

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



October 13, 2024

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

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 Extending Care
Ushers
Sacristans
Culture of Life
Parish Engagement
Social Justice & Outreach Liaison
Funeral Choir
Junior Liturgy
Sacramental Preparation
Altar Servers
Youth Group
Music Ministry
Youth Choir

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Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor

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Introduction

Everything is possible for God, so we rely not on our own efforts to attain salvation, but on the Lord's saving grace.

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Wisdom is a precious gift that is given to us when we pray; it is to be valued above all else.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is a word of subtle power and reveals us to the Lord.

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

Discipleship comes at a cost, involving sacrifice and suffering. We need the power of God in order to be saved.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 14 October

5:15 p.m. Candida Powell – Edna Quintana

Tuesday, 15 October

9:00 a.m. Mary Ellen Jefferies – Pat, Larry, Greg, Ryan
Rocheport

Wednesday, 16 October

9:00 a.m. Lois McKeown – Danny & Linda

Thursday, 17 October

9:00 a.m. Walter Nuvoloni – Antonietta Russo

Friday, 18 October

10:00 a.m. School Mass David Perreault – Denise Sammon

5:15 p.m. Mary Salisbury – Mary Clancy & Family

Saturday, 19 October

5:15 p.m. Donald Quinlan – Katherine Quinlan

Sunday, 20 October

9:00 a.m. George Alexandrowicz – Toni Alexandrowicz

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 especially Cecylia Brzezinski; Peter Goudreau.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Donna V.; Raymond Doyle; 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.

NIGERIAN MASS OF THANKSGIVING Join us this afternoon, October 13, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. for our Nigerian Community Mass and Potluck. All are welcome!

ADULT ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED Do you have some free time during the day and would like to volunteer? We are in need of Adult Altar Servers to serve at Funerals at St. Joseph's Church. Training is provided. If you are interested contact the Parish Office or speak with Father Cosmas

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

Blessed and Grateful

As we gather to celebrate Thanksgiving this weekend, we are reminded of the simple yet profound gift of gratitude. Today, our hearts are drawn toward appreciation—not just for the material blessings we've received, but for the people in our lives and the presence of God who sustains us through every season.



In Scripture, gratitude is not merely a polite “thank you,” but an essential posture of the heart. In 1 Thessalonians 5:18, Paul urges us to “give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.” What does it mean to give thanks in all circumstances? It means recognizing that every moment—whether filled with joy or challenge—has the potential to reveal God's goodness.

When we look at the story of the Israelites in the wilderness, we see both gratitude and grumbling. They were freed from slavery, yet when hunger and hardship came, they lost sight of the freedom God had given them. How often do we, too, lose sight of our blessings when faced with trials? Thanksgiving is an invitation to restore our vision, to see God's hand even in difficult moments.

Jesus Himself modeled this perfectly. At the Last Supper, He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples. Knowing that He was about to face betrayal and crucifixion, He still gave thanks. This deep gratitude was rooted in trust—trust in His Father's plan, trust that even in suffering, God's love and purpose would prevail.

As we celebrate today, let us take time to reflect not just on what we have, but on who we have. The people sitting around us are God's gifts. The breath in our lungs, the love in our hearts, and even the trials that strengthen us—all of these are reasons for thanksgiving. And above all, we give thanks for Jesus Christ, whose sacrifice has given us eternal life and hope.

So, on this Thanksgiving, let us cultivate a heart of gratitude that moves beyond a single day. Let it be a way of life, a daily acknowledgment that God is good and faithful. As we express our thanks, may we also be inspired to share our blessings with others, to live out the generosity and compassion that flows from grateful hearts.

May your hearts be filled with peace and joy today, as you give thanks to God, the giver of every good and perfect gift.

Happy Thanksgiving.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY will be held on Sunday October 20, 2024 after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses in the Parish Hall. This is a great opportunity to meet with friends and new parishioners. All are welcome!

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Happy Thanksgiving!



ROSARY IN THE CEMETERY On November 3, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. we will carry on the tradition of saying the Rosary at St. Mary's Cemetery to remember the 'Holy Souls'. All members of the congregation, families and friends are invited to join us at the Statue of the Angel of Mercy (northwest corner of St. Mary's Cemetery) to reflect and pray for the deceased.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY Next Sunday, October 20, 2024. Catholics throughout the world will celebrate World Mission Sunday. This 'special' Sunday provides an opportunity for Catholics everywhere to share in the mission of the Church through prayer and financial support. World Mission Sunday collections will be forwarded to the Archdiocese of Kingston no later than November 15, 2024.

THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS Executive meeting will take place on October 28, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

HOLY LAND WOOD ART SALE Bethlehem's Christian community relies on selling handcrafted olive wood religious artifacts to visiting pilgrims, forming its primary income. Declining tourism has hit them hard in recent years, leading some Christians to leave The Holy Land, posing a threat to key sites like the Church of The Nativity. Mark your calendars for October 26th and 27th. we are hosting a sale at St. Joseph's Church featuring beautiful artifacts. Your purchase will not only enrich your collection but also contribute to strengthening the Christian presence in The Holy Land.

BUILDING FUND The monthly collection of the Building Fund takes place this weekend, October 12-13, 2024. Thank you for supporting our Parish.

COMMUNITY

ARCHDIOCESAN JOURNEY PUBLICATION The Fall edition is now available online. To view the October issue visit <https://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/journey>.

COAT DRIVE Looking for a way to help those struggling? With the colder weather approaching and the increasing number of homeless in our community St. Rita's Drop-In Center at St. Mary's Cathedral is collecting winter coats, boots, scarves, hats, toques, gloves, mitts, or backpacks. Donations can be dropped off at the Drop-In Center on Brock Street Monday to Friday between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. or email coatdrive@stmaryscathedral.ca for pickup.

FINDING GOD IN DAILY LIFE An evening of two talks to help you reflect on how daily life is a call to holiness. Open to everyone. Newcomers welcome for whatever length of time works for you. Learn more at opusdei.ca or call Irene at 613-549-7421. University/College students most welcome.

NOTE DATE CHANGE For Women: Tuesday, Oct. 15 7-9pm St Joseph's Church;
For Men: Wed. Oct. 16 7-9pm St. James Chapel, beside St. Mary's Cathedral.

INTRODUCTION TO PRISON MINISTRY Saturday, November 2; 9:30 am-4:30 pm Francis J. Spence Pastoral Centre (390 Palace Road, Kingston) Are you interested in Prison Ministry but don't know where to begin? For more information contact Mary-Jo at ReligiousEd@archkingston.ca. To register, phone Goret: 613-548-4461 ext. 112 or e-

mail pastoralservices@archkingston.ca. There is no fee, but registration is required by Monday, October 28.

THE FRANCISCANS: IS GOD CALLING YOU? The Gospel and the "following of Jesus Christ" were not idealistic but rather "dynamic values" for St. Francis and his followers. People inspired by the Gospel values that they saw in Francis wanted to follow him. These values are the substance of Franciscans today: the Poor Clares, the Secular Franciscans (for women and men, single or married) and of the Friars. Is God "calling" you or "inviting you to be a part of the Franciscan mission? Order? Please send an email to Friar Reto Davatz at FrRDavatz@archkingston.ca.

WOMEN'S 15TH ANNUAL FALL RETREAT Saturday, October 26; 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School (521 Clothier Street, Kemptville) Come join us for the 15th Annual Women's Fall Retreat. The guest speaker, Nancy Steele, is a well-known author and motivational speaker. Theme: "The Steadfast Love of the Lord" (Lamentations 3: 22-23). **The cost of the retreat is \$50 per person.** For more information and to register, please go to our website, www.womensfallretreat.com. **The deadline for registration is October 18.**

Schedule for the week of October 19-20, 2024

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Music
Sat. 19 Oct. 5:15pm	J. Saunders H. Couto	L Bickerstaffe D. Lomboy	I. Stewart S. Harrigan R. Lachance K. Chabot	Stacey & Tim
Sun. 20 Oct. 9:00am	S, Balemba D.Balemba	M. Marcial A. MacKinnon	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier R. Audet M.Turkington	Megan
Sun. 20 Oct. 11:00am	B. McIver S. Boisvert	M. Foley F. Levesque	B. Krasna J. Akhtar L. Garrett J. McLaren	Choir
Streaming of 11:00 a.m. Mass: R. McDonald				
Junior Liturgy (9:00 a.m. Mass) T. Castro				



KNIGHTS CORNER: The pillars of the Knights of Columbus are Charity, Patriotism, Unity and Fraternity. It is in respect of the latter two pillars that we maintain a memorial plaque listing the names of those Knights from our Council who have passed away. We also produce a monthly Prayer List for all Knights and our departed brothers and their families remain a constant on it. We also conduct a Memorial Mass each year, with the special intention of praying for our departed Brothers and their families. This year, the KofC Memorial Mass will be Friday 15th November at 5:15 pm. All Council Knights are requested to attend and we extend a special invitation to the spouses and families of our departed Brothers to attend, celebrate mass together, remember and pray for them. It is in this way we remain a tightly knit Council and respect the lives and service of our departed Brothers. If the idea of belonging to a fraternal organization that respects and cares for not only each other, but also their families appeals to you, don't delay and join the Knights. Speak to any Knight or contact the Parish Office about joining.



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