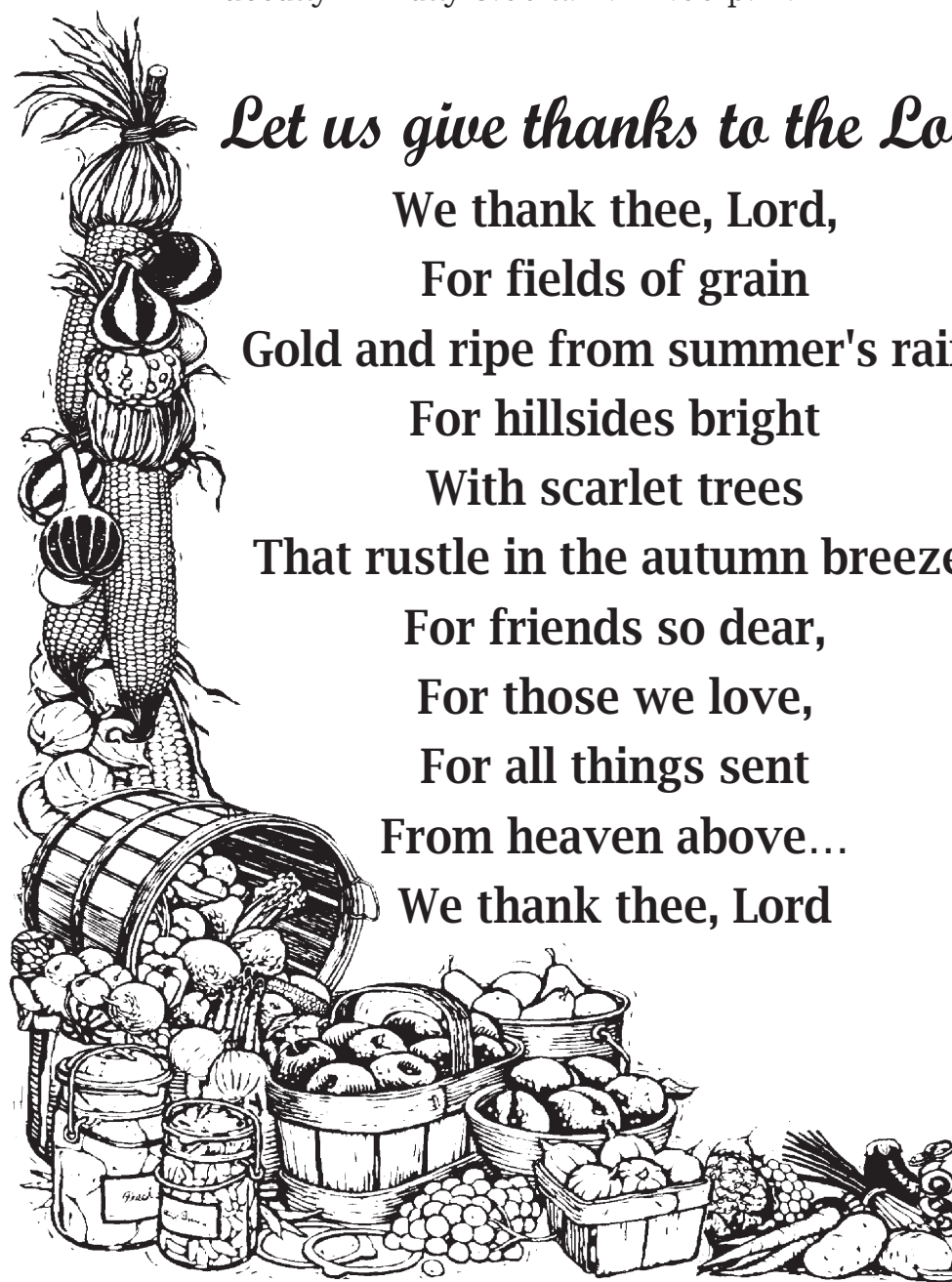


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST-GANANOQUE ST. PHILOMENA - HOWE ISLAND Roman Catholic Church

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Tuesday – Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Let us give thanks to the Lord

We thank thee, Lord,

For fields of grain

Gold and ripe from summer's rain,

For hillsides bright

With scarlet trees

That rustle in the autumn breeze,

For friends so dear,

For those we love,

For all things sent

From heaven above...

