

Welcome! 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist Parish, St. Bridget Parish, and Sacred Heart Parish ~ October 12th – 19th

Saturday October 11		
SJ	5:00pm	Jack Byrne ~ Theo Byrne & Family
SVDP	5:00pm	The living & deceased members of the DeWitt family ~ Butler Family
Sunday October 12		
SJ	9:00am	Paul Nagle ~ Ann Buchanan & Publow Family
SHP	9:00am	Joan Comfort ~ Gail & Fred Shepherd
SB	11:00am	Des McKenna ~ St. Bridget's CWL
SJ	11:00am	Mass for the People of the Parish
Monday October 13 ~ Happy Thanksgiving!		
SJ	8:30am	Thanksgiving Mass For the protection of all human life ~ LifeMatters Core Group
Tuesday October 14		
SB	9:00am	For God's Healing ~
SJ	4:30pm	Joseph McGuire ~ Jim & Fran McGuire
Wednesday October 15 ~ St. Teresa of Jesus		
SJ	9:00am	Poulin Family ~ Jacques Poulin
Thursday October 16 ~ St. Marguerite D'Youville		
SHP	9:00am	C.A. Tony Noonan ~ Don & Dianne Adam
SJ	12:00pm	Int. of Father Anthony Dim ~ Your Friends at St. John's
PCCC	2:00pm	Perth Community Care Centre Mass
Friday October 17 ~ St. Ignatius of Antioch		
SJ	8:30am	Prayer for the Sick & Suffering
SJ	9:00am	Gerri Conlon ~ Peter & Kate Noonan
SJ	9:30am	Holy Adoration & Benediction
Saturday October 18 ~ St. Luke		
SJ	5:00pm	In Thanks to St. Jude ~ Bonnie Switzer
Sunday October 19		
SJ	9:00am	Int. Of Theresa Kirkham on her 90 th Birthday ~ Tania Norris & Wayne Kirkham
SHP	9:00am	For the conversion & healing of the Masson family ~ Gail & Fred Shepherd
SB	11:00am	Gerry Bowers ~ His Family
SJ	11:00am	Mass for the People of the Parish
SJ Cemetery	3:00pm	Jubilee Celebration at St. John's Cemetery

Thank you for your contributions! Regular Sunday Donation \$3640.

In every thing give
THANKS
1 Thessalonians 5:18

PARISH FEATURE & FOCUS

"A Heart That Turns Back to Say Thank You"

At a Thanksgiving dinner, Grandma asked everyone to name one thing they were thankful for. There was silence, until little Lucy said, "I am thankful that Uncle Bob didn't burn the turkey this year!" Everyone laughed, but Lucy had done what Jesus longs for us to do, "notice a blessing and say thank you".

In today's Gospel (Luke 17:11–19), ten lepers cry out for mercy, and Jesus heals them all. Yet only one of them, a Samaritan, comes back to thank Him. Jesus asks, "Were not ten made clean? Where are the other nine?" Gratitude matters to God, not because He needs our thanks, but because it keeps our hearts open to grace.

On this Thanksgiving weekend, we are invited to be that one who returns, to pause, to notice, and to say, "Thank You, Lord." We give thanks for family, for food, for the harvest, but also for the quiet blessings: the strength that carried us, the faith that sustained us, the peace that surprised us in hard times.

Gratitude transforms ordinary moments into prayer. It reminds us that everything we have, our health, our home, even our next breath is a gift.

So, before we reach for another slice of pie, let's turn our hearts to Jesus and whisper the simplest, sweetest prayer we can ever say:

"Thank You, Lord, For Everything."



Jubilee Celebration!

Thank you to everyone who expressed enthusiasm for our upcoming Jubilee Celebration announced last week. The **Parish of St. John the Baptist, together with our entire Deanery**, invites you to this special celebration, now **rescheduled to Sunday, October 19th at 3:00pm**. We are still planning to gather at **St. John's Cemetery** for this occasion. As the weather will be cooler in mid-October, please dress appropriately and bring a lawn chair. If conditions are too chilly, the celebration will be moved into the church (a decision we will make closer to the day). Highlights of the afternoon include the recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction, and all who participate will receive a Jubilee Indulgence. This promises to be a beautiful time of prayer and thanksgiving for our parish and deanery.

