



St. Joseph's Parish: an inclusive community

Weekend Bulletin

A PARISH OF THE MISSIONARY
OBLATES OF MARY IMMACULATE

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New Parishioners and visitors welcome! Parish registration details on page three.

Register with the Parish to receive envelopes or our e-bulletin, sign up for autodebit giving, or to volunteer.

October 4-5 2025

The 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Mass Times and Reconciliation

- Weekday Masses Wed-Fri at noon
 - Reconciliation after weekday Mass or by appointment
- Weekend Masses
 - Saturday, 5pm
 - Sunday, 10:30am & 7pm
- Eucharistic Adoration: 1st Friday of the month after noon mass

Music at the Masses

- Saturday and University Mass - Cantor with piano accompaniment, including instrumental prelude and postlude
- Sunday morning Mass - Choir with organ accompaniment, including instrumental prelude and postlude



111th Annual World Day for Migrants & Refugees

As usual, the St. Joe's Refugee Outreach Committee (ROC) will play an active role in both the Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning masses celebrating this special day.

St. Joe's parishioners are very supportive of the ROC's activities. The parish traditionally devotes proceeds of a **special collection** to support ROC's on-going work for and with refugees. You will find special envelopes in the pews which include a QR Code to enable you to donate online if that works best for you.

We are delighted that ROC has recently become part of the **Canadian Council for Refugees** which was formed in 1978. It includes over 200 likeminded groups across Canada who, like the ROC, advocate for and support refugees. It has come to be recognized as a key advocate for refugee and immigrant rights in Canada, educating the public and putting issues onto the national agenda.

After the 10:30 Mass on Sunday Oct 5, we are delighted to welcome **Ms. Gauri Sreenivasan, CCR's Co-Executive Director**, to talk about the CCR's work. Before the presentation, the Supper Table will provide a light lunch. Even if you have not pre-registered for lunch numbers, we invite you to attend. *We look forward to having you join us!*

Read this message from Pope Leo XIV, titled **Migrants, Missionaries of Hope**, in anticipation of the 111th World Day of Migrants and Refugees. <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/messages/migration/documents/20250725-world-migrants-day-2025.html>



October Parishioner Engagement Survey

God shows in all places, and in many different ways. One parishioner shared photos with us from her bike ride; seeing a cathedral of trees.

This month, we ask you:

Where have you seen God in nature during the just-ended Season of Creation?



<https://forms.gle/yy73Gj18oeR1oPZn8>

FREE BOOKS!

St. Joe's Library books which are duplicates or dated will be displayed on tables at the back of the Church on October 4-5 and October 11-12 before and after Masses.



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Office Entrance

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Ottawa, ON
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Parish Events

SJST: 3rd Annual Autumn Harvest Fundraiser!

Since The Supper Table does not receive guaranteed government funding — and has not received any this year — we rely on events like this to keep our programs running strong. So come hungry and ready to support a great cause!

Dinner will be lovingly prepared in-house, with your choice of:

Pulled Pork Sliders

Chicken in a Cream Sauce

Roasted Squash Lasagna (vegetarian-friendly!)

For dessert, take your pick between poached pears or pumpkin spice cannoli — or both, we will not judge.

This year's raffle includes a painting by Father Robert Laroche, gourmet food baskets, an air fryer, and more.

Get a group of friends together, or treat yourself to a dinner out, in support of St. Joe's Supper Table! Tickets are \$55ea or \$400 for a table of four. Join us on **Saturday, October 25 at 6pm** to support Sandy Hill's food security programme!



<https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/sjst-3rd-annual-autumn-harvest-fundraiser>

Homemade Preserves for Sale to help a St. Joe's Family

Amaryllis Serrano Juarez and Mary Jane Beavis are raising funds to help cover family — Alberto and Hilda's — medical expenses, which have become overwhelming. Alberto and Hilda are newcomers to Canada.

Support our family by purchasing our vegan sourdough bread and homemade preserves, including sugar-free applesauce, apple butter, strawberry jam, bread and butter pickles, apple chutney, apple jelly, and pickled onions and beets.



From L-R: Mary Jane, Amaryllis, Alberto, and Hilda

Orders can be picked up at Mass or at 169 Lees Avenue.

To place an order, please contact Amaryllis Serrano Juarez.

Email: serrano_ama@yahoo.com

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Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated!

NOTICE OF MARRIAGE BANNS - Final Notice

There is a promise of marriage between **Nicolas Génier** and **Miléna Frachebois**. If you know of any just and valid reason why this couple may not be lawfully joined in marriage, kindly inform the Parish Office in writing.



What is a Mass Intention?

A Mass intention is a specific prayerful purpose for which a priest celebrates the Eucharist, applying the graces of that Mass for a particular person, need, or occasion.

Examples may be a deceased loved one, a person's healing from an illness, or a special event like a birthday.

It is a tradition in Catholicism to offer Mass for these specific intentions, whether they are for the living, in memory of the deceased, or for thanksgiving.

Book a Mass Intention

Mass Intentions at St. Joe's are booked one per Mass at the Noon Masses taking place on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday at 12 noon for a contribution of \$15. Please **contact Mikayla in the Front Office** to book yours, or use the form on the last page of the Bulletin. We will be glad to fit you in at the first available; or ahead in the sacred preparatory season of Advent. Even if you can't make it to your booked Mass, this is a great way to spiritually celebrate friends and loved ones.

