

## **St. John the Evangelist Parish - Gananoque St. Philomena's - Howe Island**

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Parish Secretary: Lise Emmerson Office hours: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday - Friday

### **Reconciliation:**

- ½ hour before weekday Masses
- 4:00 - 4:50 pm Saturday
- or anytime by appointment 613.382.2017

### **Marriage:**

- Those who are planning to receive the sacrament of matrimony must meet with Father Sebastian at least 6 months in advance.
- Couples must attend a marriage preparation course provided by the Archdiocese.

### **Baptism:**

- Pre-baptism preparation required for all parents. Please contact Father Sebastian to set up an appointment.

### **Parish Catechesis:**

- Children who have not received their First Communion are encouraged to join the Children's Liturgy held at the Sunday Mass.

### **RCIA:**

- Course if you would like to explore being received into Full Communion in the Catholic Church. Please speak with Father Sebastian.

### **Rosary:**

- Join us for the Rosary a half hour prior to Saturday 5 pm Mass.

### **New Parishioners:**

- Welcome! Please introduce yourself and complete a registration form which is available at the entrance of the Church.

### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

- The Church is open all day for times of quiet prayer.

### **For the Sick and Shut-ins:**

- The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins of the Parish. Please notify Father Sebastian if a family member is in the hospital or confined at home.
- The Sacraments of the Sick and Reconciliation are available upon request.

### **St. John's and St. Philomena's Cemetery:**

- Please contact the parish office.

### **Parish Bequest:**

- 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: John Paul Elliot  
235 Georgiana St., Gananoque  
613.382.2361

# The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity – May 31, 2015

## *This Week's Mass Intentions*

**Saturday, May 30:** 5:00 pm For our mothers Cecile & Theresa

**Sunday, May 31:** 8:30 am at St. Philomena - Robert Gannon  
10:30 am at St. John - Mary MacPherson

**Monday, June 1: Feast of St. Justin**

8:00 am For Your Intentions

**Tuesday, June 2:** 8:00 am Marcella Lim

**Wednesday, June 3:** No Mass

**Thursday, June 4:** 8:00 am Pauline Walsh

**Friday, June 5: Feast of St. Boniface**

9:45 am SCHOOL MASS - Lisa Battams Kenehan

1:30 pm CARVETH MASS - Lappan & Mary O'Hearn

**The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

**Saturday, June 6:** 5:00 pm Patrick Graham

**Sunday, June 7:** 8:30 am at St. Philomena - Joan Kane  
10:30 am at St. John - Nadine Cunningham

## **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 pray for the repose of their souls and for comfort and peace to their families.

## **Liturgy of the Word Cemetery Service at St. John Cemetery**



**When:** Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 7 pm

**Where:** Off Georgiana St. (near St. Joseph's School)

Please come and let us pray for those who have died in the past year as well as family, friends and ancestors of our parish. Please bring a lawn chair with you.



## **Volunteers Required Once a Month**

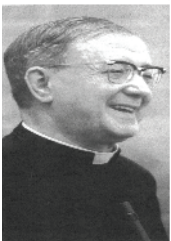
We are looking for volunteers to help bring the residents from and to their rooms following the 1:30 pm monthly Mass at Carveth Care Centre. Approximately 10 to 18 residents enjoys attending Mass, but at the moment we only have 2 people to set up and assist the residents. This month (June) Mass is Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm; and then Masses will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month. The Mass is only 1/2 hour. If you are interested, please meet at Carveth Care Centre at 1:15 pm on June 5<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance.

May 24, 2015	St. John	St. Philomena
Regular	\$2,613.00	\$409.00
Loose	\$182.00	\$80.00
Maintenance Fund	\$70.00	Nepal: \$100.00
Pope's Pastoral Works	\$70.00	

## **For Your Information:**

- If someone is seriously sick at home or in the hospital, please call the office. Father Amato will be happy to visit.
- If one is unable to come to Sunday Eucharist over a long period of time, please call the office and arrange for a communion visit.
- When spending time in the hospital, please indicate that you are Roman Catholic. Friar David Collins OFM is the Catholic Priest Chaplain at KGH. A Pastoral Team brings Communion to patients at least once a week.

## **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the death of Saint Josemaria**



The feast of Saint Josemaria will be commemorated throughout Canada with numerous concelebrations that will bring together many lay faithful with priests and bishops to give thanks to God for the gift of the Eucharist and to further their commitment to seek sanctity in the ordinary affairs of each day. Priests will be available for the

Sacrament of Reconciliation before the beginning of each celebration. You and your family are cordially invited to a Solemn Mass to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Josemaria Escriva, founder of Opus Dei **Tuesday, June 16 at 7 pm** at St. Mary Cathedral, 279 Johnson Street in Kingston. The Mass will be presided by Most Rev. Brendan O'Brien, Archbishop of Kingston. Confessions from 6:30 pm. opusdei.ca

## **Needed at the Food Bank:**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month the Gananoque Food Bank welcomes your donations of non-perishable food items or financial support. Food items may be left at the back of the Church. Mark your envelope "Food Bank" and your name & address. The Food Bank provides receipts for these donations. Thank you.

