

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!**

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**MASS : Saturday at 5:15pm and Sunday at 9:30am
Tuesday at 6:30p.m, 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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Grocery Certificates

Available at the Parish
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.

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE: This Sunday, at the end of Church's liturgical year, the readings describe the enthronement of the victorious Christ as King in Heaven in all His glory. Instituting this Feast of Christ, the King in 1925, Pope Pius XI proclaimed: "*Pax Christi in regno Christi*" (the peace of Christ in the reign of Christ). This means that we live in the peace of Christ when we surrender our lives to Him every day, accept Him as our God, Savior and King and allow Him to rule our lives. **Why Christ is our King:** 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and, hence, wields a supreme power over all things; "*All things were created through Him*"; 2) Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession; 3) Christ is Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy"; 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as His special possession and dominion. **Biblical basis of the feast: A) Old Testament texts:** The title "Christ the King" has its roots both in Scripture and in the whole theology of the *Kingdom of God*. In most of the Messianic prophecies given in the Old Testament books of Samuel, Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Daniel, Christ the Messiah is represented as a King. B) **New Testament texts:** a) In the Annunciation, recorded in Lk 1:32-33, we read: "...and the Lord God will give to Him the throne of His father David, and He will reign over the House of Jacob for ever; and of His Kingdom there will be no end." In fact, the *Kingdom of God* is the center of Jesus' teaching, and the phrase "*Kingdom of God*" occurs in the Gospels 122 times, of which 90 instances are uses by Jesus. b) The Magi from the Far East came to Jerusalem and asked the question: (Mt 2:2) "*Where is the Baby born to be the King of the Jews? We saw His star... and we have come to worship Him.*" c) During the royal reception given to Jesus on Palm Sunday, the Jews shouted: (Lk 19:38) "*God bless the King, Who comes in the name of the Lord.*" d) During the trial of Jesus described in today's Gospel, Pilate asked the question: ("*Are you the king of the Jews?*") (Jn 18:33) Jesus replied: "*You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the Truth*" (Jn:18:37) e) The signboard hung over Jesus' head on the cross read: "*Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews.*" f) Before his Ascension into Heaven, Jesus declared: "*All authority in Heaven and on earth has been given to Me; go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations ...*" (Mt 28:18ff)." g) Finally, in Matthew 25:31, we read that Christ the King will come in glory to judge us on the day of the Last Judgment. **Life Messages:** We need to accept and surrender our lives to Christ the King as our Lord, King, and Savior. We surrender our lives to Jesus every day when we give priority to all Jesus taught in our daily choices, especially in making moral decisions. We need to be serving disciples of a serving King. Jesus declared, "...whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many" (Mt 20:27-28).

NEW LITURGICAL YEAR BEGINS WITH THE SEASON OF ADVENT: *Advent begins next Sunday, December 3, 2023.* Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation.

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, Nellie Kester, Nila Suan, Lucille Paolini, Peter Vander Linden, and Joseph O'Grady

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER: *For persons with disabilities – we pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation.*

MASS SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 25 – DECEMBER 3, 2023		
Saturday, November 25	5:15 p.m.	Our Parishioners
Sunday, November 26	9:30 a.m.	Joan Davison
Tuesday, November 28	6:30 p.m.	Int. of Ron Zajack
Wednesday, November 29	9:00 a.m.	Matthew Diotte
	9:30 a.m.	ADORATION
Thursday, November 30	9:00 a.m.	Matthew Diotte & Paul DiLosa
Friday, December 1	11:00 a.m.	SHERWOOD MANOR Joan Davison & Lois Duffy
Saturday, December 2	5:15 p.m.	Frances Wilkinson
Sunday, December 3	9:30 a.m.	Nolan, Taylor and Roughton Families
The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for: Int. of Réal Pateneaud		

MASS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:

Friday, December 8; 10:30 am
St. Mary's Cathedral (279 Johnson Street, Kingston)
 You are invited to join us in celebrating the Solemnity of the patron of the Archdiocese of Kingston. Confessions will be available at 9:30 am.

***"The Son of Man will sit on the throne of his glory, and he will separate people one from another."
Matthew 25.14***

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

<i>MASS TIMES</i>	<i>USHERS</i>	<i>LECTOR</i>	<i>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER</i>	<i>WELCOME DESK</i>
Saturday, November 25 5:15 p.m.	Al Cyr	Douglas Beatty & Antonella Beatty	Carol Ravnaas	Carol Ravnaas
Sunday, November 26 9:30 a.m.	Doug Roughton	Michelle Morrow & Lise Lalonde-Matte	Marg Bougie	Noreen Shepherd
Saturday, December 2 5:15 p.m.	Michel LaBonté	Karen Frech	Melinda Condon	Melinda Condon
Sunday, December 3 9:30 a.m.	Art Psiuk	Theresa Iddon & Mike Kozey	Joan Murray	Paulette Psiuk

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sunday, November 26	After Mass	Parish Social
Tuesday, November 28	6:30 p.m.	Parent meeting for Confirmation candidates
Wednesday, November 29	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible study
Thursday, November 30	6:30 p.m.	Faith Night at SJB
Saturday, December 2	2:00 p.m.	Home for Christmas Concert - SSVP
Saturday December 2 Sunday, December 3	After Mass	CWL bake sale
Sunday, December 3	2:00 p.m.	SJB Kids Christmas Party

ST. JOHN BOSCO KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY: Kids are invited to join us for Christmas crafts, music and delicious treat on **Sunday December 3, 2023 at 2:00pm until 4:00pm.** There is no cost but please register at stjohnbosco@archkingston.ca

ADVENT CONFESSION: St. John Bosco Parish Advent confession will be **Sunday December 17th at 3pm.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER RESPONSE: We will be using the first response after "The Mystery of Faith". Starting the first Sunday of Advent, the Eucharistic prayer response will be; ***"When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again."***

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS CONCERT- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FUNDRAISER: SSVP invites you for an afternoon of Christmas music at St. John Bosco Parish on **Saturday December 2, 2023 at 2:00pm.** The concert will feature Christopher Coyea and Alex Fleuriau as well as many other talented musicians. Free will offering at the door.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The Knights will be selling Christmas Cards at St. John Bosco the weekends of **November 25/26 and December 2/3, 2023** before and after Mass. Please help support the men who have been supporting the church and community in Brockville for 100 years.

JOKE OF THE WEEK: Many people love bumper sticker theology. Bumper stickers may not always have the soundest theological statements, but they generally at least have the ability to make us think. One such, "God is my Co-pilot," has also been found on Church signs, where the theology is just a much fun and sometimes sounder. — In this case, the Church sign says, "If Christ the King is your Co-Pilot, change seats."

FINANCIAL UPDATE:

Operating Weekly Target: \$3500

November 19, 2023: \$3272

Priests' Retirement Fund: \$243

Property Maintenance: \$1100

ANGEL TREE: Thank you to everyone who picked an angel from the Angel Tree. **The gifts are due next weekend, December 2/3, 2023.**

PARISH SOCIAL: There will be a Parish Social this weekend (November 26, 2023) hosted by the Knights after the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass. Please join us for some coffee, treats and fellowship.

RIDE: We have a couple looking for a ride to Sunday Mass at 9:30 a.m. They live in the north end of Brockville. Please call the office if you can help.

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