

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 2026

"The kingdom of God will be taken from you."

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

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Rev. Cosmas Ajawara

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Ministry to Seniors (Cards)

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Culture of Life

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Mary Clancy

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Junior Liturgy

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Rev. Cosmas Ajawara, Pastor

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Introduction

The Lord tells a story about a vineyard. It is a story of the world and of power struggles. The Lord invites us to faithfulness.

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

God's people, the Lord's own vineyard, prove unfaithful.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

Paul urges us to preserve in goodness all our days.

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus confronts his enemies with their murderous intentions.

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 5 October

5:15 p.m. Jose Madrigal – Rowena & Michael Strong

Tuesday, 6 October

9:00 a.m. Felice Giacomello – The Family

Wednesday, 7 October

9:00 a.m. Teresita Hornilla – Marietta Marcial

Thursday, 8 October

9:00 a.m. Johanna & John Klaassen – Kathi
(Klaassen) Colwell

Friday, 9 October

5:15 p.m. Aurora Knickle – Wayne & Lola Hulton

Saturday, 10 October

5:15 p.m. Intention of Ben Krasna on his birthday –
the Krasna Family

Sunday, 11 October

9:00 a.m. Theresa Murphy – Brenda Murphy

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; Jerry Sambirsky; 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! Those of you who have visited the Parish Family Hall over the last couple of weeks would have noticed the addition of sound panels on the upper wall on the north side. This will improve the echo and noise when we have larger gatherings. A special thank you to two members of our Parish Knights of Columbus who have donated the materials, and their time to install the panels. Thank you!

Fr. Cosmas Reflection

What am I Producing with what I have Received?"

Today's readings give us a very simple but challenging message: God has entrusted something precious to us, and He expects us to produce fruit with it.

In the first reading, Isaiah gives us the image of a vineyard. The owner carefully prepares the vineyard. He clears the land, plants the finest vines, builds a protective hedge around it, and does everything necessary for it to produce good grapes. But when harvest time comes, the vineyard produces wild grapes.

Jesus uses the same image in the Gospel. A landowner plants a vineyard, puts everything in place, and then entrusts it to tenants. When the time comes to collect the harvest, the tenants refuse to give him what belongs to him. They even reject and kill the servants sent by the owner, and finally kill his son.

The message is clear: God has entrusted His vineyard to us.

The vineyard can be our life, our family, our marriage, our priesthood, our parish, our vocation, our talents, our faith, our relationships, and even the opportunities God gives us every day. None of these things ultimately belongs to us. They are gifts entrusted to us.

The important question, therefore, is not simply, "What have I received?" but "What am I producing with what I have received?"

Let us ask God for the grace to become fruitful Christians—not merely people who receive, but people who give; not merely people who belong to the Church, but people who build the Church; not merely people who ask God for blessings, but people through whom God's blessings reach others.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY Join us on October 11 after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. masses for Hospitality Sunday in our Parish Family Hall. All are welcome!

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

ROSARY RALLY FOR CANADA will be held before the statue of Mary on the east side of St. Joseph's Church on Saturday October 10th, 2026 at NOON.

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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. All sessions are in the evening at 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Mark your calendars and watch our bulletin in October for further information on our sessions.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Sunday October 4th – Immediately following the 11:00am Mass, CWL members are encouraged to attend the Parish Chain of Life Event in the west parking lot, where we will pray silently for one hour for the "Sanctity of Life - From Conception until Natural Death." • **Our General Meeting is the 1st Monday in October on the 5th**, at 7pm in the Parish Family Hall, as Thanksgiving Monday falls on our usual 2nd Monday of the month. The guest Speakers are presenting on the CWL National 2026 Convention they attended in Halifax NS. • Our October Poster boards are all about "The Mass" this month and all parishioners are encouraged to check them out, not just our members.

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH LIFE CHAIN will take place for one hour after the 11am Mass this Sunday Oct. 4th, followed by a potluck picnic social on the lawn. You are invited to be a part of an important pro-life witness. At this location and hundreds of others across North America, we will form a "Life Chain," and pray silently for the hour. Everyone is welcome to peacefully, publicly, and safely call upon our community to protect human life from conception to natural death. Let's advocate for the innocent; as Christ Himself reminds us, "Whatever you do to the least of these, you do to me" (Mt 25:40).

LIFE CHAIN-OPENING PRAYER

Dear Father in Heaven,
We thank you today for the gift of life. Every human being at every stage of development is created in your image and likeness, made "a little less than the angels" and "crowned...with glory and honour"(Psalm 8:5). In our country and around the world, this great gift is being thrown away. We pray in repentance for the sin of abortion. We ask you to convert the workers involved in abortion and to heal those who have suffered the trauma of abortion. And we beg you to spare all abortion-bound moms and babies in special need of your love and mercy this day. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

COMMUNITY

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

HARVEST MINI BAZAAR – ST. PATRICK'S NAPANEE Saturday, October 17th, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. –

12:00 Noon St. Patrick's Church Hall, 179 West St., Napanee Thomas St. Entrance Morning Coffee & Sweet Treats – \$5.00/person. Homemade Pies, Butter Tarts, Squares, Cookies, Breads, Muffins & More! Grocery Hampers Silent Auction Grand Draw Tickets Grand Draw at 12:00 Noon; Euchre: **6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall – \$5.00/person.**

A SILENT PEACE VIGIL In a time marked by violence, division, and conflict, many people are asking how they can respond in a meaningful way. The Sisters of Providence and Providence Associates invite you to join them for a silent, prayerful vigil in solidarity with all those affected by violence. **In front of Kingston City Hall, Ontario Street Every Monday 12 noon – 12:30 pm.** Together, these intentions are lifted to the Divine Light that permeates the universe as we pray and work for peace—for our world and for future generations.

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 10-11, 2026

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Music
Sat. 10 Oct 5:15pm	C. Jones N. Torres	D. Lomboy P. Rosales	I. Stewart C. Bieber A. Kelly R.Lachance	Stacy & Theresa
Sun. 11 Oct 9:00am	J. Watts M. Addai	M. Marcial M. Tudin	I. Stewart M.Turkington R. Audet F. Cuvelier	Annette
Sun. 11 Oct 11:00am	J.McDonald R.McDonald	T.Donoghue F. Levesque	J. McLaren F. Asuncion D.Fernandes J. Ferreira	Choir
Streaming: R. McDonald				
Junior Liturgy: No Junior Liturgy				



KNIGHTS CORNER One of the things a new Knight receives when joining the Knights of Columbus is a rosary. During the Exemplification ceremony, each new member receives one and is encouraged to carry it and pray it often. That small gift says something important about who we are. The Knights may be well known for charitable donations, community projects, and lending a hand around the parish, but our work is meant to begin with faith and prayer. As October begins, a month traditionally associated with the Holy Rosary, it is a good reminder for all of us to make time for prayer amid the busyness of everyday life. Catholic men seeking faith, fraternity, and a practical way to serve are warmly invited to join us. Vivat Jesus!

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