

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



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MISSION STATEMENT

Grounded in the gospel of Jesus Christ through liturgy, Eucharistic worship and outreach, Saint 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.

Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, **Pastor**

Rev. Mr. Robert Wojcik, **Deacon**

Rev. Charles Ogbuagu, **In Residence**

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend

Saturday: 5:15 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Weekday

Monday: 4:00-5:00 p.m. *Holy Hour for Vocations*
5:15 p.m. Mass
Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. Mass
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. Mass
Thursday: 9:00 a.m. Mass
Friday: 3:30 p.m. *Divine Mercy Prayers*
4:00-5:00 p.m. *Holy Hour for Life*
5:15 p.m. Mass



SACRAMENTS:

BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish.

RECONCILIATION (Confession): Monday, Friday, Saturday 4:00-5:00 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 SCHOOLS:

St. Thomas More Catholic School, 234 Norman Rogers Dr., Kingston, ON K7M 2R4

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Ms. S. Fragoso, Principal

St. Paul's Catholic School, 266 McMahon Ave., Kingston, ON K7M 3H2

613-542-6101

Ms. L. Trudeau, Principal

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Parish Finance Committee

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St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus, 11670

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Ministry at Extendicare

Ministry to Seniors

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Culture of Life

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OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m. 1:00-4:30 p.m. (Monday to Friday) Susan Lett, Secretary

Second Sunday of Easter

*"Peace be with you. As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you."*

Introduction

Our risen Lord makes himself known to his disciples by offering them his peace. Through this sign he also channels the divine mercy that we celebrate today. Let us open ourselves to that peace and mercy transforming our lives.

Today's Readings

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

God the Father, in his great mercy, has given us a new birth as his sons and daughters, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Jesus said to the disciples, "Peace be with you," and showed them his hands and his side.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 17 April

5:15 p.m. Luigi Grossetti – Sandra Skebo

Tuesday, 18 April

9:00 a.m. Raffael Murano – Angela & Angelo Gencarelli

Wednesday, 19 April

9:00 a.m. Harry Radley – The Radley Family

Thursday, 20 April

9:00 a.m. Joseph Hawkins – The Sammon Family

Friday, 21 April

5:15 p.m. Celina Couto – Ines & Joe Cabral

Saturday, 22 April

5:15 p.m. Mass of Thanksgiving – Rowena & Michael Strong

Sunday, 23 April

9:00 a.m. Kevin Mulrooney – Lisa Walsh

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

*To join our online Mass each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. visit
www.stjosephskingston.ca.*

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased especially Elma Mary Breathet.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Marcus Hacault; Brenda Camp; Helen Teefy.

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.

OUR PARISH

ATTENTION ALL YOUTH GRADES 2-8! The Youth Ministry Team is pleased to invite all interested young people to participate in a Youth Mass, on Sunday May 14th at 9:00 a.m. Students in Grades 2 and up are welcome to join the St. Joseph Parish Youth Group on Thursday, May 11, 2023, from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Parish Hall for an evening of "Faith, Fellowship and Fun". There will be team building games and music with a focus on practicing for the Mass. If you are interested in getting together for this Youth Group social night, and to prepare for the Youth Mass, you must register by April 21, 2023. Please contact Olisha at: olishamendonca97@gmail.com or Angela at: angelalorbetskie@gmail.com. We look forward to welcoming you back to Youth Group!

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY, FRANCE, SPAIN & PORTUGAL Under spiritual leadership of Fr. Cosmas Ajawara. Pilgrimage from September 18 – October 2, 2023 – 15 days - \$4,990.00 (Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal departure, incl. taxes & tips). For further information contact International Heritage Tours – 1-877-999-8868 or email Stan – stan@ihtours.com or Liliana – liliana@ihtours.com

SCAMS TO WATCH OUT FOR If you receive a text message or email from Father Cosmas, please note he would **never** ask for money or gift cards. Recent scams have surfaced, asking parishioners to help. If you are not sure, call the Parish Office to confirm if Father Cosmas has reached out to you. Report the scam to the police or contact the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre - 1-888-495-8501.

FIRST COMMUNION During the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, 23 April 2023 we welcome the candidates for First Communion from St. Paul's Catholic School.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD COLLECTION Bags will be handed out on April 22-23 for return on April 29-30 for St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank. Thank you for your continued generosity.

ANNUAL MEETING OF ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNAE at Chalmers United Church, 212 Barrie Street. The annual meeting of St. Joseph's School of Nursing Alumnae of Hotel Dieu Hospital will be held on **Tuesday, April 18th at 10:00 am.** Use the entrance through the side door off Clergy Street. Limited parking on nearby West Street.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY will take place this Sunday, April 16, 2023 following the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Please join us in the Parish Hall for fellowship and refreshments. St. Paul's School will be hosting and providing the refreshments

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION GIFTS Hotel Dieu Hospital has donated a number of religious gift items particularly for First Communion and Confirmation to the St. Joseph's Catholic Women's League. These items will be for sale in the Parish Hall this Sunday April 16 after Mass. Thank you to the Hotel Dieu Hospital Board for their kind donation.

