

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
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**S e c o n d S u n d a y o f A d v e n t
S u n d a y , D e c e m b e r 4 , 2 0 1 6**

This Week's Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 3 -
5:00 pm at St. John -

Millie Garrah

Sunday, December 4 -

8:30 am at St. Philomena - **Mary MacPherson**
10:30 am at St. John - **Michael Lekx**

Monday, Dec. 5 at 8 am:

Father R. Fleury

Tuesday, Dec. 6 at 8 am:

**Roland & Phyllis
Clancy**

Wednesday, Dec. 7 - No Mass

Thursday, Dec. 8 at 8:00 am: **Sandra Stevens**

Friday, Dec. 9

School Mass at 9:45 am: **Tim Prior**
Carveth Mass at 1:30 pm: **Rita Fleurie**

3rd Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 10 -

5:00 pm at St. John - **Lappan & Mary O'Hearn**

Sunday, December 11 -

8:30 am at St. Philomena - **Geoff Hobbs**
10:30 am at St. John - **Marcie Beaubien**

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**Forgot to get a bulletin this week? Don't worry, you can read it
online just go to stjohnsgananoque.ca**

DEC. 10 AT 5 PM

Rosary: Mary Haesler
Reader: Yvonne Harper
Greeters: Bill/Sylvia Cunningham
Gifts: Ron & Anneke Thompson
Holy Communion: Krista Jenkins
Advent Candle: Mya Higgs

DEC. 11 AT 8:30 AM

Reader: Linda Pilszak
Communion: Marilyn McCauley

DEC 11 AT 10:30 AM

Carveth on Sunday:
Paul and Anne O'Neill
Greeters: G. Brosso/Alice Mangan
Gifts: Brendon & Maggie Duffy
Reader: Christine Woods
Holy Communion: M. McDonald
Junior: Lori Kidd Velkova
Advent Candle: T.J. Maguya

IN YOUR PRAYERS: May the Lord grant healing and strength to families and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually especially Dick O'Neill, George Javornik, Angela Keyes and for fortitude to their caregivers.

PRAYER FOR ETERNAL LIFE: Please remember in your prayers those who have entered into eternal life including Joe Hebert.

**Pampered
Chef Party**

hosted by the Catholic Women's League, with consultant Kally Portieous, will be held on Sunday, **December 4 at 298 South Street from 2 - 4 pm.** Wrap up your Christmas shopping early and help the Catholic Women's League in their fundraising efforts!



Kally will showcase both new and tried & true Pampered Chef items!

**Archdiocese of Kingston
Solemnity of the
Immaculate Conception**

All parishioners are invited to the Archdiocesan Liturgical Celebration of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at St. Mary Cathedral, Kingston, on Thursday, December 8th at 7:30 pm. A reception will follow at Ecole Cathedrale.

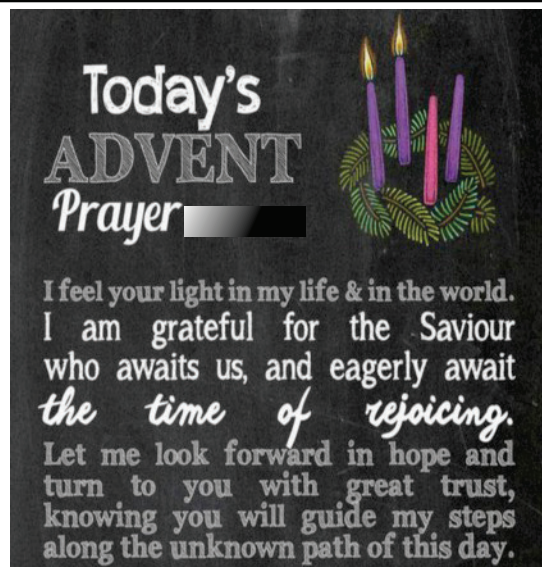


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Campaign Life Coalition Christmas

Cakes: Delicious custom baked Christmas Cakes made by the monks will be sold at St. John's Church-Gananoque after all Masses this weekend **December 3 & 4** and next weekend **December 10 & 11.** For a donation of \$25.00 to CLC's Pro-life work you will receive a beautiful boxed deluxe Christmas cake. We also have a regular bar cake for \$15.00 They make great Christmas gifts!

Also for the first time...we will be offering all-natural and hand-made chocolate bars from the COCO chocolate company. Parish Contact: Gerry Brosso 613-382-1084.

