

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Second Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2025

"Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray."

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 noon – 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 Extending Care
Ushers
Sacristans
Culture of Life
Parish Engagement
Social Justice & Outreach Liaison
Funeral Choir
Junior Liturgy
Sacramental Preparation
Altar Servers
Youth Group

Music Ministry
Youth Choir

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Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor

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Introduction

As we go through Lent, we would like to be transformed by our experience and yet most of us must recognize that, by Easter, we'll probably be pretty much the same as we were on Ash Wednesday.

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

God makes a covenant with Abram.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1

Jesus will "transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body".

Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

Peter, James and John witnessed the transfiguration of Jesus.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 17 March

5:15 p.m. Joanne Ellieff – Chris Jones

Tuesday, 18 March

9:00 a.m. Tom Alexandrowicz – Shirley Kelliher

Wednesday, 19 March

9:00 a.m. Intentions of all CWL Members in the
Archdiocese of Kingston – Kingston Diocesan
Executive CWL Council

Thursday, 20 March

9:00 a.m. Sheila Alarie – Pat McConville & Mike
Jordan

Friday, 21 March

5:15 p.m. Lorraine Tremblay – Stephen Ottenhof

Saturday, 22 March

5:15 p.m. Catherine Joyce (32nd Anniversary) – Carol
Kavanaugh

Sunday, 23 March

9:00 a.m. George Teves – Maria Teves
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

*Join our online Mass Sunday's at 11:00 a.m. visit
www.stjosephskingston.ca.*

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased especially Fernanda Dias.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Donna V.; Paul Dowling; Rob Hearst; Sophie Wolfe; Barbara Anne Caron; Doreen Saunders; Brian Begbie; Godfrey A.; John Devette; Richard Devette; Kent Hawley; Susan Johnson.

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.

JOURNEY Jubilee 2025 Edition is now available, visit:
<http://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/journey> to view.

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

Strength for the Journey



On this Second Sunday of Lent, the Church invites us to reflect on the mystery of the Transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor. It is a moment when Jesus reveals His divine glory to Peter, James, and John, strengthening them for the trials to come.

The Gospel tells us that as Jesus prayed, "His face changed in appearance, and His clothing became dazzling white" (Lk 9:29). This glorious transformation was not just for display; it was a confirmation that Jesus is truly the Son of God. The presence of Moses (the Law) and Elijah (the Prophets) shows that Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promises.

Before His suffering and death, Jesus gave His disciples a glimpse of His divine nature. He knew that they would soon face the horror of His Passion. The Transfiguration was meant to strengthen their faith, to remind them that beyond the Cross, there is victory.

In our lives, we also experience moments of darkness—suffering, doubts, and trials. Like the disciples, we may feel afraid or confused. But God gives us moments of light and grace to strengthen us. These may come through prayer, the Eucharist, or encounters with His love in our daily lives.

LENTEN PENANCE CELEBRATION The Lenten Penance Celebration for St. Joseph's will be held on Sunday, April 6, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. Following a brief liturgy, all will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A number of visiting clergy will be present for this celebration, and all in the parish, and indeed from outside the parish, are most welcome to attend.

"With absolution, we are reconciled to God and the Church."

OPENING IN KINGSTON ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS The Kingston St. Vincent de Paul Society helps thousands of needy Kingstonians every year. Each person is treated with compassion and respect. Its Board of Directors will have vacancies starting this summer. If you are interested, please contact Dianne Aziz at daziz5791@gmail.com by March 31.

PARTNERS IN MISSION FOOD COLLECTION Bags will be handed out next weekend, March 22-23 for return on March 29-30, 2025 for Partners in Mission Food Bank. Thank you for your continued support.

