

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.

Monsignor M. Joseph Lynch, **Pastor**

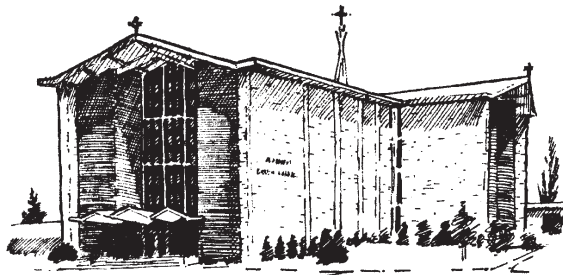
Fr. James Quirk, **Associate Pastor**

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

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

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



Weekday Recitation of the Rosary precedes morning Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Monday:	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	4:00-5:00 p.m.	<i>Holy Hour for Vocations</i>
	5:15 p.m.	Mass
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	5:15 p.m.	Mass
Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	10:30 a.m.	Mass (At Extendingcare)
	5:15 p.m.	Mass
Thursday:	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	5:15 p.m.	Mass
Friday:	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	3:30 p.m.	<i>Divine Mercy Prayers</i>
	4:00-5:00 p.m.	<i>Holy Hour for Life</i>
	5:15 p.m.	Mass
Saturday:	9:00 a.m.	Mass

SACRAMENTS:

BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish.

RECONCILIATION (Confession): Monday, Friday and 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.

First Friday: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

PARISH SCHOOLS:

St. Thomas More Catholic School, 234 Norman Rogers Dr., Kingston, ON K7M 2R4	613-542-1575	Ms. S. Fragoso, Principal
St. Paul's Catholic School, 266 McMahon Ave., Kingston, ON K7M 3H2	613-542-6101	Ms. A. Coe, Principal

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Finance Committee	Msgr. Joseph Lynch, Chair	613-547-5004
Parish Pastoral Council	Mary Ellen Tompkins, Chair	613-544-0782
Catholic Women's League	Colleen Krasna, President	613-544-3598
St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus, 11670	Patrick Greenwood, Grand Knight	613-561-6300
Partners in Mission	Betty Gunhouse	613-549-8138
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Eucharistic Ministers	Carol Kavanaugh	613-329-7974
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Ministry to Deaf	Martie Cervenko	613-544-2711
Ministry at Extendingcare	Mary Clancy	613-544-4190
Ministry to Seniors	Johanna Klaassen	613-389-5265
Ushers	Ian Stewart, Head Usher	613-331-4511
Sacristans	Fran Price	613-544-3492
	Isabelle Curry	613-389-6270
Culture of Life	Ben Krasna	613-544-3598
Funeral Choir	Dorothy Stanley	613-547-5004
Junior Liturgy	St. Joseph's Parish Office	613-547-5004
Sacramental Preparation/Youth Group	Alison Bogle	613-547-5004
Music Ministry	Shirley Kelliher, Ashley Pixley	613-547-5004
Altar Servers	Fr. James Quirk	613-547-5004

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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sixth Sunday of Easter

*"I will not leave
you orphans; I will
come to you."*

17 May 2020

"I will not leave you orphans."

Introduction

The Easter season is drawing towards a close, and we are about to celebrate the feasts of the Ascension of the Lord and Pentecost. The focus is on the gift of the Spirit, the Spirit of truth.

Today's Readings

First Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

After Philip had brought Christ's saving message to the people of a Samaritan town, Peter and John confirmed them with the gift of the Spirit.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18

Peter exhorts us to be faithful witnesses to our hope in Christ, although that it will probably mean that we will have to suffer with Him.

Gospel: John 14:15-21

At the Last Supper, Jesus reassures the disciples that He will not leave them orphans, but will send them the Spirit, so that they may always remain united with Him and the Father.

Gospel Teaching

The event of the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday evening is well documented by the evangelists Matthew, Mark and Luke. They tell us about Jesus transforming the bread and wine into His body and blood, but it is John who goes to great lengths to recall the lengthy conversation that Jesus had with His disciples during

the meal. Indeed, John devotes five whole chapters to that conversation, which culminates in our being able to eavesdrop on Jesus praying to His Father, a prayer which centres on us all being "one." Today's Gospel passage is part of the earlier conversation where we hear Jesus encouraging the disciples to enter into this relationship which He has with the Father. The key to our understanding will be the gift of the Spirit, who enables us to see what is going on. When we reflect on what we are being invited to consider, it is truly astonishing. We are being invited to dine with God and thereby share the very life of God. Just as it was through the Spirit that Christ was conceived by Mary and came among us, so now the Spirit will continue to make Him present so that He may live in us; through the Eucharist we become the body of Christ.