## **Legion Breakfast**

Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 12:30 pm. All inclusive brunch. Bring the entire family.





**Sat. June 20, 2015    Rain date: Sat. June 27, 2015**

**1<sup>st</sup> Fundraiser - Yard Sale** (for more info please call: Lorraine O'Meara 613.382.2434)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Fundraiser - Win Cash – 50/50 - \$2 each** Available now until Yard Sale Day

**This Week:** Buy your 50/50 tickets. Sort through your home & ask family & friends for items for our Yard Sale. The parking lot is huge, therefore, we need many items. Suggestions below, but do not stop there. Any good quality item will be accepted. This yard sale is a wonderful way to use and reuse.

**This Thursday, June 4 to June 18:** It's time to bring your **donations** to the garage behind the Church starting this Thursday. Attendants will be there to help you unload. Grab a **poster** & place it on your street/work place; provide plastic bags, boxes (bring in anytime). Buy your 50/50 tickets. And very importantly - **spread the word** - this is a worthwhile fundraiser for St. John's Parish. Get your **recipe** ready in order to bake for the Bake Sale table (see paragraph below).

**Cookies, Muffins, Cakes – Bake Sale** All parishioners are invited to donate homemade or store purchased goodies to assist the Catholic Women's League in their fundraiser to be held at the Yard Sale. Your items can be dropped off the day of the event.

**Saturday, June 20 - OUR BIG DAY:** Bring all your family members & friends & neighbours & co-workers to purchase new found treasures; items you have been looking for; items you wished to purchase but could not justify the store price; so many reasons to come and see. Also, this is your last opportunity to buy your 50/50

**Suggestions:** Clean linens, glassware, dishes, flower pots, tools & power tools, furniture, toys & games, baby items, bikes, skates, picture frames, clocks, jewellery (costume), books, tapes, CDs, art, camping and outdoor equipment, aid items, patio, suitcases, hats, kitchen utensils and more. Unfortunately items such as large appliances, computers, monitors, tvs, tires, magazines, encyclopedia and clothes will not be accepted as they are not big sellers.

**Please note:** large furniture will also be accepted!

Volunteers will be in the garage behind the Church to accept your donations on:

- Thursday June 4 from 5 pm - 7 pm**
- Saturday, June 6 from 10 am to noon**
- Thursday, June 11 from 5 pm to 7 pm**
- Saturday, June 13 from 10 am to noon**
- Thursday, June 18 from 5 pm to 7 pm**

**St. John's: June 6, 2015 at 5 pm**

**Rosary:** Barbara Lynch **Greeters:** I. Tozer & Ron Knapton

**Lector:** Margaret Rose **Holy Communion:** Joy O'Neill

**Gifts:** Ron and Anneke Thompson

**St. John's: June 7 - 10:30 am**

**Carveth on Sunday:** Sharon Sullivan & Ed Lanigan

**Greeters:** Michelle Niles and family

**Lector:** Debbie Donaldson **Holy Communion:** Mary Wray Brennan

**Gifts:** B. & M. Duffy **Jr Liturgy:** L. Kidd-Velkova

**St. Philomena's June 7- 8:30 am**

**Lector:** Kim Nossal **Holy Communion:** Marilyn McCauley

**PARISH CALENDAR:**

**Mass at Carveth:** Friday, June 5 at 1:30 pm

**Parish Pastoral Council:** Tues., June 16 @ 7:30pm

**St. John Finance & Property:** Monday, June 22 at 5 pm

**Catholic Women's League:** to be announced

**Legion of Mary:** Tuesdays after 8 am Mass, in the Sacristy

**Funeral Choir:** Wednesdays at 10:30 am in Choir Loft

**St. John's Choir Music Night:** Mondays at 7 pm in the sacristy - you may join the choirs at any time (voice/instrumental)

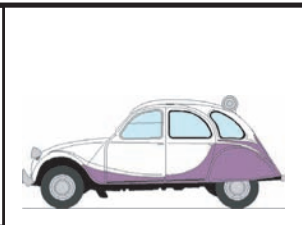
**Knights of Columbus:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. at 7 pm Fire Hall

**St. John's Electronic Donations:** The decision has been made to offer parishioners the option of making electronic donations via their offertory envelopes. The parish would make arrangements with the various financial institutions to be set up as a biller. You would then be able to donate to the church much the same as you would pay utility bills via online banking with your envelope number being your account number. In this manner, you maintain complete control over your donations. Donations could be set up for weekly or monthly payments either as a recurring transaction or submitted each time you wish to give. It would be convenient for those who prefer to pay electronically or those would like to give a slightly larger amount on a regular basis without having to find the right currency to do so.

You would be invited to still place your envelopes in the basket each Sunday if you wish, with "AUTO" written in the amount area. Special collections would still require use of your envelopes at this time.

**Initially** we need to determine the number of parishioners interested in this option. **Secondly** we need to determine with which financial institutions we need to set up arrangements. There are **signup sheets** at the back which we would ask you to fill out if you are interested. At this point, we are only looking for names of parishioners and financial institutions used. Please consider whether this could be a viable means of donating for you.

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