St. Joseph's Catholic Church



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MISSION STATEMENT

Grounded in the gospel of Jesus Christ through liturgy, Eucharistic worship and outreach, Saint Joseph's Parish calls the faithful to an active involvement in parish life and responsible participation in extending Christ-like values to the wider community.

Monsignor M. Joseph Lynch, Pastor Fr. James Quirk, Associate Pastor Rev. Mr. Robert Wojcik, Deacon

LITURGY SCHEDULE (effective 15 June 2020)

Weekend Weekday Saturday: 5:15 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Monday: 9:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. Mass

Friday: 9:00 a.m. Mass

SACRAMENTS:

BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish.

RECONCILIATION (Confession): Saturday: 4:30-5:15 p.m.

MARRIAGE: Six months' notice is required, as well as a Marriage Preparation Course. Please contact the Parish.

ANOINTING: Please contact the Parish.

PARISH SCHOOLS:

St. Thomas More Catholic School, 234 Norman Rogers Dr., Kingston, ON K7M 2R4
St. Paul's Catholic School, 266 McMahon Ave., Kingston, ON K7M 3H2
613-542-1575
Ms. S. Fragoso, Principal
613-542-6101
Ms. A. Coe, Principal

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Finance Committee	Msgr. Joseph Lynch, Chair	613-547-5004
Parish Pastoral Council	Mary Ellen Tompkins, Chair	613-544-0782
Catholic Women's League	Colleen Krasna, President	613-544-3598
St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus, 11670	Patrick Greenwood, Grand Knight	613-561-6300
Partners in Mission	Betty Gunhouse	613-549-8138
Lectors	Carol Kavanaugh	613-329-7974
Eucharistic Ministers	Carol Kavanaugh	613-329-7974
Ministry to Sick and Homebound	Monna Splinter	613-547-6351
Ministry to Deaf	Martie Cervenko	613-544-2711
Ministry at Extendicare	Mary Clancy	613-544-4190
Ministry to Seniors	Johanna Klaassen	613-389-5265
Ushers	Ian Stewart, Head Usher	613-331-4511
Sacristan	Fran Price	613-544-3492
Culture of Life	Ben Krasna	613-544-3598
Funeral Choir	Dorathy Stanley	613-547-5004
Junior Liturgy	St. Joseph's Parish Office	613-547-5004
Sacramental Preparation/Youth Group	Alison Bogle	613-547-5004
Music Ministry	Shirley Kelliher, Ashley Pixley	613-547-5004
Altar Servers	Fr. James Quirk	613-547-5004

OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. 1:00-4:00 p.m. (Monday to Friday) Pam Catry, Secretary

Third Sunday of Advent 13 December 2020

"A voice that cries in the wilderness."

Introduction

Advent is not the time of waiting. It is the time of arrival. Christ is now among us. He is standing here, and he waits for us to see him, but he is already here.

Today's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11

When humanity truly flourishes, the earth flourishes

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Human beings need to pray, like they need to eat and drink.

Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

We can say what God is not, we can say what the Christ is not, but it is God who reveals God to us, first in the humanity of Christ and finally in the vision of his Godhead.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, 14 December

9:00 a.m. Sandra & Antonio Del Prete - Gennaro, Alberto & Family

Tuesday, 15 December

9:00 a.m. Giovanni Circelli - Circelli Family (moved from 15 May)

Wednesday, 16 December

9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Slade Family - Ken & Donna (moved from 28 April)

Thursday, 17 December

9:00 a.m. Elisio Ponte & Extended Family Members - Lidia Ponte (moved from 28 April)

Friday, 18 December

9:00 a.m. George Teves - Parents

Saturday, 19 December

5:15 p.m. Ralph McKeown - The Family

Sunday, 20 December

9:00 a.m. Giovanni Circelli - Circelli Family

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: James Parsons; Judy Dowling; Millie Lane; John Dowling; Desmond Dowling; Steve Bruce; Laure Unger; Joe Fonseca; Marc M; Rob Hurst; Teresa Khidir; Angeli Asenci; Kathleen Forsyth; Diane Lavery; Pat Gilmartin; Eileen Teppett; Jordyn Haunts Geddes; Erin Sullivan; Lu

Raposo; Marcus Hacault; Natalie Malenfant; Trudy Potvin; Kathy Macera; Anne Pickett; Becky Downey; Freda Coyle; Aletha MacIsaac; Joan Meschino; Sheila Alarie; Annie Mastorakos.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased.

If there are members of your family or friends who are ill or have recently died, and for whom you wish prayers, please contact the rectory to provide their names.

OUR PARISH

2020 DONATIONS St. Joseph's Parish Year-End occurs on 31 December; therefore, we ask that all 2020 donations be received at the parish office by 31 December 2020. Donations received after this date will need to be recorded in 2021. If you wish to have a donation appear on your 2020 Tax Receipt, please ensure that the office has received it prior to 1 January. Thank you.

REGISTER NOW FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S

MASSES It is necessary to register for all Christmas/New Year's Masses to ensure a seat. Registration will take place Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., by calling 613-547-5004 or emailing st.josephs@cogeco.ca, starting immediately. Christmas Masses are as follows: Thursday, 24 December, 3:00 p.m., 5:15 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. and Friday, 25 December, 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. New Year's Masses are as follows: Thursday, 31 December, 5:15 p.m. (New Year's Eve Vigil has been cancelled) and Friday, 1 January, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. ALL SEATS MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE.

