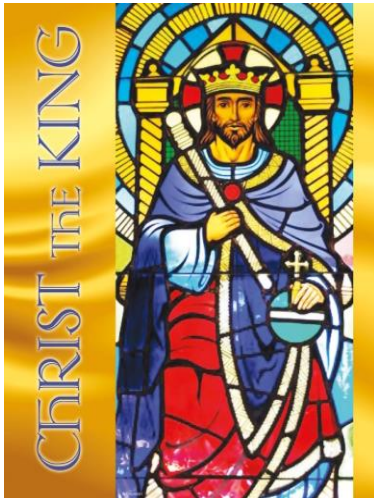


# St. Joseph's Catholic Church



## *The Solemnity of Christ the King*

**November 24, 2024**

*"Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."*

### **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  
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Catholic Women's League

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Culture of Life  
Parish Engagement  
Social Justice & Outreach Liaison  
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**Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor**

## The Solemnity of Christ the King November 24, 2024

### **Introduction**

Today we celebrate Jesus as our King. In today's Gospel, he shows us how to enter his kingdom: by feeding the hungry; by welcoming the stranger; by having compassion for those most in need.

### **First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14**

The kingdom of heaven is eternal and can never be destroyed.

### **Second Reading: Apocalypse 1:5-8**

Jesus, the beginning and end of all things, welcomes us into his kingdom, excluding nobody from his love.

### **Gospel: John 18:33-37**

Jesus' kingdom is not an earthly kingdom. It is everlasting and founded on truth.

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### **MASSES FOR THIS WEEK**

#### **Monday, 25 November**

5:15 p.m. Kevin Mulrooney – Dorothy Mulrooney

#### **Tuesday, 26 November**

9:00 a.m. Audrey Lacey (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)

#### **Wednesday, 27 November**

9:00 a.m. Sherry Pattenden – Jerry Pattenden

#### **Thursday, 28 November**

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

#### **Friday, 29 November**

5:15 p.m. Rita Speagle Lee – Hollis Family

#### **Saturday, 30 November**

5:15 p.m. Arthur Archer – Jocelyn Archer & Family

#### **Sunday, 31 November**

9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving of Sr. Dorothy Fournier & Marietta Marcial

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

*Join our online Mass Sunday's at 11:00 a.m. visit [www.stjosephskingston.ca](http://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 V.; Raymond Doyle; Paul Dowling; Rob Hearst; Sophie Wolfe; Rev. Leo Byrne; Dwight Neddow; Barbara Anne Caron; Patricia Flagler; Eileen Irvine.

*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.

## **Fr. Cosmas Reflection**

### **Christ the King Reigns**

Today, as we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, the Church invites us to reflect on the kingship of Jesus Christ—a kingship unlike any earthly rule. This feast, established in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, reminds us that Christ reigns over all creation with love, justice, and peace.

In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of the final judgment, where the King will separate the sheep from the goats. This scene is not meant to frighten us but to challenge us to live in a way that reflects the values of Christ's kingdom: love, mercy, and service to others.

What kind of subjects are we in Christ's kingdom?

Christ does not demand loyalty through force but invites us into a relationship of love and trust. Are we attentive to His voice, like sheep who recognize their shepherd? Do we allow His teachings to guide our daily lives?

Do we recognize Christ in others? Jesus challenges us to see His face in the marginalized and vulnerable. Serving them is not optional but essential for those who claim Him as King. How often do we extend our hands in love to those in need?

Do we trust in His ultimate victory? Even when the world seems chaotic, we are called to trust that Christ is King and that His kingdom of justice and peace will prevail. This faith encourages us to persevere in doing good.

As we end the liturgical year, this feast reminds us to recommit ourselves to living under the reign of Christ. Let us make Him the center of our lives by embracing His call to love, serve, and build His kingdom on earth.

**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](mailto:ReligiousEd@archkingston.ca).

**MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS** Last weekend we had a lovely celebration honoring all of our dedicated volunteers of St. Joseph's Parish. A special thank you to our Parish Engagement Group – Mary Clancy, Barb Quinn, Alice Gazeley, Kelly Canning and Stephen Harrigan for hosting a wonderful party in our Parish Hall after each Mass. For our volunteers that were not able to attend, please pick up your certificate of appreciation in the Sacristy.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS CARD SALE** are SOLD OUT.