Father Cosmas' Reflection

What Faith Can Do

Faith in God does not promise us a pain-free life. Some people think that if you have enough faith, then everything should go smoothly for you. But this is not so. The fact that we can swim doesn't prevent us from being knocked about by the waves. In today's Gospel Reading, Jesus asks us to believe without seeing and be blessed in doing that.

Remember that God is always at work, but sometimes He's working behind the scenes until the right time to reveal His answers to your prayers. Faith in God enables us to live in a challenging, topsy-turvy world without giving in to despair and frustration.

None of us can go through life without confronting the unexpected challenges of life. Faith in such times helps us to follow God's lead. It was faith that kept the apostles together after the death and resurrection of Jesus. It was faith that made Thomas proclaim "My Lord and My God" even after he strayed and doubted. Faith will keep us together in times of adversity and faith will bring us back to Christ even after we have strayed and doubted.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Correction: the Diocesan Convention is April 29 & 30

- Boxes for the Parish-wide Birthright collection are now at each door of the church for the month of April. Please place your monetary, baby and mom donations there instead of taking them to the Parish Office. Baby clothes are in more need than their toiletries at the moment.

Annual Fancy Hat Tea Party happening on Saturday, May 13th from 2pm-4pm. There will be a Silent Auction, Door prizes and monetary prizes for 5 exceptional hats! Tickets available in May.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATION Please join us at 3:00 p.m. (the hour of Mercy) on April 16, 2023 (second Sunday of Easter) to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. We will be praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, there will also be opportunity to adore our Lord Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. This is a special day when we reflect on God's mercy, love and forgiveness which he grants to all those who are willing to ask for it.

OUR COMMUNITY

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE IN OTTAWA A bus will leave Kingston for the National March for Life on Thursday, May 11th, 2023, from St. Joseph's parking lot at 392 Palace Road at 7:15 a.m. to arrive for the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick's Basilica, 220 Kent Street in Ottawa. The cost is \$20.00 per person. For more information about the March, visit www.campaignlifecoalition.com and click on March for Life. You can reserve your seat by registering in person with Susan at St. Joseph's Parish Office Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by e-transfer at kingstonmflbus@proton.me.

MULTICULTURAL FOOD FESTIVAL Sunday, June 11th, 2023; 12noon – 3:00 pm at St. Paul the Apostle Parish Hall & Outdoors. The CWL & Knights of Columbus have collaborated to host a Multicultural Food Festival to showcase the many countries represented at our parish! Taste foods from around the world. Enjoy music, a fun photo booth, and a craft corner for young/old alike. All proceeds go towards the parish fundraising efforts. Admission by goodwill offering.

Franciscan Meeting: "Come, Help Me Rebuild the Church"

Wednesday, April 26th, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm - Come and hear the story of St. Francis' appeal to help rebuild the Church by living the Gospel. As followers of Jesus you are the front-line builders of the church, the people of God. Pope Francis invites us to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ through the Gospel. Interested? Come and discuss how we can do that together.

SALE AND FOOD MARKET FUNDRAISER IN SUPPORT OF REFUGEES AND NEWCOMERS TO CANADA

on Saturday, April 29th; 11:00 am - 3:00 pm at Kingston Street Mission (Oddfellows Hall) 218 Concession Street. DOORS, the refugee sponsorship organization with whom the Archdiocese of Kingston partners, and Kingston Street Mission, are hosting a fundraiser on April 29th. This is an opportunity to engage our Anglican and Catholic church communities in support of refugee sponsorship. Some of our newly arrived refugees will be participating in volunteer roles, including providing the food for the event. Please join us for a clothing sale and mini-international food market. For questions/more information contact Laurie McLean, Assistant Refugee Sponsorship Coordinator at doorsfinance@ontario.anglican.ca We hope to see you there!

FAITH ON FIRE PRAYER WEEKLY PRAYER MEETINGS

The "Faith on Fire" Prayer meetings have resumed on Tuesday evenings and continue weekly from 7:00 – 8:30 pm on Zoom. All are welcome to join us for prayer and teachings as we seek to grow in the Lord. Please email Maame Addai at faithonfirekingston@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

NEXT WEEK – 22 – 23 April, 2023

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Usher
Saturday 22 Apr. 5:15 p.m.	H. Couto P. Scott	M. Thomas	I. Stewart D. Mazzolin S. Harrigan A. Kelly
Sunday 23 Apr. 9:00 a.m.	A. MacKinnon J. Watts	M. McLaughlin	R. Audet F. Cuvelier P. Scott M. Stevenson
Sunday 23 Apr. 11:00 a.m.	C. Kavanaugh M. Castro	K. Colwell	B. Krasna P. Greenwood L. Garrett I. McKenzie F. Levesque
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