

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



October 27, 2024

**Thirtieth 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
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Ministry to Sick & Homebound

Ministry to Seniors (Cards)
Ministry at Extencicare
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

As a community of faith, we have seen the marvels God does for his people. We rejoice today in the love God bestows on us, which turns our tears into song and our suffering into hope and joy.

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

The people shout out in joy, because God has bestowed salvation on them, comforting them in their tears and guiding them so they do not stumble..

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

Christ did not give himself the glory of becoming a high priest. Rather he was chosen, called as God's son, to act for all humans in their relations with God.

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

Despite being admonished and asked to stay quiet, Bartimaeus persists in his attempt to seek healing from Jesus, who tells Bartimaeus that his faith has saved him.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 28 October

5:15 p.m. Luigi Grossutti – Anne & Greg Hogarth

Tuesday, 29 October

9:00 a.m. Praxedes Quintana – Marietta & Amado Marcial

Wednesday, 30 October

9:00 a.m. Luigi Nuvoloni – Guiseppina & Joe Saccon

Thursday, 31 October

9:00 a.m. Stephen Rake – Nicole & Leandre (Pat) Grenier

Friday, 1 November

5:15 p.m. Deceased Members of the Marcial & Capili Families – Marietta Marcial

Saturday, 2 November

5:15 p.m. All Souls

Sunday, 3 November

9:00 a.m. Danny Whalen (1st Anniversary) – Lita Casidy

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 Ita McConnell.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Donna V.; Raymond Doyle; Paul Dowling; Rob Hearst; Sophie Wolfe; Rev. Mac Burke; Rev. Leo Byrne; Dwight Neddow.

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.



THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Executive meeting will take place on October 28, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

The Cry for Mercy

Bartimaeus teaches us about humility, perseverance, and the courage to cry out to Jesus even in our own darkness. He was marginalized, sidelined by society, with no status or wealth, yet he had something invaluable: a deep faith that compelled him to call upon the name of the Lord. Despite the crowd's attempts to silence him, Bartimaeus continued to shout, refusing to let go of his hope that Jesus could heal him.

How often do we, too, feel discouraged from approaching God with our needs, our weaknesses, and our suffering? Sometimes we think, "There are bigger problems in the world; why would God listen to me?" Or perhaps the voices around us, or even within us, say we're unworthy of such mercy. But Bartimaeus didn't let his status or the opposition of the crowd stop him; he trusted that Jesus, in His great compassion, would answer.

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, always hears the cries of His people. Psalm 34 reminds us, "The Lord hears the cry of the poor." God's heart is open to us, and He desires to meet us in our deepest needs. Bartimaeus's boldness is an example of how we, too, should bring our needs and desires to God without fear, trusting in His boundless love.

When Jesus calls Bartimaeus forward, He asks, "What do you want me to do for you?" Bartimaeus responds simply, "Master, I want to see." This humble request is a powerful expression of faith and humility. Bartimaeus's request for sight goes beyond the physical; it reflects his desire for wholeness and transformation. It's a reminder to us to consider our own response if Jesus were to ask us the same question: "What do you want me to do for you?"

Our answer might reveal our deepest hopes, wounds, or struggles. Perhaps we need healing for a broken relationship, strength to overcome a personal challenge, or the grace to forgive someone who has hurt us.



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.

SALVATION ARMY KETTLE SUPERVISION It's time to 'step to the plate' and offer to supervise a kettle for one-hour shifts at Loblaws - (Kingston Centre). St. Joseph's contributions run from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. on the following dates: November 18, 19, 25,26, and December 2, 3, 9, 10. Contact Sharon Lillis at 613-549-0559, or at sharon.lillis48@gmail.com to reserve your timings. The early bird 'gets the worm' for this very worthy Christmas outreach endeavour.



This week's bulletin is sponsored by:

HOLY LAND WOOD ART SALE. Bethlehem's Christian community relies on selling handcrafted olive wood religious artifacts to visiting pilgrims, forming its primary income. This weekend items will be available for sale at each Mass. Your purchase will not only enrich your collection but also contribute to strengthening the Christian presence in The Holy Land.

"BIRDS AND FLOWERS" COLLECTION Each year St. Joseph's provides over fifty individuals and families in need with a Christmas hamper. As we look around in our community there is an even greater need. I am sure everyone in our parish is feeling the effects of the higher food cost and overall cost of living. If you are in a position to assist those who require extra help, please consider helping with this worthy cause. On November 9-10 food donations will be accepted and on the weekend of December 14-15. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, please mark on an envelope 'Birds & Flowers', include your name and envelope number. This will enable the parish to continue to help others in the spirit of this season. Thank you for your continued generosity.

