

# St. Joseph's Catholic Church



## Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2024

*"Peace be with you."*

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### **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**

Monday 5:15 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**

Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Mass – Registration required, 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.

#### **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.),  
Susan Lett, Parish Secretary

### **Parish Organizations**

Parish Finance Committee  
Parish Pastoral Council  
Catholic Women's League

Knights of Columbus, 11670  
Lectors  
Eucharistic Ministers  
Ministry to Sick & Homebound

Ministry to Seniors (Cards)  
Ministry at Extendingcare  
Ushers

Sacristans  
Culture of Life  
Social Justice & Outreach  
Funeral Choir  
Junior Liturgy  
Sacramental Preparation  
Altar Servers  
Youth Group  
Music Ministry

#### **Parish Schools**

St. Thomas More Catholic School  
Sandra Fragoso, Principal  
234 Norman Rogers Dr., Kingston, ON K7M 2R4  
613-542-1575

St. Paul's Catholic School  
Chantal Courneyea, Acting Principal  
266 McMahon Ave., Kingston, ON K7M 3H2  
613-542-6101

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Adora Jackson

Theresa Whalen-Witjes

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### **April 14, 2024**

#### **Introduction**

Today's Gospel shows us that Jesus sees our loveliness before he sees our brokenness. He can heal the cracks and flaws which we try to hide even from ourselves..

#### **First Reading: Acts 3:13-15; 17-19**

God glorified Jesus by raising him back to life.

#### **Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5**

True love of Jesus means listening to him and obeying his word.

#### **Gospel: Luke 24:35-48**

Jesus appears to the disciples hiding in the Upper Room and, instead of condemning their Good Friday cowardice, offer a greeting of peace.

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### **MASSES FOR THIS WEEK**

#### **Monday, 15 April**

9:00 a.m. Genevieve Vidal – Rose Griffin

#### **Tuesday, 16 April**

9:00 a.m. Patricia Fowler – Raymond Doyle

#### **Wednesday, 17 April**

9:00 a.m. Florentina Pangilinan – Eduardo & Thelma Maglunob

#### **Thursday, 18 April**

9:00 a.m. Mariette Choquette – The Family

#### **Friday, 19 April**

5:15 p.m. Intentions of Pope Francis

#### **Saturday, 20 April**

5:15 p.m. Herminio Medeiros (5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) –  
Hermano & Rosemary Couto

#### **Sunday, 21 April**

9:00 a.m. Audrey Lacey & the Potter Family

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

*To join our online Mass each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. visit [www.stjosephskingston.ca](http://www.stjosephskingston.ca).*

### **OUR PARISH**

#### **PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased.

#### **PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Please remember in your prayers the following: Marcus Hacault; Donna and Joe V.; Raymond Doyle; June Alley; Peter McEnery; Teresita Mekarski; George Balla.

*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.*

**BUILDING FUND** The monthly Building Fund collection is this weekend, April 13-14, 2024. Thank you for your support.

### **Fr. Cosmas Reflection**

#### **First Holy Communion: A Moment of Grace**

The Eucharist stands as the central sacrament in the Catholic faith, embodying the profound mystery of Christ's presence among believers.

This Sunday, 52 children of our parish are receiving their very First Holy Communion. This event is a cause of great joy for all of us at St Joseph's Church. We rejoice with these young ones and their families.

For children, receiving their First Holy Communion marks a pivotal moment in their spiritual journey. It is a sacramental milestone that signifies their initiation into the fullness of Christian life and community.

Through their participation in the Eucharist, children encounter Jesus in a tangible way, experiencing his love and presence in the simple elements of bread and wine. This encounter deepens their relationship with Christ and strengthens their connection to the wider Christian community. It instills in them a sense of belonging and identity as members of the body of Christ, called to live out their faith in service to others.

In receiving the body and blood of Christ, they are nourished and empowered to live as faithful witnesses to the gospel, spreading the message of love and redemption to all whom they encounter. The First Holy Communion is not just a one-time event but marks the beginning of a lifelong journey of faith and discipleship.

This momentous occasion has been preceded by a period of preparation, during which the children have learned about the significance of the Eucharist and its role in the life of the Church. We thank our parish Catechists and the staff of our parochial elementary schools who have journeyed with these young ones as they prepare to encounter Christ in the Eucharist.

We equally thank the parents of these children for fulfilling the promises they made at the baptism of their children to bring up in the practice of the faith. We thank them for their support and accompaniment.

**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY** will take place this Sunday, April 14, 2024 following the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Please join us in the parish hall for fellowship and to help celebrate our First Communion candidates.

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** This Sunday we welcome the children receiving First Communion to our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Please pray for those children receiving the Blessed Sacrament for the first time.

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** If someone you know would like to start altar serving, we will be having two training sessions on Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup> or Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Interested servers need to have received First Communion.

