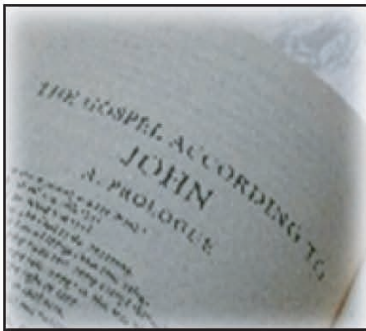


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST-GANANOQUE ST. PHILOMENA - HOWE ISLAND Roman Catholic Church

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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!



New Parishioners:

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

Reconciliation:

- 3:45 - 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 Dale at least 9 - 12 months in advance.

Baptism:

- Please contact Father Dale 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 from September to June.

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.

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 Dale Wright 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:

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SUNDAY, NOV. 5, 2017 - 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen!

This Week's Mass Schedule

St. John the Evangelist - Gananoque

Saturday, Nov. 4 9:00 am - † Ioleen Bovey

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat., Nov. 4 **5:00 pm** - † Bill and Mary Nalon

Sun., Nov. 5 **10:30 am** - † Theresa Donald

St. Philomena - Howe Island

Sunday, November 5 **8:30 am** - † Agnes Goodfriend

St. John the Evangelist - Gananoque

Monday, Nov. 6 **No Mass**

Tues., Nov. 7 **8:00 am** - † Monsignor Donald Clement

Wed., Nov. 8 **8:00 am** - † Brian Dwyre

Thursday, Nov. 9 **8:00 am** - † Michael MacDonald

Friday, Nov. 10

School Mass: **9:45 am** - For staff & students' intentions

Carveth: **1:30 pm** - Father Keyes' intentions

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat., Nov. 11 **5:00 pm** - Past and present military personnel

Sun., Nov. 12 **10:30 am** - Tracey Ferguson's intentions

St. Philomena - Howe Island

Sunday, November 12 **8:30 am** - † Joan Kane

Funeral & 1st Saturday of the Month Mass Choir Practice:

Wednesday at 10:30 am choir loft and TODAY November 4, 2017.

Sunday Choir Practice: Mondays at 7 pm Sacristy

Finance/Property: Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 5 pm

Catholic Women's League: Wed., Nov. 15, 2017 - 6:30 pm

Legion of Mary: 8:30 am on Tuesdays

Knights of Columbus: 2nd & 4th Wed. 7 pm Firehall

COLLECTION - Oct. 29 St. John St. Philomena

Offering Envelopes \$1,357.00 \$401.50

Loose Collection 176.90 2.00

Renovation Fund 30.00

Evangelization Sunday 60.00

Catholic Women's League

MEMBERSHIP Drive Just a reminder that a representative is here for you to renew your membership or become a new member.



Rosary in Cemetery

St. Philomena Cemetery

TODAY: Following the

8:30 am Mass on Sun., Nov. 5.

We invite you to celebrate the upcoming Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed at St. Philomena's Cemetery.

Join us in prayer of thanksgiving for the gift of our loved ones and also to honour the memory of those who are at peace in the everlasting light of God in heaven. The ceremony will include prayers, general intercessions and the rosary. *In case of rain, the prayers will be held in the Church.*

Kettle Drive for Christmas

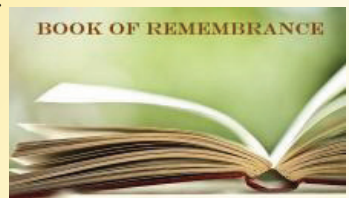
We know - it's too early to think Christmas! Volunteers are required for the Kettle Drive and we, as a Church Community, can lend a helping hand to those in need of assistance. St. John/St. Philomena's week is Monday, Dec. 4 to Saturday, Dec. 9.

We need approximately 12 volunteers **per day** to sit with the kettle, chat with people and to say thank you usually in 2 hours increments - but very flexible.

A sign-up list is at the back of St. John's Church so you can write your name as many times as you wish. **St. Philomena parishioners:** Please call the office and we will gladly advise you of times available.

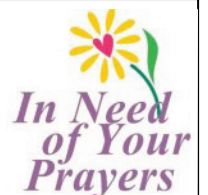


A Book of Remembrance is available for people to write down the names of deceased loved ones to be prayed for during Masses in November. This book will be brought to the foot of the altar during the Preparation of the Gifts. Enter names of your loved ones at any time.



