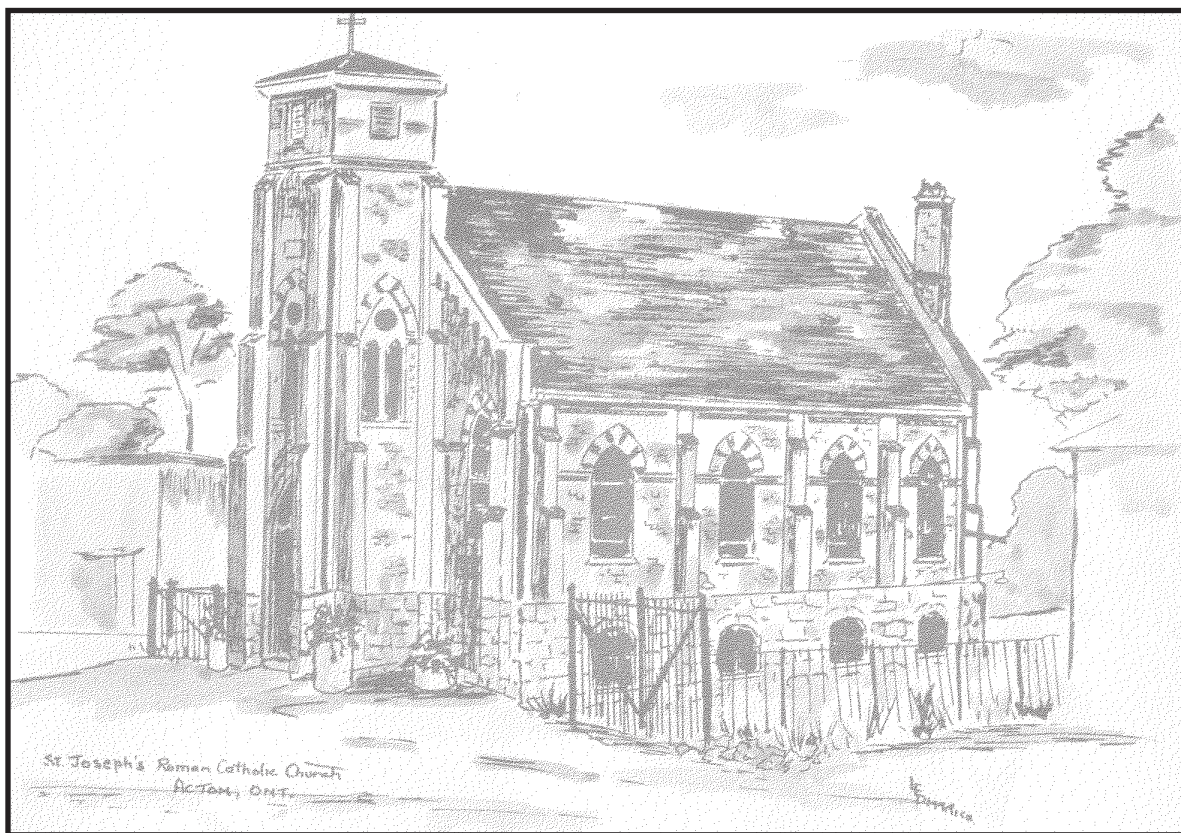
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SUNDAY MASSES:

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:

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:

We, as a Church, have completed celebrating the Easter Season for this year. We have returned to Ordinary Time, which we will celebrate for the rest of the liturgical year.

Even though we are back in Ordinary time, we will be celebrating solemnities for the next three Sundays. Today we celebrate the Most Holy Trinity. Next week we celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On the last Sunday of June, instead of celebrating the Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, we will be celebrating the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul which we will speak about on that Sunday.

Trinity Sunday, we could use the old saying, "Inquiring minds want to know". We would love to have an intellectual handle on God. Ultimately, though, God is a mystery, and the Trinity is the central mystery of our Christian faith.

