

# 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

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



**M**AY 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  
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#### **Regiopolis-Notre Dame Catholic High School:**

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<http://sjegoshen.org/reflections>

# Third Sunday of Lent

## Sunday, February 28, 2016

***Repent, says the Lord: the kingdom of heaven is at hand.***



### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, February 27 -**

5:00 pm - **Aileen Wainhouse**

**Sunday, February 28 -**

8:30 am at St. Philomena -

**Germain Guindon and Clarence Wiskin**

10:30 am at St. John - **Lynne Mulcair**

6:30 pm at St. John - **Evening Prayer**

**Monday, Feb. 29 -**

8:00 am - **Stan Tozer**

**Tuesday, March 1 -**

7:00 pm - **Stations of the Cross (No Mass)**



**Wednesday, March 2 - No Mass**

**Thursday, March 3 -**

8:00 am - **Ruth Pritchard**

**Friday, March 4 - St. Joseph School Mass**

9:45 am - **Orazio Amato**

**Saturday, March 5 -**

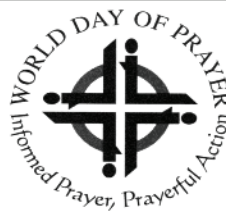
5:00 pm - **Myrtle O'Connor**

**Sunday, March 6 -**

8:30 am at St. Philomena - **Fernande Bonin**

10:30 am at St. John - **Wilfred Leeder**

Our Lenten Project this year is a **Prayer Cross** for you. You are invited to take a Post-it note found on the Donation Box located at the back of the Church. Write your intention(s). Then place your intention(s) on the cross. Your intentions symbolizes our **wishes, dreams, and needs** which are lifted up in prayer during each Mass in Lent.



### World Day of Prayer

*Please join us to learn about, pray for, and celebrate Cuba in solidarity with the women of Cuba*

**Date:**

**This Friday, March 4 at 2 pm**

**Where:**

**St. John the Evangelist Church**

**Followed by: Reception**

The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically and recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, our country, our community. Sponsored by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada and its national counterparts around the world, it is celebrated in approximately 170 countries.

*Always remember that all parishioners are welcome at our monthly School Masses. It's always great to see the kids & adults in the church!*

### YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS

Please remember those in our parish, community, family and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually especially Bob Bird, Rose Mary Charboneau, Liam Egan, Jim Horan, Pedro Reyes, Fr. David Norris. May the Lord grant them healing and strength.

### PARISH CALENDAR:

**Carveth:** Friday, March 11, 2016 at 1:30 pm

**Catholic Women's League:** March 16 at **6:30 pm**

**Parish Pastoral Council:** to be announced

**Finance/Property:** Monday, April 4, 2016 at 5pm

**Choir/Organ Practice:** Wednesdays at 10:30 am (this choir will be singing at the 5 pm Mass until March).

**Sunday (10:30 am) Choir Practice:** Mondays at 7 pm

**Legion of Mary:** 8:30 am Tuesdays in Sacristy

**Knights of Columbus:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. 7 pm Firehall

### **Tonight, SUNDAY FEB. 28**

**From 6:30 pm until 7 pm**

**Year of Mercy**

**"Evening Prayer"**



On the last Sunday of every month, you are invited to attend and participate in Evening Prayer. The prayer lasts approximately 30 minutes.

If you have never attended, Evening Prayer consists of hymns, psalms, prayer, scripture and intercession. The Liturgy of the Hours of which Evening Prayer is one of the hours is considered the prayer of the church. Usually, most lay people who have made this part of their prayer life will offer Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer. It can be prayed individually or communally. Ask a friend to come along with you and take part in this peaceful reflection time.

# Come, See, and Hear: Events Celebrated During Year of Mercy

## Family Social Activities St. John & St. Philomena

**This Sun., Mar. 6 -2:30 pm - 4 pm**  
**COME SKATE & SOCIALIZE**

Gananoque Recreation Centre  
Mention at the door that you are with St. John's Parish.  
Skate then come upstairs. Each family is asked to bring a snack to share. Hot chocolate will be provided.



