

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST – GANANOQUE  
ST. PHILOMENA – HOWE ISLAND  
Roman Catholic Church**

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Parish Secretary: Anne Marie Young  
Tuesday – Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Welcome to our parishioners, family members, friends,  
and visitors. Your presence here makes all the difference!**

**New Parishioners:**

Welcome! Please introduce yourself and complete a registration form which is available at the entrance of the church.

**Reconciliation:**

Confessions will be available one-half hour before daily and weekend masses or by appointment with Father Christian.

**Rosary:**

Join us for the Rosary a half hour prior to Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass

**Marriage:**

Couples who are planning to enter into the Sacrament of Matrimony are asked to please contact Father Christian at least 9-12 months in advance.

**Baptism:**

Please contact Father Christian to set up an appointment to meet for instruction.

**Children's Liturgy:**

For young children is held September to June during the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

**St. John and St. Philomena Cemetery:**

Please contact the Parish Office.

**Join our Choirs (Voice and Instrumental):**

Sunday Choir: practices on Mondays 7 p.m.  
Traditional Choir: practices on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

**For the Sick and Shut ins:**

The sacrament for the Sick is available upon request if a family member is in the hospital or confined at home. Please call the office. Also, a request may be made through the nursing staff at hospitals for the Priest on call.

**Bequest to the Parish:**

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember your parishes in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

**Mass Intentions:**

Give a gift of a mass for someone's birthday, to someone who is ill or undergoing surgery. Envelopes at back.

**St Joseph Elementary School:**

235 Georgiana St., Gananoque, K7G 1M9  
613-382-2361 [www.stjosephgan.cdsbeo.on.ca](http://www.stjosephgan.cdsbeo.on.ca)

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# Second Sunday of Easter - April 16, 2023



## Second Sunday of Easter

### St John Parish

Saturday, April 15

5:00 p.m. - † Neil Plumpton

Sunday, April 16

10:30 a.m. - † Danny Deir

### St. Philomena Parish

Sunday, April 16

8:30 a.m. - † Fernande Bonin

## WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST. JOHN PARISH

Tuesday, April 18

8:30 a.m. - † Rita McAvoy

Wednesday, April 19

10:00 a.m. - School Mass

Thursday, April 20

8:30 a.m. - Father Christian Ifezue

Friday, April 21

8:30 a.m. - † Vincent Donnelly

## Third Sunday of Easter

### St John Parish

Saturday, April 22

5:00 p.m. - † Mary Pickett & son Michael

Sunday, April 23

10:30 a.m. - † Anna Park

### St. Philomena Parish

Sunday, April 23

8:30 a.m. - † Wilf Garrah



## **The Pope's Intention for April**

### **For a culture of peace and non-violence**

*"We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens."*

## **IN YOUR PRAYERS**

May the Lord grant healing and strength to families and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually and fortitude to their caregivers. We pray for Jean Mulvihill, Father Don Cummings, Brenda Wing, Mary Mitchell, Carole Weir, Yvon Ouellet, Olive Schijns, Dianne Hebert and Steve O'Meara.

## **Pray for the Children of St. Joseph Catholic School**

who are preparing for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. Pray for their teachers. *"God of all goodness, like a loving parent you care for all our needs. We place all our hope and trust in you. Help us to live in the joy and peace that your son, Jesus, brings us. Amen"*

**Prayer For Vocations** O God, you have chosen the Apostles to make disciples of all nations and by Baptism and Confirmation have called all of us to build up your Holy Church. We earnestly implore you to choose from among us, your children, many priests, deacons, brothers, and sisters who will love you with their whole heart and will gladly spend their entire lives to make you known and loved by all. Amen.



**The week of April 15 to 21**  
***For the Blessing and Thanksgiving***

## **Ministry Schedules:**

### **St. John**

**Rosary:**

**Greeters/Ushers:**

**Lector:**

**Holy Communion**

### **April 22**

**Mary Haesler**

**Maureen Deir**

**Donna McCauley**

**Marlyn Jacobson**

### **April 23**

**Mary Elizabeth MacDonald**

**Budgie Mabee**

**Dianne Hebert**

### **St. Philomena**

**Lector:**

**Holy Communion:**

### **April 23**

**Dianne Dowling**

**Fr. Christian**

## Remembering Our Cemeteries



As the nicer weather is now upon us we will tend to gravitate to the outdoors, including visiting grave sites of our loved ones.

Cemeteries are where families often come together to remember and keep the memory of a loved one alive. Throughout the history of mankind, mourning and burial rites have played a central role in our traditions. Visiting the deceased in cemeteries is also an important and long-standing ritual surrounding grief.

For many people, visiting the burial site of a loved one is a concrete way to give time to the deceased. We sometimes feel a stronger connection in a cemetery as our entire attention and time are devoted to *prayer, contemplation and personal thoughts*. Cemeteries create a break from the outside world. With each visit, we can observe our path to healing or allow ourselves to experience pain when it is still heavy.

Our board members of St John and St. Philomena cemeteries encourage you to remember our cemeteries in your offerings. Thank you.

## CONFESSION TIMES



Please be aware that Confessions will now be held one half hour before Mass on Saturdays and Sundays or by appointment. They will be held in the confessional on the south side of the church. Thank you.

## 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 am to arrive on time for Mass at St. Patrick's Basilica, 220 Kent St. at 10 am. The cost is \$20.00 per person. For more information about the March, see [www.campaignlifecoalition.com](http://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 am-12 noon and 1:00 4:30 pm OR by e-transfer at [kingstonmflbus@proton.me](mailto:kingstonmflbus@proton.me)

## Project Rachel at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge

is offering a retreat for women who suffer the loss of a child from abortion. The next retreat will take place in early May 2023 at the Refuge, near Madoc. If you are interested in this retreat, please e-mail [projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org](mailto:projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org), or phone (289)691-6840. Our web page is [stmarysrefuge.org/Rachel](http://stmarysrefuge.org/Rachel).

Easter - April 9th	St. John	St. Philomena
Regular Offering	\$1,304.00	\$355.00
Loose	\$350.00	\$60.00
Fuel	\$30.00	\$65.00
Easter Sunday	\$1,357.00	
Needs of the Holy Land	\$662.00	
Archdiocesan Lenten Collection	\$65.00	
Restoration	\$105.00	

April 2nd	St. John	St. Philomena
Regular Offering	\$1,741.00	\$110.00
Loose	\$188.25	\$20.00
Fuel	\$20.00	
Easter Flowers	\$210.00	
Lighting	\$500.00	
Catholic missions of Canada	\$10.00	
Archdiocesan Lenten Collection	\$340.00	\$35.00
Needs of the Holy Land	\$30.00	
Easter Sunday	\$110.00	

**If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a special occasion, on behalf of a family member, a friend, or a deceased loved one, please submit a Mass Request to us. Both Churches are in need of more requests.**

- 1) An announced Mass intention is a donation of \$20; an unannounced Mass is \$10.
- 2) An intention may be placed well ahead of time if you want a specific date.

**How to donate to the Church in memory of someone special?** Donations to the St. John the Evangelist Church or for St. Philomena Church can be done anytime. Place a cheque in an envelope along with your name, address and your special intention. A tax receipt will be forwarded at year-end.



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