We could explore the Church's doctrine on the Trinity. We could study the Catechism of the Catholic Church which says, "We worship one God in the Trinity and the Trinity in unity, without either confusing the persons or dividing the substance; for the person of the Father is one, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another; but the Godhead of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is One, Their glory equal, Their majesty coeternal."

As you can see, it is 'heady' information. What can help us is to see that it is very important to know about God, but it is more important to know God. Ultimately, we need to see that today is not a celebration of Catholic doctrine, it is a celebration that we can know something fundamental about God. We need to believe that God knows us and loves us and wants us to know it. Ultimately God is Love, and we can experience this love.

Almost every time we pray, we begin by saying, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." What does this tell us? It tells us that God has revealed Himself throughout human history. God was revealed as 'Creator' and the "God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob." Finally, God revealed Himself in the person of Jesus. Jesus changed our word for speaking to God to emphasize the role of God in our lives: God is Father, the Life-Giver. With the Ascension, we begin to experience God in a newer way. We begin to experience Him as an outpouring of both the Father and Son.

Again, this is stuff for the head, but it tells us that God loves us so much that He has made Himself available to us throughout history and that He continues in this desire to have a relationship with us.

The Trinity is an expression of perfect love. It is a love that Jesus wants us to share. We cannot understand this love; it is simply too much to bear. However, with the Holy Spirit, we can begin to approach understanding. Jesus wants us to share in this love of the Father, so the Holy Spirit is given to show us the way.

The solemnity of the Holy Trinity is a celebration of the abundance of God's love. It is an occasion for appreciating what God has done for us and continues to do for us. It calls us to respond to the love of God, which is poured into our hearts by Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Nothing could better express the pride and emotion a father feels when he understands that he has handed down to his child what really matters in life, that is, a wise heart." - Pope Francis, General Audience, Feb. 4

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Danielle Little, Eileen Quackenbush
Jasmin Lang***



This week we pray especially for the following families:

***Spencer, Spinotti, Stade,
Stewart, Swain, Tanney***

Bulletins are available online at:

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

DID YOU KNOW...

Children in our parishes benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We need volunteers to support the program! If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com. To learn more about the Catechetical Correspondence Program, please visit: <https://bit.ly/DOHCCC>

JUNE 15, 2025

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (June 16 – June 22)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues.	No Mass	
Wed. 9:00 a.m.	<i>Intentions of Jos Bosboom</i>	Knights of Columbus 8050
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Ron and Shirley Dunlop	Querques Family
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	Grace Mendes	Her Parents
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Daniel Earl Haffey	Suzanne Blanchet Haffey
Sun. 9:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
11:00 a.m.	<i>Intentions of Johnny Kosir</i>	Kosir Family



Sat. June 21 5 p.m.
Lector Maria
Ex. Minister Patricia

Sun. June 22 9 a.m. 11 a.m.
Lector Catherine Gita
Ex. Minister Kazi Lar

MEETINGS

Tues. 6:30 p.m. CWL General
Wed. 8:00 p.m. Acton Sharing Group



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

AFLO 2025 Conference – June 21st in Guelph

Join Alliance for Life Ontario for a powerful full-day conference on "Loving the Neighbour Society Spurns" at the Basilica of Our Lady, Guelph. Featuring expert speakers on abortion, euthanasia, and law.

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info and registration:

www.allianceforlifeontario.ca/2025-conference

STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION?

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us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

Reminder: We have a subscription to Formed where all sorts of videos and materials are available to our Parishioners. Go to **formed.org**, make a sign in id for yourself, and find St Joseph Patron of Canada Parish in the list of Parishes. There are so many interesting resources and activities for children and adults. Beginning June 1 Lives of the Saints are featured.

ReSTART: MOVING FORWARD

Our 10 week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The sessions will begin again this fall and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration will be on line soon, so look to register at hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com





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