

Saint John Bosco Parish



WELCOME to St. John Bosco Parish!

We are happy to have you with us and would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our visitors today. If you are staying with us, please consider filling out a registration form found in the church atrium and submit it to our church office. Want to become actively involved in this wonderful parish? View our website or contact our church office to find out more information about the various programs and ministries we have in our parish. **We encourage your active participation!**

Parish Priest: **Fr. Jacob Chelamootil**

Custodian: Rick Fraser

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**MASS : Saturday at 5:15pm and Sunday at 9:30am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 9:00am**

Baptism: By appointment with the parish priest

First Communion, Confirmation, Communion for the infirmed, and the Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the parish office.

Marriage: Contact the parish priest at least six (6) months before the proposed date of marriage.

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Office during the week.

Mission Statement

St. John Bosco Parish is a faith community united to the Body of Christ by the common bond of Baptism and rooted in the Roman Catholic tradition. We gather for celebrating the Eucharist and all other Sacraments, fellowship, and our gifts. We proclaim the Gospel in ministry and in community.



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Office Hours

Monday- Friday: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE: The three readings today speak of the expansive and universal nature of the “Kingdom of God,” in contrast with the theory that salvation was to be offered first to the Jews and then, through them **alone**, to the rest of the world. Although God set the Hebrew people apart as His chosen race, He included all nations in His plan for salvation and blessed all the families of the earth in Abraham (Gn 12:1-3). By declaring through the prophet Isaiah (first reading), “*My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples*,” God reveals the truth that in His eyes there is no distinction among human beings on the basis of race, caste, or color. The long-expected Messianic kingdom was intended not only for the Jews but for all nations as well. Today’s **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps 67) rejects all types of religious exclusivity: “*Let all the peoples praise You, O God; ...For You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon the earth, so that Your saving power may be known among all the nations.*” In the **second reading**, Paul explains that, although the Jews were the chosen people, many of them rejected Jesus as the promised Messiah, and, consequently, God turned to the Gentiles who received mercy through their Faith in Jesus. In the **Gospel** story, Jesus demonstrates that salvation was meant for the Gentiles as well as for the Jews by healing the daughter of a Gentile woman as a reward for her strong Faith. Thus, Jesus shows us that God’s mercy and love are available to all who call out to Him in Faith. **Life messages:** **We need to persist in prayer with trustful confidence.** Although the essential parts of prayer are adoration and thanksgiving, the prayer of petition, like the prayer of contrition, plays a big part in our daily lives. Christ himself has told us to ask him for these needs: “*Ask and you shall receive.*” Asking with fervor and perseverance proves that we have the “great Faith” we need to receive what Christ wants to grant us in response to our requests. We must realize, and remember, that we do not always get exactly what we ask for. Rather, God gives us what He knows we really need, what He wants us to have, and what is really best for us. As Christians, we also know that our particular request may not always be for our good, or for the final good of the person for whom we are praying. But if the prayer is sincere and persevering, we will always get an answer — one which is better than what we asked for. **We need to pull down our walls of separation and share in the universality of God’s love:** Very often we set up walls which separate us from God and from one another. Today’s Gospel reminds us that God’s love and mercy are extended to all who call on Him in Faith and trust, no matter who they are. In other words, God’s care extends beyond the bounds of race and nation to the hearts of all who live, and God’s House should become a House of Prayer for all peoples. It is therefore fitting that we should pray and work sincerely so that the walls which our pride, intolerance, fear, and prejudice have raised in us may crumble.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Please pray for: Valerie Cooper, Mary Lambert, Norma Savage, Heidi Reid, Gerald Moriarty, Leone McIntyre, Justin Lefave, Ann Ruigrok, Daniel Bellemore, Laurie Lirette, Ursula Thompson, Betty DeKleine, Donna Brewer, Paul Cosgrove, Nellie Kester, Nila Suan, Lucille Paolini, Peter Vander Linden, Cecile Hall, Joseph O’Grady, Pierre Touchette and Father Liam Tallon.

POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST: We pray for the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

MASS SCHEDULE August 19 – September 3, 2023		
Saturday, August 19	5:15 p.m.	Irene and Pat Leeder
Sunday, August 20	9:30 a.m.	Our Parishioners
Tuesday, August 22	9:00 a.m.	Jim Powell
Wednesday, August 23	9:00 a.m.	Unannounced Mass
	9:30 a.m.	Adoration
Thursday, August 24	9:00 a.m.	Norma McFadden
Friday, August 25	9:00 a.m.	Shan Warder
Saturday, August 26	5:15 p.m.	Our Parishioners
Sunday, August 27	9:30 a.m.	Hilda Armstrong
Tuesday, August 29	9:00 a.m.	Jim Powell
Wednesday, August 30	9:00 a.m.	Tom Barr
	9:30 a.m.	ADORATION
Thursday, August 31	9:00 a.m.	Henry and Ann Redmond
Friday, September 1		SHERWOOD MANOR Unannounced Mass
Saturday, September 2	5:15p.m.	Ralph O’Brien
Sunday, September 3	9:30 a.m.	Our Parishioners
The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for: The week of August 19: Theresa McKenty The week of August 27: Ben and Jonathan Benjafield		

“Woman, great is your faith!” Matthew 15.21
“You are Peter. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 16.13

AUGUST 20, 2023
AUGUST 27, 2023

MASS TIMES	USHERS	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	WELCOME DESK
Saturday, August 19 5:15 p.m.	Al Cyr	Douglas Beatty and Antonella Beatty Bermeo	Carol Ravnaas	Carol Ravnaas
Sunday, August 20 9:30 a.m.	Doug Roughton	Michelle Morrow	Marguerite Whiteland	Jill Heffernan
Saturday, August 26 5:15 p.m.	Michel LaBonté	Sylvia Shackles	Melinda Condon	Melinda Condon
Sunday, August 27 9:30 a.m.	n/a	Theresa Iddon	Joan Murray	Dayna Golledge
Saturday, September 2 5:15 p.m.	Karen Frech	Al Cyr	Carol Ravnaas	Carol Ravnaas
Sunday, September 3 9:30 a.m.	Peter Verhoeven	Johanne Cardinal & Emily Heffernan	Marg Bougie	Dayna Golledge

FINANCIAL UPDATE:

Operating Weekly Target: \$3500

August 6, 2023: \$4025

August 13, 2023: \$3129

Thank you to all for your generous ongoing donations.

CHANGE OF EMAIL: The Archdiocese of Kingston has assigned each Parish a new email to be used going forward. Our is stjohnbosco@archkingston.ca. **Emails sent to the old email address will still be received for the time being.**

OFFICE: Jill will be away August 28, 29, 30 2023. Father Jacob will be here to answer any calls or concerns that you have.

FAITH NIGHT: We will be having another Faith Night on **Thursday August 31, 2023 at 6:30pm at St. John Bosco.** Please join us to learn more about your faith and fellowship with others. Food and refreshments served.

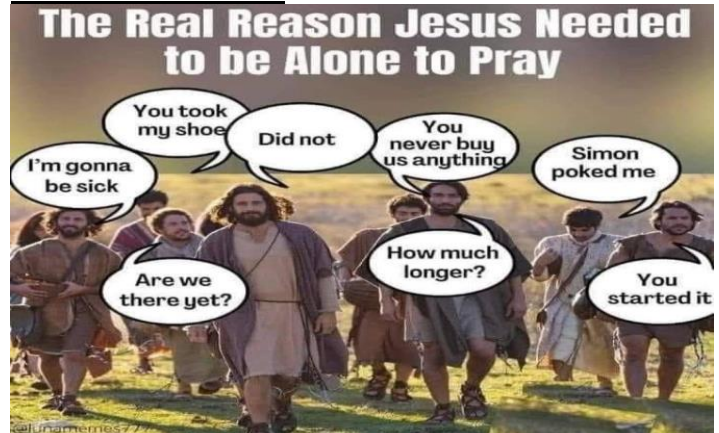
ARCHDIOCESE OF KINGSTON – FAITH ON FIRE:

The “Faith on Fire” Prayer meetings have resumed on Tuesday evenings and continue weekly from 7:00 – 8:30 pm on Zoom. All are welcome! Please email Maame Addai at faithonfirekingston@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

EVENING MASS: Beginning September 5th, Tuesday Mass will be in the evening at 6:30 p.m. Before the pandemic this was the usual schedule, it allows for those who cannot attend during the day and the different committees to begin their meetings with Mass.

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