

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST – GANANOQUE**

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**Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Welcome 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 Saturday Mass or by appointment with Father Christian.

**Rosary:**

Join us for the Rosary a half hour prior to Saturday Mass at St. John's.

**Marriage:**

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

**Baptism:**

Please contact the parish office to obtain a registration form and information on the requirements of this sacrament.

**St. John and St. Philomena Cemeteries:**

Please contact the Parish Office.

**Join 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.

**St Joseph Elementary School:**

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# Fifth Sunday of Easter - May 18, 2025

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### St. John Parish

Saturday, May 17 - 4:30 p.m. - The intentions of Felina Beatriz Ramales Torre & Isabella Ramales Young

Sunday, May 18 - 10:30 a.m. - † Josephine Lynch

### St. Brendan's Parish

Saturday, May 17 -6:00 p.m. - People of the Parish

### St. Patrick's Parish

Sunday, May 18 - 9:00 a.m.- The intentions of Meg Ringer

## WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST. JOHN PARISH

### No weekday Masses this week.

Father Christian is away on retreat.

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

### St. John Parish

Saturday, May 24 - 4:30 p.m. - For our Confirmation Candidates

Sunday, May 25 - 10:30 a.m. - † Joseph Lynch

### St. Brendan's Parish

Sunday, May 24 - 6:00 p.m. - People of the Parish

### St. Patrick's Parish

Sunday, May 18 - 9:00 a.m.- The intentions of Emil & Beryle Kolb



## IN YOUR PRAYERS

May the Lord grant healing and strength to families and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually and fortitude to theirs caregivers. We pray for Jean Mulvihill, Fr. Don Cummings & Fr. Gus Mendonça, Brenda Wing, Joan Rowland, Mark Mabee, Dan Hall, Al King, Karen Wand, Joanne Sneider, Fr. Mac Burke, Fr. Leo Bryne, Colleen Bennett, Tracie Yuille, Margaret Leeder, Lily Anne Metcalfe, Christine Folke, Anne Warren, Judy Weir and Mary Haesler.

## May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary



My queen, my mother,

I offer myself to you.

And to show my devotion to you,

I offer you this day, my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my whole being without reserve.

Wherefore, good Mother, as I am your own, Keep me, guard me as thy property and possession.

## PRAYERS AT THE END OF MASS

### Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell, Satan and all the other evil spirits, who prowl through the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

### Prayer for Priests and Priestly Vocations

Heavenly Father, please grant to Your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out Your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to you and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your holy name. Please inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them. Amen.

## PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

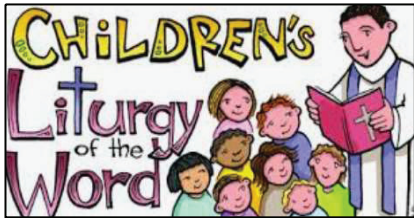
O Sacrament Most Holy! O Sacrament Divine! All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine. *(Repeat three times)*

### Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O good Jesus, hear me. Within Your wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from You. From the malicious enemy, defend me. At the hour of death, call me, And bid me come unto You that with your saints I may live with You forever in Heaven. Amen.



**Children's Liturgy is offered at St. John's during Mass on Sundays.**



**The St. John/St. Philomena Catholic Women's League**

Next regular meeting will be held **Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 7 p.m.**

In the sacristy at St. John's. Everyone is welcome.

**Confirmation will be on Saturday, May 24, 2025**

**at 4:30 p.m. Mass**



Candidates will be conferred by Most Reverend Michael Mulhall Archbishop of Kingston

Pray for our candidates.

*"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"*

**Hello Dear Members of St. John the Evangelist in Gananoque**

I will be celebrating my 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood on Sunday, the 25th of May, at the 10:30 am Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral with a reception to follow under the tents on the lawns of the cathedral. It doesn't seem possible that it has been 25 years. As you know five of those years were spent with you as your pastor.(2006 to 2011). I thoroughly enjoyed my time in Gan and on Howe Island and am deeply grateful for the five years the Lord gave us together. I also would be grateful and honoured if you were able to attend my celebration in Kingston on May 25th. If you might be able to come please no gifts. Your presence would be the best gift you could give me. I know most of you will not be able to come. I would be deeply grateful for your prayers on this milestone occasion. I pray for you, the members of my former parish, often. God bless you all.

**Father Shawn Hughes.**

**GANANOQUE FOOD BANK** is currently in need of: Canned Carrots, Potatoes, Ravioli and Fruit. Also Cookies, Mayonnaise, Toothpaste, Razors, Shampoo / Conditioner, and Deodorant.



**Freedom Transformation Retreat (Our Lady of Divine Fire Mission)** Friday, May 23, 2025 6:15 pm - 9:30 pm; Saturday May 24, 2025 8:15 am - 4:00 pm St. Paul the Apostle Parish Hall (1111 Taylor-Kidd Blvd, Kingston). What keeps you from enjoying the freedom of the sons and daughters of God? Addiction, anxiety, anger, lies, fear, trauma... Whatever it is, Jesus came to set you free. Be transformed by power of the Gospel through the Five Keys of Unbound and come home to the heart of the Father where you are loved unconditionally. This retreat includes times of worship, inspiring talks, personal reflection and prayer ministry.\$30 individual / \$50 couple / \$20 young adult. Registration required details at: <https://ourladyofdivinefire.regfox.com/2025-freedom-transformation-retreat>.

**Medjugorje Youth Festival** August 2 – August 11, 2025. This Jubilee Year of Hope pilgrimage to Medjugorje, Bosnia Herzegovina will allow pilgrims (aged 18 + or younger accompanied by a legal guardian) to participate in the annual Youth Festival, August 4 to 8, with young adults and the young at heart including the celebration of Holy Mass at dawn on the top of Cross Mountain. Pilgrims can pass through the Holy Door at St. James Church and spend time in prayer on Apparition Hill and other sites within the parish of Medjugorje. Led by Karen Shannon, Holy Name of Mary Parish, Marysville Contact Karen at 613-848-5833 Email: [Karen.Shannon@queensu.ca](mailto:Karen.Shannon@queensu.ca)

**Here at St. John's** we have a second collection where by we ask for loose change that you might have in your pocket/wallet/purse. We call it the **Loonie/Toonie** collection. It is a contribution to our building/ maintenance fund. Thus far in 2025 we have accumulated **\$2,437**. Every little bit helps! Thank you for your on-going contributions!

	St. John May 11	St. Philomena May 11
<b>Regular Offering</b>	<b>\$1,959.00</b>	<b>\$115.00</b>
<b>Loose cash</b>	<b>\$100.50</b>	
<b>Cemetery Fund</b>		<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>RESTORATION: Offering Loonie/Toonie</b>	<b>\$215.00 \$88.65</b>	



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