St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 9, 2025

"What I am now, I am through the grace of God, and the grace which was given to me has not been wasted."

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

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Ministry to Seniors (Cards) Ministry at Extendicare

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Culture of Life
Parish Engagement

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Introduction

Today's readings offer us the call stories of three unlikely followers of God: the prophet Isaiah and the apostles Paul and Peter. Each of them has a sense of unworthiness, but God does not call us to discipleship because we are worthy, but precisely because we are sinners. God's grace is not a reward for our virtue but an opportunity for divine strength to shine through our weakness.

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

Isaiah's initial vision and call.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

"I have handed on to you what I have received..." Paul has continued the process of transmitting the Church's faith in the resurrection of Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

A miraculous catch of fish and Peter's profession of unworthiness preface the call of the first of Christ's followers.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 10 February

5:15 p.m. Alejandrito Lianza (38th Anniversary) – Ress

Young

Tuesday, 11 February

9:00 a.m. Peter Goudreau

Wednesday, 12 February

9:00 a.m. Donna White – Karin Long

Thursday, 13 February

9:00 a.m. Claire Kelly – Daniel Mazzolin

Friday, 14 February

5:15 p.m. Venancio Dos-Santos – Helena Dos – Santos

& Family

Saturday, 15 February

5:15 p.m. Pat Kearney – Susan Lett & Family

Sunday, 16 February

9:00 a.m. Audrey Lacey, Alexander & Isabelle Potter

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 Robert 'Bob' Howard.

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

Here I am Lord, send me.

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) focuses on God's call and our response. The readings highlight how God's grace transforms ordinary people into His messengers. The central theme is the call to mission despite our unworthiness.

Many of us hesitate when called to serve God because we feel unworthy. However, today's readings show that God doesn't call the perfect—He perfects those He calls.

In the first reading, Isaiah has a vision of God's majesty. Overwhelmed by his sinfulness, he cries, "Woe is me! I am a man of unclean lips" (Isaiah 6:5). But after an angel purifies him with a burning coal, he responds, "Here I am, send me." Paul, in the second reading, recalls how he once persecuted Christians. Yet, by God's grace, he becomes an apostle. No past sin is too great for God to transform into a testimony.

In the Gospel, Peter and his companions toil all night without catching fish. But at Jesus' word, they make a miraculous catch.

We are all called – Not just priests and religious leaders, but every Christian is called to evangelize in their family, workplace, and community. Don't let past failures stop you – Like Paul and Peter, our weaknesses should not keep us from answering God's call. Obedience brings fruitfulness – Peter obeyed Jesus despite doubt and witnessed a miracle. Trusting God's word in our lives will also bring spiritual fruit.

Isaiah was fearful, Paul was a sinner, and Peter was just a fisherman. But each, by God's grace, became a powerful witness. May we trust in God's grace, let go of our fears, and say, "Here I am, Lord, send me!" Amen.

2024 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS are available for pick-up in the Parish Office during office hours. Tax receipts are available this weekend, February 8-9 and next weekend 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.

ENROLLEMENT SUNDAY This Sunday, February 9, 2025 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass, we welcome the candidates receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Communion this year. Please keep our candidates in your prayers

BUILDING FUND The monthly collection of the Building Fund will take place next weekend February 8-9, 2025. Thank you for your support.

This week's bulletin is sponsored by:



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 publising the final copies for distribution at the parish. Hopefully this will be in the early spring. Our apologizes for the delay.



CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE NEWS:

The CWL General Meeting is Monday, February 10 at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The Installation and Welcoming Ceremony will take place for new

members and Executive Officers. • Our Telephone Tree ladies will be calling about donations of baked goods for our February Bake Fest to be held February 15/16. It would be nice to introduce savoury as well as sweet goodies. Want to sign up to help too? Let Maureen Plunkett know by calling/texting her at 613-305-3644. • Those needing to pay their 2025 CWL membership fee are asked to place the \$35 in an envelope with their name and any new contact information they may have. Mark the envelope CWL MEMBERSHIP and place it in the Offertory basket or drop it off at the Office during regular hours. • MAiD continues to be a major issue. The government is now considering adding Advance Requests for MAiD into the current legislation. They are conducting a this topic and the link survey on https://surveys.hkperspectives.com/s3/7a646ae06450EN but some of the questions on the survey can be misleading. The Euthanasia Prevention Coalition (EPC) has put out a guide to ensure you are aware of the misleading questions and how to address them. The guide was an attachment sent to the General Members a few days ago: please read it and complete the survey by February 14th. Hope Through Action...

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 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!

COMMUNITY

<u>OPUS DEI Recollection</u> 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 <u>opusdei.ca</u> or call Irene at 613-549-7421 for information.

STEUBENVILLE 2025 Youth Conference: Registration Open June 27-29, 2025Franciscan 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. 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 15-16, 2025

	Lectors	Eucharistic	Ushers	Music
		Ministers		
Sat.	H. Couto	Sr.L.Kearney	I. Stewart	Stacy &
15 Feb.	M. MacVicar	L.Bickerstaffe	P. Scott	Tim
5:15pm			R.Lachance	
			D.Mazzolin	
Sun.	M. Tudin	C. Purcell	I. Stewart	Theresa
16 Feb.	N.Ehi-Ekome	D. Balemba	F. Cuvelier	&
9:00am			R. Audet	Annette
			M.Turkington	
Sun.	R. McLaren	C.Kavanaugh	L. Garrett	Choir
16 Feb.	F. Levesque	B. Oliveira	B. Krasna	
11:00am			J. McLaren	
			I.Mackenzie	

Streaming of 11:00 a.m. Mass:

Junior Liturgy (9:00 a.m. Mass) NO JUNIOR LITURGY



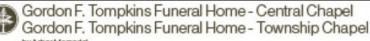
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