

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

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Parish Secretary: Lise Emmerson Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8 am to 4 pm

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!



Reconciliation:

- 4:15 - 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 Amato
at least 6 months in advance.

Baptism:

- Please contact Father Amato 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.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

- Are you an adult who has not been baptized or who
would like to explore being received into Full
Communion in the Catholic Church? If so, this
program is for you. Please contact the parish office.

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.

New Parishioners:

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

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 Amato 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:

- Principal: Tracy O'Brien
235 Georgiana St., Gananoque, ON K7G 1M9
613.382.2361 www.stjosephgan.cdsbeo.on.ca

Regiopolis-Notre Dame Catholic High School:

- Principal: Terry Daniels
130 Russell St., Kingston ON 613-545-1902
www.reginotredame.ca



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Oct. 18, 2015



Mass Intentions

Saturday, Oct. 17: 5 pm St. John - Henry Knotek

Sunday, Oct. 18:

8:30 am at St. Philomena - Mary J. O'Brien

10:30 am at St. John - Stan Tozer

Monday, Oct. 19: 8 am: Margaret Jamieson

Tues., Oct. 20: 8 am: Priests' Intentions

Wed., Oct. 21: NO MASS

Thurs. Oct. 22: 8 am: Dario Knezic

Friday, Oct. 23: 8 am: John Lawler

Saturday, Oct. 24: 5 pm St. John - For your intentions

Sunday, Oct. 25:

8:30 am at St. Philomena - Susan Ottenhof Nickerson

10:30 am at St. John - Lappan O'Hearn

Liturgical Ministries Schedule:

St. John: Saturday, October 24, 2015 at 5 pm

Rosary: Anne O'Neill Reader: Wilma Turcotte

Greeters: Ron and Anneka Thompson

Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Annastasia Cliffe

Gifts: to be chosen by greeters

St. John: Sunday, October 25 - 10:30 am

Carveth on Sunday: Dianne Ouellet and Adam Thompson

Reader: Kally Porteous

Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Diane Hebert

Gifts: Larry and Kathy Scott

Greeters: Joan Dillon and Gerry Brosso

Children's Liturgy: Dale Sheperd

St. Philomena: Sunday, October 25 - 8:30 am

Reader: Natalie Nossal

Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Steve Garrah

*Thank you to all the children who participated
in the Sunday's Children Mass*

IN YOUR PRAYERS: May the Lord grant healing and strength to families and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually especially Aileen Wainhouse.

PRAYER FOR ETERNAL LIFE: Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who died especially **Father William J. McGee &** for comfort and peace to their families.



There will be a First Reconciliation / 1st Communion parent meeting this

Thursday, October 22nd at 7:00 pm at St.

Joseph School. An information sheet and registration form has been sent out with the children in grade two. Parents of children who are not enrolled in our Catholic school are asked to contact Father Amato.

Devotions in honour of Good St. Anne

In Gananoque

When: Thursday, October 29th at 7 pm

Where: at St. John's Parish in Gananoque

Guest: Father Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R a Redemptorist priest from the Shrine at Ste-Anne-de-Beaupre will be leading us in devotions.

Theme: It will consist of a Mass, a Homily, a candlelight procession and the Veneration of the relic of St. Anne. Special stress is given to the prayers of the sick, the afflicted and for peace. This is a great opportunity for the elderly, the handicapped and all other people to experience a "Mini Pilgrimage" in our area. Everyone is invited to attend!



Community Harvest Food Drive: Once again this year the churches in Gananoque will be working together to collect food from homes in the town on Halloween Night, Saturday, October 31st.

Volunteers will be required. There is a sign up sheet at the back of the church. All together about 70-80 people are required to canvass the whole town in 1 1/2 hours.

Annual Liturgical Conference The Jubilee of Mercy: "Merciful like the Father" The Holy Father, Pope Francis has announced an Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy that will be celebrated from the feast of The Immaculate Conception, 8 December 2015, to the Christ the King, 20 November 2016. In preparation for this special year of grace, the Archdiocese of Kingston invites you to our Annual Liturgical Conference that will focus on the meaning of the Jubilee Year. We will explore the challenging images of God as the Merciful Father and how they relate to each one of us, and remind ourselves of the works of Mercy as a vehicle of love and new evangelization. Please join us on **Friday evening, 13 Nov. 2015, 7pm-9pm** and **Saturday, 14 Nov. 9am-3:30pm**, at the Providence Spirituality Centre, 1200 Princess Street, Kingston. Facilitator: Father John Hibbard, Chair of the Archdiocesan Liturgy Commission. **Registration deadline is Friday, 30 October, 2015:** Commuters: \$35 Overnight: \$ 75. To register, please visit the Archdiocese of Kingston website at romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/, or contact Mariola Gozdek at the Archdiocesan Liturgy Office, tel. 613. 548.4461 ext.114, liturgy@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca

Parish Support - Thank you!