THANK YOU FOR PRAYING FOR ME:

May the Lord grant healing and strength to families and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually especially those who we hold dear in our hearts including **Bill Dillon, Mary Ellen Douglas, Debbie Gray, Hildegard Hendrickson, Shelley Hunt from Kingston, Theresa Davies, Tracey Ferguson.** *We pray for Sister Anna Moran (Sr Mary Justina) who has died.*



Faith Development Series Continues

Come and explore your faith. Each Thursdays at 6:45 pm until 8:30 pm at St. Joseph's School, Georgiana St. Gananoque.
Session 7: The Holy Spirit & the Life of Grace (Nov 9) Session 8: Why Do I Need the Church: The Mystery of the Catholic Church (Nov 16) Session 9: Mary and the Saints: Our Spiritual Mother and the Communion of Saints (Nov 23) *The format of the evening is simple - we watch/listen to a DVD projected on a large screen and then we hold a discussion to further our knowledge. Everyone is welcome! Sponsored by: St. John/St. Philomena's Knights of Columbus.*

St. John and St. Philomena's Memorial Mass: Please mark your calendar for a Memorial Mass scheduled for Sat., Nov. 18th at 11 am at St. John's Church for the deceased members of our parishes. More information in next week's bulletin.

Priests' Retirement Fund Parish Collection Nov. 11/12

The *Priests' Retirement Fund* collection supports the archdiocesan program which provides elderly and infirm priests with the pension and health benefits they have earned after many years of service. We hope you will generously support this year's collection.

Hello dear parishioner:

The next two months will bring lots of musical excitement for the Christmas season. Yes, it is already time to start adding new and traditional Christmas songs to our practice repertoire.

We are looking for additional choir members. This year, there will be 5 Masses between Dec. 24th and 25th. Additional voices would be a bonus. Also, on Dec. 17th, a concert will be held at St. John's including our 2 choirs. Extra voices would be wonderful.

1) Sunday Mass Choir: practices on Mondays at 7 pm in the Church with singing/musical instrument accompaniment on Sundays at 10:30 am Mass. Vocal and instrumental are welcome. Please see/speak with Stephen Beardwood.

2) Traditional (former Funeral) Choir: practices on Wednesdays at 10:30 am in the Church choir loft with singing at funerals, 1st Saturday of the month Mass, and Saturday Masses from Jan. 20th to March 3rd. Please speak to Doug G.

Still not sure about joining - then come & sit with the choir on Saturday or Sunday. Books will be provided for you. Unable to make practices? Join anyway. Are you accompanied to church - then bring the person with you. The more the merrier and strong voices adds so much to the Mass. **Don't be shy - we need you!**

It's back -- Hockey Game in Toronto

Toronto Maple Leafs vs Vancouver Canucks

Saturday, January 6, 2018

Great Price! \$210 per ticket includes ticket, transportation & dinner. Only 57 tickets available

Bus leaving

Gananoque St. John's Church parking lot 2 pm sharp

Kingston Toys R Us parking lot 2:30 pm

Contact: Mary Elizabeth 613-382-9876.

Tickets available after Mass/at the office (8am-4pm)

Come cheer your team in person!

Not your team: come for the fun of it!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, November 11

Rosary: Bernadette Egan Lector: Cheryl Gavin

Greeters: Bill & Sylvia Cunningham

Gifts: Frank Fair/Anne Swinnard Communion: J. Gavin

Sunday, November 12

Carveth: Marlyn Jacobsen & Budgie Mabee

Greeters: Linda Beaupre and Gerry Brosso

Lector: Christine Woods Gifts: The Duffy Family

Holy Communion: Krista Jenkins

Children's Liturgy: Dale Sheppard

At St. Philomena for Sunday, November 12

Reader: Marilyn McCauley Eucharist: Jim McReynolds

Good Catholic Practices in the month of November

Are we praying for the dead? Are we really carrying out with perseverance this spiritual work of mercy, as if others' lives depended on it? Do we seek to offer Mass for those who have gone before us? Do we come to funeral Masses to pray for them, or just to "pay our respects" to them and to their family? It's beautiful to pay respects to someone we've known and honour that person's family, but we Catholics are called out of faith and love to do much more: we called to pray for the deceased and their family. Do we seek to visit people's graves on All Souls' Day, on Remembrance Day, on the anniversaries of the day the Lord came for them? Do we come to Mass on All Souls' Day to pray for all the faithful departed, especially when it doesn't fall on a Sunday? Do we live the month of November as a month of praying for the dead? Do we pray the Rosary for the dead, asking Mary to pray for them at the hour of their death and for us now? Do we offer sacrifices for them and try to obtain indulgences for them?

And we should also think ahead with the same practicality. Who's going to pray for us after we die? Have we passed on to the younger generations the example of praying for their deceased loved ones and friends? Do we take them to Masses offered for friends and family members and to the cemeteries to care for their grave and pray for them? Have we written in our will the desire for a funeral Mass and left what we can for Masses to be prayed for our salvation, so that we can count on the prayers of the Church even if our family members are not as prayerful as they should be? Are we trying to surround ourselves by prayerful friends whom we know will pray for us? These thoughts are all important thoughts. They're holy thoughts.
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