# St. Joseph's Catholic Church



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Rev. Mr. Robert Wojcik, Deacon In Residence: Rev. Charles Ogbuagu

### Mission Statement

Grounded in the gospel of Jesus Christ through liturgy, Eucharistic worship and outreach, St. 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.

# Liturgy Schedule

Weekend

Saturday: 5:15 p.m.

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

Weekday

Monday5:15 p.m.

Tuesday 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.
Thursday 9:00 a.m.
Friday 5:15 p.m.

**Holy Hour and Divine Mercy Prayers** 

Monday and Friday 4:00 p.m.

Sacraments

**Baptism** 

Please contact the Parish.

Confession

Monday, Friday& Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Marriage

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

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**Anointing** 

Please contact the Parish.

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (closed 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.)

## Parish Organizations

Parish Finance Committee Parish Pastoral Council Catholic Women's League

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Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers

Ministry to Sick & Homebound

Ministry to Seniors (Cards) Ministry at Extendicare

Ushers
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Culture of Life
Funeral Choir
Junior Liturgy

Sacramental Preparation

Altar Servers Youth Group

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#### Parish Schools

St. Thomas More Catholic School

Sandra Fragoso, Principal

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# October 15, 2023 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment.?"

#### Introduction

"Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life", say the psalmist, "and I shall dwell in the Lord's own house forever". So it is that we come here today as honoured guests of our heavenly Father.

#### First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10

The prophet shares his vision of a heavenly banquet to which all are invited.

#### Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

The joys of heaven outweigh whatever hardships we may be suffering now.

#### Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Not everyone chooses to accept God's invitation; indeed, some are not yet ready.

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#### PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased especially Tom McCallum; Grace Neddow.

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Marcus Hacault; Brenda Camp; Angie H.

If there are members of your family or friends who are ill or recently died, and for whom you wish prayers, please contact Susan at the parish office at 613-547-5004.

#### **OUR PARISH**

**<u>DEACON BOB AWAY</u>** Deacon Bob and Margaret-Anne are taking a much needed break from their parish duties and responsibilities. They will be away for 4 weeks.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY Hospitality Sunday will take place on Sunday October 22 after the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. masses. The gracious hosts will be the St. Thomas More Catholic School community. Please join us in the parish hall for fellowship and refreshments.



#### MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

#### Monday, 16 October

5:15 p.m. Carmela Circelli – The Family

Tuesday, 17 October

9:00 a.m. Celina Couto (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) – Grace

Vicente

### Wednesday, 18 October

9:00 a.m. Peter Franchi – Tessie Mekarski

Thursday, 19 October

9:00 a.m. Donald Quinlan – Katherine Quinlan

Friday, 20 October

5:15 p.m. Gilberto Juinta – Rolando Cecchini

Saturday, 21 October

5:15 p.m. Pat Powers – Frank & Lorraine Carter

Sunday, 22 October

9:00 a.m. Audrey Lacey & The Lacey and Potter

Families - Estate

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

To join our online Mass each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. visit www.stjosephskingston.ca.

ROSARY IN THE CEMETERY will take place on Sunday, 5 November 2023, at 2:00 p.m. We will carry on the tradition of saying the Rosary at St. Mary's Cemetery to remember the "Holy Souls." All members of the congregation, families and friends are invited to join us at the Statue of the Angel of Mercy (northwest corner of St. Mary's Cemetery) to reflect and pray for the deceased. Please use the north entrance.

## SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND

**FIRST COMMUNON** If you have a child in grade 2 who wishes to receive these Sacraments, there will be a parents' meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Parents are required to attend the meeting.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** If you have a child in grade 8 who wishes to receive this Sacrament, there will be a parents' meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Parents are required to attend the meeting.

IF YOU ARE UNALBE TO ATTEND THE MEETING DATE ABOVE there will be a meeting for parents of candidates for BOTH Sacraments on Thursday November 16, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.



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#### **Father Cosmas' Reflection**

## Responding to God's invitation



The parable of the wedding feast in today's Gospel represents God's persistent invitation to all people to join His kingdom. The initial guests who rejected the invitation represent those who refused God's offer of salvation, while the king's invitation to others highlights God's inclusive love, extending to all, regardless of their background. The guest without the

proper wedding garment serves as a reminder that mere acceptance of God's invitation is not enough. We must be spiritually prepared and live in alignment with His teachings. It's not just about being invited but also about responding with a righteous and humble heart. The parable warns against self-righteousness and complacency. The guest without the wedding garment symbolizes the danger of coming before God with a proud or unchanged heart. It's a call to humbly acknowledge our need for God's grace and transformation. In essence, Matthew 22:1-14 invites us to reflect on the nature of God's invitation, the condition of our hearts, and the importance of our response. It serves as a call to humility, preparedness, and a deep appreciation for God's abundant grace.