Next Fundraiser - Hockey Game in Toronto

Toronto Maple Leafs vs Ottawa Senators

Saturday January 21, 2017



Great Price! \$200 per ticket includes ticket, transportation, dinner & donation to St. John's Church. Limited tickets available. \$60 bus seats for ride only.

Bus leaving **Gananoque** St. John's Church parking lot 2 pm sharp

Kingston Toys R Us parking lot 2:30 pm

Contact: Brendan at 613-382-0402 or Mary Elizabeth at 613-382-9876.

Tickets available after Mass or at the office Monday to Friday 8 am to 4 pm.

Come cheer your team in person!

Not your team: come for the fun of it!

Helping our Own

Take an afternoon away from the busy and commercial aspect of Christmas and come to:

Once in Royal David's City

A Christmas Celebration in Song

Presented by St. John the Evangelist Choir of Gananoque

Sunday, December 18th, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

St. John's Church: 270 Stone Street South, Gananoque

Featuring Seven Choirs: St. Columbanus Church Choir, Elgin; St. Paul the Apostle Church, Kingston; and from Gananoque: St. John's Church Choir; Carpe Musica; St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Choir; Youth Choir and The Gananoque Choral Society.

Tickets at the Door: Suggested Donation is: **\$10/Adult and \$5/Children**
Food Donations for the Food Bank are also welcomed

Proceeds are being donated to the Help Raise the Curtain Campaign for the Royal Theatre Thousand Islands owned by Frayne and Kevin, musicians at every Sunday Mass at St. John's. Let us show our appreciation to Frayne & Kevin for sharing their talent.

2016 Christmas & New Year Schedule:

St. John's in Gananoque

Sat. Dec. 24 Christmas Eve 5 pm & 10 pm

Sun. Dec. 25 Christmas Day 10:00 am

Sat. Dec. 31 New Year's Eve 5:00 pm

Sun. Jan. 1 New Year's Day 10:00 am

St. Philomena's on Howe Island

Sat. Dec. 24 Christmas Eve 7:30 pm

Sat. Dec. 31 New Year's Eve 7:30 pm

Confessions:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday, Dec. 15

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

and

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Advent Events

PANCAKE BREAKFAST:

Four senior students are fundraising for a mission trip to Guatemala during their March break. The students are looking for some awareness and financial support to reach their endeavors of supporting a local Guatemalan family build a home. A pancake breakfast will be held from **9 am to 11:30 am on Dec. 11th** at Gananoque Secondary School. Many thanks for any support that you can offer.

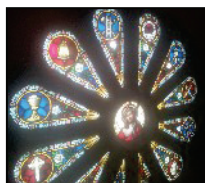
REGI-NOTRE DAME ARTS PRESENTS DISNEY'S

THE LITTLE MERMAID

A Broadway Musical, December 7th to the 10th at 7 pm Tickets are \$12 for Students, \$20 for Adults. A Saturday Matinee will be performed Dec. 10 at 2 pm - Tickets \$15 Adults, \$8 Students, and \$6 for children. We hope to see you Under the Sea!

The Little Mermaid stars Emma Battel in the title role of Ariel, Mitchell Bruce as Prince Eric and Holly Crowson as Ursula. Regi's show also features Zach Betts as Sebastian, Ryan Lariviere as Scuttle the seagull and Sebastian Alamillo Falkenberg as King Triton. The musical features many of the songs you know and love from the movie such as: Under the Sea, Kiss the Girl, Poor Unfortunate Souls and of course Ariel (Emma) will sing a beautiful rendition of Part of Your World. Come and see a cast of 50 and a sixteen piece live orchestra present the Kingston premiere of this Disney classic. Tickets go on sale at the end of November and will be available at the school. We hope to see you Under the Sea!

St. John's Rose Window: The Finance and Property Committee has recently approved repairs to our Rose Window (above the main entrance) including the replacement of the Plexiglas coverings which have obscured the view of the stain glass. The project would take place in the Spring/Summer of 2017. A committee is being created to lead, direct, and manage, the renovations. We are seeking someone who is willing to be committee chair as well as 3 - 4 other hard working parishioners to join our secretary, Lise Emmerson, in this endeavour. Those with accounting, managerial, public speaking and entrepreneurial skills are highly sought after. For those that are interested or would like to find out more please contact Father Amato or Lise Emmerson.



2016 Sunday November 27	St. John	St. Philomena
Regular	\$1,680.00	\$556.50
Loose	\$248.05	\$25.00
Restoration	\$35.00	
Priests' Retirement	\$5.00	\$100.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	\$4,129.35	\$250.00
Donation	\$500.00	\$250.00

Thank you very much!

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