2021 CHURCH ENVELOPES We are asking those who wish to pick-up their 2021 Church Envelopes to proceed to the parish hall door after Mass on the weekend. A volunteer will meet you at the door, take your name and hand you your envelopes. Please keep the 6-foot social distancing protocol in mind while lining up. You may also pick them up at the parish office Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS will be held on Saturday, 19 December, 4:00-5:00 p.m.; Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 20, 21, 22, 23 December, 3:00-4:00 p.m. They will be held in the Children's Room and the St. Joseph's Room. Please take note of posted information as to lining up, and keep 6 feet apart as usual. Thank you.

<u>BUILDING FUND</u> The monthly collection of the Building Fund will take place this weekend, 12-13 December 2020. Thank you for your support.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BASKETS COLLECTION Each year St. Joseph's parishioners donate food and money to ensure that fifty local families have food at Christmas. That commitment to provide for those in our community who need assistance is all the more important this year when the pandemic has placed some families in We remain fully committed to positions of greater need. participating in the Christmas food drive, although the manner in which that food will be provided has had to change this year, given the unusual circumstances. As in the past, the Salvation Army will provide St. Joseph's with a list of fifty families in need of support. This year, to ensure the safety of both the families and of our parish volunteers, we will be providing the families with food vouchers, instead of food items. All who are in a position to assist are asked to place a monetary donation in an envelope labelled "FOOD BASKET," along with your name, address and envelope number, if applicable. Your donation may be made between now and 20 December by dropping it in the collection basket at Mass; mailing it to, or dropping it off at, 392 Palace Road, Kingston, ON K7L 4T3; e-transfer to st.josephskingston900@gmail.com under "FOOD BASKET." This donation is in lieu of our Birds and Flowers collection. Thank you for continuing to support this much needed community project and for adapting to the changes required in this pandemic environment. For information, contact the parish office at 613-547-5004.

HOTEL DIEU HOSPITAL FUNDRAISER Order your Advent candle holder, poinsettias, wreaths, and floral arrangements through Kevin J Blaney Florist at 613-546-3551, and a donation will be made to Hotel Dieu Hospital with each order. Poinsettias must be ordered no later than 16 December; all other orders must be made by 22 December. Kevin will customize any order you make. Don't forget to mention "Hotel Dieu Hospital," when you place your order.

ST. JOSEPH'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COAT DRIVE in participation with St. Mary's Cathedral Coat Drive, starts NOW. We are looking for down-filled style coats, ski jackets (both washable), clean wool or cloth coats, warm mitts, touques, socks and winter boots for men, women and children. Coat sizes L - XL - XXL are ideal for both men and women. To arrange pick-up or delivery, call Dwight at 613-544-6738 (if there is no answer, please leave a message). Distribution is Monday-Friday, from 1:00-4:00 p.m., at St. Mary's Parish Centre, 276 Brock Street. Volunteers are needed distribution, if you are available, call Ann at 613-546-5521 X 5.

<u>CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING</u> Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin this month and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

<u>DONATIONS</u> If you are unable to attend Mass but wish to continue making donations to St. Joseph's, you may do so by mailing a cheque to St. Joseph's Parish, 392 Palace Road, Kingston, ON K7L 4T3, by dropping donations in the parish office mailbox, which is checked

daily, by signing up for Automatic Debit by calling the office to request a form, or if you wish to send an e-transfer, please use the email address stjosephskingston900@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support during these difficult times.

ANNOUNCED MASSES We have a number of Announced Masses which we have been unable to celebrate. We will be rescheduling them as early as possible. Please take into consideration that a number of Masses will need to be rescheduled; and, although all efforts will be made to do so, it may take some time, and the Mass may not be celebrated until 2021. Anyone wishing to request new Masses may want to consider Unannounced Masses, as they are celebrated by retired priests and will be celebrated sooner than newly requested Announced Masses. Thank you for your understanding.

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP St. Paul Catholic School Council will pick up your tree on Saturday, 2 January 2021, and take to the recycling depot. Your \$15 donation will support School Council fundraising initiatives which include playground renewal projects. Call Dari at 613-329-9647 or email st.paul.catholic.school.council@gmail.com to leave your name and address for pick-up. Kindly leave your donation in your mailbox, in an envelope marked ST. PAUL or taped to your door before 10:00 a.m. Cheques made payable to St. Paul Catholic School, reference: TREE. E-transfers are accepted by sending donation to st.paul.catholic.school.council@gmail.com - no password needed.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the St. Paul Catholic School Council. Peace and Joy to you and your family. Email st.paul.catholic.school.council@gmail.com should you have questions.

OUR COMMUNITY

VIDEO REFLECTION During Advent season this year, the Archdiocese of Kingston will be hosting a video reflection of the Readings for each week. The Readings will be given by the following people of our Archdiocese; Deacon Mark Mawson, Rev. Julius Nwagbara SMMM, Sr. Rosemary Brosseau CND, Mary Pat Byrne. The video reflections will be available at https://www.romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/ on the Thursday before the next Sunday of Advent. It is our hope that during these times of uncertainty, these will bring comfort and promise for the Advent season.

FAITH ON FIRE PRAYER GROUP meets on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m. on ZOOM. Join us for praise and worship, a short teaching, and a time for intercessory prayer. For details and for the ZOOM connection, email faithonfirekingston@gmail.com.

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