

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**

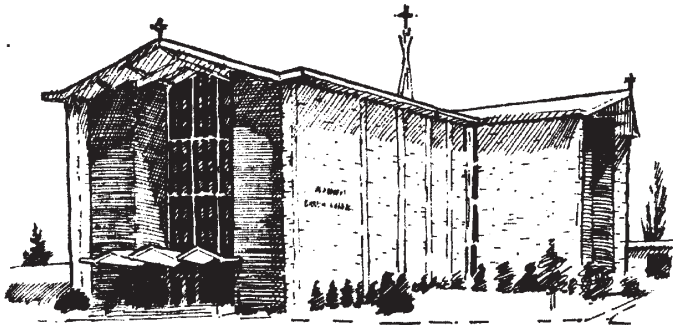
LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend

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

Weekday

Monday: 4:00-5:00 p.m. *Divine Mercy Prayers and 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 and Holy Hour for Life*
 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 Ms. L. Trudeau, Principal

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

| | | |
|---|---|--------------|
| Parish Finance Committee | Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Chair | 613-547-5004 |
| Parish Pastoral Council | Sandra Fragoso, Chair | 613-547-5004 |
| Catholic Women's League | Kathi Colwell, Susan Conway Williamson, Co-Presidents | 613-547-5004 |
| 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 |
| Pastoral Care Ministry | Monna Splinter, Mary Clancy | 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 |
| Social Justice and Outreach | Stephen Ottenhof | 613-547-5004 |
| Culture of Life | Ben Krasna | 613-544-3598 |
| Funeral Choir | Dorothy Stanley | 613-547-5004 |
| Junior Liturgy | Sandra Fragoso | 613-547-5004 |
| Sacramental Preparation/Youth Group | Alison Bogle | 613-547-5004 |
| Altar Servers | Deacon Robert Wojcik | 613-547-5004 |
| Music Ministry | Shirley Kelliher, 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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Why be envious because I am generous?”

Introduction

God is generous in showing mercy to the whole of humanity. Today we give praise and thanks for such immense love revealed to us in Jesus.

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

We are not to hesitate in turning our hearts to God, who is rich in mercy.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:20-24, 27

Paul exhorts us to recognize that Christ is our very life and that, living according to his calling, we give our all.

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

We are called to rejoice in God’s generosity towards the whole humanity.

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased especially Cesare Repetti, Maria Sepe.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Marcus Hacault; Brenda Camp; Rob Hurst; Sophie Greenwood; Chuck Scott.

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 PARISH LIFE CHAIN will take place for one hour after the 11am Mass on Sunday Oct. 1st followed by a potluck lunch. You are invited to be a part of an important pro-life witness. At this location and hundreds of others across North America, we will form a “Life Chain,” and pray silently for the hour. Everyone is welcome to peacefully, publicly, and safely call upon our community to protect human life from conception to natural death. Let’s advocate for the innocent; as Christ Himself reminds us, “Whatever you do to the least of these, you do to me” (Mt 25:40).

FATHER COSMAS will be away on a Pilgrimage from September 18 until October 2, 2023. During this time, Father Charles will be celebrating the weekday Masses. Father Tim Shea will be celebrating our weekend Masses.

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 25 September

5:15 p.m. Mary Kurman (1st Anniversary) – Donald Kurman

Tuesday, 26 September

9:00 a.m. Audrey & Jack Lacey, Shirley & Leon Dillon – Estate

Wednesday, 27 September

9:00 a.m. Intention of Karen Wilson – Yeshi Redda

Thursday, 28 September

9:00 a.m. Mary St. Pierre – Tessie Nobles

Friday, 29 September

5:15 p.m. Special Intention – St. Joseph’s Parish Staff

Saturday, 30 September

5:15 p.m. Eileen Murphy – Sheila Alarie

Sunday, 1 October

9:00 a.m. Giovanni Toffolo – Raymond Doyle

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

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

ST. JOSEPH’S CHURCH YOUTH CHOIR Our Youth Choir will be providing the music for the 9:00 a.m. Mass on the first Sunday of the month beginning October 1st. New members **8 years of age and older** are welcome! The commitment is one practice and then mass each month. The practices are at St. Joseph’s and take place after the 11 o’clock Mass, noon until 1:30 PM. **Note: Practice the Sunday before the Youth mass is mandatory if you wish to sing at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.** The schedule is as follows:

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| Practice: | Mass: |
| September 24 | October 1 |
| October 29 | November 5 |
| November 26 | December 5 |

Please contact Sheila Fowler at sheilafowler16@gmail.com if you are interested or have questions.

FALL CONCERT On Thursday, October 5, 2023, we will be entertained in the church from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. by the local talents of Chris Murphy, Jon McClurg and Noah St. Amand, of Turpin’s Trail, in a Thanksgiving Day Concert. Please come, bring a friend or two, and enjoy two hours of music and fellowship. Light refreshments will be served. A free-will monetary offering would be appreciated. Proceeds will be donated to Lunch by George.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL food bags will be collected this weekend, September 23-24, 2023. Thank you for your continued support.