NOTICE OF MASS CHANGE

St. Vincent de Paul Church will celebrate its final mass of 2025 on Saturday, October 11th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✠ **THIS WEEKEND! Foy Hall Garage Sale:** The Foy Hall Garage Sale is open every Friday and Saturday throughout the fall, 10am-2:30pm! Come check out the great deals!
- ✠ **You are Invited to a Birthday Celebration for Theresa Kirkham!:** 90th Birthday Celebration for Theresa Kirkham. Open invitation for all to come out and wish Theresa a happy birthday. **Saturday, October 18th, 2025, from 1-5pm at the Burgess Community Hall @ 4174 Narrows Lock Rd, Perth On.** (County Rd 14 by Stanleyville).



SACRAMENTS

Sacramental Preparation Classes!

First Communion & Reconciliation Candidates:

Classes to be held on the 2nd Sunday of each month. The next class will be **November 9th**, and begins with the 11am mass, followed by class in the Narthex.

Confirmation Candidates:

Classes to be held on the 3rd Sunday of each month. The next class will be **October 19th**, and begins with the 11am mass, followed by class in the Narthex.

FORGOT TO REGISTER? IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE ASAP.



Invitation to Explore the Catholic Faith

Individuals seeking to deepen their understanding of the Catholic Church, including its teachings and practices, are warmly invited to participate in a dedicated series of sessions.

Session Details... Tuesday evenings, starting September 30th, at 7pm at 15 Church St. **What to Expect?** OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation – formerly RCIA) sessions offer an engaging experience that includes viewing videos, participating in thoughtful conversations, and reflecting on various aspects of the Catholic faith. **Open Invitation!** Everyone is welcome to attend and explore this journey of faith.



COMMUNITY MEALS

- ✠ Dine-in meals every Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 4:30-6:00pm @ The Table (190 Gore St. East).
- ✠ Dine-in meals on the second Saturday of each month (excluding July & August) 4:30-5:30pm @ St. James Church (54 Beckwith St. East)

ANNOUNCEMENT

Notice Regarding the Church of the Good Thief (St. Dismas), Portsmouth Village, Kingston

The Archdiocese of Kingston, through its Diocesan Building & Property Committee, has been mandated to divest of the Church of the Good Thief property. In doing so, preference will be given to a local buyer who will respect the heritage of the property and repurpose it in harmony with the Portsmouth community and, more broadly, with Kingston's historical character. If you or someone you know may be interested in assuming ownership of this historic church, please contact Kenneth Hall, Chancellor of Temporal Affairs, Archdiocese of Kingston.

PASTORAL CARE

Any parishioner or family member unable to attend Mass and would like a home visit please call Parish Office at 613-267-1043.



PRAYERS

Please remember the sick in your prayers, including Maureen Czap, Jeannette Olivier, Marjorie Facette, Heather Luft, Susan MacLellan, Claudette Timmerman, Theresa Irvin, Deborah La Riccia, Gary & Georgette Whyte, Demetrie Laming, Edith Lepine, Nellie Pajaczkowski, Marg Trombley, & Eleanor Walsh. Please remember those who have recently died in your prayers, especially Michael Coady & Des McKenna. Jesus, I trust in You.

In need of prayer? Connect with our strong prayer warriors, Father Charles, Father Anthony, or one of our Parish Prayer teams through the Parish Office (for St John's Pastoral Care, CWL, or KOC Prayer group). Jesus, I trust in You.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

[St John Parish Meeting Place, 15 Church St, Perth]

***Notice: 15 Church Street will be cleaned every Wednesday between 1-3pm. Please do not book any meetings during this time.**

CWL Monthly Meeting	2 nd Monday of each Month @ 7pm
Monday Bible Study Group – Contact Jenny Salte for details.	Mondays @ 10am
Parish Council Monthly Meeting	2 nd Tuesday of each month @ 6:30pm
Life Matters Monthly Meeting	3 rd Wednesday of each month @ 10am
Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting	2 nd Wednesday of each month @ 7pm
Pastoral Care Committee Meeting	Thursday, October 16th after the noon Mass
Wednesday Bible Study Group – Contact Jenny Salte for details.	Wednesdays @ 7pm
St. John's Holy Face Group Monthly Meeting	Last Thursday of each month, after the noon Mass
Thursday Bible Study Group – Contact Evelyn Goodfellow for details.	Thursdays @ 1pm
Sunday Mass 11am Choir	Thursdays @ 7pm & Sundays @ 10:15am
St. John's Movie Club	Friday, October 17 th @ 7pm
Life Matters Men's Group – Contact Dave Lapointe for details.	3 rd Saturday of each month
Saturday Mass 5:00pm Choir	Saturdays @ 4:45pm

St. John's Movie Club Update

The Saint John's Movie Club will be holding its next meeting on **Friday, October 17th at 7:00 PM**, at 15 Church St. We will watch a short film and there will be a group discussion following. For more information, contact Anthony: adellazazzera@gmail.com.