October.11, 2015	St. John	St. Philomena
Regular	\$2,327.00	\$408.50
Loose	\$349.75	\$68.65
World Mission Sunday	\$55.00	
Donation & Refugee Support	\$25.00	\$100.00
Restoration	\$80.00	

This month's envelope: World Mission Sunday

What to say to those who say they are too busy: "I've heard going to church for an hour a week actually reduces stress, and that it really helps people whose lives are very busy. Why don't you come with me this week to Mass and see just how wonderfully renewing it can be?" or "Mass is the one hour each week I get to really just sit and simply be. It recharges me like nothing else. Would you like to join me for Mass this weekend? Maybe we could get a cup of coffee afterwards."

In Concert: Mark Friday, November 13, 2015, St. John Bosco Parish, 175 Windsor Drive, Brockville on your calendar. The Brockville **Knights of Columbus** are pleased to announce that we are hosting in concert JOHN SANDS, a musician that has performed on both sides of the Atlantic. \$15.00 available through Brockville KofC members, by phoning Stewart Glashan 613-342-3855, and at The Restore on Highway 29, Brockville.

Church of the Assumption Erinsville Parish **Bazaar** will be held on Sat. Oct 31 at St. Patrick's School Hall from 10am to 1pm. Admission: Morning coffee, tea, juice and muffins for \$3.00; Soup or Chili luncheon \$4.00. Homemade crafts, Christmas gifts, baking, preserves and candy sales. Door prizes & Gift draw. Raffle Draws will take place at 12:30 pm. Tickets \$1 each. Prizes: \$500; \$400; \$300; \$200 & \$100. Hunters, drop by to pick up your camp treats!

Memorial Book: Beginning this weekend, there will be a Parish Book of the Deceased at the back of the Church for people to write down the names of deceased loved ones to be prayed for during the Masses in November. This book will be brought to the foot of the altar during the Preparation gifts on Sundays in November.



As the winter season fast approaches, we are aware that many children are in need of **warm coats**. The Salvation Army Care & Share, Gananoque, has a program to provide coats for those children. Please see the poster with all the criteria we ask for in order to apply. Anyone who wishes to donate toward this program is asked to call the Salvation Army at 613-382-3105 (ask for Karolyn or Dave) for further information.

PARISH CALENDAR:

St. John Finance/Property: Monday Oct 19 @ 5 pm
Parish Pastoral Council: Monday Nov. 2 @ 7:30 pm
Catholic Women's League: Wed. Oct. 21 6:30 pm
Mass at Carveth: Friday, Nov. 13, 2015 at 1:30 pm
Funeral Choir Practice: Wed. 10:30 am Choir Loft
St. John's Sunday Choir Practice: Mondays at 7 pm in the sacristy - *you may join either choirs any time (voice and or instrumental)*
Legion of Mary: Tuesdays after 8 am Mass, Sacristy

KAIROS is a Canadian initiative that brings together 11 churches and related agencies (including the Canadian Conference of Bishops and Development and Peace) for work in the realm of social justice in Canada and through partners around the world. The Katarokwi Grandmothers' Council and KAIROS are together hosting a Community Feast on Wednesday October 21, 5:30 p.m. at Crossroads United Church, 690 Sir John A. Macdonald. This will be an opportunity for members of Christian communities to gather with First Nations neighbours for a traditional meal of corn soup, bannock, wild rice and stew, enjoy some drumming and singing, and take up the journey of healing and reconciliation. See the poster and RSVP to Andrew at kingstonfeast@gmail.com

Donations received: As autumn slowly shows its colours, I wish to thank some of our donors. Thank you to **Paul Doornbus** and his team at Thornbusch Landscaping Company. Paul donates time and machinery to cut, weed and fertilize the grass at St. John's for the entire summer. This is a substantial donation of \$3,876.93 for St. John's. Another special group is the **gardeners** both at St. John's and St. Philomena's. It is beautiful to watch you work with the flowers & the weeds as it always seems to be done with passion. To Christine Milks and the volunteers at St. Philomena for the inside decorations - thank you for your generosity, time and talent.

Pre-Authorized Debit at St. John and at St. Philomena

Pre-Authorized Debit is an **easy, safe and convenient** way to make offertory contributions to the church. An information pamphlet is available with question/answer format. Please call if you have any questions. Your donation may be from any bank. You decide how much you are able to donate each month, and the Pre-Authorized Debit Plan deducts that amount from your bank account - and credits St. John's Church or St. Philomena's Church on the 15th of every month. To maintain costs, we will have each month: one transaction for St. John and one transaction for St. Philomena on the 15th of each month. An additional withdrawal will be made at Easter and Christmas. **How Do I Get Started?**

1. If you wish to join, take a Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) Plan Form available at each of the entrance of the Church.
2. Complete all sections of the Form especially your signature.
3. Staple a "VOID" cheque to the Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) Plan Form.
4. Return the PAD Plan Form and your VOID cheque via Offertory Collection, Canada Post or drop it off at the office (Mon. - Fri. between 8 am - 4 pm). Keep your information confidential and secure by placing form & cheque in an envelope.

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