

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

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Parish Secretary: Lise Emmerson Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8 am to 4 pm

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



MAY THE
BLESSINGS
and love of
our Heavenly Father be
yours in abundance
today and everyday!



Reconciliation:

- 4:15 - 4:45 pm Saturday or anytime by appointment.
Please call the parish office.

Rosary:

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

Marriage:

- Those who are planning to enter into the sacrament of
Matrimony are asked to please contact Father Amato
at least 6 months in advance.

Baptism:

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

Children's Liturgy:

- Children's Liturgy for young children is held during
the 10:30 am Sunday Mass.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

- Are you an adult who has not been baptized or who
would like to explore being received into Full
Communion in the Catholic Church? If so, this
program is for you. Please contact the parish office.

Prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle:

- The Church is open every day from 8 am to 4 pm for
quiet prayer. Please use side entrances.

New Parishioners:

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

Join our Choirs (voice and instrumental):

- Sunday Choir: practices on Mondays at 7 pm
- Funeral Choir: practices on Wednesdays at 10:30 am

For the Sick and Shut-ins:

- Please contact Father Amato if a family member is in
the hospital or confined at home. The Sacrament of the
Sick is available upon request.

St. John's and St. Philomena's Cemetery:

- Please contact the parish office for more information.

Bequests to the Parish:

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

St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School:

- Principal: Tracy O'Brien
235 Georgiana St., Gananoque, ON K7G 1M9
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- Principal: Terry Daniels
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Sunday, April 2, 2017 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

This Week's Mass Schedule

Saturday, April 1

5:00 pm at St. John - Bobbi Lee

Sunday, April 2

8:30 am at St. Philomena - Fernande Bonin

10:30 am at St. John - Suzanne Fox

Monday, April 3 at 8:00 am - Michael Lekx

Tuesday, April 4 at 8:00 am - Natalie Sedge

Wed., April 5 - No Mass

Thursday, April 6 - 7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross followed by Mass at **7:35 pm** (approx) For your intentions

Friday, April 7 at 8:00 am - Helen Eland

Holy Week

Saturday, April 8

5:00 pm at St. John - Members of DiSalvo family

Sunday, April 9 -

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:30 am at St. Philomena - Susie Baird

10:30 am at St. John - Anastasia McGlade

Monday, April 10 - 8:00 am - Len Charboneau

Tuesday, April 11 - Mass of Christ at St. Mary's Cathedral in Kingston at 7:30 pm

Wed., April 12 - No Mass

Easter Triduum



Holy Thursday, April 13 at 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by an opportunity for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:30 pm

Good Friday, April 14 at 3 pm -

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday, April 15 at **8:30 pm** - Easter Vigil

Easter Sun., April 16 - Resurrection of the Lord

8:30 am at St. Philomena - For your intentions

10:30 am at St. John - For your intentions

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IN YOUR PRAYERS: May the Lord grant healing and strength to families and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually especially **Jessica Baird, Augustine Funnell, George Javornik, Angela Keyes** and for fortitude to their caregivers.

PRAYER FOR ETERNAL LIFE: Please remember in your prayers **Albertha Smit, Gerald Foley and Irene Ellerton.**



Please submit your Flowers for the Altar donation forms by **Monday, April 10**, The forms are available at the back of the church. Thank you for helping to decorate the church.

Remember to put your intentions on our Lenten Prayer Cross. As we collectively pray for these intentions we ask for God's blessings. The intentions will be put at the foot of the Cross on Good Friday.



Catholic Women's League Bake Sale

Bake Sale is **Friday, April 7** from 9 am until noon at the TD Bank. All parishioners are welcome to donate goodies (cookies, pies, bread, biscotti, brownies ...). You will be able to drop off your sweets at 9 am and then browse the selection for your own purchase. Thank you in advance in donating and/or buying our goods.



St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church **Annual Soup & Sandwich**

Friday, April 7th 11 am – 1:30 pm. Soup, Sandwich, Pie and beverage - **ONLY \$9.00 EAT IN - TAKE OUT - DELIVERY** – 175 Stone St. South, Gananoque. Please use Sydenham entrance. For information contact Elizabeth at 613-382-2315.



Grass Cutting Contract:

We are now calling for tenders for the 2017 grass cutting season for St. Philomena's church/hall/rectory/cemetery properties. Lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Copies of bid form available at back of both churches or by calling the office (613.382.2017) or at stjohnstphil@gmail.com. Deadline: April 17, 2017 at 4 pm. Please submit tenders via above email or deliver to the office at 270 Stone St. S., Gananoque, Ontario.



