

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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Regiopolis-Notre Dame Catholic High School:

- Principal: Terry Daniels
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World Day of Migrants and Refugees — Sunday, January 17, 2016

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 16

5:00 pm - Judy Montgomery

Sunday, January 17

8:30 am at St. Philomena - Lynda Norris

10:30 am at St. John - Stan Tozer

Monday, January 18

8:00 am - For your intentions

Tuesday, January 19

8:00 am - John Goddard

Wednesday, January 20 – No Mass

Thursday, January 21 *Feast of St. Agnes*

8:00 am - Clyde Collins

Friday, January 22 - No Mass

Saturday, January 23

5:00 pm - Norris Scully

Sunday, January 24

8:30 am at St. Philomena - Mary MacPherson

10:30 am at St. John - Ann Shortall

PARISH CALENDAR:

Catholic Women's League: Wed. Jan. 20 at 6:30 pm

Finance/Property: Monday, January 25, 2016 at 5pm

Parish Pastoral Council: to be announced

Carveth: Friday, February 12, 2016 at 1:30 pm

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: 2nd & 4th Wed. 7 pm Firehall

Get set for Kindergarten! Registration for the 2016-2017 school year is now underway at St. Joseph School. French Immersion is offered at many of our Catholic schools. In addition, we offer before and after school programs, and on-site daycare at some locations. Please call St. Joseph School at 613-382-2361 for information on how to register your child.



St. John's Parish Family Mini Retreat - Note to all families Family day is being set Sunday, February 28th. Watch for more details in future bulletins.

IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember those in our parish, community, family and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually especially Bob Bird and Dolly Cornish, Pardo Reyes, Jerome Brake. May the Lord grant them healing and strength.

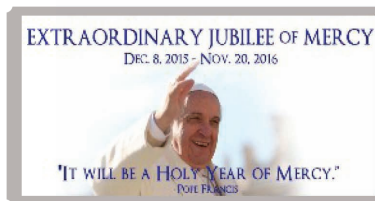


PRAYER FOR ETERNAL LIFE

Please remember in your prayers those who have entered into eternal life including Eileen Bovey.

PRAYER FOR ALL REFUGEES forced to leave their homeland and turned away by others, that they be brought to a place of safety where they will find warm and welcoming hearts.

UPCOMING EVENT AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH



Year of Mercy
“ Evening Prayer ”
Sunday, Jan. 31st From 6:30 - 7 pm.

This will take place on the last Sunday of each month.

Evening Prayer is a tradition of the Church and another wonderful opportunity to come together as a community of the Faithful. An example of an Evening Prayer is found on page 637 of your Sunday Missal.

Evening Prayer, like Morning Prayer (Lauds) and in contrast to the Eucharist, may be led by a layperson, and is recited by some devout Catholics daily in private.

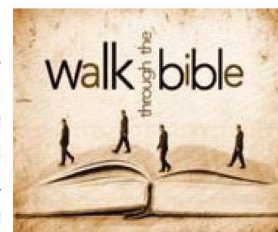
We are also looking for people to be the Presider - the Leader of the Service. Training will be provided. We are also looking for people to read the scripture readings. Please contact the parish office 613.382.2017.

Choir/Organ Music We welcome Doug Gifford and Choir members at our Saturdays 5 pm Masses. Thank you for sharing your talent for the next 8 weeks while Tom Buchanan is away.

Do you enjoy singing? Why not come up and join the choir. In addition, you may wish to join us for practices held at 10:30 am each Wednesdays. Do you prefer Sunday morning Masses? The Sunday Choir practices at 7 pm each Mondays in the sacristy. Don't be shy! Come and have fun while learning.

Teaching - Singing - Praising

The Churches of Gananoque has begun 2016 with a month long study of the bible. **Walk Thru the Bible** is a program to ignite our passion for the Word of God. It continues on **Wednesday** evenings January 20th and 27th beginning at 6:45 pm to 8 pm at the Cornerstone Church Hall. Join us anytime.



