

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

First Sunday of Lent February 18, 2024



"Repent and believe the Gospel."

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Mission Statement

Grounded in the gospel of Jesus Christ through liturgy, Eucharistic worship and outreach, St. Joseph's Parish calls the faithful to an active involvement in parish life and responsible participation in extending Christ – like values to the wider community.

Liturgy Schedule

Weekend

Saturday: 5:15 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Weekday

Monday 5:15 p.m.
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.
Thursday 9:00 a.m.
Friday 5:15 p.m.

Holy Hour and Divine Mercy Prayers

Monday and Friday 4:00 p.m.

Sacraments

Baptism

Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Mass – Registration required, please contact the Parish.

Confession

Monday, Friday & Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Marriage

Six months' notice is required, as well as a Marriage Preparation Course. Please contact the Parish.

Anointing

Please contact the Parish.

**Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (closed 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.)**

Parish Organizations

Parish Finance Committee
Parish Pastoral Council
Catholic Women's League

Knights of Columbus, 11670
Lectors
Eucharistic Ministers
Ministry to Sick & Homebound

Ministry to Seniors (Cards)
Ministry at Extendicare
Ushers

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Culture of Life
Social Justice & Outreach
Funeral Choir
Junior Liturgy
Sacramental Preparation
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Youth Group
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Parish Schools

St. Thomas More Catholic School
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Introduction

We come together as a community in loving relationship with our neighbor and with all living creatures. “Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary” (Pope Benedict XVI). We trust in God’s compassion and mercy. Time spent in reflection during the season of Lent can help us to change and to grow in faith.

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

God establishes a covenant with Noah, his descendants and every living creature. God sets a bow in the clouds as a sign of the covenant.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Peter gives hope to his listeners. As we prepare to renew our baptismal vows at Easter, we are called to repent, to change and to believe in the Gospel.

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

Jesus stays in the desert for forty days. He emerges to tell the crowds that the kingdom of God is close at hand..

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 19 February

5:15 p.m. Souls in Purgatory – Mary Ellen Tompkins

Tuesday, 20 February

9:00 a.m. Patrick McKeown – Mulrooney Family

Wednesday, 21 February

9:00 a.m. Dr. Chris Mroz – Toni Alexandrowicz
10:30 a.m. Extendicare

Thursday, 22 February

9:00 a.m. Rejeanne Blanchard – Nicole & Leandre Grenier

Friday, 23 February

5:15 p.m. Frank Jerina & Deceased Members of the Jerina Family – Jocelyne & Gerhard Freundorfer

Saturday, 24 February

5:15 p.m. Paul Malette – Robert & Antonella Gilmour

Sunday, 25 February

9:00 a.m. Gloria McLaren – Robert McLaren
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

To join our online Mass each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. visit www.stjosephskingston.ca.

OUR PARISH

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Food Bags will be distributed this weekend February 17-18, for return the weekend of February 24-25. Thank you for your continued support.

Father Cosmas’ Reflection

Let us be renewed this Lent

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we begin this sacred season of Lent, we are called to journey with Jesus into the wilderness, where he faced temptation and emerged victorious. Ash Wednesday marked the start of our own spiritual pilgrimage, a time of reflection, repentance, and renewal as we prepare our hearts to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord.

During Lent, we are invited to follow Jesus' example by embracing prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. These spiritual disciplines help us to detach from worldly distractions, deepen our relationship with God, and grow in holiness. Through prayer, we open our hearts to God's grace, seeking strength and guidance to resist temptation. Through fasting, we discipline our bodies and minds, learning to rely not on earthly comforts but on the nourishment of God's Word. And through almsgiving, we extend God's love and mercy to those in need, recognizing the interconnectedness of all humanity.

As we embark on this Lenten journey, let us remember that we do not journey alone. Jesus walks with us every step of the way, offering us his love, his grace, and his mercy. Let us take this time to draw closer to him, to examine our lives, and to turn away from sin. May our Lenten observances be a source of spiritual renewal, leading us to a deeper union with God and preparing us to joyfully proclaim the Good News of salvation at Easter.

May God bless you abundantly as you embark on this holy season of Lent. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Marcus Hacault; Brenda Camp; Joanne Senlon; Donna and Joe V.; Mary Jackson; Raymond Doyle.

If there are members of your family or friends who are ill or recently died, and for whom you wish prayers, please contact Susan at the parish office at 613-547-5004.

