

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
613.382.2361 www.stjosephgan.cdsbeo.on.ca

Regiopolis-Notre Dame Catholic High School:

- Principal: Terry Daniels
130 Russell St., Kingston ON 613-545-1902
www.reginotredame.ca

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 29

5:00 pm - Roland and Phyllis Clancy

Sunday, April 30

8:30 am at St. Philomena - Brian Dwyre

10:30 am at St. John – Peter Vincent

Monday, May 1 - International Workers' Day

8:00 am - For your Intentions

Tuesday, May 2 - Feast of St. Athanasius

8:00 am - Father Frank O'Connor

Wednesday, May 3 - No Mass

Thursday, May 4

8:00 am - 12 Hours of Prayers for Palliative Care

Friday, May 5 -

8:00 am - Edward Taylor

Saturday, May 6

5:00 pm - Danny Deir

Sun., May 7 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:30 am at St. Philomena - Robert Tiedemann

10:30 am at St. John – Bob Bird

Weekly Contributions: April 23, 2017

	St. Philomena	St. John
Regular:	\$769.50	\$1,430.00
Loose:	\$20.00	\$468.15
Easter:	\$100.00	\$60.00
Holy Land:		\$20.00
April Pre-Authorized	\$250.00	\$4,129.35



TODAY – Kindness Club's BAKE SALE

The Kindness Club (children from St. Joseph's School) are hosting a bake sale at St. John's Church today to mark the beginning of Catholic Education Week.

Finance/Property: Monday, May 29

at 5 pm Info: Gord Donovan

Catholic Women's League: Wed.

May 17 at 6:30 pm 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

Legion of Mary: 8:30 am on Tuesdays

IN YOUR PRAYERS: May the Lord grant healing and strength to families and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually especially Mary Ellen Douglas.

PRAY for the children who received their **First Communion** last week & for the Confirmation candidates who will make their **Confirmation** on Tuesday, May 9.

PRAYER FOR ETERNAL LIFE:

Please remember in your prayers those who have entered into eternal life including Francis Evans.

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls all people of faith to join nationwide in **12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care** on **Thursday, May 4, 2017**, as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life.



All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join St. John the Evangelist / St. Philomena Catholic Women's League Council in prayer and solidarity this Thursday. Mass will be offered for this intention at 8:00 am and the church is open during the day. Prayers may also be offered at home. Please join this endeavour in prayerful support.

NEWS: Sometimes we have too many articles for the bulletin. Posters & notices are then posted on the Bulletin Board in the vestibule off the parking lot. Also, find informative stories in **The Journey**, our Diocesan paper. Please take a copy home.

A great deal of parishioners are part of the 35 people strong **Gananoque Choral Society**. Come and hear their concert directed by Anna Basten and accompanist Paul Harding on Sat., May 6 at 7:30 pm at Firehall Theatre & Sunday May 7 at 2 pm at the Lansdowne United Church. Very entertaining Canada 150 music. www.ganchoralsociety.com.

St. John's Church Yard Sale is Coming Back!

Save your items & Save the Date - Saturday, June 24. Items will be collected starting June 1.

Suggestions: Clean linens, glassware, dishes, flower pots, tools & power tools, furniture, toys & games, baby items, bikes, skates, picture frames, clocks, jewellery (costume), books, tapes, CDs, art, camping and outdoor equipment, aid items, patio, suitcases, hats, kitchen utensils and more. Unfortunately items such as large appliances, computers, monitors, tvs, tires, magazines, encyclopedia and clothes will not be accepted as they are not big sellers.

Please note: large furniture will also be accepted!



Next Restoration Project is ... Restoring the Rose Window.
This beautiful stained glass window has been obscured from the outside with the yellowed Plexiglas and on the inside by the organ pipes.

Please support our fundraising efforts in rediscovering our Rose Window: (a) by purchasing a ticket for \$20 for the chance to win \$3,000 in cash prizes & (b) donating/purchasing items at our Yard Sale on June 24.