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DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE – Make ShareLent a part of our journey in this Year of Mercy. Join us Saturday, Jan. 23 at St. Joseph Parish, Kingston, 392 Palace Rd. from 10am-12:30pm for our annual ShareLent workshop. It's a virtual pilgrimage to visit the people Development and Peace is helping around the world in this Year of Mercy. We hope it will inspire you to help make ShareLent a success in your parish! For more information, contact: Susan Kennedy (613) 549-2621 susan.kennedy1915@gmail.com.

New Life Group for Separated and Divorced: Are you, or someone you know, experiencing the trauma of a Separation and/or Divorce? Where do you turn for help? Next meetings: January 19, Topic: Surviving Life Transitions; Bridges to the New; February 2, Topic: Finances and Lifestyle, Speaker: Simon Robinson. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Francis J. Spence Pastoral Centre, 390 Palace Road, Kingston. All faith denominations are welcome.

Nativity Scene: The crèche has been put away for another year. We wish to say thank you for their time, talent and/or donations to Don and Christine Mills, Lise, Daniel, Eric and Mark Emmerson, Jack Cummings (WestGate Landscaping), Sunny Miroca Farm for the straw, and Pierre Brunet and Joan Stewart - our volunteer church's cleaners.

Youth and Year of Mercy: Invite and encourage youth (teens and young adults) to celebrate the year of Mercy. Here are some suggestions:

***Year of Mercy & World Youth Day Presentation** by Sebastian Gomes from Salt & Light. (Fri. May 13, 2016) at St. Mary's Cathedral. All are welcome! Free will donation will be collected. Refreshments to follow.

***St. Luke's Production of Faustina: Messenger of Divine Mercy** (Tues. Oct. 4, 2016) - a 90 minute dramatic presentation based on the life and message of St. Faustina at St. Mary's Cathedral. \$20 per ticket.



***Here is a video to preface this drama event: What is Divine Mercy?**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oj2pq7dhLzI&list=PL5sexwzkyqUXgYK9AJZTgt2cRcJBY0hJR&index=13> Photo: vocationnetwork.org

Sacrament of Confirmation: A letter and registration form has been sent home this week with the candidates for Confirmation that are in grade 7 (to be returned by February 2). A mandatory meeting for parents and candidates and, if possible, confirmation sponsors is set for **Thurs., February 4, from 7 pm to 8:15 pm** in the Gymnasium at St. Joseph School in Gananoque. Please call Father Amato if your child attends a different school. Confirmation is the Sacrament in which baptized persons receive a special grace which strengthens them for the profession of the Christian faith. Confirmation is conferred by the Archbishop, who lays his hands on the recipients, making the sign of the Cross with chrism on their foreheads, while he says: "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit".



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Liturgical Ministers Schedule

St. John: Saturday, Jan. 23 at 5 pm
 Rosary: Anne Warren
 Lector: Joy O'Neill
 Greeters: Cheryl Gavin
 Gifts: Steve & Lorraine O'Meara
 Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist: J. Gavin

St. John: Sunday, Jan. 24 - 10:30
 Carveth on Sunday: S. Sullivan/Ed Lanigan
 Lector: Chase Kinsella
 Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist: B. Mabee
 Gifts: Children's Liturgy Group
 Greeters: Children & Kellar Family
 Children's Liturgy: Amanda Dixon

St. Philomena: Jan. 24 - 8:30 am
 Lector: Natalie Nossal Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Andrea Guindon



Marriage Preparation

The next course is set for:
 April 29 and 30 at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Kingston. Email stpaulrc@cogeco.ca or call Ruth at 613.389.8222 to register.



Weekly Contributions: January 10		
	St. Philomena	St. John
Regular:	\$369.50	1308
Loose:	\$3.00	\$190.60
Fuel:	\$135.00	\$962.00
Initial:	\$5.00	\$10.00
Auto withdrawal	\$130.00	\$4,090.70
New Year:		\$10.00
January Collections: Initial Offering; New Year's; Fuel.		

Pre-Authorized Debit at St. John and at St. Philomena You may join at any time. Just complete a Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) Plan Form found at the entrance; enclose a cheque marked VOID; return all in a sealed envelope via Offertory Collection or at the office. **Next Debit** will be Monday, February 15, 2016.

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