**PARTNERS IN MISSION FOOD COLLECTION** The Partners in Mission Food collection bags will be distributed April 20-21 for return on the weekend of April 27-28. Thank you for your continued support for those in need.

**VOLUNTEER'S NEEDED** We are looking for a few volunteers to help us with streaming our 11:00 a.m. Mass. If you are computer savvy, available one Sunday a month, we could use your help. Or if you are a high school student in need of volunteer hours this would be perfect for you. If you are interested, contact the Parish office.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS** The Executive meeting is on Monday, April 15 at 7pm in the Parish Hall • Donations for *Birthright* being accepted at the office or in the donation bins at each church entrance until April 30th. Monetary donations can be put into an envelope marked *CWL Birthright* and dropped into the Mass collection baskets or at the office • The CWL 10th Annual Fancy Hat Tea Party is on Saturday, May 11th this year! Members can contact Denise Irvine ([demci42@mail.com](mailto:demci42@mail.com) or 613-546-1927) to sign up to help on Friday, May 10th and on Saturday, May 11th. More details will be sent online and through our Telephone Tree. Items in excellent condition needed for the Silent Auction and doorprizes • The dinner for Our Lady of Good Counsel is Monday, April 22 after we attend the 5:15pm Mass. We will meet at The Greek Islands Restaurant on Bath Rd. Please let us know if you will be attending. This is a pay for your own meal event..

**NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE IN OTTAWA** A bus will leave Kingston for the National March for Life on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from St. Joseph's parking lot at 392 Palace Road at 7:00 am to arrive on time for Mass at St. Patrick's Basilica, 220 Kent St. at 10 am. The cost is \$25.00 per person. For more information about the March, see [www.campaignlifecoalition.com](http://www.campaignlifecoalition.com) and click on March for Life. You can reserve your seat by registering in person with Susan at St. Joseph's Parish Office Monday-Friday 8:30 am-12noon and 1:00 pm-4:30 pm OR by e-transfer at [kingstonmflbus@proton.me](mailto:kingstonmflbus@proton.me)



**ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL FISH FRY** Save the date! Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> in support of the Morgan Foundation. Tickets are \$20.00 and will be sold at St. Joseph's, before and after all the masses on the weekend of April 13-14 and April 20-21.

**NIGERIAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY MASS** Join us this Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. as the Nigerian Catholic Community from around the Archdiocese gather to celebrate Easter with a Mass at St. Joseph's Church. Potluck to follow in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

**SEEKING, FINDING, LOVING GOD IN EVERYDAY ORDINARY LIFE** All are invited to drop in for an Evening of Reflection offered by Opus Dei:

Women's Recollection - Tues. April 16 from 7-9pm St. Joseph's Church

Men's Recollection - Wed. April 17 from 7:30-9pm St. James Chapel, beside St. Mary's Cathedral  
Come discover Christ's presence in your ordinary activities.  
Learn more at [opusdei.ca](http://opusdei.ca) or call Irene 613-549-7421 for more info.

## **COMMUNITY**

**ST. RITA'S DROP-IN CENTRE** St. Mary's Cathedral Outreach to the homeless and poor of the city. 1:00-4:00 pm, Monday to Friday. Providing safety, shelter, great food, showers and good Christian hospitality and dignity. Volunteers always needed and welcome. Contact: [paty@stmaryscathedral.ca](mailto:paty@stmaryscathedral.ca)

**BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS TALK** on Sunday, May 5; 9:30 am and 1:30 p.m. at St François d'Assise Parish (512 Frontenac St, Kingston) Louise Normandeau will talk about Carlo Acutis followed by Mass at 11:00 am. The talk will be in French but we will make every effort to assist with translation if needed. For more information please contact the parish at (613) 542-2377. No registration is required. Goodwill donations and/or food bank donations will be accepted.

**SAVE THE DATE: ST. BARNABY'S 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY** Sunday, June 9; 2:00 pm St. Barnaby Parish, (5307 Hwy #15, Seeley's Bay) will be celebrating their 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on June 9, 2024. Mass will be celebrated at 2:00 pm. Following Mass, a celebration dinner will take place with music. Please tell your family members, former parishioners and friends to save the date! Further information will be coming in the months to come  
Note: No Sunday morning Mass will be celebrated on that day.

## **Schedule for the week of April 20-21, 2024**

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers
<b>Saturday 20 April 5:15 p.m.</b>	Sr. L.Kearney P. Scott	L.Bickerstaffe	I. Stewart K. Chabot S. Harrigan D. Mazzolin
<b>Sunday 21 April 9:00 a.m.</b>	J. Watts M. Marcial	M. Tudin	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier R. Audet S. Eves
<b>Sunday 21 April 11:00a.m.</b>	F. Levesque M-A. Wojcik	K. Colwell	I. Stewart F. Asuncion L. Garrett A. Parmar
Junior Liturgy: S. Fragosio			

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