We thank thee, Lord

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 8, 2023



Mass Schedule

Twenty - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

St John Parish

Saturday, October 7

5:00 p.m. - † Jean & Wilfred Leeder

Sunday, October 8

10:30 a.m. - † Deceased members of the
Rose Family

St. Philomena Parish

Sunday, October 8

8:30 a.m. - † Wilf Garrah

WEEKDAY MASSES AT ST. JOHN PARISH

Tuesday, October 10

8:30 a.m. - † Meryle & Vincent Keyes

Wednesday, October 11

10:00 a.m. - School Mass

Thursday, October 12

8:30 a.m. - † Basil Brosso

Friday, October 13

8:30 a.m. - † Marian Keyes

Twenty - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

St John Parish

Saturday, October 14

5:00 p.m. - † Angela Townsend

Sunday, October 15

10:30 a.m. - † Jason Dawley

St. Philomena Parish

Sunday, October 15

8:30 a.m. - † For the People

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER - FOR THE SYNOD

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



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, Father Don Cummings, Brenda Wing, Olive Schijns, Joan Rowland, Mark Mabee, Dan Hall, Jo-Anne McReynolds, Don Mills and Dale Rashotte.

October is dedicated to The Most Holy Rosary



Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy! our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley, of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

St. John's is looking for a volunteer to assume the roll of a Catechist for the parish

A Catechist teaches the faith of the Catholic Church by both word and example. The Catechist at St. John's will be expected to teach candidates who are preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. If you are interested in this position please send a letter stating your interest addressed to Father Christian by mail or email to stjohn.gananoque@archkingston.ca. Note: If you have the interest but feel you may lack the experience, the Archdiocese provides opportunities for education and has many resources available to assist in this role. Call the office at 613-382-2017 if you have any questions.

Ministry Schedules:

St. John	October 14	October 15
Rosary:	Mary Haesler	
Greeters/Ushers:	June Nalon	Linda Beaupre
Lector:	Marlene Sirsky	Yvonne Harper
Holy Communion	Sharon Carmichael	Yvonne Harper
St. Philomena		October 15
Lector:		Robert Spurrier
Holy Communion:		Fr. Christian



A Thanksgiving message from Father Christian:

We have so much to be thankful for: We thank God for our family, our partners, our good friends and all the people in our lives who give us love and bring us joy.

We have so much to be thankful for: We thank God for our health, the fresh air we breath, the food on our table, and our freedom.

We have so much to be thankful for: We thank God that we are able able to see, to hear, to smell, to touch and to taste.

We have so much to be thankful for: We thank God for our voices in song, our agility in dance, and our appreciation of God's beautiful earth.

We have so much to be thankful for: We thank God for our churches of St. Philomena and St. John and for the many, many volunteers who give so much of their time, energy and talents. Yes, we thank God!

I thank God for all of you and pray that you have a blessed Thanksgiving Day.

Father Christian

A very special shout out to recognize volunteer Tom Buchanan, who, as of this month, has been singing and playing for the Saturday 5 p.m. Mass for 10 years. Thank you so very much Tom!

St. Patrick's, Lansdowne - CHANGE OF DATE: Originally scheduled for this Sunday, October 8th, an afternoon of Celtic-themed entertainment, live music, and dancing featuring live music by the Moellman Family. This event will now be held on Sunday, October 15th, 3:00pm at Happy Life Farms, 41 Stacey Road, Lansdowne. Admission will be free; a free-will offering box will be at the front door to support the building fund of St. Patrick's and St. Brendan's parish. Come along with a snack to share. For more information contact Jonathan Moellman at jonathan.moellman@gmail.com."



St John/St. Philomena CWL Regular Meeting Wednesday, October 18th - 7:00 p.m Held in the sacristy of St. John. Everyone is welcome. Don't forget to get your nomination forms (for next year's executive) in before the November 1st deadline.



This fall the CWL will be collecting socks, mitts, and toques (new or homemade) for the homeless. So, unpack those knitting needles or start looking for bargains!



Approaching December there will be once again an opportunity to buy tickets on a food basket.

Just in time for Christmas!

We want to thank you all for all your support. This thanks comes from our clients, our many volunteers, staff and Board members. We truly couldn't do this without you.... We require at this time:



Pancake Mix-instant with water, Canned fruit, Pancake syrup, Fruit juice, Shampoo, Dry Dog and Cat Food, Men/Women's deodorant, Toilet paper, Kleenex Paper towels, Feminine hygiene products.

Oct 1, 2023	St. John	St. Philomena
Regular Offering	\$1,890.00	\$155.00
Loose cash	\$80.30	\$50.00
Cemetery	\$10.00	
Needs of the Church of Canada	\$20.00	
Restoration	\$425.00	
Fuel		\$65.00

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. Both churches are in need of requests.

- 1) An announced Mass intention is a donation of \$20; an unannounced Mass is \$10.
- 2) An intention may be placed well ahead of time if you want a specific date.

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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