Volunteers Required to Lead and Participate in Cleaning Bee - In the past, it was often the practice of getting people together to clean the church before big events such as Christmas and Easter. This would be a "spring" cleaning - a more in depth cleaning that time permits for Ken at St. John or Emily at St. Philomena can give. Inside and outside

assistance required. Can you be of service?

St. Philomena - Decorating & Cleaning on Sat., April 8 at 10 am

St. John - Cleaning on Tuesday, April 11 at 10 am at St. John

Please call the office if you could volunteer as:

- a) St. John's **Coordinator for the cleaning** (1 volunteer required)
- b) St. Philomena's **Coordinator cleaning/decorating** (1 volunteer) or
- c) **Volunteer Cleaning Helper** (as many as possible)

Bring a friend. You never know how Christ will work in a friend's life when working around the church building doing little things.

Next Weekend we begin **Holy Week** with the celebration of **Passion Sunday**. We will begin our Mass outside next Sunday, weather permitting.

Father invites all parishioners from St. John and St. Philomena to participate at the **Chrism Mass** on Tuesday, April 11th at 7:30 pm at St. Mary's Cathedral. It is a beautiful Mass and one where you will see the faithful of the diocese.

The **Little White Books** for Easter will be out next weekend.

Our Father, Who art in heaven ... - This prayer takes a mere 15-20 seconds to say, yet is filled with incredible meaning. If ever there was a prayer that summarized our faith and what's expressed in the Gospels, the Our Father is it.

Give us this day our daily bread

Here we're recognizing that all things we need come to us from God. We're asking that God continue to give us not only the food we need for nourishment, but also the Bread of Life, the Eucharist.

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Confession during Lent - Take the Time

- **Wednesday, April 5th, 2017 from 7 pm until 8 pm**
- Saturday nights 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm
- Or by appointment. Please call Father Amato at 613.382.2017.

2017 Upcoming Fund Raisers

Yard Sale: on Sat. June 24. Put aside your good quality items and treasures. Drop-off starting date is June 1st. More info to come.

Cash Draw: 1st Prize: \$1,500; 2nd Prize: \$1,000; 3rd: \$500. Money prizes for sellers of winning tickets. **To buy or to sell tickets** please call Mary Elizabeth McDonald 613.382.9876; after Mass or call/drop in at the office to see Lise 613.382.2017. Proceed to Restoration Fund.



First Communion: Sun., April 23 at the 10:30 am
Confirmation: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at 7 pm

Please pick-up your Schedule

SATURDAY, APRIL 8 AT 5 PM

Rosary: Dianne Ouellet
Reader: A. O'Neill/N. Robertson/D. McCauley
Greeters: Steve & Lorraine O'Meara
Gifts: B. Lynch & Kyle Cooper
Holy Communion: Anastasia Cliffe

ST. PHILOMENA APRIL 9 AT 8:30 AM

Reader: Gerry / Kim / Natalie
Holy Communion: Jim McReynolds

SUNDAY APRIL 9 AT 10:30 AM

Sunday Carveth: S. Sullivan & E. Lanigan
Greeters: Austin & Amanda Cartwright
Gifts: the Medd Family
Readers: Y. Harper/M. Rose/K. Portieous
Holy Communion: Marlyn Jacobsen
Junior Liturgy: Jacey Kellar

Thank you!	St. John	St. Philomena
Regular (March 26)	\$1560.00	\$376.50
Loose:	\$107.85	
Fuel:	\$116.00	\$20.00

Catholic Women's League

We wish to congratulate the new Executive for 2017-2019.

- Jo-Anne McReynolds & Mary Wray Brennan** (Co-President)
Christine Milks (Secretary);
Bernice Osmond (Treasurer);
Mary Haesler (Spiritual Development);
June Nalon (Education/Health)
Krista Jenkins (Organization & Membership)
Suzanne MacDonald (Correspondence Secretary)
Jo-Anne McReynolds (Past President).

St. John's Parish Council: TBA Info: Steven Woods
St. John's Cemetery: Thurs., April 6th at 1:30 pm
Finance/Property: Mon., April 24, 2017 at 5 pm Info: Gord Donovan
Catholic Women's League: Wed. April 2017 Info.: JoAnne McReynolds
Funeral Choir Practice: Wed. 10:30 am - Info: Doug Gifford
Sunday Choir Practice: Mondays at 7 pm. No audition. Info: Stephen B.
Knights of Columbus: 2nd & 4th Wed. 7 pm Firehall. Info: Wayne Carpenter

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