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**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 **this Sunday November 24, 2024 at 4:30pm at St Joseph's Catholic Church.** May the Lord bless you and your family as you join us.

**CHRISTMAS PAGAENT** Our family Christmas Mass is quickly approaching. If your child is interested in being a part of telling the Christmas story, please join us after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 1, 2024. Children participating in the telling of the Christmas story will be given a role (a part or a reading) for the 5:15 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve. Practices will take place: December 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.; December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. and December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 noon. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Tina Castro [maddtina@alcdsb.on.ca](mailto:maddtina@alcdsb.on.ca) or Jane Goudreau [willjane@alcdsb.on.ca](mailto:willjane@alcdsb.on.ca)

**ST JOSEPH'S PARISH ADVENT RETREAT 2024**  
**Retreat Days: Monday December 2, 2024 - Thursday December 5, 2024 Time: 6: 00pm - 7:30pm each day**  
**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.

**CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE NEWS AND REMINDERS:** The Executive meeting is on Monday, Nov. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall. ● Our recycling efforts are great, but are getting a bit time-consuming. We remind everyone that **ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN** before you drop them off. ● The CWL Christmas Gift and Bake Sale (December 7/8 weekend) will be accepting donations of items for the Gift/Craft tables, and also for use in the raffle baskets. Small items required for \$1 table. **Parishioners are welcome to donate as well if they so desire.** The non-perishable drop-off dates are Tuesday, Nov. 26 from 12:30-2:30 p.m. and Wednesday, Nov. 27 from 5-7 p.m. Baked goods are being accepted on Friday, Dec. 6 from 10-3 p.m. and before every Mass on the December 7-8 weekend. Thank you for

your generosity. ● 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. ● Our Christmas Potluck & Appreciation dinner after the 5:15 Mass on Monday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>

**MASS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** Monday, December 9, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral. You are invited to join us in celebrating the Solemnity of the patron saint of the Archdiocese of Kingston. Confessions will be available at 9:30 am.

**COMMUNITY**

**VERONICA'S VEIL OVERNIGHT SHELTER FOR MEN**

Calling all men! Your help is needed! Veronica's Veil Overnight Shelter for Men will open for its third season on January 2, 2025 and go until the end of April. Shifts run 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., 12:30 a.m. to 4:30 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., seven nights a week. Volunteers are needed to staff each of the three shifts. Training will be provided. Volunteers work as a team on each shift, so you are never working alone. To sign up for a shift on either a weekly or a substitute basis or for more information, please contact Ann Lyng at [veronicasveil@stmaryscathedral.ca](mailto:veronicasveil@stmaryscathedral.ca) Jesus said: "Whenever you did this to the least of my brothers and sisters, you did it to me." (Matthew 25:41)

**Schedule for the weekend of November 30-December 1, 2024**

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Music
<b>Sat. 30 Nov. 5:15pm</b>	H. Couto M. Sivilotti	L.Bickerstaffe J. Saunders	I. Stewart P. Scott R. Lachance D. Mazzolin	Theresa
<b>Sun. 1 Dec. 9:00am</b>	P. Evaristo A.MacKinnon	J. Kane M. Tudin	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier S. Fiorentino M.Turkington	Megan
<b>Sun. 1 Dec. 11:00am</b>	B. McIver S. Boisvert	M. Muise P. Rosales	B. Krasna A. Parmar L. Garrett	Choir
<b>Streaming of 11:00 a.m. Mass: D. Eardley</b>				
<b>Junior Liturgy (9:00 a.m. Mass) S. Conway-Williamson</b>				



**KNIGHTS CORNER:** On the weekend of 19th/20th October, our Knights of Columbus Council opened our 2024 Recruitment Drive with a special invitation at each Mass from our Grand Knight. As a Parish, you listened! We are very happy to announce the addition of six new Knights and possibly even more joining our Council. As a result, we will be having our first Exemplification Ceremony since Covid after the 5:15 pm mass on Saturday 30th November. The ceremony is only 30 minutes in length and is filled with the very interesting history and the purpose of the Knights of Columbus. All parishioners are encouraged to attend. Although our recruitment drive is ending, we welcome new Knights anytime of the year. If you are a Catholic man over 18, and interested in joining us, please reach out to any Knight! In closing, we offer a special welcome and thank you to all our new Knights!



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