

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**

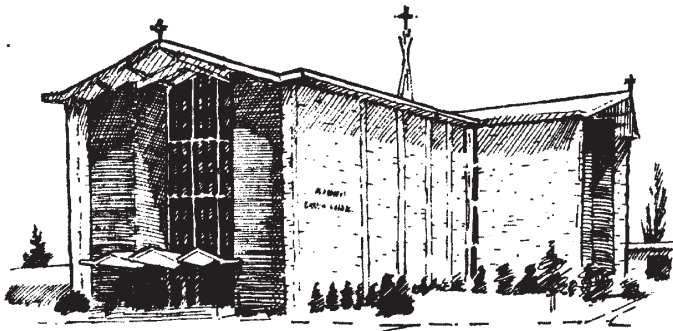
LITURGY SCHEDULE

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 613-542-1575 Ms. S. Fragoso, Principal
 St. Paul's Catholic School, 266 McMahon Ave., Kingston, ON K7M 3H2 613-542-6101 Mrs. L. Bryden, Principal

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Finance Committee	Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Chair	613-547-5004
Parish Pastoral Council	Mary Ellen Tompkins, Chair	613-547-5004
Catholic Women's League	Colleen Krasna, President	613-544-3598
St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus, 11670	Patrick Greenwood, Grand Knight	613-547-5004
Lectors	Carol Kavanaugh	613-547-5004
Eucharistic Ministers	Carol Kavanaugh	613-547-5004
Ministry to Sick and Homebound	Monna Splinter	613-547-6351
Ministry at Extencicare	Mary Clancy	613-544-4190
Ministry to Seniors	Johanna Klaassen and Judy Saunders	613-547-5004
Ushers	Ian Stewart, Head Usher	613-547-5004
Sacristans	Fran Price	613-547-5004
Culture of Life	Ben Krasna	613-544-3598
Funeral Choir	Dorathy Stanley	613-547-5004
Junior Liturgy	St. Joseph's Parish Office	613-547-5004
Sacramental Preparation/Youth Group	Alison Bogle	613-547-5004
Altar Servers	St. Joseph's Parish Office	613-547-5004
Music Ministry	Shirley Kelliher, Ashley Pixley, Theresa Whalen-Witjes	613-547-5004

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

First Sunday of Advent

“Stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming.”

Introduction

Advent invites us to open our hearts to the hope that the Lord gives us as we celebrate once again his birth and look forward to his coming at the end of time.

Today’s Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The prophet Isaiah speaks of the pilgrims climbing up to Jerusalem and finding peace. We are called to make our home in Christ and in his kingdom where there will be peace, justice and joy. The Church shows us the way.

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

In a stark warning, St. Paul calls us to amend our lives and return to the way of the Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus warns against complacency and summons us to focus on Christ and his life.

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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: Becky Downey; Marcus Hacault; Cathy Camp; Rita Carpenter; Hermina Wester; Michael Lovie, Robert Hurst.

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

ST. JOSEPH’S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

(in support of St. Mary’s Drop-In Centre) Commencing on the 5th of November until 31st of December, the Knights will be collecting winter coats, pants, shirts, shoes, boots, gloves etc. for all ages, men, women and children. For information as to how to donate call: Dwight @ 613-544-6738. Knights In Action!

PENANCE CELEBRATION

The Advent Penance Celebration at St. Joseph’s Church will be held on Sunday, December 11, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Following a brief liturgy, all will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A number of visiting clergy will be present for this celebration. All are welcome!

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 28 November

5:15 p.m. Walter Grenier – Nicole & Léandre Grenier

Tuesday, 29 November

9:00 a.m. Kevin Mulrooney – Mary Clancy & Family

Wednesday, 30 November

9:00 a.m. Roger Taillon – Janet Woo

Thursday, 1 December

9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Mass for Sr. Dorothy Fournier & Marietta Marcial

Friday, 2 December

5:15 p.m. John Graham – Alison Bogle

Saturday, 3 December

5:15 p.m. Gary Mangan – John & Mary Louise Heroux

Sunday, 27 November

9:00 a.m. George Alexandrowicz (3rd Anniversary) – Tony Alexandrowicz

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

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

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE The next Executive meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE will be held after Masses in the Parish Hall on Saturday, December 3 and Sunday, December 4, 2022. There will be a White Elephant Table, Basket Raffle, pies, bread, cookies and more! Please stop by and check out the goodies.

