

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 1, 2024

"Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile."

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Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor

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 noon – 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 Liaison
Funeral Choir
Junior Liturgy
Sacramental Preparation
Altar Servers
Youth Group
Music Ministry
Youth Choir

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Parish Schools

St. Thomas More Catholic School - Sandra Fragoso, Principal
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Introduction

We are never too old to play, never too young to benefit from the wisdom of others. Life isn't about looking good but about being good.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses tells the Israelites to observe the commandments that God gave them..

Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

We are called to authenticity, putting God's word into practice in our lives.

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

We are again called to authenticity, not to an external following of legalistic minutiae which look good but are irrelevant to our spiritual growth.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 2 September

5:15 p.m. Luisa Praticante – Luisa Rosa

Tuesday, 3 September

9:00 a.m. Anne Pickett

Wednesday, 4 September

9:00 a.m. Walter & Anna Speagle – The Family

Thursday, 5 September

9:00 a.m. Resurreccion Lianza – Ress Young

Friday, 6 September

5:15 p.m. Victoria Zegarra (1st Anniversary) – Fanny Zegarra

Saturday, 7 September

5:15 p.m. Bernard Quinn – Emily Quinn & Family

Sunday, 8 September

9:00 a.m. Genevieve Vidal – Rose Griffin

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Join our online Mass Sunday's at 11:00 a.m. visit www.stjosephskingston.ca.

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: Donna and Joe V.; Raymond Doyle; Peter McEnery; Mary Jackson; Paul Dowling; Rob Hearst; Sophie Wolfe; Rev. Mac Burke.

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.

WEDNESDAY CARDS will resume on September 18, 2024 in the Parish Hall. Anyone interested in putting in a table of 4 or wish to be put on a spare list, call the Parish Office.

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

Called to be doers of the word

Today's readings challenge us to reflect on the nature of our worship and relationship with God. In the Gospel, Jesus addresses a common human tendency: to focus on outward appearances and rituals while neglecting the inner spiritual life. The Pharisees were meticulous about religious customs but missed the deeper call to conversion of heart. True worship is not merely about external observances but involves a heart aligned with God's will. It requires that our actions reflect the values of the Gospel—love, justice, mercy, and compassion. This is echoed in the Letter of James, which reminds us that true religion is to care for the needy and to live a life of integrity. As Christians, we are called to be "doers of the word." This means that our faith must move us to action, especially in caring for the poor, the marginalized, and those in need. It also means examining our hearts to ensure that our intentions are pure and our actions are consistent with our faith

The readings invite us to move beyond superficial practices and to seek a deeper, more authentic relationship with God. Let us ask ourselves: Do we focus more on the letter of the law than on its spirit? Are we more concerned with how we appear to others than with what is in our hearts? May we strive to worship God in spirit and truth, allowing His word to transform our hearts and guide our actions. Let our lives be a reflection of God's love, marked by integrity, compassion, and a commitment to justice.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION If you have a child in grade 2 or higher who wishes to receive these Sacraments, there will be a parents' meeting on October 9, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION If you have a child in grade 8 or higher who wishes to receive this Sacrament, there will be a parents' meeting on October 8, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

For anyone not able to attend the dates above, there will be a meeting on October 15, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. (Sacrament of First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion and Confirmation)

Parents are required to attend one of the meeting dates above.

Any questions, please contact the Parish Office – 613-547-5004

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN visit our website to register www.stjosephskingston.ca REGISTRATION CLOSSES OCTOBER 7TH, 2024 NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

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ST. JOSEPH'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY PICTORIAL DIRECTORY We are pleased to present our congregation with the opportunity to celebrate our 60th anniversary of the dedication of our Church and to commemorate this historic moment by being part of a photo directory. The photos will be taken from September 3 to September 13, 2024 starting at 2:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. and on the Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **To book your appointment call Sharon Lillis at 613-549-0559.**

ST. JOSEPH'S EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL YEAR

PILGRIMAGE TO ST. JOSEPH'S ORATORY

As part of the parish Eucharistic Revival year program – We will be visiting St. Joseph's Oratory on Saturday, September 21, 2024. **BUS IS NOW FULL.** If you wish to be put on a waiting list please contact Susan at the Parish Office.

THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS The General Meeting is on Monday, September 9th at 7 p.m. at the Archdiocesan Centre. • Executives should arrive at the Church by 6:25 as our group parish photo will be taken at 6:30 p.m. • Our CWL is supporting a **Yard Sale Fundraiser** for the **FEED THE PEOPLE** food program on **Saturday, September 7th, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**, at the **56 Francis Street SENIOR'S CENTRE in the North Parking Lot.** We are asking for donations of: gently-used items (*no mattresses or bed frames*); a non-perishable food item to fill a large basket as a Raffle Prize; and any baked goods/cold drinks to sell to our parched and hungry buyers. If you would like to help out by doing set-up (8 a.m.) or working the sales tables or the Baked Goods / Raffle Tickets Table even for just a while, contact Denise at demci42@mail.com or 613-546-1927. Donation goods can be dropped off to Denise at 5 Francis Street, corner of Churchill St., anytime after 9 a.m. **All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to participate with donations or help.**

REASSIGNMENT OF DEACON BOB WOJCIK Archbishop Michael Mulhall has approved the reassignment of Deacon Bob Wojcik to St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Kingston as of September 1, 2024. Deacon Bob has been serving our parish community since 2011. I have been fortunate to have Deacon Bob helping in many ways, assisting with the Liturgy, various Sacramental Celebrations, sitting on various committee's representing our Parish, assisting with our ministry in our Parish School and School masses. He has been invaluable to me as I serve my ministry at St. Joseph's Parish. On the weekend of September 14-15, Deacon Bob will be present at each of our Masses, there will be a reception in our Parish Hall after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. This will give us an opportunity to say goodbye and express our gratitude to Deacon Bob and Margaret-Anne for all they have done in our Parish. Thank you Deacon Bob and Margaret-Anne – Fr. Cosmas.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Parishes in Kingston have been asked to support the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Kingston with a special collection on September 22nd in honour of the Feast of St. Vincent on September 27th. The work and mission of St. Vincent de Paul Society is to care for the poor, and all who are in need in our community. Individuals and family are given food, clothing and other necessities. As you can imagine more and more people rely on St. Vincent's to cope with the realities of life. Because there is an increasing demand, St. Vincent's needs our help. There will be two ways in which you can help this month, our monthly food drive or through this collection. Special envelopes will be available in the pews the weekend of September

14-15 if you would prefer to donate cash or cheque (payable to St. Joseph's Church indicating St. Vincent de Paul). Thank you for your continued generosity!

YOUTH CHOIR will have the first practice on **Sunday, September 22** following the 11 o'clock mass from 12:15 until 1:30. We will sing at the 9 o'clock mass on **Sunday, September 29.** Children 8 years of age and older are welcome to participate. The commitment is one practice a month after mass and then singing at one mass at the end of each month. If you have further questions please contact Sheila Fowler through the parish office.

COMMUNITY

HOLY FAMILY ROOF REPAIR FUNDRAISER - 1000 Islands Playhouse – Jesus Christ Superstar Bus Trip Tickets are \$80.00, includes transportation, ticket to play and \$30.00 tax receipt for the Building Fund. Call the parish office at 613-542-8587. Leaving Holy Family Parish at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, October 6: Mass at St John the Evangelist Parish, Gananoque, lunch (not included) picnic by the St. Lawrence or choose a restaurant nearby, matinee performance 2:00 p.m. and return home approximately 4:30-5:00 p.m.

Schedule for the week of September 7-8, 2024

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers
Saturday 7 Sept 5:15 p.m	Sr. L. Kearney J. Saunders	L. Bickerstaffe J. Saunders	I. Stewart P. Scott R. Lachance D. Mazzolin
Sunday 8 Sept 9:00 a.m.	M. Marcial P. Evaristo	L. Orellano M. Tudin	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier P. Scott M. Turkington
Sunday 8 Sept 11:00a.m	R. McDonald S. Broekhoven	F. Levesque M. Foley	J. McLaren D. Fernandes L. Garrett B. Krasna

KNIGHTS CORNER: Our Council is doing very well in terms of our hundreds of volunteer hours each month, having donated in excess of \$30,000 annually to local charities in the past few consecutive years, and our support of all Parish activities. Things are going well for us thanks to the diligence of our Council members. There is one thing we could use YOUR help with though: increasing our membership. We would really enjoy seeing more Parish men join our Order, which was founded on and still lives the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. It isn't difficult to join, just be a Catholic man over 18 and a member of our Parish. Annual dues are not significant, and have actually dropped to \$40 and we meet on the first Tuesday of the month for approximately 90 minutes. We don't expect new members to take on anything too strenuous, but stand with us and help your Parish, your community and those in need. And, given the social aspect of our Order, you just might have fun doing it. We will be conducting a recruiting weekend this fall, so keep an eye out for our bulletin insert, but you don't have to wait until then. Speak to any Knight in the Parish about what being a Knight means to them, and how you can join, and help.



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