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH ADVENT RETREAT 2024

Retreat Days: Monday December 2, 2024 - Thursday December 5, 2024

Time: 6: 00pm - 7:30pm each day

Retreat Moderator: Fr. Cosmas Ajawara

As part of the activities marking our parish year of Eucharistic Revival, we will be holding an Advent Retreat from Monday December 2, 2024 to Thursday December 5, 2024.

We will be using the program Presence (The Mystery of the Eucharist) to explore the radical mystery of God's love expressed in the Eucharist. Presence shows how God in the sacrament of the Eucharist is really present, helping us and strengthening us at every step of life's journey. Presence invites each one of us into a deeper, more intimate union with God. He is ready and waiting for us-all we need to do is to receive his gift.

To participate, please sign up on or before November 30, 2024 through the parish office or alternatively, please use the sign up sheets placed on the tables at the Church entrances.

Come and renew your love for the Most Holy Eucharist

(nesa.constantine@gmail.com) and we will begin planning together!

COMMUNITY

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.

THE JAMAICA MISSION TRIP TEAM AT HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL is hosting a Fish Fry, catered by Mike Mundell's Surf & Turf, on Friday, November 1st, from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the school cafeteria. Tickets are \$20 and include fish and chips, salad, coffee, dessert, and live entertainment. Takeout options will be available. All proceeds will directly support charitable organizations the students and staff will be working with in Jamaica, including schools and homes for the elderly. Come and enjoy great food for a great cause!

Schedule for the week of November 2-3, 2024

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Music
Sat. 2 Nov. 5:15pm	M. MacVicar Sr.L. Kearney	L.Bickerstaffe J. Saunders	I. Stewart S. Harrigan P Scott D. Mazzolin	Stacey & Tim
Sun. 3 Nov. 9:00am	D. Balemba S. Balemba	A. MacKinnon G. Lesperance	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier S.Fiorentino R. Audet	Theresa
Sun. 3 Nov. 11:00am	R. McLaren B. McIver	F. Levesque C. Kavanaugh	J. McLaren J. Ferreira L. Garrett F. Levesque	Choir
Streaming of 11:00 a.m. Mass: D. Eardley				
Junior Liturgy (9:00 a.m. Mass) S. Conway Williamson				

SOLEMN VESPER AND BENEDICTION (FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING)



To mark the end of the liturgical year and in readiness for the beginning of the Advent season, there will be a celebration of Solemn Vespers in song and Benediction. This is a special opportunity to pray

and sing the psalms as a community of faith and be blessed for the holy season of Advent. Join us on **November 24, 2024 (NOTE DATE CORRECTION) at 4:30pm at St Joseph's Catholic Church.** May the Lord bless you and your family as you join us.

OUR PARISH YOUTH GROUP Have you noticed a ministry at St. Joseph's church that has yet to make a return to our parish since Covid disturbed our normal lives? Do you have a few hours a month to share faith and fellowship with a group of people who are currently underserved in our church community? The Youth Ministry needs your help. A small group of eager parishioners would like to gather like-minded adults to reimagine our Youth Ministry at St. Joseph's. Our young people (school age up to 20-somethings) have so much to offer our parish and they are just waiting to hear the invitation. If you would like to gather to share ideas, offer time and commitment to journey in faith with our young people, please reach out to Alison Bogle (abogleis@yahoo.ca) or Nesa Constantine



KNIGHTS CORNER: The weather is turning cooler now, and while we enjoy the changing seasons in Canada, the vibrant colours and the cooler weather, it also has us thinking of those who may have housing issues. Ryandale Transitional Housing, one of our Council's supported organizations, provides a sober living space for homeless men in a non-discriminatory manner regarding past drug use, mental illness or incarceration. Residents spend up to a year learning life skills, healing from trauma and/or addiction and overcoming the obstacles that led them to become homeless, a proven model in reducing risk of relapse and improving their chances of staying housed. Our Knights paid them a visit recently to present a \$1000 donation. The donation was particularly timely as they've just had some foundational water damage and our funds will go a long way to mitigating that. We're proud to be able to help Ryandale, and more importantly, their tenants and their efforts in moving forward. <https://ryandale.ca/> If you want to help those in our community who may have housing issues, there is a simple way - join our Knights Council and that's just one of the many organizations we support both financially and with volunteer assistance.



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