

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 17, 2024

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
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

People who are in need and don't know where to look for support don't need to feel that they stand on the edge of disaster.

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

Wisdom and goodness light up the world with a light which cannot be darkened..

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Jesus' sacrifice of himself took away all sins.

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

Jesus, the Word of God, speak in human words which will last forever.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 18 November

5:15 p.m. **Mass Cancelled – Priests' Convocation**

Tuesday, 19 November

9:00 a.m. **Mass Cancelled – Priests' Convocation**

Wednesday, 20 November

9:00 a.m. **Mass Cancelled – Priests' Convocation**

Thursday, 21 November

9:00 a.m. Mary Sue Rankin & Holohan Family – Gayle Johnstone

Friday, 22 November

5:15 p.m. In Thanksgiving for Jerry & Annetta Pattenden

Saturday, 23 November

5:15 p.m. Arturo Trejo Hernandez – Susan Lett & Family

Sunday, 24 November

9:00 a.m. Agostinelli Family – Maria Agostinelli

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 Claire Kelly.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Donna V.; Raymond Doyle; Paul Dowling; Rob Hearst; Sophie Wolfe; 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.

"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.

PRIESTS' CONVOCATION Father Cosmas will be away from November 18, 2024 to November 20, 2024 for the Archdiocesan annual convocation. Masses for November 18, 19 and 20 are cancelled.

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

Trust in God Amid Uncertainty

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, the Church turns our attention to the "end times." The readings for the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time challenge us to reflect on how we live in a world that is both passing away and being renewed in God's promises.

In the Gospel (Mark 13:24-32), Jesus uses apocalyptic imagery to describe cosmic upheavals and the coming of the Son of Man. These words can seem alarming, but their purpose is not to frighten us. They remind us that change, even on a cosmic scale, is part of God's plan.

Life is full of uncertainties—wars, natural disasters, personal crises—but Jesus calls us to remain steadfast. The reassurance is clear: "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." Amid the shifting sands of life, Christ's words and promises are the unchanging foundation we can trust. Life can be unpredictable, but we are invited to place our trust in the eternal promises of God, who is always faithful. We are called to live every day as if it were our last—not in fear, but in gratitude, love, and service. Like the righteous in Daniel's vision, we are to "shine brightly" through acts of kindness, faith, and justice, giving hope to a world often overshadowed by fear.

As we reflect on the end times, we are reminded that our journey is part of a larger story—God's story of salvation. While the details of the future remain hidden, our task is clear: to live with faith and vigilance, trusting in God's unchanging word.

Let us open our hearts to His grace and prepare for His coming—not with fear, but with joyful anticipation, knowing that He is our inheritance and eternal reward.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE 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.

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.

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 This weekend we 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.

BUILDING FUND The monthly collection of the Building Fund will take place this weekend, November 16-17, 2024. Thank you for your support.

This week's bulletin is sponsored by:



CHRISTMAS CONCERT Join us for an afternoon of Christmas music, featuring Chris Murphy, Jon McLurg, and Noah St. Amand (of Turpin's Trail) in the church on Thursday, December 12, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served in the parish hall. A free-will offering would be greatly appreciated with the proceeds donated to the Social Planning Council of Kingston. For more information on the Social Planning Council and what they do in our community visit <https://www.spckingstonanddistrict.org/>

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 maximum 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.

CWL NEWS St Joseph's CWL is very happy to welcome the Kingston Diocesan Executive and CWL members as we host the Kingston Diocesan Fall Presidents' Meeting on Saturday November 16, 2024. The morning will focus on **Mentoring**, starting with Father Stephane, leading a related reflection, followed by Betty Anne Brown Davidson presenting an interactive workshop on this topic. An important part of being a leader is recognizing and encouraging leadership in others, so this topic of **Mentorship** is very timely for all of the leaders throughout our Kingston Diocese. We ask our patroness, Our Lady of Good Council to guide our learning and collaboration throughout our day. **Reminder:** CWL Members: Please place **Election Nomination envelopes** in the CWL Mailbox in the sacristy or in the weekend collection baskets by Sunday December 1, 2024. 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. The Drop-Off Date for non-perishable donations from parishioners and members

Tuesday, Nov. 26th, from 12:30 - 2:30pm or Wednesday, Nov. 27 from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. in the Parish Hall. 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 • Our Christmas Potluck & Appreciation dinner after the 5:15 Mass on Monday, Dec. 9th.

COMMUNITY

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). 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!

Can you say MALASSADAS? (Holy Family Fundraising Sale of Portuguese Doughnuts) Sunday, December 1;11:00 am - 1:00 pm St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School (114 Wiley St., Kingston) Portuguese donuts are a favourite treat, and the ladies from Holy Family Parish will be cooking again soon. You will find them at St. Francis School between 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, after Sunday Mass December 1st. To meet the anticipated demand, please **PRE-ORDER** your treats by emailing the office at HolyFamily@archkingston.ca, or calling and leaving your order on voice mail 613-542 - 8587. All money raised will go to our roof repair fund. Pick up your treats in the gym while enjoying coffee or hot apple cider. The Knights of Columbus will be selling gift cards and you can also place a pre-order that day. Holy Family gets a percentage of all gift card sales.


Schedule for the week of November 23-24, 2024

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Music
Sat. 23 Nov. 5:15pm	S. Ottenhof M. MacVicar	D. Lomboy Sr. L. Kearney	I. Stewart P. Scott R. Lachance D. Mazzolin	Stacey & Tim
Sun. 24 Nov. 9:00am	M. Castro M. Addai	D. Balemba S. Balemba	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier R. Audet M. Turkington	Sheila & the Youth Choir
Sun. 24 Nov. 11:00am	C. Kavanaugh R. McDonald	R. McLaren M. Muise	J. McLaren F. Asuncion J. Ferreira L. Garrett	Choir

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

Junior Liturgy (9:00 a.m. Mass) H. Gencarelli



KNIGHTS CORNER: It is unfortunate that in Kingston, across the province and indeed the nation that food bank visits have reached an all-time high. Add that knowledge to the coming winter and of course with Christmas around the corner, our Knights felt it incumbent to help where we can. We recently visited Partners in Mission Food Bank, <https://www.kingstonfoodbank.ca/> one of our supported organizations, and presented them with a \$3000 donation. Monetary and food donations help Partners in Mission nourish local families by providing groceries through their food hamper program. Being the food distribution centre for this area, they also donate surplus provisions to local hot meal and shelter programs in the Kingston area. They provide non-perishable food items and fresh foods including milk, eggs, fruits and vegetables. Help them if you are able. If this appeals to you, and you're a Catholic man, then the answer is simple, join the Knights, and add your efforts to helping those in need. Follow us on Facebook at St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus Council 11670, Kingston, Ontario 

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