

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST – GANANOQUE

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**Welcome 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 Saturday Mass or by appointment with Father Christian.

Rosary:

Join us for the Rosary a half hour prior to Saturday Mass at St. John's.

Marriage:

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

Baptism:

Please contact the parish office to obtain a registration form and information on the requirements of this sacrament.

St. John and St. Philomena Cemeteries:

Please contact the Parish Office.

Join the Choir

You are always encouraged to sing at our Masses, but joining a choir is also rewarding. Contact the office for more information.

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.

St Joseph Elementary School:

235 Georgiana St., Gananoque, K7G 1M9
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Regiopolis-Notre Dame High School:

130 Russell St., Kingston 613-545-1902

Twenty - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 31, 2025

The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time St. John Parish - Father Brian Price

Sat., Aug 30 - 4:30 p.m. - † Alfred Rose

Sun., Aug 31 - 10:30 a.m.- † Nicola & Rosaria Nero



The Twenty - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time St. John Parish - Father Jan Kusyk

Sunday - September 7 - 9:00 a.m. - Brenda Pal

NOTICE

A **9:00 a.m.- Mass ONLY** will be celebrated by Father Jan Kusyk at St. John Parish on both September 7th and 14th.

Masses at St. Patrick and St. Brendan have been suspended until further notice

Tuesday Masses at St. Philomena have been suspended until further notice.

Note that at this time, we have no information on a replacement priest and await further notification from the Archbishop's office.

Please pray for guidance of the Holy Spirit for a replacement for St John, St. Philomena, St.

PRAYERS AT THE END OF MASS

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell, Satan and all the other evil spirits, who prowl through the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Prayer for Priests and Priestly Vocations

Heavenly Father, please grant to Your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out Your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to you and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your holy name. Please inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them.

The Pope's intention for August



For mutual coexistence.

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

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, Fr. Don Cummings & Fr. Gus Mendonça, Brenda Wing, Joan Rowland, Mark Mabee, Dan Hall, Al King, Karen Wand, Fr. Mac Burke, Fr. Leo Bryne, Colleen Bennett, Tracie Yuille, Margaret Leeder, Lily Anne Metcalfe, Christine Folke, Judy Weir, Colleen Buchanan, Carol Laclair and Anna O'Hearn.

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of you by the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and by the graces God has granted to you since your Immaculate Conception, the grace of never going astray again. Mother, keep me, a sinner, constantly bathed in the light of your Immaculate Heart. Amen.



PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

O Sacrament Most Holy! O Sacrament Divine!
All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine. *(Repeat three times)*

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Your wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from You. From the malicious enemy, defend me. At the hour of death, call me, And bid me come unto You that with your saints I may live with You forever in Heaven. Amen.



**Children's Liturgy
will resume Sunday
Sept 14th**

**Central Deanery Holy Year Celebration
On the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Sunday, September 14th, 3:30 pm, St. Mary's
Cemetery.**

All are invited to participate in the pilgrimage at St. Mary's Cemetery, 718 Division Street, Kingston, ON, K7K 4B9. The Blessed Sacrament will be carried in procession to the altar for Adoration and Benediction, accompanied by the priests, deacons, consecrated religious, and all parishes, with banners, vested altar servers, Catholic Women's League members wearing their scarves, Knights of Columbus with their insignia, parishioners, and visitors. Those with mobility issues are invited to bring chairs and be seated near the altar, awaiting Our Lord's Eucharistic Presence. Hats and umbrellas are recommended for the weather. Parish Music Ministries will form the choir, leading the singing and serving the liturgy. This Deanery Pilgrimage provides the opportunity to praise and worship God in the Blessed Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood and to receive the indulgences of Benediction, visiting the cemetery, and the Holy Year of Jubilee. May this Central Deanery celebration praise God and bless all who participate as Pilgrims of Hope. All are welcome.

Women's Fall Retreat 2025

You're warmly invited to the 16th Annual Women's Fall Retreat on Saturday, October 4th, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at St. Michael Catholic High School, 2755 County Rd. 43, Kemptville, ON. This year, we are incredibly blessed to welcome Angèle Regnier, co-founder of Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO), as our inspiring guest speaker.

Our retreat theme is taken from Psalm 51:10 — "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me." We'll begin the day with the celebration of Holy Mass in the school chapel, followed by heartfelt talks from Angèle on forgiveness and God's mercy. There will also be time for prayer, quiet reflection, personal confessions, uplifting music and singing, and the beautiful opportunity to exchange prayer partners. The cost is \$50, which includes snacks and a delicious lunch. Please register by September 27th at www.womensfallretreat.com



St. John/St. Philomena CWL is selling tickets on this little gem. Handcrafted and donated by Frank Fair, this model of a old gas station will be a delight for any youngster or a youngster at heart!

The Draw will be after Mass on September 7, 2025. Ticket are \$5 each or 3 for \$10.



Upcoming Events

September 07, 2025 at 12:00 noon St. John/St. Philomena Annual CWL Luncheon at the Curling Club in Gananoque. Tickets are now on sale at the back of the church. \$20 per person. Bring a friend!



This fall the CWL will be collecting socks, mitts and toques. Start collecting or knitting!

The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, September 18 at 7 p.m. in the sacristy at St. John's.

Here at St. John's we have a second collection where by we ask for loose change that you might have in your pocket/wallet/purse. We call it the **Loonie/Toonie** collection. It is a contribution to our building/ maintenance fund. Thus far in 2025 we have accumulated **\$3,997**. Every little bit helps! Thank you for your on-going contributions!

Offerings	St. John August 24	St. Philomena August 24
Regular Offering	\$965.00	\$20.00
Loose cash	\$315.25	
RESTORATION:		
Building Fund	\$332.00	
Loonie/Toonie	\$181.30	



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