

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024

*"Happy are those who have
not seen and yet believe."*

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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.),
Susan Lett, Parish Secretary

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 Extencicare
Ushers

Sacristans
Culture of Life
Social Justice & Outreach
Funeral Choir
Junior Liturgy
Sacramental Preparation

Altar Servers
Youth Group
Music Ministry

Parish Schools

St. Thomas More Catholic School
Sandra Fragoso, Principal
234 Norman Rogers Dr., Kingston, ON K7M 2R4
613-542-1575

St. Paul's Catholic School
Chantal Courneyea, Acting Principal
266 McMahan Ave., Kingston, ON K7M 3H2
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Rev. Cosmas Ajawara
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Ben Krasna
Stephen Ottenhof
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Alison Bogle
Adora Jackson

Theresa Whalen-Witjes

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Introduction

Basking in the light and joy of Easter, the risen Christ proclaims, "Peace be with you". We are sent out as God's children to witness to the resurrection by our actions, more than our words.

First Reading: Acts 4:32-35

God does not have favourites; the resurrection is for everyone.

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Jesus said to Thomas, "You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe."

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 8 April

9:00 a.m. Patrick Slack – Percy & Shirley Milligan

Tuesday, 9 April

9:00 a.m. Betty Kealey – Barbara & Brian Fleming

Wednesday, 10 April

9:00 a.m. Gloria McLaren – Robert McLaren

Thursday, 11 April

9:00 a.m. Donald "Tim" Seitz – Toni Alexandrowicz

Friday, 12 April

10:00 a.m. Kingsdale Chateau (date changed)

5:15 p.m. Patrick McKeown – The Grandchildren

Saturday, 13 April

5:15 p.m. Liliane Gemignani (5th Anniversary) – Paola Gemignani

Sunday, 14 April

9:00 a.m. Raffaele Murano – Angelo & Angela Gencarelli

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

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased especially Theresa Rodgers; Rose McCluskey.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Marcus Hacault; Donna and Joe V.; Raymond Doyle; June Alley; Peter McEnergy; Teresita Mekarski.

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.

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

Divine Mercy Sunday

On Divine Mercy Sunday, Catholics gather to participate in special liturgies and devotions centered around the theme of mercy. One of the key practices of this day is the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, a prayer that invokes God's mercy for the sake of Jesus' sorrowful Passion.



This prayer is believed to be particularly powerful on this day, as it aligns with the message of divine mercy revealed to Saint Faustina.

The significance of Divine Mercy Sunday lies in its invitation to all believers to embrace and embody the mercy of God in their lives. It serves as a reminder that no matter how great our sins may be, God's mercy is greater still. This message is especially poignant in a world marked by sin, suffering, and division. In a time when forgiveness and compassion can seem scarce, Divine Mercy Sunday calls us to extend the same mercy to others that we ourselves have received from God.

Reflecting on Divine Mercy Sunday prompts us to examine our own lives and attitudes towards mercy. Are we quick to judge and condemn others, or do we approach them with compassion and understanding? Do we harbor resentment and bitterness, or do we forgive as we have been forgiven? These questions challenge us to live out the Gospel message of love and reconciliation in our daily interactions.

Moreover, Divine Mercy Sunday offers hope to those who may feel unworthy or burdened by their past mistakes. It reassures us that God's mercy knows no bounds and that through sincere repentance, we can always find forgiveness and renewal. This assurance brings comfort and consolation to souls in need of healing and redemption.

CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT CEREMONY We welcome the Candidates receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in May this weekend at our 11:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday, April 7, 2024. Please keep our candidates in your prayers.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY will take place on Sunday, April 14, 2024 following the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Please join us in the parish hall for fellowship and to help celebrate our First Communion candidates.

FIRST COMMUNION On April 14, 2024 we welcome the children receiving First Communion to our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses.

