St. Joseph's Catholic Church



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. 9:00 a.m. Tuesday 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 Extendicare

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

Rev. Cosmas Ajawara

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Kathi Colwell & Susan Conway Williamson Patrick Greenwood Carol Kavanaugh Carol Kavanaugh

Chris Jones & Monna

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Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 10, 2024

Introduction

Today, many of us treasure unforgotten family members whose sacrifice is remembered and recorded for future generations. We pray for them and for ourselves.

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16

God rewarded the hungry widow's generosity to Elijah.

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

Jesus' death triumphed over sin and brought redemption to humanity.

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

An elderly widow was prepared to give all that she had.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 11 November

5:15 p.m. Deceased Members of the Catholic Women's

League

Tuesday, 12 November

9:00 a.m. Jose Quintana – John & Candy Powell

Wednesday, 13 November

9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving of Anne Marie Marcial – Marietta

& Amado Marcial

Thursday, 14 November

9:00 a.m. William Hutcheson (28th Anniversary) – The

Family

Friday, 15 November

5:15 p.m. Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

Saturday, 16 November

5:15 p.m. Julie Asfur (4th Anniversary) – Hani Asfur

Sunday, 17 November

9:00 a.m. Nunziato Gencarelli – Angelo Gencarelli & Family

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 Carroll McKeown; Pat Kearney

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; Barbara Anne Caron; Patricia Flagler

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.

<u>FOOD BAGS</u> will be collected this weekend November 9-10, for our Christmas food hampers program. Thank you for your support.

"BIRDS AND FLOWERS" COLLECTION Each year St. Joseph's provides over fifty individuals and families in need with a Christmas hamper. If you are in a position to assist those who require extra help, please consider helping with this worthy cause. Food donations for the next two months will be for the food hampers. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, please mark on an envelope 'Birds & Flowers", include your name and envelope number.

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

Trusting in God's Providence

The widow's act of giving reveals her profound trust in God's care. In giving all she had, she places herself completely in God's hands. This act reminds us of the story from 1 Kings in today's first reading, where another widow, facing scarcity, shares the last of her food with the prophet Elijah. She, too, chooses to trust in God, and God blesses her generosity by ensuring that her jar of flour and jug of oil never run dry.

These examples challenge us to ask ourselves: do we trust God with our whole lives? We might wonder what will happen if we give of ourselves fully—our time, our talents, our resources. But these widows remind us that God, who is generous beyond measure, will not abandon those who place their trust in Him.

In contrast to the widow's humble gift, Jesus criticizes the scribes who flaunt their religious status, seeking admiration and honor. They perform religious duties publicly, but their actions are centered on self-promotion, not service to God. Jesus warns us against practicing our faith for show. Instead, He calls us to examine our motives, ensuring that our love for God and neighbor is sincere and not tainted by self-interest.

Today, we are called to ask ourselves: what is at the heart of our giving? Are we motivated by a sincere love for God and others? The widow's example reminds us that when we give from a place of humility and love, even the smallest gift becomes an offering that is precious in God's eyes

PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FUND This weekend is our Archdiocesan Priests' Retirement Fund collection which supports our retired and infirmed priests, providing them with a monthly pension and health benefits after many years of dedicated service.

BOOK OF REMEMBERANCE For the month of November a Book of Remembrance will be placed at the main entrance of the Church for you to add the names of family members, friends and loved ones who have recently died. Take the time to stop, reflect and add your intention.

<u>MEMORIAL MASS</u> Join us for our Memorial Mass, this Sunday, November 10, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church. This is an opportunity to remember loved ones, neighbours, friends and parishioners who have died this past year. All are welcome.

BRINGING COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND AND SICK If you are bringing communion to someone that is sick and homebound, please speak with Father Cosmas before or after Mass. If you have boorrowed a pyx from St. Joseph's and no longer need it, please return it to the parish.

A MEMORIAL EVENING FOR SR. PEGGY MALCOLM On December 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., friends and family will gather at the Pastoral Centre (390 Palace Road) to honor this amazing woman who brought so much to the Kingston area in the work she did in Prison Ministry. RSVP by December 5 – Mary Jo Mackinnon-Simms at ReligiousEd@archkingston.ca.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS CARD SALE St. Joseph's Council 11670 is offering boxed, religious Christmas cards for sale the weekend of November 16-17 & November 23-24 at each of the Masses.

MINISTRY CELEBRATION Join us at any of the masses on the weekend of November 16-17 as we would like to recognize and express our gratitude to all of our dedicated volunteers of St. Joseph's Parish. Volunteers are an integral part of a parish community. They help run various ministries, and their work can result in a lively and thriving Catholic church. As your pastor, I am very fortunate to witness our parish's success largely due to the wonderful, devoted, faithful and talented individuals who serve in our parish. Refreshments will be serviced after each Mass in the Parish Hall.

SOLEMN VESPERS 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. We welcome the Trinitas Singers under the director of Jeffery Moellman to lead Solemn Vespers in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, concluding with Benediction. Join us on November 24, 2024 at 4:30pm at St Joseph's Catholic Church. May the Lord bless you and your family as you join us.