Down through the centuries, much Christian spirituality has concentrated on our personal relationship with God; but, today, greater emphasis is being given to a more expansive vision, which embraces not just our relationship with God, or even one another, but also with the whole of creation. The New Testament is clear that Christ's salvation is not limited: it is for all men and women of all time and indeed for the whole of creation. We hear today of Philip reaching out to the people of a Samaritan town, and his efforts are followed up by Peter and John, who make sure that they receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Then they too will have the wisdom to understand what God is doing for them. Likewise, in his letter, Peter is at pains to ensure that the early Christian community gives no cause for scandal, but lives with a clear conscience.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Please call the parish office at 613-547-5004, after 12 May to reschedule.

AUTOMATIC DEBIT

Automatic Debit is available for those St. Joseph's parishioners wishing to have their Sunday Offering and/or Building Fund Collection debited directly from their bank account on a monthly basis. Those who wish to begin Automatic Debit are asked to call the parish office at 613-547-5004. We are also able to receive e-transfers through the email address stjosephskingston900@gmail.com.



OUR PARISH

The Church and Parish Office are closed until further notice. If you have an emergency, please call 613-547-5004. Leave your name, phone number and a message, and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

We assure you that our parish is carefully following the Protocol put into effect by the

Archdiocese of Kingston in order to minimize the risk of infection in our liturgical practices. The Archdiocese remains vigilant and obtains information daily from local, provincial and federal health authorities, as well as other dioceses, as it constantly reviews its Protocol. For information on the measures which the Archdiocese is taking, I invite you to visit its website regularly at www.romancatholic.kingston.on.ca. There are also links for you to follow to assist you with your spiritual health: daily Mass, prayers, liturgical resources, directives from the Archbishop, etc.

If you wish to continue making donations to St. Joseph's, you may do so by mailing a cheque to St. Joseph's Parish, 392 Palace Road, Kingston, ON K7L 4T3, dropping donations in the parish office mailbox, which is checked daily, signing up for Automatic Debit by calling the office to request a registration form, or sending an e-transfer to stjosephskingston900@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support during these difficult times.

JUNIOR LITURGY With approval from Ligouri Publications, we are now posting the weekly Junior Liturgy programs, Explaining God's Word, on St. Joseph's Website, www.stjosephskingston.ca. You can print it off for a fun activity for you children.

WEEKLY HOMILY St. Joseph's clergy are submitting their weekly homilies to be posted on the parish website, www.stjosephskingston.ca. Please visit the website often for updated bulletins and information.

CANCELLATIONS Grade 8 Graduation Masses for St. Paul's School and St. Thomas More School have been cancelled, as well as First Communion for grade 2 students. You will be kept informed by both the parish and the schools of any plans to reschedule these celebrations.

FREE BOOKS There are a number of books that have been donated to the church, which you are free to take. Once the church is open again, you may find a few of them in the St. Joseph's Room and the remainder are in the book case in the sacristy. Please feel free to take what interests you home to read.

PASTORAL CARE WORKSHOP This workshop would assist

parishes to start a pastoral care team, or be useful for those that already have an existing team. Please contact the parish office at 613-547-5004, if you would be interested in attending one of these workshops; and, if there is enough interest, we will go ahead and book one.

OUR COMMUNITY

PILGRIMAGE to the Shrine of St. Ann in Cormac, which traditionally would have been held on Sunday, 26 July 2020, will not be taking place during this year, 2020. Due to the presence of the COVID 19 pandemic, the parish is complying with the Diocese of Pembroke in following Directives set forth by the Canadian Catholic Conference of Bishops, in their cooperation with the civil authorities in the province of Ontario. With the state of emergency in effect in Ontario, it has been asked that all public church events be cancelled until further notice. Next year, hopefully, we will be able to continue with the annual pilgrimage.

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY The Youth Office has a resource page dedicated to outreach during this pandemic. There are prayers, videos, activity ideas, faith formation, live youth nights, and more. Visit the following website for info: www.romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/outreach

TOTUS TUUS CATHOLIC SUMMER CAMP After much consideration, the Archdiocese of Kingston Youth Office has decided to cancel this summer's Totus Tuus camps due to the continued uncertainty surrounding COVID-19. The safety of our campers and staff is always our top priority. We are hopeful that we may be able to offer some virtual camp experiences this summer. Stay tuned. All families who registered and paid for camp already will be reimbursed by cheque in the coming weeks.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: James Parsons; Judy Dowling; Millie Lane; John Dowling; Desmond Dowling; Steve Bruce; Laure Unger; Joe Fonseca; Marc M; Rob Hurst; Teresa Khidir; Angeli Asenci; Kathleen Forsyth; Diane Lavery; Pat Gilmartin; Donna C.; Eileen Teppett; Jordyn Haunts Geddes; Erin Sullivan; Lu Raposo; Jill Jodoin; Ken Linseman; Marcus Hacault; Annie Mastorakos; Natalie Malenfant; Trudy Potvin; Kathy Macera; Marion Froats; Esau Demir.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased. If there are members of your family or friends who are ill or have recently died, and for whom you wish prayers, please contact the rectory to provide their names.

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