

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

*Sunday, September 13, 2015 -
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Saturday, Sept. 12: 5 pm - Len Charboneau
Sunday, Sept. 13:
 8:30 am St. Philomena - Bob Dumas
 10:30 am at St. John - Ferdinand Schijns
Monday, Sept. 14: 8 am: Doris Bovey
Tues., Sept. 15: 8 am: Ken Murray
Wed., Sept. 16: NO MASS
Thurs. Sept. 17: 7 pm: Mass and Installation
 Theresa Finn
Friday, Sept. 18: 9:45 am School Mass Sandra Stevens
Saturday, Sept. 19: 5 pm: Maureen Keyes &
 Kathy Keyes Ross
Sunday, Sept. 20:
 8:30 am St. Philomena - Madeleine Cassidy-Dowling
 10:30 am at St. John - Albert Johnson

IN YOUR PRAYERS: May the Lord grant healing and strength to families and friends who suffer physically, emotionally or spiritually especially **Dick O'Neill and Dawn Tennant.**

PRAYER FOR ETERNAL LIFE: Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who died including **Father Georges Savoie** and for comfort and peace to their families.

September.6.2015	St. John	St. Philomena
Regular	\$2,346.00	\$644.00
Loose	\$331.05	\$166.00
Cemetery	\$1,083.50	
Restoration	\$100.00	

Forgot to get a bulletin this week or you were away? Don't worry, you can read it online at stjohnsgananoque.com. *Are you new to the parish?* Please complete a Parish Registration Form located on the table at the entrance of the Church.



Join Concluding Event

After 20 years of public witness, the silent vigil for social justice will conclude on September 17, in the midst of this critical election. Join the Sisters of Providence of St. Vincent de Paul and their many colleagues in this event filled with song, stories and pictures of the years gone by and the many vigil keepers. Kingston City Hall, 5-8 pm providence.ca/silentvigil

Save the Date! Theology of the Body Workshop

The Theology of the Body is the extraordinary teaching given to us by St John Paul II, and is considered by many to be one of his defining works. These teachings are renewing marriages, awakening vocations, and healing deep personal wounds. The workshop will be held on Fri 23 Oct – Sun 25 Oct at St Mary's Cathedral Parish Centre. Registration info to follow.

The Way of Saint Lawrence River Pilgrimage Walk

Come and join St. Brendan's Parish 2nd annual **Saint Lawrence River Walking Pilgrimage** from Mallorytown Landing to Rockport one-way (10.4 km) along the Thousand Islands Scenic Parkway on Saturday, September 19. Mass will be celebrated by Father Justin Pulikunnel, with con-celebrants Fr. Jacob Chelamootil and Fr. Brent Brennan at St. Brendan's Church in Rockport. Pilgrims to start prayerful walk at 8 am along paved pathway. Estimated arrival at Rockport to be 11 am followed by the celebration of Mass at 11:30 am. Lunchtime will follow concluding the Mass. Shuttle vehicles will be provided to take pilgrims back to their cars parked at Mallorytown Landing Park. Activities: Praying the Rosary, Station-of-the-Cross, Hymns and Socializing. Please call Roger Duchesne at 613.345.6210 to register.

What a great turnout! Thank you to Debbie Donaldson and everyone who attended the potluck for the Liturgical Ministers. Let's face it, meeting new people and making new friends is hard. We're all busy, and it's not easy to just come across people with similar interests. That's why a simple hello, participating/volunteering in a Church setting is such a great idea. Turn around in your pew and greet someone today. (Alan Henry; lifehacker.com)

Coins for Life: On September 19/20th filled Coins for Life containers will be picked up after all Masses. Please bring your container to the Mass you are attending and people will be there to receive your donations. Your spare change will help to fuel our efforts on behalf of Life. Thank you for your generous support. Sponsored by Campaign Life Coalition -389-4472 or 382-1084.

St. John: Saturday, September 19, 2015 at 5 pm

Rosary: Anne Warren Lector: June Nalon Greeters: Mary Haesler and Irene Tozer
 Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Lorraine O'Meara Gifts: Paul & Anne O'Neill

St. John: Sunday, September 20 - 10:30 am

Carveth on Sunday: D. Ouellet/A. Thompson
 Lector: Judy Weir Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist B. Mabee
 Gifts: Children's Liturgical Class Greeters: Marilyn Thivierge & Alice Mangan

St. Philomena: Sunday, September 20 - 8:30 am

Lector: Bonnie Ottenhof Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist: Marilyn McCauley

Are you troubled by someone's drinking?

Alanon Meeting for those troubled by someone's drinking. Tuesdays at 4:30 pm at Salvation Army, 120 Garden Street, Gananoque. Upstairs. All Welcome.