Buy your ticket(s) or sell tickets today for cash prizes of \$3,000.

You are invited to support our Restoration Projects by **purchasing** a \$20 ticket (or more). The draw is July 2nd, 2017. Good odds with only 500 tickets. We are looking for **sellers**. Everyone loves extra cash. Bring booklet(s) to your workplace and ask family & friends. Please call the office 613.382.2017 or see seller at the back of the Church.

Thank you to all our volunteers for the cemetery, church ground works & our fundraising events.

Mass with Relic of St. Teresa of Calcutta



The Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board and Mother Teresa Catholic School invite you to participate in a Mass celebrating the canonization of St. Teresa of Calcutta. The Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday May 3rd at 7 pm at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Kingston. The school has received a first-class relic of Mother Teresa which will be present at the Mass and will remain in the church immediately afterwards for veneration. Reception to follow Mass.

CONFIRMATION AT ST. JOHN'S

Twenty-two students and one adult will be confirmed on Tuesday, May 9 at 7 pm. Please attend and welcome these candidates. Reception to follow. Thank you to all the candidates participating in Liturgical Ministries such as Greeter, Gifts Bearer and Lector.



WHAT IS CONFIRMATION? • The third Sacrament of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation) • A strengthening of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit (Wisdom, Understanding, Knowledge, Fortitude, Counsel/Right Judgement, Piety, Fear of the Lord/Wonder & Awe • An anointing with perfumed oil to affix the Confirmand with the Seal of the Holy Spirit which marks our total belonging to Christ” • The “laying on of hands” by the Archbishop as an act of commissioning to the call to “make disciples of all nations”.



Mass for Healing at St. John, Gananoque

You are invited to a Mass on Tuesday, May 23rd at 7:00 pm invoking St. Anne. Father Guy Desrocher, C.Ss.R from the Shrine of St. Anne De Beaupre will be returning to St. John the Evangelist to lead this Mass. There will be prayers for healing and a candle light procession. The relic of St. Anne will be here. An opportunity will be available following the Mass for a blessing with the relic. Please let people know about this event. In particular, pass the word to those who seek any type of healing.

2017 Royal Coronation Season Opening “A Night at the Royal”. Join Frayne McCarthy and Kevin John Saylor (musicians at 10:30 am Mass) for their Opening Night on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 7:30 pm at the **Royal Theatre** on King Street. See poster for further information.



We want to hear from you about **Catholic education in Ontario!** “Renewing the Promise” is a dialogue. Your input about Catholic education in Ontario – the way it fulfills its mandate as well as the challenges and opportunities of the present moment – will help to guide us for the future. Log in to: <http://signup.thotex.com/iceont/Pyv> to participate.

You are also invited to St. Mary Catholic High School Brockville, Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 6:30-8:00pm. Come on out and join the conversation! RSVP to 613-342-4911 by Friday, May 5, 2017.

SAT., MAY 6 - 5 PM

Rosary: Mary Wray
Greeters: P. Huntley & H. Bovey
Reader: B. Egan
Gifts: Dianne & Yvon Ouellet
Holy Communion: Steven Brennan

ST. PHILOMENA MAY 7

Reader: Marilyn M.
Holy Communion: Marg McReynolds

SUN., MAY 7 10:30 AM

Carveth: S. Sullivan & Ed Lanigan
Greeters: E. Bernardino & Jennifer Nalon
Gifts: The Woods Family
Reader: Chase Kinsella and Hayden Miles
Holy Communion: Sharon Carmichael
Junior Liturgy: J. Kellar

National March for Life in Ottawa:

A bus will leave Kingston for the National March for Life on Thursday, May 11, 2017 from St. Joseph's Church parking lot on Palace Rd. at 7:30 a.m. sharp to arrive in time for the Masses and prayer services. Cost is \$30.00 per person. (Cheques payable to: Campaign Life Coalition) Info & reserve your seat call 613-389-4472. Check poster for full program May 11-13 or campaignlifecoalition.com.

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