

**Second Sunday in Lent
February 25, 2018**

Weekday Masses are at 9am at St. Francis church
Tue 27 Ann & George Oltean ~ Veronica Hendrick
Wed 28 Stan Mofina ~ Quinte Polonia
Thu Mar 1 Souls in purgatory
10:30am at Stirling Manor – Rita McAvoy
Fri 2 Anne Nicholson ~ Sisters of Anne
 Followed by Adoration until 10:30am
7pm Way of the Cross at St. Francis

3rd Sunday in Lent

Saturday, March 3
5:00pm at Sacred Heart of Jesus, Batawa
 John Peddlesden ~ Kathy-Lynn Greig
Sunday, March 4
9:15am St. James the Minor, Stirling
 Stanton Cassidy ~ Mary Forestell
11:00am St. Francis of Assisi, Frankford
 Needs and intentions of our parish family

Lay Ministers – March 3&4, 2018

Lectors: Sacred Heart – René Lefort
 St. James – Joanne Belanger, Terry Cassidy
 St. Francis – Linda Spencer, Heather Mack
Ministers of the Eucharist:

(1) Body of Christ (2) Blood of Christ
 St. James – (1) S&A Kostya
 (2) M. Senese, P. Greer
 St. Francis – (1) H. Mack
 (2) L. Spencer, S. Innes

Ushers:

St. James – H. Scanlan, B. Ryan, D. Kiley
 St. Francis – T. O’Shea

Sharing God’s Gifts
 Offertory (incl PAD) February 17/18= \$2309.
 Catholic Missions (total) = \$315.
Thank you for sharing your gifts!



*Thank you to all who use
Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)*

*to donate. This is a great way to support the parish,
allowing us to budget for our regular expenses. If
you are interested in offering in this way, or in
changing the amount you are giving, please contact
Donna at the office*

Fri, Mar 2 at 7pm – the Way of the Cross in St.
Francis Church

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Income Tax Receipts – are available at the parish
office. Please call Donna to arrange for pick up.

We’d like to congratulate **Bea and Paul LeClair** for
winning **“Volunteer of the Week”** for their
continuous and dedicated support of the
Meals on Wheels Program. *Thanks, too for all their
volunteer work within our Parish!*



Altar Guild. After some 80
years the SFA candlestick
holders need replacing. Would
you like to donate towards this
fund? Please mark donation:
Altar Guild.

World Day of Prayer – Friday, March 2

Please join us at 1pm in St. Francis of Assisi
church. Refreshments will follow in the rectory
hall. In Stirling, St. Andrew’s Presbyterian
church is hosting this annual worldwide,
ecumenical prayer service 1-3pm.

St. Francis CWL meeting – Sunday, March 4th in
the rectory hall after the 11am mass. The
meeting will start with a presentation by Grace
Inn. Members of the St. James CWL are also
invited to attend the presentation.

**Training for all Eucharistic Ministers in the
Parish - Saturday, March 10 10am to 12pm.**

Conducted by the Diocesan Liturgy Commission.
More details to follow. Please save the date!
3 Heat ‘n Eat Potluck - Saturday, March 10th
 following the 5pm Mass. Bring \$10 for the “pot”
and a pot to share! **Thank you** to all who have
supported these efforts to raise funds for the
heating of Sacred Heart Church. February’s Heat
‘n Eat raised \$240.00. (Jan + Feb = \$500.)



Parish Dinner - Sat, March 17th at

St. James Loogman Hall. Tickets
now available from Parish Council
members or call the office. Tickets: \$25ea,
under 12 free. Enjoy a traditional Irish meal –
Guinness Beef Shepherd’s Pie, salad and dessert
with appetizers to begin. Reception at 6pm,
dinner at 7pm. *(If you received a Dinner Coupon,
remember to call the office to let us know if you
are attending!)*

75th Anniversary Sacred Heart of Jesus Church
Saturday, September 22nd. Mass at 5pm celebrated
by Archbishop O’Brien. Cocktails and catered
dinner. Tickets \$50pp. Please reserve your tickets:
Anne Marie amaquino@reach.net 398-0223.

D&P ShareLent Campaign - Through their prayer,
fasting and almsgiving during Lent, Christians
express their desire to turn toward God and to all
God’s children in preparation for Easter. This year’s
campaign: Together For Peace

Liturgy of the Word for Children –The 2nd



Sunday of each month at St. James
Church 9:15am for ages 5-8 and
those preparing for 1st Holy
Communion.

