

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 18, 2026

“Give... to God the things that are God’s.”

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 and Baptism preparation class 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

Catholic Women's League

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Chris Jones & Monna

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Ministry to Seniors (Cards)

Judy Saunders

Ministry at Extencicare

Mary Clancy

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Culture of Life

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Parish Engagement

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Funeral Choir

Shirley Kelliher

Junior Liturgy

Kelly Canning

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Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor

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Introduction

We are made in the image and likeness of God. The Lord has chosen us to share the good news of his kingdom through what we say and what we do.

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1,4-6

The Lord chooses Cyrus, a pagan, to do his work.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

St. Paul begins his letter with thanks to God for the community to whom he is writing.

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees try to trap Jesus with a trick question.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 19 October

5:15 p.m. Donald Quinlan – Katherine Quinlan

Tuesday, 20 October

9:00 a.m. Angus Grant – Marguerite Grant & Family

Wednesday, 21 October

9:00 a.m. Rodney King – Kevin & Dorothy
Mulrooney

Thursday, 22 October

9:00 a.m. Enid Pamela Classen – James Classen

Friday, 23 October

5:15 p.m. Sharon Dennis – Alison Bogle

Saturday, 24 October

5:15 p.m. Kenneth Mills (4th Anniversary) – The
Family

Sunday, 25 October

9:00 a.m. Manuel Valente – Matilde Valente
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

*Join our online Mass on 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.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL Please remember in your prayers the following: Donna V.; Rob Hurst; Brian Begbie; Kent Hawley; Bruce Johnson; Mel Kane; Gerry Koster; Raymond Doyle; Tanya Bhudu; Tina Phillips; Patricia Sullivan.

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.

THANK YOU! Thank you to our Hospitality Ministry volunteers and anyone pitched in to help with last weekend's Hospitality Sunday. If you are interested in volunteering in our Hospitality Ministry contact the Parish office. Thank you to Connie for decorating the Altar for Thanksgiving, it was beautiful.

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

Give to God what Belongs to God

In today's Gospel, some people come to Jesus with a question intended to trap him: "Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?"

They are not really looking for an answer. They want to put Jesus in a difficult situation. If he says yes, some people will accuse him of supporting the Roman government. If he says no, the authorities may accuse him of rebellion.

But Jesus sees through their intentions. He asks them to show him the coin used to pay the tax. Then he asks, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They answer, "Caesar's." Jesus responds, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

Jesus is teaching us something important: We have responsibilities in this world, but our ultimate allegiance belongs to God.

First, we must be responsible citizens.

As Christians, we cannot use our faith as an excuse to neglect our responsibilities. We must obey just laws, pay our taxes honestly, respect others, care for our communities, and contribute to the common good.

Sometimes, people want the benefits of society without accepting their responsibilities. We want good roads, hospitals, schools, and public services, but we may be unwilling to contribute our fair share. We want honest leaders, but are we honest in our own dealings? We complain about corruption in government, but do we sometimes practise dishonesty in our workplaces, businesses, or personal lives?

The Christian faith calls us to live with integrity. We cannot demand honesty from others while excusing dishonesty in ourselves.

FR. COSMAS WILL BE AWAY FROM OCTOBER 20–26 Father Cosmas will be at the Vatican from October 20 to 26 to participate in meetings related to his recent appointment by the Vatican as a Collaborator and Mission Animator for the Vatican's Church of the Sheaves initiative, which focuses on equipping the clergy and the faithful throughout the world for mission and fostering an exchange of missionary gifts among local Churches. During his absence, we welcome Father Tim Shea and thank him for his generous assistance in covering the Masses. Please Note: On Monday, October 26, there will be no Benediction. Confessions will be heard from 4:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION / FIRST HOLY COMMUNION is now open, visit our website to register. Information is also available at our entrances.

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LIVING AND DYING WITH REAL HOPE AND TRUE DIGNITY IN CHRIST

Join us for our series Living and Dying with Real Hope and True Dignity in Christ presented in the month of November. We welcome a number of presenters and panelists. Session 1: Spiritual aspects of death and dying – November 5; Session 2: Practical consideration of the end of life – November 12; Session 3: Pastoral care for the dying and those who love them – November 19. **Session 1 and Session 3 are in the evening at 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Session 2 is at 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.** Mark your calendars and watch our bulletin in October for further information on our sessions.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

During October, this month of Thanksgiving and Gratitude for our home, the planet earth, and all of its inhabitants, let each of us focus on our role of being a good Steward of All Creation. Pope Francis' Prayer for the Earth at the end of 'Laudato Si' is a gift for us to live by: "Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as sisters and brothers, harming no one. O God of the Poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes." CWL members, let us together take up this challenge to care for all in the world around us, allow all to thrive and show that we can make a difference by "Creating Hope through Action!"

