St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 25, 2026

"Which is the greatest commandment of the Law?"

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	Kathi Colwell & Susan Conway Williamson
Knights of Columbus, 11670	Patrick Greenwood

Parish Ministries

Finance Committee	Rev. Cosmas Ajawara
Parish Pastoral Council	Ben Krasna
Lectors	Carol Kavanaugh
Eucharistic Ministers	Carol Kavanaugh
Ministry to Sick & Homebound	Chris Jones & Monna Splinter
Ministry to Seniors (Cards)	Judy Saunders
Ministry at Extendicare	Mary Clancy
Ushers	Ian Stewart
Culture of Life	Ben Krasna
Parish Engagement	Mary Clancy
Funeral Choir	Shirley Kelliher
Junior Liturgy	Kelly Canning
Sacramental Preparation	
Altar Servers	Kelly Canning
Music Ministry	Theresa Whalen-Witjes
Youth Choir	Sheila Fowler

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Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor

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Introduction
What a difference it would make in the world if all Christians were faithful to their baptismal calling. Let us pray today that our lives may give witness to the new world that Jesus came to establish, the kingdom of God.

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26
The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10
The Thessalonians are the great example to all believers.

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40
The greatest commandment of the Law.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 26 October
5:15 p.m. Mass of Thanksgiving – Rowena & Michael Strong

Tuesday, 27 October
9:00 a.m. Vico & Maide Rossit – Edvige Mazzolin

Wednesday, 28 October
9:00 a.m. Carlos Siasat – Lolita Quintana

Thursday, 29 October
9:00 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving for Rowena & Michael Strong

Friday, 30 October
5:15 p.m. Larry Rochefort – Rosemary & Hermano Couto

Saturday, 31 October
5:15 p.m. Maria Veenendaal – Ann Mueller

Sunday, 1 November
9:00 a.m. Mario Castro – Judite Castro
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 especially Elizabeth Gutelius; James Classen.

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.

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

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

Love your neighbor as yourself

Jesus said, 'You must love your neighbor as yourself.' Only when we accept ourselves as fundamentally good, and begin to love ourselves, will we be able to start loving other people as the Lord commanded.

Unless we love ourselves we cannot love others properly. So to begin with we must love ourselves. But if we love ourselves in the wrong way, then we become incapable of loving anyone else. Few love themselves in such a way as to be able to love others properly.

There is an idea that love of self is wrong, even sinful. There is, of course, a form of self-love which is wrong. We call it selfishness or egoism. But there is a form of self-love which is healthy and good, and without which we cannot really love others.

You can't fly without wings. You can't grow without roots. We can't offer warmth to others if our own fireplace is cold and empty. We can only love with the amount of love that is in us. Whether we are conscious of it or not, we do love others precisely as we love ourselves.

It's very important, then, to have a healthy love and respect for ourselves. This is where love starts, but of course it is not meant to end there. All true love of self overflows in the form of love of others and of God.

It's easy to love certain people because they are loveable. But not so easy to love others, who are clearly and obviously flawed. But that is the real test of love. Where there is no love, sow love, and you will reap love. Where there is no love, put love, and you will find love.

Reflection – New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies by Flor McCarthy, SDB

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. We would also like to thank Father John Hibbard for helping on Monday and Tuesday. 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.

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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* Our Executive Meeting is Monday, October 26th at 6:30pm in the Parish Family Hall • **The CWL Election nominations for the term of 2027-2029 are coming up.** Stay tuned for more information.

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!

VOTIVE CANDLE PRICE INCREASE The price of candles have increased per case from our distributor. To cover our cost, votive candles will increase to $4.00 each.

PARKING LOT Additional handicap parking spots have been added on the west side of the parking lot. Please park within the lines. Thank you.

THANK YOU! A special thank you to all musicians at St. Joseph's, our organist and music director Theresa and our Sunday choir, to Annette, to Tim and Stacy, to Megan, Sheila and our Youth choir, to Shirley and the Funeral Choir. Thank you for sharing your talents and your beautiful music!

COMMUNITY

HOLY CROSS BAKESALE Students and staff from Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School will be selling baked goods following the Masses on the weekend of November 14th and 15th in support of their upcoming Jamaica Mission Trip. All proceeds will directly support the charitable organizations they will be working with in Jamaica, including schools, homes for the elderly, and the construction of a house for a family in need. Stop by the Parish Family Hall after Mass for some wonderful treats. Thank you for your generous support!

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

COAT DRIVE Looking for a way to help those struggling? With the colder weather approaching and the increasing number of homeless in our community St. Rita's Drop-In Center at St. Mary's Cathedral is collecting winter coats, boots, scarves, hats, toques, gloves, mitts, or backpacks. Donations can be dropped off at the Drop-In Center on Brock Street Monday to Friday between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Pick up can be arranged by calling St. Mary's Cathedral..

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 Oct 31-Nov 1, 2026

	Lectors	**Eucharistic Ministers**	**Ushers**	**Music**
Sat. 31 Oct 5:15pm	Sr.N.Hurren C. Jones	J. Saunders M. Marcial	I. Stewart C. Bieber S. Harrigan R.Lachance	Stacy & Theresa
Sun. 1 Nov 9:00am	Mary Tudin A. Upton	L. Orellano C. Purcell	I. Stewart M.Turkington R. Audet F. Cuvelier	Megan
Sun. 1 Nov 11:00am	B. Ows B. McIver	K. Colwell S. Boisvert	J. McLaren B. Krasna D.Fernandes F. Levesque	Choir
Streaming: S. Fragoso				
Junior Liturgy: T. Castro				

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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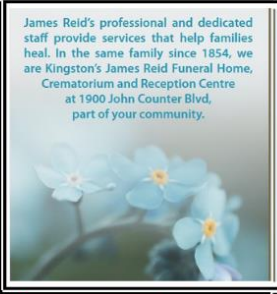
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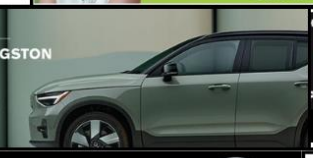


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