

Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist Parish, St. Bridget Parish, and Sacred Heart Parish ~ June 14th - 21st

Saturday June 13 ~ The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
SJ	5:00pm	In thanks to St. Jude ~ <i>Bonnie Switzer</i>
SVDP	5:00pm	Mabel & Jack Noonan ~ <i>Kim Noonan</i>
Sunday June 14		
SJ	9:00am	Pierrette Poulin ~ <i>Jacques Poulin</i>
SHP	9:00am	Int. of Doris Quinn ~ <i>Karen Armstrong</i>
SB	11:00am	Paul McShane ~ <i>Jean McShane</i>
SJ	11:00am	Mass for the People of the Parish
Monday June 15		
SJ	8:30am	Prayer for the Sick & Suffering
Tuesday June 16		
SB	9:00am	~ No Intention Booked ~
SJ	4:30pm	Joe McEachern ~ <i>Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Assembly #2783, Smiths Falls</i>
Wednesday June 17		
SJ	9:00am	For the protection of all human life ~ <i>LifeMatters Core Group</i>
Thursday June 18		
SHP	10:15am	Combined Daily/Sacred Heart Elementary School Mass Ian MacDonald ~ <i>Patricia MacDonald</i>
SJ	12:00pm	Genina & Gerry Sherwin ~ <i>Allida Rubino</i>
PCCC	2:00pm	Perth Community Care Centre Mass
Friday June 19		
SJ	8:30am	Prayer for the Sick & Suffering
SJ	9:00am	Edie Cordick ~ <i>Peter & Kate Noonan</i>
SJ	9:30am	Holy Adoration & Benediction
Saturday June 20		
SJ	5:00pm	Colleen Mitchell ~ <i>Frank & Florence Mitchell</i>
SVDP	5:00pm	Patricia Ayala Rosenblueth ~ <i>Butler Family</i>
Sunday June 21		
SJ	9:00am	Kevin Sullivan ~ <i>Rob & Maureen Newby</i>
SHP	9:00am	For the deceased members of the LaFreniere family ~ <i>Pat & Eadie LaFreniere</i>
SB	11:00am	For all fathers of the parish, living & deceased ~ <i>Marg McMunn</i>
SJ	11:00am	Mass for the People of the Parish

PARISH FEATURE & FOCUS

In family life, the most healing words are not solutions but simple attention: "Tell me what happened." Being truly seen can change everything.

Today's Gospel begins with a powerful moment: "Jesus saw the crowds and had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd" (Mt 9:36).

Jesus does not begin with judgment. He begins with compassion. The Greek word behind "compassion" suggests being moved in one's deepest being. Jesus sees tired people, confused people, wounded people and His heart moves toward them.

That same tenderness appears in the first reading. God tells Israel: **"I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself" (Ex 19:4).** God did not simply rescue His people from slavery; He brought them into a relationship. Salvation is not merely an escape; salvation is closeness with God.

St. Paul says something astonishing: **"While we still were weak... Christ died for us" (Rom 5:6).** God did not wait for us to become perfect. Christ came while we were still unfinished, still struggling, still learning to trust.

And then Jesus does something unexpected: He turns to ordinary disciples and sends them out. Not because they know everything. Not because they are flawless. But because compassion cannot stay still.

The harvest is still plentiful today. Someone near us needs encouragement, forgiveness, an invitation, a witness of hope. At this Eucharist, Christ sees us, feeds us, and after feeding us, He says again:

Go!

See people the way I see them.

Love people the way I love them.

Carry others, not on your own strength, but on the wings of My Mercy.

So, let us leave today with one prayer: **"Lord, let someone feel seen, loved, and closer to You because I met them."**

PRAYERS

Please remember the sick in your prayers, including Maureen Czop, Jeannette Olivier, Marjorie Facette, Claudette Timmerman, Mary Rorwick, Susan Beaudoin Watson, Pascal Proulx, Camille Bozozuk, Christiana Enyinnia, Anne Nagle, Nellie Pajaczkowski, & Father Sebastian Amato. **Please remember those who have recently died** in your prayers, especially Joseph Carroll, Wayne Bowes, & Barbara Morrison, daughter of Bernie & Carol Boucher of the parish. 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.



June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Prayer for the 2nd week of June

For Parents & Families

Loving Jesus, may your Sacred Heart espouse all families, nudging us together in mutual respect, love and unity. May your Divine purpose for Families be respected and supported in all that we do and speak. May all Families cherish your Holy Presence abiding in every child as an image of your Divine Presence in our lives. Sacred Heart of Jesus: Have Mercy on Us and the whole world. Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

† **Foy Hall Garage Sale: Now open for 2026!** Fridays & Saturdays from 10am – 2:30pm! 91 Princess St. in Lanark. Come check out new items at great prices! Hope to see you there!