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St. Joseph's Parish Jubilee Year 2025

March – Month of the Sacrament of Penance

God is waiting for you with open arms. *"Receive the Holy Spirit.
If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven."*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS During the weeks of Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be said on Friday evenings, following the 5:15 p.m. Mass. All are warmly invited to this beautiful prayer of the Church.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE NEWS:

The Executive Meeting is Monday, March 24 at 7pm in the Parish Hall. • The intentions of the 9:00am Mass on Wednesday, March 19, are for CWL Kingston members, from the Provincial Executive. All attending members are asked to wear their CWL scarves and to sit together as a visible presence. • This year's Diocesan Retreat is on Saturday March 29 in Enterprise, Ontario. Those wishing to sign up should contact Sue Conway Williamson at 613-449-6912 or conwills59@yahoo.ca • A reminder that the Kingston Diocesan Convention *Silent Auction* is online for Saturday March 22nd from 8am to 8pm. We have donated a \$50 Indigo gift card and encourage all members to participate in the auction itself. Link information to come. • **ALL PARISHIONERS:** March is our collection month for St. Vincent de Paul Society of Kingston. The most needed items include: Toothbrushes and toothpaste; Shampoo and conditioner; Body soap (bars or liquid); Razors; Lotion; Deodorant; Women's hygiene products – tampons especially; Adult Depends – large and extra-large; and finally, Children's diapers and wipes. The full list will be on the collection boxes near each of the church entrances. Thank you for supporting this vital community resource.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE IN OTTAWA A bus will leave Kingston for the National March for Life on Thursday, May 8th, 2025, 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 \$40.00 per person. For more information about the March, see 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

COMMUNITY

CANADIAN MARTYRS SHRINE, MIDLAND (by St. Mary's Cathedral, Kingston) July 24-25, 2025 St. Mary Cathedral parish is organizing a pilgrimage to the Canadian Martyrs Shrine in Midland for July 24 – 25, 2025. Pilgrims will participate in a special evening program at St. Marie Among the Hurons on Thursday evening then spend the day at the Martyrs Shrine where Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. For further information contact Ann Lyng at ann@stmaryscathedral.ca.

TENEBRÆ (with Trinitas Youth Singers) Wednesday, April 16, 7:00 pm Holy Name of Jesus Church, Kingston Mills This solemn, ecumenical service of darkness reflects

upon the condescension of Christ through chanted Scripture and motets appropriate to the sobriety of Holy Week. Choral motets include Allegri's sublime and iconic Miserere, Orthodox chant, and works by Bach, Bruckner, Esguerra, Lotti, Rheinberger, Verdelot, and Willan. Sung by the Trinitas Singers and Trinitas Youth Singers directed by Jeffrey Moellman. Free-will offering.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS WITH ARCHBISHOP

MULHALL Wednesdays; 7:00 pm St. Mary's Cathedral We will be reflecting on the Beatitudes of St. Matthew's Gospel Chapter 5 as well as a series of Psalms of the Old Testament which we pray each day at Mass. As usual, we will also give time to the liturgical celebrations of Lent/Easter as we pass through the year. All these reflections I pray will be beneficial for us at whatever time of life or stage of our spiritual pilgrimage.

Schedule for the weekends of March 22-23, 2025

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Music
Sat. 22 Mar. 5:15pm	H. Couto C. Jones	J. Saunders L.Bickerstaffe	I. Stewart P. Scott R.Lachance D.Mazzolin	Stacy & Tim
Sun. 23 Mar. 9:00am	M. Addai J. Watts	A.MacKinnon C. Purcell	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier R. Audet M.Turkington	Theresa & Annette
Sun. 23 Mar. 11:00am	V. Onwuliri S. Boisvert	P. Rosales K. Colwell	L. Garrett B. Krasna J. McLaren I.MacKenzie	Choir

Streaming of 11:00 a.m. Mass: C. Jones

Junior Liturgy (9:00 a.m. Mass) H. Gencarelli



KNIGHTS CORNER: Our Council has been involved with and supporting Veronica's Veil since its doors first opened. For those not aware, Veronica's Veil, at 260 Brock Street, Kingston, is an Overnight Warming Centre for men, open from 9pm until 8am, staffed with generous volunteers who keep it open seven nights a week for 12 men through the cold winter months. Our Knights regularly do shifts, and we donate annually to assist. Recently, it was discovered that the cots in use were falling into disrepair. Not wasting any time, our Council gladly allocated an additional \$2000 to "The Veil" to cover the cost of the cots, which our Grand Knight also helped to source. We should all be mindful what Jesus said: whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Follow us on Facebook at St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus Council 11670, Kingston, Ontario.

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