

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 13, 2025

*"A Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and
when he saw him, he had compassion."*

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 Summer Hours as of July 2:

Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.;
(closed 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.)
Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Susan Lett, Parish Secretary

Parish Organizations

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Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor

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Introduction

Today's Gospel story of the Good Samaritan reminds us, to pray for seafarers and their families and also those who serve through the Coast Guard, lifeboat crews, helicopter rescue service and first responders who sometimes risk their own lives to save others.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

God's word is very close to us – in our mouth and heart – so that we can put it into practice.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus is the image of God and the firstborn of all creation.

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

When Jesus was asked what the most important commandment is, he told the story of the Good Samaritan.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 14 July

5:15 p.m. Clair & Wilma Kearns

Tuesday, 15 July

9:00 a.m. Walter & Anna Speagle – The Family

Wednesday, 16 July

9:00 a.m. Peter Goudreau

Thursday, 17 July

9:00 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving – Ash Richard

Friday, 18 July

5:15 p.m. Enid Rabb – Stephen Ottenhof

Saturday, 19 July

5:15 p.m. Antonio Almeida – The Family

Sunday, 20 July

9:00 a.m. Lenore & Paul Majoros – Gerry & Bev Majoros

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

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

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

You are asked to remember in prayer those recently deceased especially Carolyn Sullivan, Don McNamee.

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; Richard Devette; Kent Hawley; Bruce Johnson; Chuck Scott; Joan Bryan; Larry Rochefort; Margaret Kennedy; Carol McKeown.

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.

CHILDREN'S BULLETIN Bulletin activity sheets for children can be found at the main entrance each weekend during the summer. Please take one!

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

Go and Do Likewise

Today's Gospel presents one of the most powerful and familiar parables of Jesus—the story of the Good Samaritan. It begins with a lawyer asking Jesus a profound question: “What must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus turns the question back to him, pointing to the law: “Love the Lord your God... and your neighbor as yourself.” But the lawyer, seeking clarification—or perhaps justification—asks, “And who is my neighbor?”

In response, Jesus tells a story that stretches the limits of love and challenges the boundaries of compassion. A man is left half-dead on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. Two religious men—a priest and a Levite—pass him by. But a Samaritan, considered an outsider and enemy by the Jews, stops, cares for the man, tends his wounds, and pays for his recovery.

Jesus redefines the word "neighbor". It's not limited to those who look like us, think like us, or worship like us. In fact, it is the Samaritan—the one least expected—who fulfills God's law of love. The message is clear: Our neighbor is anyone in need, regardless of boundaries. Love has no borders. True faith is not measured by rituals, but by mercy. As we leave the church today, let us ask: Who is lying wounded on the roadside near me? In my family? In my workplace? In my parish or neighborhood?

May we not be like the priest or the Levite who saw and passed by, but like the Samaritan who saw and stopped. Let our faith come alive in action. Let love become our legacy.

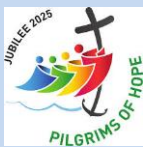
THE HOLY FAMILY As part of our celebrations for the Jubilee year, we have established a Holy Family Shrine in our church using the existing St. Joseph and the Blessed Virgin statues. A new St. Joseph's statue and shrine will be blessed on Sunday, July 13, 2025 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

BUILDING FUND The monthly collection of the Building Fund will take place this weekend, July 12-13, 2025. Thank you for your continued support.

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 visit the parish office to complete the necessary paperwork or pick up a form at the welcoming desk at the main entrance of the church.

This week's bulletin is sponsored by:





St. Joseph's Parish Jubilee Year 2025

July – Rediscovering the Sacred Heart Devotion

The Sacred Heart of Jesus is a profound symbol of Christ's unfathomable love, mercy, and compassion for humanity. It is a devotion that calls us to respond to His love with faith, reparation, and deeper union with His divine heart.

AN INVITATION TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY *Jubilee Year of Hope / September- Month of the Sacrament of Marriage*

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we joyfully celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope, our parish is offering a special opportunity for couples who are civilly married, living together, or not yet wedded in the Church to receive the beautiful Sacrament of Matrimony.

This Jubilee is a time of renewal, reconciliation, and grace—a moment to open wide the doors of faith and step into deeper communion with God and the Church. If you or someone you know has not yet received the Sacrament of Matrimony, we warmly invite you to come forward.

Receiving the Sacrament brings not only a Church blessing, but the grace of God to strengthen your love, family life, and vocation.

The celebration of the Sacrament will be offered at no cost to the couples as part of our jubilee Year of Hope outreach.

Let this Year of Hope be the year you say “yes” to God’s full plan for your marriage!

For More Information or to Register:

Please contact the parish office or speak with Fr. Cosmas after Mass.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS WITH ARCHBISHOP MULHALL Wednesdays; 7:00 pm; 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. Our reflections will also highlight the liturgical celebrations of Lent and Easter. These reflections are ongoing, so you can join at any time without missing key points. Think of them as a continuous journey of reflection, offering spiritual growth at any stage of life. May these reflections bring grace, strength, and consolation to us all as we progress in our faith. (**July 23 - The Archbishop is unavailable**)

COMMUNITY

DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION By your Baptism, you're personally called to help renew the Church. Your impact deepens as you live a supernatural life united with Jesus and rooted in His love. If you're feeling called to grow as a disciple, the **Encounter School of Ministry (ESM)** is for you! **Summer Intensive:** Want a preview of the ESM experience? Join us **August 11–14** at St. Paul the Apostle Parish from **6:15–9:30 PM** each night! **Learn more & register:** encounterschool.org/Kingston

ST. RITA'S DROP-IN CENTRE Monday–Friday, 1:00–3:30 PM St. Mary's Cathedral Outreach to the homeless and poor of the city. Providing safety, great food, showers, and good Christian hospitality and dignity. Inquiries: paty@stmaryscathedral.ca

125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH (690 Hwy 15, Lombardy) Sunday, August 10, 2025 - Anniversary Mass at 1:00 PM Presided by Archbishop Michael Mulhall. Outdoor Reception with lunch & fellowship: **2:00–3:00 PM.** All are welcome — long-time members, former parishioners, summer visitors, and friends of the parish! Let's give thanks for 125 years of blessings and look to the future with faith and joy.

Contact: stfrancisdesales@archkingston.ca

Schedule for the weekends of July 19-20, 2025

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers
Sat. 19 July 5:15pm	H. Couto Sr. N. Hurren	Sr. L. Kearney M. Thomas	I. Stewart D. Mazzolin R. Lachance A. Kelly
Sun. 20 July 9:00am	M. Addai M. Castro	D. Balemba S. Balemba	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier R. Audet D. Khoueiry
Sun. 20 July 11:00am	B. Ows V. Onwuliri	B. Oliveira T. Donoghue	J. McLaren F. Levesque J. Ferreira F. Asuncion
Streaming of 5:15 p.m. Mass: D. Eardley			
No Junior Liturgy during the summer			
Our Musicians are off for the summer break			



KNIGHTS CORNER: Your Knights of Columbus Council will be having an Exemplification Ceremony on 18th July, following the 5:15 pm Mass, led by Br. David Cupido. What is an Exemplification Ceremony?

Simply a brief religious ceremony whereby the candidate and his family are introduced formally to what it is to become a Knight. It is open to the public and the candidate's family is strongly encouraged to attend. All St. Joseph's parishioners are welcome to attend as well. We will ideally be having 6-8 Knights join our Council and we're very pleased that our efforts, charitable works and deeds have brought more into the fold. There is still time, if you want to be a Knight, to apply now and be included on the 18th – ask any Knight!



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