Parish Announcements

Young Adult "Service Fair"

Looking for a little help? Anything from cleaning up the yard to moving furniture? Interested in having a couple of capable young adults stop by to give you a hand or even just come for a visit? A group of young adults from St. Joseph's Parish are offering their services for a two-fold purpose:

1. Build community by getting to know other parishioners through the opportunity to render them service
2. Fundraise for future initiatives, especially the bi-annual young adult retreats. For a donation (comparable to the going rates for a given service), one or two young adults is willing to come to your home and provide a helping hand with whatever needs doing

From babysitting to helping set up a TV, let us know if you have a job you we might be able to help with!

Please contact pdansereau@st-josephs.ca or 613.233.4095 x235



Members of the Oblate Associates Raising Funds for Oblate Missions in Kenya - Tea Sale

OMI Lacombe Oblate Associates within the greater Ottawa area will be selling Kenyan Tea at St. Joe's on the weekend of October 18 – 19 (Mission Sunday). This is a fundraiser for the Oblate Associates in Kenya to help fund not only programs and formation of Kenyan Associates, but also for Catechesis materials and supplies. Depending on the amounts raised, funds can also support Oblate Youth to distribute more food to many of the poorest Kenyans.

The **Kionyo Black Tea** is available in 100g packages, and is known as some of the best tea in all of Africa. The cost is \$20/bag, or 2/\$35. Please consider purchasing, as this is the first time we have offered this fundraiser since Covid. This can also make for a great Advent or Christmas gift!

Payment can be made by cash or e-transfer. For more information or to pay by e-transfer, contact Eleanor at rabnete@gmail.com



KAIROS Blanket Exercise Retrospective

Our **KAIROS Blanket Exercise** took place on Monday evening, and was a great opportunity to continue learning and further our own personal contributions to the ongoing process of Truth and Reconciliation. We also reflected on the position that the church held in residential schools and mistreatment of students – including that of the *Oblates of Mary Immaculate*, of which St. Joe's is a ministry.

As we continue to learn about historical injustices, we pair our prayers with action and commitment to reconciliation in all our efforts. We remember that, moving forward that reconciliation is not just a day or a month; but a continual reciprocal relationship based on mutual respect.

We thank our facilitators, Clifford Mushquash and John Henri Commanda, for your dedication to educating us and providing a safe environment for us to learn. Your perspectives provided a meaningful experience where all attendees were encouraged to participate wholeheartedly. Thank you for joining us!

– Mikayla Odut, Administrative Coordinator



A Visio Divina Hour

Come experience God's message to humankind through Creation and Art. An evening of reflection, awe, and wonder, spiritual refreshment with time to pause and share. Refreshments will be served.

Tuesday, October 7th, 7pm at Holy Redeemer Parish (44 Rothesay Dr, Kanata)
For additional information and to register, contact creation@ottawacornwall.ca

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Register with Us!

Pick up a registration form at the back of the church, or find more info/register digitally here:

<https://www.st-josephs.ca/register-with-the-parish/>



October
6 to 12

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. JOE'S?



	Monday 6th	Tuesday 7th	Wednesday 8th	Thursday 9th	Friday 10th	Saturday 11th	Sunday 12th
Office Hours	CLOSED (today only)	CLOSED	9am-1pm	2:30-6:30pm	9am-1pm	CLOSED	After the 10:30 Mass
This Week	- Christian Meditation 9:30am, Library - RCIA 7pm, Lounge	- Faith Formation 7pm, Library - Campus Chaplaincy 4-9pm, Lounge	- Weekday Mass, 12 noon - Faith Formation 7pm, Library - PPC 7pm, Lounge/Hybrid	- Weekday Mass, 12 noon - AA 7pm, Oblate Lounge - Vibe Salsa, 7pm	- SJWC Thanksgiving Lunch - Weekday Mass, 12 noon - Christian Meditation 7pm, Library - OSDS 7pm, Hall	- Saturday Mass 5pm	- Sunday Mass 10:30am - University Mass 7pm
In the future...	October 13: Thanksgiving PARISH CLOSED		- October 15: Rideau Swing Collective			- October 18: 2SLGBTQ+ Retreat	- October 19: Capital Chamber Choir concert

"Reconciliation will never succeed so long as one side sees it as a question of rights, and the other side sees it as an act of benevolence"

– Murray Sinclair CC OM MSC

Library books on FAITH include:

Keating, Thomas. Intimacy with God (BV5091.C7K416 1994)

Fiand, Barbara. Prayer and the Quest for Healing (BV210.2.F49 1999)

Fisher, Kathleen. Loving Creation: Christian Spirituality, Earth Centered and Just (BX1795.H82F57 2009)



Our Financial Stewardship

September 27-28 Collection: \$5,910

Thank you for your generous contributions to the operations and social outreach programmes of St. Joe's!

Want to support our Parish? Donate one time or ongoing here:

<https://linktr.ee/st.josephs>



Mass Intentions are available Wednesday through Friday during the Noon Mass for a recommended contribution of \$15.00.

Please contact the Front Office or use the link below for arrangements.

<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/mass-intentions>

Wednesday, October 8: Stephen Richardson †

Thursday, October 9: No intention

Friday, October 10: No intention

To add a name to the prayers for sick or those who have died: notify the Front Office. We pray for those who are listed during the Prayers of the Faithful.



Prayers for those who are ill:

Carolyn Nora "Kat" Palmer & Donna Legault.

Prayers for those who have died:

Sandy Atkinson, Geoffrey Spackman, Edward Schultz, Marilyn Wylie, Russell Bond, & Mike Zaharie.

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