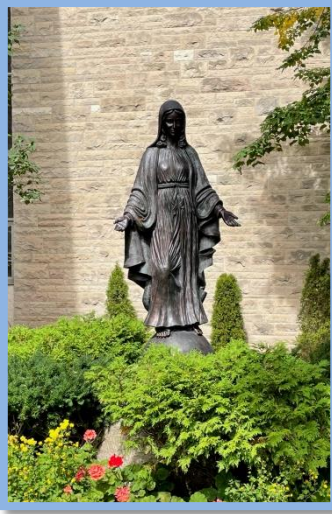


# St. Joseph's Catholic Church



## Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025

*"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."*

### 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. – 4:00 p.m.;  
(closed 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.)  
Susan Lett, Parish Secretary

### Parish Organizations

Catholic Women's League

Kathi Colwell & Susan

Knights of Columbus, 11670

Conway Williamson  
Patrick Greenwood

### Parish Ministries

Finance Committee

Rev. Cosmas Ajawara

Parish Pastoral Council

Ben Krasna

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Carol Kavanaugh

Eucharistic Ministers

Carol Kavanaugh

Ministry to Sick & Homebound

Chris Jones & Monna  
Splinter

Ministry to Seniors (Cards)

Judy Saunders

Ministry at Extending Care

Mary Clancy

Ushers

Ian Stewart

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Parish Engagement

Mary Clancy

Funeral Choir

Shirley Kelliher

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**Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor**

## **Sixth Sunday of Easter** **May 25, 2025**

### **Introduction**

The Holy Spirit, the light and life of the community of faith in Jesus, inspires the community to a growing understanding of living out our faith. The process is not without cost and conflict, personally and collectively, but we trust in the Spirit to guide us.

### **First Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29**

The early faith community is troubled by division and discord. They have no clear roadmap but must discern their way to the truth.

### **Second Reading: Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23**

The book of Revelation, written at a time of fierce persecution and division within the early Church, reassures us that whatever division and tensions there may be among the followers of Christ, his Spirit is always with us.

### **Gospel: John 14:23-29**

At the Last Supper Jesus reassures his bewildered and sorrowing disciples. He will never abandon us. We will receive the Spirit of courage and understanding, however poor our faith may seem to us.

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### **MASSES FOR THIS WEEK**

#### **Monday, 26 May**

5:15 p.m. Mary Jackson – Karen Keough

#### **Tuesday, 27 May**

9:00 a.m. Antonio Agostinelli – Maria Agostinelli

#### **Wednesday, 28 May**

9:00 a.m. Helen Noyo Owie – Margaret Owie

#### **Thursday, 29 May**

9:00 a.m. Tom Alexandrowicz – Stephen Ottenhof

#### **Friday, 30 May**

5:15 p.m. Intention of Karen Labbett – Stephen Eves

#### **Saturday, 31 May**

5:15 p.m. Claire Kelly – Edvige & Daniel Mazzolin

#### **Sunday, 1 June**

9:00 a.m. Mary Yvonne St. Pierre (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) – The Family

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

*Join our online Mass Sunday's at 11:00 a.m. visit [www.stjosephskingston.ca](http://www.stjosephskingston.ca).*

### **PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased especially Cathy Cook, Ellen Mangan, Mrs. Kathleen Bly.

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

Please remember in your prayers the following: Donna V.; Rob Hearst; Sophie Wolfe; Barbara Anne Caron; Doreen Saunders; Brian Begbie; John Devette; Richard Devette; Kent Hawley; Bruce Johnson; Chuck Scott; Anna Walsh; Joan Bryan; Larry Rochefort; Diane Foley; Margaret Kennedy.

*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.*

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** Food Bags will be collected this weekend, May 24-25, 2025. Thank you for your support.

## **Fr. Cosmas Reflection**

### **The Gift of Peace**

As we approach the great feast of Pentecost, the Church gives us a profound reminder today of Jesus' farewell words to His disciples. He speaks of love, obedience, the coming of the Holy Spirit, and most importantly, of peace.

Jesus says, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." Not the kind of peace the world gives—fragile, fleeting, dependent on circumstances—but the deep, lasting peace that comes from communion with God. It is a peace that remains even in times of suffering, uncertainty, or persecution.

For many of us, peace can seem elusive. Our hearts are often troubled—by global conflict, by family struggles, or by personal anxieties. Yet, Christ assures us that His peace is different. It's the peace that comes from knowing that we are loved, saved, and never alone.

Jesus also makes a remarkable promise: "We will come to him and make our home with him." When we love Christ and keep His word, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit come to dwell within us. This is not just poetic language—it is the real presence of God in the life of every believer, especially through the sacraments.

**SAVE THE DATE! PARISH MULTI-CULTURAL SUNDAY AND PICNIC** will be held on June 15<sup>th</sup> after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Together in Christ, United in Diversity! This weekend's bulletin has an insert with more details. This is an opportunity to gather together and celebrate each other and have some fun!

**CONFIRMATION** Next Sunday, June 1, 2025 we welcome Archbishop Michael Mulhull, as well as friends and families of our candidates receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at our 11:00 a.m. Mass. Continue to pray for our candidates during their journey of faith.

**CORPUS CHRISTI EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION** on June 22, 2025 following the 11:00 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph's Parish will have a Eucharistic Procession to close off the year of Parish Eucharistic Revival. Join our procession at the front entrance of our church. The procession will take place on the grounds of St. Joseph's.

**POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS COLLECTION** A special Diocesan collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works will be taken up this weekend, May 24-25, 2025. The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly toward aiding the victims of war, famine and natural disasters.

This week's bulletin is sponsored by:





# St. Joseph's Parish Jubilee Year 2025

## May – Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*Blessed are you, mother of my Lord, for you have believed in the word of God.*

### SEPTEMBER – MONTH OF SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

As part of our Jubilee Program for 2025, September is our month to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. We would like to celebrate 25 years, 50 years and 60 years of marriage with our parishioners. If you are a parishioner or your family member is a parishioner and they are celebrating one of these milestones in 2025, please let us know by June 23<sup>rd</sup>. There is a sign-up sheet at the main entrance if you would like to request a papal blessing.

**CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE NEWS:** The Executive meeting is on Monday, May 26 at 7pm in the Parish Hall • We thank those who were able to support our Palliative Care Day of Prayer on May 15th, and hoped you enjoyed the resources and prayers in the booklet, *The CWL of Canada: 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care*. • Our last meeting before summer break is on Monday, June 9. In lieu of a General Meeting, we will be attending the 5:15 p.m. Mass, with the Service Pins Ceremony afterwards, followed by our Potluck Supper in the Parish Hall. Don't remember what you signed up to bring? Contact Sue Conway Williamson at [conwills59@yahoo.ca](mailto:conwills59@yahoo.ca).

### PRISON MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY – DISMAS INFORMATION EVENING

Dismas Fellowship is a community of volunteers that provides a safe place once a month to provide hope, fellowship, and friendship for people returning from prison. St. Joseph's Parish, with the support of Archdiocesan staff, are investigating whether Dismas is a viable ministry opportunity for our community and invite you to an information evening on May 27, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in our Parish Hall. For further information, please contact Mary Jo by email: [religioused@archkingston.ca](mailto:religioused@archkingston.ca) or phone: 613-548-4461 ext 115. For more information on Dismas and the work they do go to: [www.dismasfellowshipnetwork.com](http://www.dismasfellowshipnetwork.com).

### INFORMATION MEETING FOR JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Are you looking for more information on this wonderful opportunity to help you make a decision on whether you should hop on a plan to Rome, join us on Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Jubilee Pilgrimage to Italy is under the spiritual leadership of Fr. Cosmas Ajawara from November 6-14, 2025. Flyers are available at the entrances of the Church.

### ST. THOMAS MORE ANNUAL MIKE MUNDELL FISH FRY

on Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. St. Thomas More will be hosting their annual fish fry in school gym, eat in or take out. Tickets: \$20 for 2 pieces of fish, a side and a drink. A fundraiser by 7/8 students in support of the Morgan Foundation [morganfoundation.ca/sttm/](http://morganfoundation.ca/sttm/) Tickets are available the entrances of the church this weekend.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT REFLECTIONS FROM ARCHBISHOP MULHALL

All are welcome to join our Wednesday 7:00 p.m. spiritual reflections in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's Cathedral. We will reflect on the Beatitudes from St. Matthew's Gospel (Chapter 5) and select Psalms from the Old Testament, which we pray at Mass daily.

### BLESSED SACRAMENT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GARAGE SALE & CWL BAKE SALE

Please join us for our annual Garage & Bake Sale on Saturday, May 31st from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. Address: 3 Briscoe Street, Amherstview. Cash sales only.

**PILGRIMAGE TO MIDLAND** 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](mailto:ann@stmaryscathedral.ca).

### Schedule for the weekends of May 31- June 1, 2025

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Music
<b>Sat. 31 May 5:15pm</b>	Sr. N. Hurren M. MacVicar	M. Thomas J. Saunders	I. Stewart D. Mazzolin R. Lachance P. Scott	Stacy & Tim
<b>Sun. 1 June 9:00am</b>	D. Balemba S. Balemba	M. Tudin A. MacKinnon	I. Stewart M. Turkington M-L. Stevenson S. Fiorentino	Megan
<b>Sun. 1 June 11:00am</b>	Confirmation Candidates	K. Colwell B. McIver	I. Stewart F. Asuncion J. Ferreira L. Garrett J. McLaren	Choir

**Streaming of 11:00 a.m. Mass: A. Lett**

**Junior Liturgy (9:00 a.m. Mass) – No children's liturgy**



**KNIGHTS CORNER:** One of the most enjoyable endeavours for your Knights of Columbus Council is support to Catholic education and schools. Given our Council 'catchment' areas, we incorporate the area which surrounds Regiopolis Notre Dame Catholic High School, St. Thomas More and St. Paul's Catholic Schools. Our Knights take great pleasure in associating with these fine academic institutions, and supporting them with events such as the KofC Basketball Free Throw Championships, the KofC Soccer Challenge, and we're hoping to add a hockey shooting challenge in the coming year. Further, we're proud to annually fund and support the Gus Fraser Bursary which is given out each June at RND, and show up with our mobile BBQ each spring and fall at St. Thomas More and St. Paul's for their start of year and end of year BBQs enjoyed by students, staff and parents alike. Think about this for a moment: a Catholic men's fraternal organization, right here in St. Joseph's, that supports physically active pursuits in schools in the spirit of friendly competition and achievement, hands out post secondary bursaries every summer, and helps the kids have fun at the start and end of the school year. If you're a Catholic man over 18 and reading this, and aren't a Knight on our Council, there's only one question: Why not? Join us today!



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