

# St. Joseph's Catholic Church



## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2025

*"Woe to you when all speak well of you."*

### 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

#### Parish Schools

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**Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**February 16, 2025**

**Introduction**

We are all children of God. We gather today as a diverse community of sisters and brothers, a global family. Together we place our trust in God who loves each and every one of us. We commit to building relationships of respect, honouring and valuing our differences.

**First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8**

Jeremiah emphasizes the need to place our trust in the Lord. This will mean that we are rooted, fruitful and courageous in the face of difficulties and dangers.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20**

St. Paul tells the people of Corinth that if the dead are not raised, then neither is Christ raised from the dead and our faith is in vain.

**Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26**

Jesus teaches the crowds who are following him that everyone who is now excluded will one day rejoice, and those who are now hungry will have enough.

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**MASSES FOR THIS WEEK**

**Monday, 17 February**

5:15 p.m. Joan Hollingsworth – Lori Hollingsworth

**Tuesday, 18 February**

9:00 a.m. Sr. Josephine Nestman – Mary Clancy & Sheila Alarie

**Wednesday, 19 February**

9:00 a.m. Joanne McKeown – Shirley Kelliher

**Thursday, 20 February**

9:00 a.m. Eleanor Burke (20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) – Burke & Holmes Families

**Friday, 21 February**

5:15 p.m. Ortenzia Murano – Mr. & Mrs. Santone

**Saturday, 22 February**

5:15 p.m. Santo Carfa (5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) – Luciana Carfa & Family

**Sunday, 23 February**

9:00 a.m. Venancio Dos-Santos – Lenora Pimental & Family

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 especially Isabelle Curry.

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Please remember in your prayers the following: Donna V.; Paul Dowling; Rob Hearst; Sophie Wolfe; Barbara Anne Caron; Doreen Saunders.

*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.*

**Fr. Cosmas Reflection**

**Where is your trust?**

On this 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C), the readings invite us to reflect on the source of true happiness. The contrast between blessings and woes in the Gospel challenges us to examine where we place our trust—whether in God or in worldly things. Relying solely on human power, wealth, or influence leads to disappointment. But when we root our lives in God, we find true strength and stability.

In the Gospel, Jesus delivers a version of the Beatitudes that challenges the world's definition of happiness. Jesus teaches that true joy does not come from material comfort but from living in relationship with God, even in times of suffering.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians that their hope is in the resurrection of Christ. If Christ has not risen, then our faith is in vain. But because He has risen, we have the assurance of eternal life. This gives us the courage to endure hardships, knowing that our suffering is not in vain.

So, where is Your Trust? Do I rely on material wealth and human strength, or do I trust in God? Do I find happiness in God's presence, or am I distracted by the world's temporary pleasures?

Let us plant ourselves firmly in God's love, like the tree by the waters, so that we may bear fruit in this life and enjoy eternal happiness with Him.

May the Lord help us to trust Him more each day. Amen.

**2024 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** are available for pick-up in the Parish Office during office hours. Tax receipts are available this weekend, February 15-16, at the main entrance of the church after Mass. Remaining receipts will be mailed out on February 21, 2025. If you are able to pick up your receipt this really helps to cut down the cost of mailing. Thank you. If you took advantage of the Government deadline extension, reminder, you must mark the envelope and include in the cheque memo 2024. A second receipt will be issued for these donations at the end of February, early March.

**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY** The next Hospitality Sunday will take place next Sunday, February 23, 2025 following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Our gracious host will be St. Thomas More Catholic School. Please join us for fellowship and refreshments.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** Food Bags will be distributed this weekend, February 15-16, for return on the weekend of February 22-23. Thank you for your continued support.

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## **CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE NEWS:**

Our **February Bake Fest** is this weekend February 15/16! Sweet & Savoury Baked Goods, Gently-used Cookbooks, Raffle Baskets, fun for all! Come out and support our CWL, stop by the Parish hall after Mass this weekend!

The CWL Executive Meeting is on Monday, February 24, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

**IPC PHOTOS & DIRECTORY** If you order photos and have not received your package please contact the Parish office, due to the postal strike in November, some of the packages have not been received. Update on the Directory, the files were sent and we should be receiving the draft soon, once we return the draft with corrections, they will be publishing the final copies for distribution at the parish. Hopefully this will be in the early spring. Our apologies for the delay.

**ENROLLMENT SUNDAY** Join us on Sunday, February 23, 2025 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass as we welcome our candidates of Confirmation. We ask that you keep our candidates in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in June.

