

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST – GANANOQUE
ST. PHILOMENA – HOWE ISLAND
ST. PATRICK – LANSDOWNE
ST. BRENDAN - ROCKPORT**

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**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:

235 Georgiana St., Gananoque, K7G 1M9
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Regiopolis-Notre Dame High School:

130 Russell St., Kingston 613-545-1902

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Oct 12, 2025

Twenty - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. John Parish

Sat, Oct 11 - 4:30 pm : Jean & Wilfred Leeder
Sun, Oct 12 - 10:30 am : † Felimon Oliquiano Jr.

St. Brendan Parish

Sat. Oct 11 - 6:00 pm : † Brenda Pal

St. Patrick Parish

Sun. Oct 12th - 9:00 am: † Bernadette Lasconia

Twenty - Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. John Parish

Sat., Oct 18 - 4:30 pm : - Francis & Richard
Fitzpatrick
Sun., Oct 19 - 10:30 am : † Lourdes Mayuga

St. Patrick Parish

Sun., Oct 19 - 9:00 am : Living Intentions of Maggie
Duffy

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. John Parish

Wed, Oct 15 - 8:30 am: † Paul Quinn
Thurs Oct 16 - 8:30 am : † Jason Dawley
Friday ,October 17 - 8:30 am: † Sarah Yuille

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.

The Pope's Intention for October



For collaboration between different religious traditions.

Let us pray that believers of different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

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, Fr. Don Cummings & Fr. Gus Mendonça, Brenda Wing, Joan Rowland, Mark Mabee, Dan Hall, Al King, Karen Wand, Fr. Mac Burke, Fr. Leo Bryne, Colleen Bennett, Tracie Yuille, Margaret Leeder, Lily Anne Metcalfe, Christine Folke, Judy Weir, Colleen Buchanan, Carol Laclair and Anna O'Hearn.

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary.

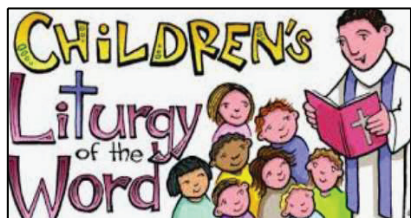
The Church dedicated the month of October to the Holy Rosary during which we are



reminded that through Mary, Queen of Peace, we are drawn closer to her Son. Pope Leo "invites you to pray the Rosary everyday for peace in our world."



Confessions are held one half hour before Mass on Saturday or by appointment .



Children's Liturgy is offered during Sunday Mass at St. John's

Raffle Fundraiser for Restoration Fund

Four beautiful pictures hand-painted on reclaimed slate shingles from our own St. John's roof have been generously donated to our Restoration Fund. All pieces signed by the artist. Tickets: 1 for \$5 / 3 for \$10 beginning Oct 4. Draw Nov 2, 2025. Good Luck!



Interested in Becoming Catholic?

If so, please contact the parish at 613-382-2017 by October 26 ,2025 regarding Rite of Christian Initiation of Adult (RCIA) course.

Special Note



All Souls' Day is November 2. St. John's remembers loved ones who passed in 2025 with a Mass on November 6 at 6:30 p.m. The parish office will be contacting family members in the coming weeks to personally invite them to the Mass.

Beginning Oct 8th we pray the Rosary daily after weekday Mass and before Sat and Sun Mass. We conclude the month of the Rosary on October 30 by solemn Rosary, Holy Mass and Benediction at 6:30 pm. Come share in this Holy time.



Dear Parish Family,

I am Rev. Tom Stephan, and it is with great joy and gratitude that I begin my ministry among you. I come from beautiful Kerala in southern India, shaped by its rich heritage of faith, family, and service. Ordained in 2007, I had the privilege of working as a missionary priest among indigenous communities in the province of Arunachal Pradesh, the foothills of the Himalayas serving in remote villages and sharing in the struggles and joys of people whose faithfulness inspires me deeply. In 2022, God led me to Canada, and I have been honoured to serve in the Diocese of Antigonish. Now, I feel truly blessed to be with you here, called to journey together in faith, hope, and love.

As I now begin my ministry among you, my heart is filled with gratitude and hope. I thank Archbishop Michael Mulhall for giving me the opportunity to serve in the Archdiocese of Kingston. A parish is not just a building where we gather on Sundays; it is a family of faith where each person is valued, where our diversity is a gift, and where Christ is at the centre of all we do. My prayer is that together we may grow closer to the Lord through the Eucharist, through acts of service, and through our care for one another. I look forward to getting to know you, your stories, your families, your struggles, and your joys—and to walking with you on this journey of faith.

Please keep me in your prayers as I begin this new chapter of ministry with you. Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones that the Lord may continue to bless our parish communities with peace, unity, and joy. In Christ, **Rev. Tom Stephan**

Offerings	St. John Sept 28	St. Philomena Sept 28
Regular Offering	\$1,820.00	\$160.00
Loose cash	\$375.00	\$0.00
Needs of the Church	\$5.00	\$20.00
Cemetery	\$0.00	\$0.00
RESTORATION:		
Building Fund	\$520.00	
Loonie/Toonie	\$224.65	Fuel \$50.00

MASS INTENTIONS ARE NEEDED

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a special occasion, on behalf of a family member, a friend, or a deceased loved one, please submit a Mass Request to us.

An announced Mass intention is \$20
An unannounced Mass is \$10.

How to donate to the Church in memory of someone special. Donations to the St. John the Evangelist Church or for St. Philomena Church can be done anytime. Place a cheque in an envelope along with your name, address and your special intention. A tax receipt will be forwarded at year-end.



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