FINANCIAL REPORT TO ST. JOSEPH’S PARISH

Finance Committee Member Eric Bennett will present the “Financial Report for St. Joseph’s – 2023,” this weekend, February 17-18, 2024. You will find a copy of the 2023 Financial Report in the Bulletin.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECION (ASH WEDNESDAY COLLECTION) We are accepting donations for the new building of St. Vincent de Paul. Over the past three year's, St. Joseph's Parish has collected over \$35,000 for their new facility. If you did not get an opportunity to donate on Ash Wednesday, please consider donating this weekend, envelopes are at all the entrances or mark on an envelopes 'St. Vincent de Paul Collection'.

BILL S-210 – PROTECTING YOUNG PERSONS FROM EXPOSURE TO PORNAGRAPHY ACT - CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE Studies reveal that the age of first exposure to Pornography is 11 years. Pornography normalizes sexual violence against women and perpetuates addictive behaviour among youth. Bill S – 210 would make it an offense for organizations to allow the young access to sexually explicit material on the internet. The Bill would require the implementation of meaningful age verification on websites. In Parliament Bill S – 210 has received 3 reading in the Senate and has had 2 readings in the House of Commons. As of now the Bill has been referred to Committee. With Parliament now in session we need to urge our MPs to pass the Bill into law. The Catholic Women's League will have a Petition at all doors of the Church at all Masses this weekend, February 17 & 18 that you can sign. Please protect our Young People.



MUSICAL AFTERNOON On Thursday, March 7, 2024, from 1:00-3:00 p.m., the Social Committee of St. Joseph's Pastoral Council will provide an afternoon of musical entertainment, featuring Chris Murphy, Jon McLurg, Noah St. Amand and Jess Wedden (of Turpin's Trail), for those who are Irish and for those who "wish they were." Light refreshments will be served in the parish hall. A free-will monetary offering would be appreciated, proceeds for Birthright Kingston.



CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY To help you prepare for our Parish Consecration to the Holy Family for the next 7 weeks, we will include in the bulletin a brief reflection.

Week 4: Consecration to Jesus – Jesus is our Savior and model. We learn to be obedient to God's will in all things, to selflessly love and serve each other, to forgive and to silently sacrifice the trials of daily life. Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

For a booklet outlining the 7-day Preparation for Family Consecration and to register contact the parish office.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS: This weekend there will be CWL ladies at each door of the church, asking that you sign a petition to push through **Bill S-210**. Please sign up and help to save their innocence and any future repercussions. • A big

thank you to all the ladies (*especially our newest members*) and the generous parishioners who helped make our CWL Spring Bake Sale such a success! The Raffles alone raised \$350, with a resounding total of just over \$2,000 with all the baked good sales counted in. We shall do good works with it. We are asking that purchasers consider returning the reusable containers so they can be used again next sale.

EVENINGS OF RECOLLECTION Wanting to live your faith joyfully in your daily life at home and at work? Come be inspired by the teachings of St. Josemaria Escriva, founder of Opus Dei (opusdei.ca). Newcomers of all ages are welcome. Stay for a bit, or join us for the whole time. For more info contact Irene at 613-549-7421. **Recollection for Women:** Tuesday, Feb. 20 7-9pm at St. Joseph's Church. **Recollection for Men:** Wed. Feb. 21 7-9pm at St. James Chapel, St. Mary's Cathedral.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE IN OTTAWA A bus will leave Kingston for the National March for Life on Thursday, May 9th, 2024, from St. Joseph's parking lot at 392 Palace Road at 7:00 am to arrive on time for Mass at St. Patrick's Basilica, 220 Kent St. at 10 am. The cost is \$25.00 per person. For more information about the March, see www.campaignlifecoalition.com and click on March for Life. You can reserve your seat by registering in person with Susan at St. Joseph's Parish Office Monday-Friday 8:30 am-12noon and 1:00 pm-4:30 pm OR by e-transfer at kingstonmflbus@proton.me

FLOCKNOTE If you registered to receive Flocknote, check your email. Our first Flocknote will be sent out this weekend for this First Sunday in Lent. Father Cosmas will be using this tool to send to our parishioners a monthly Pastoral Newsletter, as well periodically, resources to enrich our faith especially during this Lenten season. Visit our website to register.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be each Friday during Lent following the 5:15 p.m. Mass.

Schedule for the week of February 24-25, 2024

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers
Saturday 24 Feb. 5:15 p.m.	P. Scott M. Sivilotti	J. Saunders L. Bickerstaffe	I. Stewart S. Harrigan C. Chabot D. Mazzolin
Sunday 25 Feb. 9:00 a.m.	C. Purcell P. Evaristo	A. MacKinnon L. Orellano	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier M-L. Stevenson M. Turkington
Sunday 25 Feb. 11:00a.m.	S. Broekhoven C. Kavanaugh	R. McLaren S. Broekhoven	J. McLaren B. Krasna
Junior Liturgy: S. Conway-Williamson			

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