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE POTLUCK & APPRECIATION DINNER will be held on Monday, December 5, 2022 in the Parish Hall. We will be attending Mass at 5:15 p.m. followed by dinner in the Parish Hall. Please bring your favourite dish and join the fun!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING The next Executive meeting will be held at the Parish Hall on December 6, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. followed by the General Meeting.

MINISTRY FAIR This weekend, 26-27 November 2022, after all Masses, the Parish Engagement Group will host a Ministry Fair in the parish hall. The various Parish Ministries will be highlighted, indicating how they each enrich the daily life of St. Joseph’s. When you volunteer for a Ministry, you show what kind of parish you want to belong to!

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion



O Sacrament most holy!
O Sacrament divine!
All praise and all thanksgiving
be every moment thine.

Father Cosmas' Reflection

Be Prepared to Welcome Christ

Every joyful event we celebrate as individuals or families calls for special planning and preparation. It could be family events like wedding, graduation, thanksgiving or reunions. We do so much work of preparation in making sure that everything turns out well.

In the same way, as we begin the journey of Advent, we are called to enter into a sacred time of planning and preparation. We prepare ourselves to receive the greatest gift ever given. The gift of Jesus Christ our Lord. Prophet Isaiah in today's First Reading looks to the first Coming of Christ and called on the chosen people of God to prepare themselves for the first coming of the messiah by being focused, vigilant and faithful in waiting for that day to come. St Paul in the Second Reading gives us a clue as to how we prepare. He calls on us to put aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. He further calls on us to put on Christ and make no provisions for the flesh to gratify its desires. Making provisions for the things of the Spirit will make us ready to welcome Christ when he comes at Christmas, at the end of our lives and at the end of the age. May you and your families have a blessed season of advent filled with Hope, peace, joy and love.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT



You are invited to an afternoon of Christmas music, featuring the local talent of Chris Murphy, Jon McLurg and Noah St. Amand, (of the band, Turpin's Trail) in the church on **Thursday, 15**

December 2022, (note change in date) from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Join us, bring a friend, or two, and enjoy two hours of music and fellowship. Refreshments will be served in the parish hall; a free-will offering would be gratefully appreciated. A great way to get in the Christmas spirit!

YOUTH MINISTRY is seeking leaders to help organize and run monthly get togethers for the young people of St. Joseph's Parish. Our Youth Group was once a vibrant and active programme, offered for young people grade 3 and up, before COVID restrictions became a reality. We would like to bring this important ministry back to St. Joseph's Parish. Our group would meet once per month at the parish hall to share "faith, fellowship and fun". One of the highlights of our time together was our annual presentation the Way of the Cross, during Holy Week. We cannot offer this programme without a renewal of volunteer power. Do you have what it takes? If you are an adult 18+ and have about 3 hours a month to help mentor our youth, please contact Alison Bogle at bogle@alcdsb.on.ca or call 613-331-5867.

NEXT WEEK – 3-4 December

	Saturday, Dec 3 5:15 p.m.	Sunday, Dec 4 9:00 a.m.	Sunday, Dec 4 11:00 a.m.
Lector	P. Scott S. Eves	M. Sivilotti A. MacKinnon	S. Krasna B. McIver
Eucharistic Minister	Sr.L. Kearney	P. Croxford	K. Colwell
Altar Servers		Morrie	Ann, Nathaniel
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PARKING AT ST. JOSEPH'S Please park only in designated spaces and not along entrance/laneway of the northern side of the parking lot.

BIRDS & FLOWERS COLLECTION Each year, St. Joseph's attempts to provide for those who are in need during the Christmas season. If you are in a position to assist those who require extra help, you are encouraged to place your contribution in an envelope, and to write your name and envelope number on it. This will enable the parish to continue to help others in the spirit of this season. Thank you for your assistance.

OUR COMMUNITY

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

will take place on Thursday, 8 December 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral. All are welcome!

REGIOPOLIS-NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL PRODUCTION: THE ADDAMS FAMILY

December 15th-17th, 2022; 7:00pm; Matinee December 17th 1:00 pm Regiopolis-Notre Dame is proud to present this year's musical production of The Addams Family. Boasting a cast of 35 students, 14 band members, and 9 crew members, staff and community members have been working very hard with them since September to bring you another fun-filled performance. Tickets can be bought online by visiting www.reginotredame.ca. Hope to see you there!



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