Please note, 2 volunteers are needed to work at the sale one weekend per month. If anyone is interested, please see Louise Vachon or Eadie LaFreniere, or call the parish office.

† **THIS WEEKEND! St. John's Annual Parish BBQ:** *This year, we commemorate the 200th Anniversary celebration of the Archdiocese of Kingston* Join us THIS Sunday, June 14th, following the 11am Mass, for an afternoon of great food, fellowship, and fun as we gather with our parish family and our brothers and sisters from Sacred Heart Church, St. Bridget's Church, and St. Vincent de Paul Church! If you enjoy baking, we warmly invite you to bring along a favourite dessert or homemade treat to share. Not a baker? Feel free to bring along a favourite snack to share as well! All contributions are most welcome and appreciated, though your presence is what matters most. We look forward to seeing everyone there! **Don't forget to bring a lawn chair!**



† **"Change for Life" Birthright Fundraiser: Please return the bottles next weekend, Father's Day weekend, (June 20,21).** All proceeds support our work to help any woman who is facing an unplanned or difficult pregnancy plan for her

future with her child. Thank you in advance and may God bless you for your generous support.

† **Knights of Columbus Fundraising Dance:** Postponed to a later date, to be announced.

† **2026 Seminararians Dinner – Celebrate our Seminararians:** Sunday, July 12, 2026. Join us for a 4-course Supreme Chicken Dinner hosted by the Knights of Columbus of the Archdiocese of Kingston in order to provide financial support towards the training of Seminararians and funds direct to each seminarian to help defray their annual costs. See posters for more information.

† **8th Annual Rideau Canal Men's Retreat:** Tues. - Thur., August 4-6, 2026. Cost: \$100. For Catholic men 18 years and older (plus teenage sons with their fathers). Travelling by canoe, kayak or pontoon boat from Seeley's Bay to Upper Rideau Lake, with overnight tenting at Davis Lock and along McNally's Bay. Canoes and paddles supplied, along with meals. Daily Mass, Rosary, etc. Information: frbrianmcnally@gmail.com (613-464-2908)

Registration: hart.daniel64@gmail.com (613-899-9514) or rrmiron2019@gmail.com (613-218-6497).

† **Archdiocese of Kingston 200th Anniversary Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:** Join Fr. Justin and Fr. Price on a faith-filled pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 5-15, 2026. Please see the itinerary in the church and this week's Flocknote.

CEMETERY MEMORIAL SERVICES

St. Patrick's Cemetery: Saturday, July 11th @ 11am

Sacred Heart Cemetery: Saturday, July 18th @ 11am

St. Columbkil Cemetery: Saturday, July 25th @ 11am

St. Bridget's Cemetery: Saturday, Sept. 5th @ 11am

St. John's Cemetery: Saturday, Sept. 5th @ 11am

SACRAMENTS

Baptismal Congratulations!

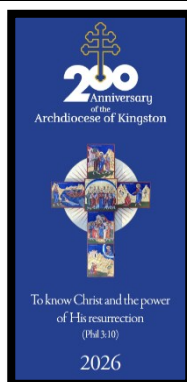
We welcomed **Sully Casey** into the Catholic Church through Baptism last weekend. We congratulate his parents and commend them for their commitment to raising their child in the Catholic faith. May God abundantly bless their family!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Submit Your Reflection!

As we celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Kingston, we reflect on the incredible gift of faith and our inheritance as Children of God.

The faithful of the Archdiocese of Kingston are invited to share brief testimonies or reflections on **what it means to know Christ and the power of His resurrection.** These reflections can be as short as fifty words or as long as five hundred words. It is a beautiful way to witness to your faith and share your journey with others. All submissions will be subject to light editing and may be shared in a future diocesan publication. Reflections/testimonies can be emailed to communications@archkingston.ca before **July 15, 2026.**



200th Anniversary of the Archdiocese of Kingston

We began our celebrations for the 200th Anniversary Jubilee of the Archdiocese of Kingston on Monday, December 8th! Jubilee celebrations are taking place throughout the year at the Parish, Deanery, and Archdiocesan levels. Keep an eye on the bulletin & Flocknote. Archdiocesan events can be found in the Fall edition of Journey, which can be found in your church today!

Welcome! 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 14, 2026