INDIGENOUS LEARNING EXPERIENCE

The CND's and Associates, with the CWL invite parishioners to participate in a blanket exercise for an Indigenous Learning experience at St Joseph's Church Hall, Nov 19 from 1 to 4 pm. You will learn 500 years of Canadian history from the indigenous perspective. "Through education centered on truth and reconciliation we are creating and fostering respectful relationships between indigenous and non-indigenous people" Santele's Healing Circles. There is a minimum of 20 people and maximin of 40. Interested people can contact Mary Clancy at mclancy4190@gmail.com or phone 613-544-4190 or Kathi Colwell at Kathicolwell@gmail.com

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.

<u>CWL NEWS</u> The General meeting is on Monday, Nov. 11th and will start at 6:15 in the Parish Hall, following the 5:15 special Mass for our Deceased Members. • With our CWL Christmas Gift • Baked Goods • Raffle Basket Fundraiser coming up on December 7/8 weekend, our Telephone Tree volunteers will be calling soon to ask if you'd like to donate anything: baked goods (especially pies!), craft & gift items, perhaps a monetary donation or your time. Sign-up sheets to volunteer will be at the General meeting. The Drop-Off Date for non-perishable donations <u>from parishioners and members</u> is Tuesday, Nov. 26th, from 12:30 - 2:30pm or Wednesday, Nov. 27 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. in the Parish Hall. Remember the \$1 Table while you're looking around! Baked goods will be accepted Friday, Dec. 6th after 10am-3pm; before the 5:15 Mass on Saturday, Dec. 7th; and before

each Mass on Sunday, Dec. 8th • Sign-up sheets for our Christmas Potluck & Appreciation dinner after the 5:15 Mass on Monday, Dec. 9th, will also be at the General meeting.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE is holding an Election of Executive Officers for 2025 - 2027. Election packages can be picked up at all Masses at the Church doors November 9 & 10 and at Parish Office after that. We pray for guidance from our Lady of Good Counsel.

COMMUNITY

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH (AMHERSTVIEW) CWL SNOWFLAKE BAZAAR Saturday, November 16; 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Come enjoy an assortment of goods at our bazaar: Bake table, Christmas Shoppe, children's activities, Soup 'n Sweets luncheon, and tables for FundScrip. Additional information, please call Shirley at 613-389-9810. Please join us for this annual event!

RND CHRISTMAS MARKET - NOVEMBER 23rd 2024 Join us for the RND Christmas Market on Saturday, November 23, from 10:00 to 3:00 at Regiopolis-Notre Dame Catholic High School, 130 Russell St, Kingston (enter via Cowdy St). Explore over 70 unique vendors offering handmade and curated items. Activities for kids! For entry, we ask you please bring a monetary donation for Clothes for Kids or a non-perishable food item for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Don't miss it!

Schedule for the week of November 16-17, 2024

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Music
Sat.	H. Couto	D. Lomboy	I. Stewart	Stacey
16 Nov.	J. Saunders	Sr. L. Kearney	S. Harrigan	& Tim
5:15pm			R. Lachance	
			K. Chabot	
Sun.	J. Watts	D. Balemba	I. Stewart	Megan
17 Nov.	P. Evaristo	S. Balemba	F. Cuvelier	
9:00am			S. Fiorentino	
			M.Turkington	
Sun.	S. Boisvert	C. Kavanaugh	J. McLaren	Choir
17 Nov.	B. McIver	T. Donoghue	J. Akhtar	
11:00am			F. Levesque	
			L. Garrett	

Streaming of 11:00 a.m. Mass: S. Fragoso

Junior Liturgy (9:00 a.m. Mass) J. Goudreau



KNIGHTS CORNER: Our Council's Life Program, under the careful hand of Br. Ben Krasna, has been quite active lately. They hosted and coordinated the Kingston Life Chain 2024 after mass on Sunday 6th October, followed by a potluck lunch in the Parish

Hall. There were over 100 participants from local parishes including St. Patrick's, Holy Name of Jesus, St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Paul the Apostle and Our Lady of Lourdes with roughly half attending the potluck lunch. Clergy in attendance were Frs. Ajawara, Hughes, Finn and Ryan. Thanks to our Council for supporting this pro-life activity, with special thanks to Br. Frank Cuvelier for taking photos, Br. Jamie Cassell for setting up chairs, Brs. Ken Slack and Roger Audet for carrying the KofC banner and all those who participated. Thank you to our CWL for their support and banner and especially for the tea, coffee, setting up and cleaning up the potluck. St. Joseph's also hosted a Public Rosary Rally on Saturday 12th October at noon. About 35 participants gathered before the statue of Our Lady for prayers for our country. Cheryl Power of Holy Family led the group in singing Immaculate Mary, followed by the Angelus. Volunteers led each of the five Joyful Mysteries and Fr. Reto prayed the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary.Frs. Reto and Cosmas gave a final blessing. Please keep all expectant mothers in your daily prayers.

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