LECTOR AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Are you interested in becoming a Lector or Eucharistic Minister at weekend Masses? Are you a Lector or Eucharistic Minister and would like some practice and guidance? Come to a practice session, Sunday November 8 or December 6, between the 9am and 11am Masses (ie 10:15 – 10:45 am). You will have an opportunity to review best practices, and also practice entrance procession and recession, ascending to the altar, reading scripture, welcome, and prayers of the Faithful at the lectern using the microphone, also retrieving the Eucharist, preparing and best practices when giving the Eucharist. Limited spaces, contact Carol Kavanaugh carol@kavanaugh.ca if you'd like to participate and/or observe!

CHANGE IN MASS TIME FOR NOVEMBER 3 There will be no 9:00 a.m. Mass on November 3. Please join us to celebrate the retired priests' of our Archdiocese for Mass at 11:00 a.m.

COMMUNITY

GIVE GOD PERMISSION FILM SCREENING & FUNDRAISER On October 23, 2026 at 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM at St. Mary's Parish Hall join us for an evening that will consist of a screening of *Give God Permission*, followed by a seminarian's personal vocation testimony and a question-and-answer session. The primary goal of this event is to increase awareness of the Companions of the Cross, foster vocations, and build connections with supporters throughout the Archdiocese of Kingston. Admission will be free to all participants. The Companions of the Cross will provide snacks, soft drinks, and juice for attendees. While there will be no admission charge, we would like to request permission

to invite attendees to make a free-will donation following the screening to support the mission and seminarian formation efforts of the Companions of the Cross. We would be grateful for the opportunity.

DISCOVER ORDINARY LIFE AS YOUR PATH TO HOLINESS

Evenings of Reflection at St. Joseph's Church. Open to all interested. Offered by members of Opus Dei (opusdei.org) Come and go as you desire.

For Women: Tuesday, October 20 from 7-9pm

For Men: Wednesday, October 21 from 7-9pm

For more info call [613-549-7421](tel:613-549-7421).

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. 1:00-3:30 pm, Monday to Friday. Providing safety, great food, showers, and good Christian hospitality and dignity. Inquiries: paty@stmaryscathedral.ca

SPIRITUALITY, RELIGION AND PSYCHOTHERAPY; LEARNING FROM JESUS

Anne Hanley will lead a presentation on, "Spirituality, Religion and Psychotherapy; learning from Jesus." The role of religion and spirituality in psychotherapy has received growing attention in the last two decades, with a focus on understanding the ways that religion and spirituality relate to our "wellness". Join us at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall in **Amherstview** Wednesday, **October 28th at 7 pm..** All are welcome. Light refreshments. Sponsored by The CWL. NO need to register.

Schedule for the weekends of October 24-25, 2026

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Music
Sat. 24 Oct 5:15pm	N. Torres J. Saunders	P. Rosales D. Lomboy	I. Stewart D. Mazzolin R. Lachance P. Scott	Stacy & Tim
Sun. 25 Oct 9:00am	P. Evaristo M. Castro	M. Tudin A. MacKinnon	I. Stewart F. Cuvelier J. Agero P. Oliquano	Youth Choir & Sheila
Sun. 25 Oct 11:00am	D. Naimool C. Kavanaugh	T. Donoghue B. Oliveira	D. Fernandes F. Asuncion B. Krasna J. Ferreira	Choir
Streaming: J. McDonald				
Junior Liturgy: H. Gencarelli				



KNIGHTS CORNER Not all of the work of the Knights is visible. For instance, at Council 11670, we maintain a prayer list for people who are ill, grieving, facing difficulties, or otherwise in need of prayer. This weekend, St. Paul tells the Thessalonians, "We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers." It is a simple reminder that service is not only measured in volunteer hours, projects, or dollars donated. Sometimes the most important thing we can offer another person is prayer. We invite everyone to remember those in need in their own prayers this week. Catholic men seeking prayer, fraternity, charity, and service are warmly invited to join us. Vivat Jesus!

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