PARTNERS IN MISSION FOOD COLLECTION With the CWL collection of items in March for St. Vincent de Paul, the Partners in Mission Food collection was moved to April. Bags will be distributed April 20-21 for return on the weekend of April 27-28. Thank you for your continued support for those in need.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS The General Meeting is on Monday, April 8 at 7p.m. in the Parish Hall. The Speakers are Jane Watts and Denise Irvine, talking about the CWL initiative, *Recycling Works: Items to Keep Out of the Landfill* • The sign-up sheets for the Fancy Hat Tea Party in May will be available then • Donations for St. Vincent de Paul are being accepted at the office or in the donation bins at each entrance until April 7th, then we change and collect for *Birthingright*, until the end of April. Monetary donations can be put into an envelope marked for *CWL St. Vincent de Paul* or for *CWL Birthingright* and dropped into the Mass collection baskets or at the office • The Executive meeting is on Monday, April 15 at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

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

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATION Please join us at 3:00 p.m. (the hour of Mercy) **this Sunday, April 7, 2024** (second Sunday of Easter) to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. We will be praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, there will also be opportunity to adore our Lord Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. This is a special day when we reflect on God's mercy, love and forgiveness which he grants to all those who are willing to ask for it.

ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL FISH FRY Save the date! Friday, May 3rd in support of the Morgan Foundation. Tickets are \$20.00 and will be sold at St. Joseph's, before and after all the masses on the weekend of April 13-14 and April 20-21.

NIGERIAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY MASS Join us April 14, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. as the Nigerian Catholic Community from around the Archdiocese gather to celebrate Easter with a Mass at St. Joseph's Church. Potluck to follow in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

SEEKING, FINDING, LOVING GOD IN EVERYDAY ORDINARY LIFE All are invited to drop in for an Evening of Reflection offered by Opus Dei:

Women's Recollection - Tues. April 16 from 7-9pm St. Joseph's Church

Men's Recollection - Wed. April 17 from 7:30-9pm St. James Chapel, beside St. Mary's Cathedral

Come discover Christ's presence in your ordinary activities. Learn more at opusdei.ca or call Irene 613-549-7421 for more info.

STREAMING OF MASS With First Communion at both Masses on April 14, 2024, we will be streaming the 5:15 p.m. Mass on Saturday, April 13, 2024.

COMMUNITY

ST. RITA'S DROP-IN CENTRE St. Mary's Cathedral Outreach to the homeless and poor of the city. 1:00-4:00 pm, Monday to Friday. Providing safety, shelter, great food, showers and good Christian hospitality and dignity. Volunteers always needed and welcome. Contact: paty@stmaryscathedral.ca

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS TALK on Sunday, May 5; 9:30 am and 1:30 p.m. at St François d'Assise Parish (512 Frontenac St, Kingston) Louise Normandeau will talk about Carlo Acutis followed by Mass at 11:00 am. The talk will be in French but we will make every effort to assist with translation if needed. For more information please contact the parish at (613) 542-2377. No registration is required. Goodwill donations and/or food bank donations will be accepted.

SAVE THE DATE: ST. BARNABY'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY Sunday, June 9; 2:00 pm St. Barnaby Parish, (5307 Hwy #15, Seeley's Bay) will be celebrating their 150th Anniversary on June 9, 2024. Mass will be celebrated at 2:00 pm. Following Mass, a celebration dinner will take place with music. Please tell your family members, former parishioners and friends to save the date! Further information will be coming in the months to come Note: No Sunday morning Mass will be celebrated on that day.

Schedule for the week of April 13-14, 2024

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers
Saturday 13 April 5:15 p.m.	M. Sivilotti S. Ottenhof	J. Kane	I. Stewart D. Mazzolin R. Lachance P. Scott
Sunday 14 April 9:00 a.m.	M. Castro N. Ehi-Ekome	P. Croxford	I. Stewart M. Turkington M-L Stevenson S. Fiorentino
Sunday 14 April 11:00a.m.	T. Asuncion S. Broekhoven	C. Kavanaugh G. Goncalves	I. Stewart D. Fernandes L. Garrett J. McLaren

Junior Liturgy: No Junior Liturgy April 14, 2024



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