

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
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Regiopolis-Notre Dame Catholic High School:

- Principal: Terry Daniels
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Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 1, 2016

God of peace, help us to make our world a peaceful place so that all people can live free from the fear of fighting and wars. We ask this through Christ our Lord and Prince of Peace. Amen.

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sat., Apr. 30:

3:00 pm **Wedding: Anne Marie Young & Tim Hawkins**

5:00 pm **Maureen Keyes & Kathy Keyes Ross**

Sunday, May 1: 8:30 am at St. Philomena: **Georgina Goodfriend**

10:30 am at St. John: **Patrick Graham**

Monday, May 2: 8:00 am - **Dorothy Field**

Tuesday, May 3: **No Mass**

Wed. May 4: No Mass

Thurs. May 5: 8:00 am - **Protection of the Unborn Children**

Friday, May 6: 8:00 am - **For your Intentions**

Saturday, May 7: 5:00 pm **Irene Kane**

Sunday, May 8: 8:30 am at St. Philomena: **For our mothers**

10:30 am at St. John: **For our mothers**

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION - TUESDAY, MAY 10

FATHER AMATO WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE ALL PARISHIONERS TO COME TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY BY ATTENDING AND SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH AT THIS SPECIAL CELEBRATION.

Join the Confirmation candidates & their families as they celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, May 10th at 7 pm at St. John the Evangelist Church. Please come out in great numbers to witness Archbishop O'Brien confirm our candidates. A reception will be held after Mass.

IN YOUR PRAYERS:

May the Lord grant healing and strength to families and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually.

PRAYER FOR ETERNAL LIFE:

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

Are you, or someone you know, experiencing the trauma of a Separation and/or Divorce? Where do you turn for help? Come to the New Life Group Meeting: a Catholic Ministry for the Separated and Divorced on alternate Tuesday evenings. May 10: "Solutions" to Daily Struggles, May 24: Tribunal Ministry: A Message of Hope, Speaker K. Weerasooriya. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. At the Francis J. Spence Pastoral Centre, 390 Palace Road, Kingston, (613) 548-4461. All faith denominations are welcome.

Lions recycle for Sight - Changing Lives, One Pair at a Time: Used eyeglasses are recycled, cleaned, sorted by prescription strength, then packaged and distributed to people in need in developing countries where they will have the greatest impact. A **Lions Recycle for Sight** box is at the main entrance of the church for you to drop off unwanted eyeglasses.

New Sponsors: We have new sponsors on the back of this bulletin. Please let them know we appreciate their support.



Summer Camp

for Girls: Camp Camino is offering a camp for young women (ages 10 to 13 & 14 to 16) August 13th -19th 2016 at

Providence Point, Lanark, Ontario. The camp offers daily Mass, sports, games, bonfires and a whole lot more. Check out our video and early registration offers @: campcamino.ca

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls all people of faith to join nationwide in **12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care on May 4, 2016**. This is designed to take place during the National Hospice Palliative Care Week (organized by the Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association) as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life. All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join in prayer and solidarity on May 4th at any time during that day.

The Catholic Women's League has organized a **Petition to the House of Commons to ask that palliative care** be defined as a medical service under the Canada Health Act. Sheets are at the back of the church. Your signature and address are required.

The theme chosen by the Catholic Women's League of Canada during this Jubilee of Mercy is "One Heart, One Voice, One Mission: Palliative and Hospice Care". Individual pledge cards attached to a pamphlet are at the back of the church to give you an opportunity to reflect on how you can carry out this special mission. Pledge cards and be cut off the pamphlet and mailed to the CWL National Office. They will be compiled and sent to the Holy Father as a spiritual bouquet at the end of the year. For more information, members can refer to the Canadian League Magazine/Spring 2016 p. 18.

In the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I Trust

Look to the Star, Call upon Mary!
In danger, in difficulty or in doubt,
think of Mary, call upon Mary,
Keep her name on your lips,
Never let it pass out of your heart.
Following in her footsteps,
you will not go astray: praying to
her, you will not fall into despair:
thinking of her you will not err.
While she keeps hold of your hand,
you will not fall ...you will not grow
weary ... you will have no fear ...
Enjoying her protection,
you will reach the goal.

