St. Joseph's Catholic Church



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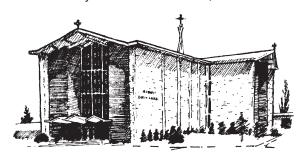
Grounded in the gospel of Jesus Christ through liturgy, Eucharistic worship and outreach, Saint Joseph's Parish calls the faithful to an active involvement in parish life and responsible participation in extending Christ-like values to the wider community.

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

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses Saturday: 5:15 p.m.

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



Weekday Recitation of the Rosary precedes morning daily Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Monday: 9:00 a.m. Mass

4:00-5:00 p.m. Holy Hour for Vocations 5:15 p.m. Mass

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. Mass 5:15 p.m. Mass

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. Mass

10:30 a.m. Mass (At Extendicare) 5:15 p.m. Mass

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. Mass 5:15 p.m. Mass Friday: 9:00 a.m. Mass

3:30 p.m. Mass
Divine Mercy Prayers

4:00-5:00 p.m. Holy Hour for Life

5:15 p.m. Mass 9:00 a.m. Mass

SACRAMENTS:

First Friday: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish.

RECONCILIATION (Confession): Monday, Friday and Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m.

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

Saturday:

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
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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
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Ministry to Deaf	Martie Cervenko	613-544-2711
Ministry at Extendicare	Mary Clancy	613-544-4190
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Sacristans	Fran Price	613-544-3492
	Isabelle Curry	613-389-6270
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

The Ascension of the Rord 24 May 2020



"May He enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope His call holds for you."

Introduction

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord assures us of the promise that the gates of heaven are open and that Jesus has gone before us to prepare a home to which we are invited through grace and mercy.

Today's Readings

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

Jesus ascends into heaven from where he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

The Holy Spirit is poured into the hearts of the baptized that they may respond with joy and hope.

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus sends the apostles to the ends of the earth to preach the Gospel and baptize.

Gospel Teaching

All these lives can be entrusted to God who redeems the world and promises the creation of a new heaven and a new earth. This feast is full of hope and joy. The Ascension of the Lord is a feast on which to pray for them because God promises an eternal future in heaven. Jesus'

ascension is the promise of an inheritance which is given to those who believe in Him, whether throughout their lives or only at the very end. We can enter into the mystery of Christ's death, resurrection and ascension to the right hand of the Father.

When Jesus ascends into heaven, there is the temptation to think that He has left us. We might then think of absence rather than presence. The mystery of this feast is that it is more about presence than absence. Jesus ascends into heaven to sit at the right hand of the Father. The Holy Spirit is sent into our hearts so that we can respond to the invitation of God and follow Jesus who is the way, the truth and the life. Christ remains ever present to us through the Holy Spirit and walks with us on our pilgrimage of life. He is closer to us than ourselves. Christ remains present in his body which is the Church. He gives us His word in the scriptures and tradition of the Church and is close to us whenever we ready the Bible. He is most closely present to us in His body and blood in Holy Communion. Today, we can rejoice in His presence rather than lament His absence. His final command to His disciples is to go forth and spread the Gospel to the ends of the world. At baptism we become members of the Church, members of His body and are promised an inheritance with the saints in heaven.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Please call the parish office at 613-547-5004, after 31 May to reschedule.

AUTOMATIC DEBIT

Automatic Debit is available for those St. Joseph's parishioners wishing to have their Sunday Offering and/or Building Fund Collection debited directly from their bank account on a monthly basis. Those who wish to begin Automatic Debit are asked to call the parish office at 613-547-5004. We are also able to receive etransfers through the email address stjosephskingston900@gmail.com.

OUR PARISH

The Church and Parish Office are closed until further notice. If you have an emergency, please call 613-547-5004. Leave your name, phone number and a message, and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

We assure you that our parish is carefully following the Protocol put into effect by the Archdiocese of Kingston in order to minimize the risk of infection in our liturgical practices. The Archdiocese remains vigilant and obtains information daily from local, provincial and federal health authorities, as well as other dioceses, as it constantly reviews its Protocol. For information on the measures which the Archdiocese is taking, I invite you to visit its website regularly at www.romancatholic.kingston.on.ca. There are also links for you to follow to assist you with your spiritual health: daily Mass, prayers, liturgical resources, directives from the Archbishop, etc.

If you 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, dropping donations in the parish office mailbox, which is checked daily, signing up for Automatic Debit by calling the office to request a registration form, or sending an e-transfer to stjosephskingston900@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support during these difficult times.

LIVE STREAMING MASS Good news!! St. Joseph's will be live streaming Mass on Sunday, 24 May 2020, at 11:00 a.m. Visit the parish website at www.stjosephskingston.ca and follow the link on the Home Page to join us in celebrating The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. It is our hope to do this on a weekly basis. Thanks to Rob Gilmour, John Garofalo and Rob McDonald, whose generosity and expertise permit us to do this. This is something very new to us but we are hoping all goes smoothly.

JUNIOR LITURGY With approval from Ligouri Publications, we are now posting the weekly Junior Liturgy programs, Explaining God's Word, on St. Joseph's Website, www.stjosephskingston.ca. You can print it off for a fun activity for you children.

WEEKLY HOMILY St. Joseph's clergy are submitting their weekly homilies to be posted on the parish website, www.stjosephskingston.ca. Please visit the website often for updated bulletins and information.

<u>CANCELLATIONS</u> Grade 8 Graduation Masses for St. Paul's School and St. Thomas More School have been cancelled, as well as First Communion for grade 2 students. You will be kept informed by both the parish and the schools of any plans to reschedule these celebrations.

FREE BOOKS There are a number of books that have been donated to the church, which you are free to take. Once the church is open again, you may find a few of them in the St. Joseph's Room and the remainder are in the book case in the sacristy. Please feel free to take what interests you home to read.

<u>PASTORAL CARE WORKSHOP</u> This workshop would assist parishes to start a pastoral care team, or be useful for those that already have an existing team. Please contact the parish office at 613-547-5004, if you would be interested in attending one of these workshops; and, if there is enough interest, we will go ahead and book one.

OUR COMMUNITY

PILGRIMAGE to the Shrine of St. Ann in Cormac, which traditionally would have been held on Sunday, 26 July 2020, will not be taking place during this year, 2020. Due to the presence of the COVID-19 pandemic, the parish is complying with the Diocese of Pembroke in following Directives set forth by the Canadian Catholic Conference of Bishops, in their cooperation with the civil authorities in the province of Ontario. With the state of emergency in effect in Ontario, it has been asked that all public church events be cancelled until further notice. Next year, hopefully, we will be able to continue with the annual pilgrimage.

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY The Youth Office has a resource page dedicated to outreach during this pandemic. There are prayers, videos, activity ideas, faith formation, live youth nights, and more. Visit the following website for info: www.romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/outreach

TOTUS TUUS CATHOLIC SUMMER CAMP After much consideration, the Archdiocese of Kingston Youth Office has decided to cancel this summer's Totus Tuus camps due to the continued uncertainty surrounding COVID-19. The safety of our campers and staff is always our top priority. We are hopeful that we may be able to offer some virtual camp experiences this summer. Stay tuned. All families who registered and paid for camp already will be reimbursed by cheque in the coming weeks.

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; Donna C.; Eileen Teppett; Jordyn Haunts Geddes; Erin Sullivan; Lu Raposo; Jill Jodoin; Ken Linseman; Marcus Hacault; Annie Mastorakos; Natalie Malenfant; Trudy Potvin; Kathy Macera; Marion Froats; Esau Demir.

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.

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