**MUSICAL AFTERNOON** On Thursday, March 13, 2025, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., join us for an afternoon of great music and to celebrate St. Patrick's Day! A musical afternoon featuring Jon McLurg and Noah St. Amand (of Turpin's Trail), special guest Joe Sexton, for those who are Irish, and for those who "wish they were." Light refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall. Proceeds will be donated to Ryandale Transitional Housing.

**ATTENTION ST. JOSEPH PARISH YOUTH:** Would you like to take part in a youth-led Mass on Sunday February 23 at 9:00AM? The Youth Choir is providing their beautiful music on that Sunday and we would like to invite youth of all ages to join us (those who are not already in the choir, of course!) as leaders of the Mass. We need readers, greeters, ushers, altar servers and gift bearers. If you think you have what it takes, have your parent reach out to Alison at [abogleis@yahoo.ca](mailto:abogleis@yahoo.ca) and register for your place. We will be meeting for a practice and social night on February 21 from 6:30-8:30. Looking forward to hearing from you!

**PARISH LENTEN RETREAT – FORGIVEN** Join us Tuesday & Wednesday, March 11 & 12, and Tuesday & Wednesday, March 18 & 19 at 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall for our Lenten Retreat. To register call the Parish office or sign up at the Church entrances by March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## **COMMUNITY**

**OPUS DEI Recollection** An evening of reflection on how to find God in our work, relationships and life. *"It is in the midst of the most material things of the earth that we must sanctify ourselves, serving God and all mankind."* St. Josemaria Escriva  
**Women's Recollection** Tuesday, Feb. 18 at St. Joseph's Church from 7-9pm

**Men's Recollection** Wednesday, Feb 19 at St. James Chapel beside St. Mary's Cathedral from 7-9pm.

Newcomers are always welcome. Come and go as you need. Learn more at [opusdei.ca](http://opusdei.ca) or call Irene at 613-549-7421 for information.

**STEUBENVILLE 2025 Youth Conference: Registration Open** June 27-29, 2025 Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio. After a very successful trip to Steubenville in June 2024, St. Michael's Parish in Belleville is organizing another trip this year for teenagers to attend their youth conference, and opening this opportunity for youth across the archdiocese. Patrick Bailey is the coordinator. For more information, please contact him at 613-921-5236 or by email [bailz77@yahoo.com](mailto:bailz77@yahoo.com). **There is still ample space available.**

**SCHOOL OF IDENTITY (OUR LADY OF DIVINE FIRE MISSION)** Friday, March 7; 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm & Saturday, March 8; 8:15 am - 4:00 pm at Holy Name of Mary Parish Centre (7288 Old Hwy 2, Marysville, ON) Come experience a learning opportunity to help you grow in your identity as a beloved son or daughter of God. Registration required. Regular admission \$30, Couples \$50, Students \$20 (Lunch INCLUDED). Registration and details at: <https://ourladyofdivinefire.regfox.com/2025-school-of-identity>

## **Schedule for the weekends of February 22-23, 2025**

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Music</b>
<b>Sat. 22 Feb. 5:15pm</b>	M. Sivilotti Sr.N. Hurren	M. Thomas J. Saunders	I. Stewart P. Scott R.Lachance D.Mazzolin	Stacy & Tim
<b>Sun. 23 Feb. 9:00am</b>	P. Evaristo J. Watts	S. Balemba D. Balemba	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier R. Audet M.Turkington	Sheila & the Youth Choir
<b>Sun. 23 Feb. 11:00am</b>	S. Boisvert B. McIver	K. Colwell C.Kavanaugh	L. Garrett B. Krasna J. McLaren I.Mackenzie	Choir
<b>Streaming of 11:00 a.m. Mass: M. Muise</b>				
<b>Junior Liturgy (9:00 a.m. Mass) J. Goudreau</b>				



**KNIGHTS CORNER:** The two founding principles of the Knights of Columbus are Charity and Unity. An article published in the organization's magazine, The Columbia, in 1898, says that a Knight should live according to the virtues of Loyalty, Charity, Courtesy and Modesty, as well as "self-denial and careful respect for the feelings of others." Two other founding principles, Fraternity and Patriotism, were added over time. These principles are the guiding mindset behind the allocation of thousands of dollars we disburse to the Parish and other Kingston area charities. They assist us in determining where best our efforts should be directed and focussed and how we treat our fellow Knights and others. Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism - not bad words to live by. If you're a Catholic man 18 or older, you can join the Knights. All you have to do is ask any Knight!



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