

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST – GANANOQUE  
ST. PHILOMENA – HOWE ISLAND  
Roman Catholic Church**

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**Parish Secretary: Anne Marie Young  
Tuesday – Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Welcome to our 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 weekend masses or by appointment with Father Christian.

**Rosary:**

Join us for the Rosary a half hour prior to Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass

**Marriage:**

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

**Baptism:**

Please contact Father Christian to set up an appointment to meet for instruction.

**Children's Liturgy:**

For young children is held September to June during the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

**St. John and St. Philomena Cemetery:**

Please contact the Parish Office.

**Joining 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. Envelopes at back.

**St Joseph Elementary School:**

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# Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 14, 2023



## Sixth Sunday of Easter

### St John Parish

Saturday, May 13

5:00 p.m. - † Fr. Frank O'Connor

Sunday, May 14

10:30 a.m. - For All Mothers

### St. Philomena Parish

Sunday, May 14

8:30 a.m. - For All Mothers

### WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST. JOHN PARISH

Tuesday, May 16

8:30 a.m. - † Merle & Vincent Keyes

Wednesday, May 17

8:30 a.m. - † Elaine Morgan

Thursday, May 18

8:30 a.m. - † Ken & Marion Keyes

Friday, May 19

8:30 a.m. - † Basil Brosso

## Seventh Sunday of Easter

### St John Parish

Saturday, May 20

5:00 p.m. - † Carmelita Orellano

Sunday, May 21

10:30 a.m. - Deceased members of the Fitzpatrick Families

### St. Philomena Parish

Sunday, May 21

8:30 a.m. - Wilf Garrah



### The Pope's Intention for May

#### For church movements and groups

"We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world."

### 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, Father Don Cummings, Brenda Wing, Mary Mitchell, Carole Weir, Yvon Ouellet, Olive Schijns, and Dianne Hebert.



### May is the month of the Blessed Virgin. Let us honour her in prayer:

*Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, Our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then,*

*most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, And after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.*

### READINGS FOR May 21, Seventh Sunday of Easter

**First Reading:** Acts 1.1-11

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 47.1-2,5-6,7-8 (R.5a)

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 1.17-23

**Gospel:** Matthew 28-16-20

### Ministry Schedules:

#### St. John

#### May 20

#### May 21

**Rosary:**

Margaret Rose

**Greeters/Ushers:**

Frank Fair

Mary Elizabeth McDonald

**Lector:**

Donna McCauley

Gerry Brosso

**Holy Communion**

Wilma Turcotte

Anastasia Cliffe

#### St. Philomena

#### May 14

**Lector:**

Sarah Walsh

**Holy Communion:**

Fr. Christian

## *Have a Blessed Mother's Day*

*A society without mothers would be a dehumanized society, for mothers are always, even in the worst moments, witnesses of tenderness, dedication and moral strength....Dearest mothers, thank you, thank you for what you are in your family and for what you give to the Church and the world." Pope Francis*

**Totus Tuus Summer Camp 2023 Registration NOW OPEN**  
 Totus Tuus is a Catholic summer camp in the Archdiocese of Kingston filled with faith and fun! Campers will enjoy a week-long summer program packed with skits, songs, games, sports, crafts, and engaging faith activities. For more information on Totus Tuus and for the registration link, please visit our webpage: <https://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/totustuus>. If you have any questions please contact [totustuus@archkingston.ca](mailto:totustuus@archkingston.ca). Regular registration open until June 30th.

The Priests of the Diocese will be away on Retreat May 22 -26. Father Christian will be attending, therefore there will be no scheduled Msses during this time.



### **KINGSTON BIRTHRIGHT BABY BOTTLE DRIVE**

St John/St Philomena Catholic Women's League is coordinating the Baby Bottle Drive for our parishes.

BIRTHRIGHT is celebrating Mothers' and Fathers' Day again this year by distributing baby bottles on Mothers' Day weekend. If you want to make a difference in this "Change for Life" campaign, **please take a bottle, fill it with coins, paper money or cheques** and return it on Fathers' Day weekend. The money we raise, will enable Kingston Birthright to offer positive assistance and aid to pregnant girls and women who find themselves facing a difficult or unplanned pregnancy. Thank you for your support.



### **Catholic Women's League Meeting**

Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in the sacristy at St. John's Parish. Everyone is welcome!

We are for more active members to attend the CWL meetings. To help encourage this, **future** meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.



### **Praying the Holy Rosary**

The Rosary will be said before each weekday Mass during the month of May. When attending these masses please consider volunteering to lead the Rosary. A brief explanation of the Rosary can be found in your Sunday missal on page 570.

**Pray for the Children of St. Joseph Catholic School** who are preparing for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. Pray for their teachers.

*"God of all goodness, like a loving parent you care for all our needs. We place all our hope and trust in you. Help us to live in the joy and peace that your son, Jesus, brings us. Amen"*

### **Upcoming Events for Students of St. Joseph School**

Wednesday, May 24 - Retreat for First Communion candidates  
 Sunday, May 28 - 10:30 a.m. - First Communion  
 Wednesday May 31 - Retreat for Confirmation candidates  
 Saturday, June 3 - 5:00 p.m. - Confirmation

### **CONFESSION TIMES**

Confessions will now be held one half hour before Mass on Saturdays and Sundays or by appointment.



May 7/23	St. John	St. Philomena
Regular Offering	\$1,588.00	\$315.00
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