Father Cosmas' Reflection

Appreciating God's Boundless Grace

Today's Gospel taken from Matthew 20:1-16 is a parable told by Jesus known as the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard. In this story, a landowner hires laborers at different times throughout the day to work in his vineyard. At the end of the day, he pays all the workers the same wage, regardless of how long they worked. The parable challenges our human notions of fairness. It demonstrates that God's ways are not always in line with human expectations, and His grace is not based on our merit or efforts. In essence, Matthew 20:1-16 encourages us to appreciate God's boundless grace, recognize our own inadequacy in determining who is deserving, and emphasize the importance of humility and gratitude in our faith journey. Remember that appreciating God's boundless grace is an ongoing journey, and it often deepens with time and experience. It's a beautiful and transformative aspect of one's faith that can bring immense peace and joy.

OUR COMMUNITY

ONE-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO ST. JOSEPH'S ORATORY IN MONTREAL ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

St. Patrick's, Lansdowne & St. Brendan's Rockport wish to invite you to:

- *Visit the tomb of Saint Brother Andre;
- *Visit the grounds which have the exquisite garden of the Way of the Cross;
- *Visit the Oratory & the gift shop;
- *Celebrate mass in the Crypt Church with an opportunity for Confession; **Cost: \$45.00 per person; Contact: Bernadette Burgess 613-659-3005. Further details are available under Events at: <http://www.stspatrickbrendan.com> Pick-up locations will be decided upon depending on the parishes registered.**

ST. PATRICK'S CEMETERY MASS (SYDENHAM)

Saturday, September 30; 1:00 pm. A cemetery Mass is being held in memory of our deceased family members on Saturday, September 30 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's Cemetery located at 2014 Keeley Road, Sydenham, ON. In case of rain, the Mass will take place at St. Patrick's Church located at 3977 Sydenham Road, Sydenham, ON. This is also a time for our parishioners to become more familiar with their cemetery. Please bring a lawn chair to the cemetery. Refreshments are provided at the Bryne Parish Centre (beside the Church) following the Mass. If you require further information please contact, the parish office at 613-376-6695.

2023 14th Annual Women's Fall Retreat Saturday, October 21, 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Holy Cross Church in Kemptville. Miriam Wright, guest speaker, will encourage us to respond wholeheartedly to the call of Jesus, the Bridegroom: "Arise, My Beloved, Come!" (Song of "Songs 2:10), so that we may

come to love as we are loved. Cost (\$70) includes three keynote addresses and follow up discussions, plus lunch and snacks. Register at www.womensfallretreat.com.

MONTHLY MEETING FOR SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER St. John the Apostle Parish Hall, Kingston at 7:00 pm; First Thursday of the month: October 5, November 2.

The Secular Franciscan Order (OFS) is a branch of the worldwide Franciscan Family. We are single and married women and men. We work, worship, and play in the community where we live. Everyone is invited to join us to share Franciscan spirituality. Usually, we gather on the first Thursday of the month. For more information, please call JC Trotter at 613-531-2708 or Friar Ed at (613)546-6900 ext. 204.



ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH IN NAPANEE IS HAVING A HARVEST

BAKE SALE on Saturday, October 14; 9:00 am – 12:00 Noon at St. Patrick's Church Hall (179 West St. Napanee;

Thomas St. Entrance). You are invited to our Harvest Sale. Enjoy treats such as homemade pies, butter tarts, cookies, muffins and more; morning coffee and grand draw tickets.

ST. BARNABY'S PARISH, BREWERS MILLS CEMETERY MASS

Our regular Sunday Mass will take place outdoors in our cemetery on Sunday, October 8 at 9:00 a.m. It will be an opportunity for us to remember and pray for those who are buried at St. Barnaby cemetery. A reception will follow in the parish hall. This is an opportunity for us to come together in thanksgiving for all who are buried here and for those who came before us. A short update about our cemetery will be given at that time. Everyone is invited. Please tell others that you may know about this Special Mass and invite them. It will be great to see many former parishioners here! Please bring your lawn chairs. In case of inclement weather the Mass will take place inside the church.

NEXT WEEK – 30 September – 1 October, 2023

| | Lectors | Eucharistic Ministers | Usher |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Saturday 30 Sept. 5:15 p.m. | P. Scott M. McLaughlin | M. Thomas | I. Stewart A. Kelly R. Lachance D. Mazzolin |
| Sunday 1 Oct. 9:00 a.m. | D. Balemba S. Balemba | P. Croxford | I. Stewart F. Cuvelier P. Greenwood M. Stevenson |
| Sunday 1 Oct. 11:00 a.m. | C. Kavanaugh R. McLaren | K. Colwell | L. Garrett I. McKenzie J. Ferreira B. Ferreira |

Junior Liturgy will return October 15, 2023

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