**SYMBOLON PART II STARTING SOON
AT ST PAUL THE APOSTLE**

You are invited to join our journey into Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained with Part II: Living the Faith. Perhaps Catholicism is new to you or you want a fresh look at our beliefs. How does it all fit together? What difference does it make for our lives? This 10 week session will continue to open up the "big picture" in a way that helps us know it, live it and articulate it to others. Plan to join us starting Tuesday, September 8th at 6:45 pm; St Paul the Apostle, 1111 Taylor Kidd Blvd, in the main hall. Our church hall is accessible. Please enter through the ramp entrance on the south side near the AC units. Missed Part I? No worries, join us anyway. No charge; bring a friend. Need additional info: e-mail: lyne.tuepah@bell.net or call 613-389-2174. Sponsored by St Paul the Apostle Faith Development team.

The Priests' Convocation will be Sept. 21 to 23 in Kingston. All parishioners are invited to attend the Celebration of the Eucharist on Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 11:30 at St. Joseph's Church in Kingston. Please pray for all the priests of our Diocese.

RCIA - Are you someone or do you know someone who ...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?
- Are baptized in another Christian denomination and who would like to join the Catholic Church?
- Have never been baptized and would like to join the Catholic Church?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions (date to be determined) will focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact Father Amato at 613.382.2017 or email stjohnstphil@gmail.com.

Children's Liturgy at St. John's: Passing the Faith to our young generation entails the active participation of parents. At the 10:30 am Sunday Mass at St. John's Parish from September to June we have a Children's Liturgy. Children from ages 4 to 7 gather in the sacristy at the beginning of Mass until the end of the Prayers of the Faithful. There they pray and learn about the Faith through the Gospel or Readings of that particular Sunday at their level. It's really great to see the children return to their parents for the Liturgy of the Eucharist in a happy way. In order for us to provide this activity we rely on the generosity of parents who are willing to do the lessons. It is not an onerous task. Currently we have five parents who help out. It would be great to have a couple more so that the schedule could be spread out. Please consider volunteering. For more information please contact Fr. Amato at 613-382-2017 or at stjohnstphil@gmail.com.

Children's Liturgy begins this Sunday at the 10:30 Mass.

ST. BARNABY'S is having a Mike Mundell **Fish Fry** on SUNDAY Sept. 20th, starting at 11:15. Tickets are to be purchased in advance and will be available after each Mass or by calling Noreen at 613-542-3487. Adults - \$14. Children 5-12 years old - \$7, children under 5 free. Let's make this a community event by inviting our friends and neighbours! All proceeds will be split between St Barnaby's Church Restoration Fund and Cemetery Fund.

"St. Joseph School will be holding their **Annual Fun Fair** on Saturday October 3rd, from 9am-1pm. There will be games for the kids, a bake table, raffle table, silent and live auction, a fire truck, and a BBQ. You may even see a Princess or Super Hero?! Please drop by and support the school's largest fundraiser!



RETREAT INVITATION to attend the annual Archdiocesan Retreat for Separated and/or Divorced at Providence Spirituality Centre, Kingston, Friday evening, October 2 and Saturday, October 3, 2015. The retreat, "Welcoming Autumn's Wisdom" facilitated by Anne Hurley and Kathy McGee will be a time of reflection, rest and spiritual nourishment. Please register by Sept. 15, 2015. For further information contact the Family Ministry Office, 613-548-4461, or e-mail: family@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca

PARISH CALENDAR:

Mass at Carveth: Thursday, Sept. 10th at 1:30 pm
St. John Finance/Property: Mon, Sept. 14 @ 5 pm
Parish Pastoral Council: Mon, Sept. 14 at 7:30 pm
Catholic Women's League: TBA
Legion of Mary: Tuesdays after 8 am Mass, in the Sacristy
Funeral Choir: Wed. at 10:30 am in Choir Loft
St. John's Choir Music Night: Mondays at 7 pm in the sacristy - you may join either choirs any time (voice/instrumental)
Knights of Columbus: 2nd & 4th Wed. 7 pm Firehall



Installation of Officers

The Knights of Columbus extends an invitation to all parishioners to join them here at St. John's Church on:

Date: Thursday, September 17th

Time: Mass at 7 pm followed by the Installation
All are welcome to attend.

FORMING INTENTIONAL DISCIPLES WORKSHOP

(SAT. NOV 28, 2015) The Youth Office, along with the Deaconate Program and St. Mary's Cathedral will be hosting this one-day workshop on Forming Intentional Disciples. A day focused on our personal relationship with Jesus and evangelizing to others based on Sherry Weddell's book "Forming Intentional Disciples". Deacon Mark Cesnik from the St. Catherine of Siena Institute that Weddell founded will be facilitating this awesome day! \$30 registration fee, includes lunch. To register contact Nadia by phone or email. An awesome day for parents, parish volunteers, and especially those in youth ministry! Being held at McKinley Hall in Providence Spirituality Centre. 9 am - 4pm. **Spots are going fast!**

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