JUNIOR LITURGY will commence this Sunday, October 15, 2023 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The Junior Liturgy program is designed for children who are 4-8 years of age. The children are asked to sit with their parents until they are called forward by Father Cosmas. They will receive a blessing and be guided into the Parish Hall. They will return to their parents just before the Offertory. We look forward to a great year with your children and thank our volunteers for all their assistance. If you wish to be a volunteer with the Junior Liturgy Program, please contact the Parish office, at 613-547-5004.

### WELCOME BABY MAGDA THOMAS TO ST. JOE'S

A heartfelt thank you goes out to those who have responded to the invite to the baby shower in the Parish Hall on Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup>. If you have not RSVP and plan to attend or wish to inquire more about this special celebration, please contact Joan Kane at 613-542-1473 before October 22<sup>nd</sup>. God bless you for your kindness & generosity.

#### **OUR COMMUNITY**

JOURNEY NEWSLETTER The Archdiocesan newsletter Journey, the October edition is now available online. To read the latest issue visit the Archdiocesan website or <a href="https://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/journey">https://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/journey</a>

#### OPUS DEI WOMEN'S EVENING REFLECTION On

Tues. Oct 17 from 7-9pm there will be a Women's Evening Recollection at St. Joseph's Church for all interested in finding God in ordinary life according to the teachings of St. Josemaria Escriva. Learn more at <u>opusdei.ca</u> or call Irene 613-549-7421. All welcome.

**BIRTHRIGHT KINGSTON** needs someone like you! Volunteer for 2.5 hours a week, morning or afternoon, with a commitment for a year. Must be able to use a computer and lift 20lbs. Free parking. Information session: Monday, October 16 from 1:00 -3:00 p.m., 93 Queen St., Kingston. Any questions or to reserve your spot call Suzanne 613-767-7084 or the Birthright office 613-546-5433.

**ST PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH FISH FRY** Friday, **20 October, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Parish Hall (1111 Taylor-Kidd Blvd., Kingston)** Come and enjoy battered cod and fries by Mundell's, with coleslaw, dessert, and hot and cold beverages. Dine-in or takeout. Adults \$20, children 12 and under \$10. Tickets sold following weekend Masses 7/8 Oct & 14/15 Oct, and at the door. Supporting Knights of Columbus charities. For more information, call Shaun 613-634-4229

Harvest Supper (Take-Out) on Sunday, November 12; 4:00-6:00 p.m. at St. John Bosco Parish (175 Windsor Drive, Brockville) St. John Bosco Parish is pleased to announce our Harvest Supper is returning to our parish this year. This year, the Harvest Supper will be take-out ONLY. The dinner menu will be ham, scalloped potatoes, vegetables, salad, a bun, and pie, and the cost will be \$15. Tickets must be purchased in advance and will be sold at the office during the week and after Mass on the weekends.

**NEXT WEEK - 21 - 22 October, 2023** 

|  | Lectors       | Eucharistic     | Usher        |
|--|---------------|-----------------|--------------|
|  |               | Ministers       |              |
| Saturday   | M.McLaughlin  | L. Bickerstaffe | I. Stewart   |
| 21 Oct.  | H. Couto      |                 | D. Mazzolin  |
| 5:15 p.m.  |               |                 | R. Lachance  |
|  |               |                 | S. Harrigan  |
| Sunday   | C.Charbonneau | M. Marcial      | I. Stewart   |
| 22 Oct.  | B. Murray     |                 | R. Audet     |
| 9:00 a.m.  |               |                 | F. Cuvelier  |
|  |               |                 | P. Greenwood |
| Sunday   | S. Broekhoven | M. Foley        | J. McLaren   |
| 22 Oct.  | F. Levesque   |                 | F. Asuncion  |
| 11:00a.m.  |               |                 | L. Garrett   |
|  |               |                 | J. Ferreira  |
| Junior Liturgy – 9:00 a.m. Mass – S. Conway Williamson |               |                 |              |

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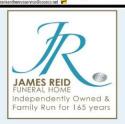
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