**April 17: 12 pm - 2 pm St. Joseph's School**  
**Gananoque COME PLAY AND PRAY**

We welcome spring. We will be discussing the importance of making time as a family for prayer. There will be games, discussions and time for reflection. This is a pot luck event, please bring a dish to share.

**June 19: 12:30 - 2:30 pm Grass Creek Park**  
**COME REFRESH AND REFLECT**

If you are interested in helping out with these events or would like more information please contact Jacey Kellar [jacey.kellar@cdsbeo.on.ca](mailto:jacey.kellar@cdsbeo.on.ca)

## Tuesday's Stations of the Cross (7 pm)



**No Mass this week.** The prayers for the Stations of the Cross are slightly different this year as we are using prayers which reflect this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

On March 12-13, in our parish, please welcome Deacon Philip Allard who will speak about **CHALICE**, a Canadian, Catholic sponsorship program. He will explain how you can help a destitute child at one of 56 mission sites in 15 developing countries. The website is [www.chalice.ca](http://www.chalice.ca).



St. Joseph's Parish, Belleville "St. Patrick's Charity Concert" to raise funds to welcome our family from Syria will be at the Maranatha Church Auditorium, Tues., March 15th at 7pm. Starring The Mike Kelly Band, featuring The St. Joseph's Leprechaun Choir and many surprises. The more tickets you buy the more you save: \$10 per ticket -OR- 3 for \$20 -OR- 5 for \$30 -OR- 10 for \$50." Call Anne or Brian at 613-966-4999.

Support Read, Marysville and Deseronto, Knights of Columbus by attending their **Lenten Fish Fry** on Friday, March 11, 2016 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. 7288 Old Hwy #2 Marysville; Adults: \$15.00, Children: Under 12: \$ 7.00, Under 6: Free

## Cursillistas:

There will be an ULTREYA on Sunday, March 13th at St. John the Apostle Church Hall, 88 Patrick Street, Kingston. The Ultreya will start at 2 pm and end at 3 pm. It will consist of a witness talk, response, small groups and prayer. Light refreshments will be available. There will be an Apostolic Hour of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament from 3 to 4 pm. This Hour is optional. All are welcome. Please spread the word. See the poster.

**Twenty Four Hours with the Lord:** Once again, and especially during the Jubilee of Mercy, 24 Hours with the Lord, will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral, beginning at 1 pm, after the noon Mass, Friday, March 4th and concluding before the 5 pm Saturday Vigil Mass on Saturday, March 5th. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the cathedral throughout this time. Confessions will be heard by priests from parishes throughout the Kingston area. Please come, day or night, and receive this great gift of the Lord's Loving Mercy. If you know someone who has been away for awhile perhaps they also might like to accompany you. Please pass the word.

### Weekly Contributions: February 21, 2016

	St. Philomena	St. John
Regular:	\$406.50	\$1,454.00
Loose:	\$0.00	\$135.25
Fuel:	\$60.00	\$170.00
Scarboro/Catholic Missions:		\$10.00
P.A.D. Feb. 16, 2016	\$130.00	\$4,212.70

**Thank you so much for your grateful donations.**

### Liturgical Ministers Schedule

#### St. John: Saturday, March 5 at 5 pm

Rosary: Joy O'Neill Reader: Dianne Hebert  
Greeters: Nettie Robertson  
Gifts: Linda Beaupre and Barbara Lynch  
Extra Ordinary Minister of Eucharist: Wilma Turcotte

#### St. John: Sunday, March 6 at 10:30 am

Carveth on Sunday: Paul and Anne O'Neill  
Reader: Mary Wray Brennan Gifts: Brendan & Maggie  
Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Steve Brennan  
Greeters: Don Mills and Christine Milks  
Children's Liturgy: Jacey Kellar

#### St. Philomena: March 6 at 8:30 am

Reader: Gerry Ross Extra Ordinary Minister  
of the Eucharist: Jim McReynolds

**32 families have joined Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)** 1. You may join at any time. 2. Complete a PAD Form found at the entrance; enclose a cheque marked VOID. 3. Return all in a sealed envelope via Offertory Collection or at the office. **Next Debit** will be Tuesday, March 15, 2016.

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