- Saint Bernard

More prayers at:
www.marypages.com/PrayerstoMary.htm



Calling all Canadians to assemble on Parliament Hill and march through downtown Ottawa to draw attention to the injustice of abortion, the gravest human rights violation of our day. National March for Life Ottawa:

A bus will leave Kingston for the National March for Life on **Thursday, May 12, 2016** 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. (Please bring cheques made out to Campaign Life Coalition if possible) For more information and to reserve your seat call- 613-389-4472 or 613-382-1084. We will make one stop in Gananoque. www.campaignlifecoalition.com

YEAR OF MERCY EVENT The Archdiocese of Kingston World Youth Day pilgrims invite you to a Year of Mercy & World Youth Day Presentation with Sebastian Gomes from Salt & Light TV. Sebastian will also share what it has been like to work with Pope Francis. Friday, May 13th at 7pm at St. Mary's Cathedral. All are welcome! Free-will donations will be graciously accepted. Refreshments following. For more info contact Nadia Gundert at 613-484-2446 or youth@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca

CURSILLISTAS: You are invited to an ULTREYA on Sunday, May 15th, 2016 at St. Patrick School, 158 Patrick Street, Kingston. The Ultreya will start at 2pm and will consist of a witness talk, response, small groups, music and prayer. All Cursillistas are invited to come out to renew old friendships and meet fellow Cursillistas. For more information contact Mike and Diane Foley in Kingston at 613-546-6224 mfoley8@cogeco.ca or Neil and Margaret Cameron in Brockville at 613-498-1702 cameron25@ripnet.com

St. John's: May 7, 2016 at 5 pm

Rosary: Joy O'Neill **Greeters:** Paul and Anne O'Neill
Lector: Donna McCauley **Holy Communion:** Sharon Carmichael
Gifts: Anne Swinnard and Irene Tozer

St. John's: May 8 - 10:30 am

Carveth on Sunday: Dianne Ouellet and Adam Thompson
Greeters: Nettie Robinson and Mary Elizabeth McDonald
Lector: Elizabeth Knudson **Holy Communion:** Bernadette Egan
Gifts: Jansen family **Junior Liturgy:** Dale Sheppard

St. Philomena's May 8 - 8:30 am

Lector: Natalie Nossal **Holy Communion:** Andrea Guindon

The Catholic Women's League is updating their phone list. This phone list is used for bake sale donations and other functions requiring food. If you are not on the list and would like your name added please call Elizabeth Knudson at 613-382-4082

BAKE SALE The Catholic Women's League **BAKE SALE** will be held this Friday, May 6 at 9:15 am until noon at the T.D. Bank. All parishioners are welcome to donate goodies (cookies, pies, bread, biscotti, brownies ...). Drop off your sweets at 9 am and then browse the selection for your own purchase. For pick-up of your donation, please call Annastasia at 613.382.2474. Thank you in advance in donating and/or buying our goods.



Parish Pastoral Council: tba
Catholic Women's League: May 2016
Finance/Property: Monday, May 9 - 5pm
Confirmation: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 7:00 pm
St. John's Cemetery Prayer Service: Mon. June 13 at 7 pm
Funeral Choir Practice: Wednesdays at 10:30 am
Sunday Choir Practice: Mondays at 7 pm
Legion of Mary: 8:30 am Tuesdays in Sacristy
Knights of Columbus: 2nd & 4th Wed. 7 pm at the Firehall

Pampered Chef CWL Fundraiser, May 25th., to be held at St. Joseph's Catholic School, 235 Georgiana St., Gananoque. Starts at 6pm or you can order on-line, anytime until May 30 at <https://pamperedchef.ca/go/ganewl> 15% of the proceeds go directly to the St. John the Evangelist/St. Philomena CWL. Your Pampered Chef consultant is Kally Portieous at kportieous@hotmail.com, CWL contact is Christine Milks at cmmilks@gmail.com or 613-382-8498. Pamper yourself, have fun and help the CWL at the same time!

April. 24, 2016	St. John's	St. Philomena
Regular	\$1,554.00	\$523.50
Loose	\$504.75	\$15.00
Maintenance Fund	\$85.00	
PAD Apr. 15 2016	\$4,069.35	\$150.00



Update on work being done at St. John's:

Two projects are proceeding:

The first one is the realignment and repairs to the retaining wall which is underway.

The second project to be completed by HV Construction is the reconstruction of the steps on the south entrance to the church and a reconstruction of the steps from the Stone Street sidewalk to the sidewalk going to the rectory and south entrance. Both of these steps have been crumbling. These steps will be constructed at the same time at a cost \$14,633.50.

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