Diocesan & Community Events

The Kingston Archdiocesan Cursillo Movement will
hold a Cursillo Weekend Thursday, March 8th to
Sunday afternoon, March 11th at the Providence
Spirituality Centre. May we ask for your prayers for
the candidates and the success of this movement in
the Archdiocese. For more info: Lionel Ryan
613.634.9588 RyanLionel07@gmail.com or Friar Ed
Debono at 613.546.6900 x 204 / eddebono@aol.com

Ten Lenten Disciplines

- Fast from judging others;
Feast on Christ dwelling in them.
- Fast from fear of illness;
Feast on the healing power of God.
- Fast from words that pollute;
Feast on speech that purifies.
- Fast from discontent;
Feast on gratitude.
- Fast from anger;
Feast on patience.
- Fast from pessimism;
Feast on optimism.
- Fast from negatives;
Feast on alternatives.
- Fast from bitterness;
Feast on forgiveness.
- Fast from self-concern;
Feast on compassion.
- Fast from suspicion;
Feast on truth.
- Fast from gossip;
Feast on purposeful silence.
- Fast from problems that overwhelm;
Feast on prayer that sustains.
- Fast from worry;
Feast on faith.

Lenten Reflection – Holy Spirit Send Us

Holy Spirit, breath of life and consolation,
in all ages you have drawn us to holiness
by planting you fire within our souls;
you have dissolved our defenses
by converting our hearts;
and you have urged us to transform the world
by walking with the poor and the alienated.

Soften our complexity with the gift of simplicity.
Allow your Wisdom and Truth to free us
from our obsession with power and wealth.

To know a little is better than being a “know it all”,
to share a little is better than “keeping it all”;
to teach a little is better than giving bad example,
to pray a little is better than living in despair.

Give us Courage to speak your words of Justice:
courage to act justly in our own lives,
courage to bring justice to those in need,
courage to stand tall in the causes of right.

Lead us where we would dare not go:
to search our new ideas that
challenge the status quo,
to welcome new cultures and people
whose customs are unfamiliar,
to see our own faith through
someone else’s belief,
to learn from saints and sinners alike.

Send us to the corners of our memory
and experience
and indeed to every corner of the world,
so that we can be your healing instruments,
pouring out your grace on everyone
by the power of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

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See details about many upcoming events on the
notice boards at each Church or on our website:

- St. John Fisher Dinner-March 14
- Summer Camp for Girls-Chilawee Trails
- Summer Camp for Catholic Youth-Belleville
- Steubenville Toronto Youth Rally
- Life Matters – the Church’s position on euthanasia and assisted suicide

Call for Conscience Campaign 2018 The Bishops of Ontario, in conjunction with the Coalition for Healthcare and Conscience, are looking for 100,000 e-mail addresses as part of a campaign to encourage our elected Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and those seeking office this June to increase funding for palliative care, to protect doctors and healthcare professionals who do not want to be involved in Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID), and to protect faith-based healthcare facilities from participating in MAID. To join this campaign, go to the website: www.romancatholic.kingston.on.ca and click on the link, “Call for Conscience Campaign 2018”, where you would enter your name, e-mail address, and postal code, and identify your riding. Another way to participate in this campaign is to send a letter by regular mail to your MPP. A sample letter will be provided to parishes in April.

Totus Tuus Catholic Summer Camp! Registration Open! Youth in the Archdiocese are invited to register for **Totus Tuus** (*Latin for Totally Yours*) **Catholic Summer Camp!** A faith-based week-long camp that includes faith activities, skits, sports, crafts, music and outdoor fun! Day camp for children (Gr. 1-6), runs Monday-Friday from 9am – 2:30pm. (\$75 for the week). With an option of extended daycare till 4pm. An engaging evening camp for teens (Gr. 7-12) runs Sunday-Thursday from 7–9pm. (\$25 for the week). The camp will be offered in Belleville the week of **July 29-August 3** at **St. Michael the Archangel Parish Centre**. For more info and to

register visit www.kingstonvocations.com/totus-tuus
Financial contributions to help sponsor children to attend camp are welcome. Any questions, please contact Nadia Gundert at 613-484-2446

“Peacemaking calls for courage, much more so than warfare. It calls for the courage to say yes to encounter and no to conflict: yes to dialogue and no to violence; yes to negotiations and no to hostilities; yes to respect for agreements and no to acts of provocation; yes to sincerity and no to duplicity. All of this takes courage, it takes strength and tenacity.”

Pope Francis, Invocation for Peace, June 8, 2014

Steubenville Toronto

Calling all teens in Grades 8-12! Join over 1500 youth from across Ontario in attending Steubenville Toronto, an amazing high school youth conference, on July 13-15, 2018. It will be held at the UOIT Campus in Oshawa. For more info in attending with the Archdiocese of Kingston group contact Nadia Gundert at youth@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca. An info package and registration is also available on the Archdiocese of Kingston website under the Youth tab.

Summer Camp for Girls - Chilawee Trails has overnight week long camps in August for girls ages 9-14. Located in Barry’s Bay it offers sports, daily Mass, swimming, rosary, crafts, confessions, canoe, and drama - a week of fun, friendship and faith awaits! Registration for campers opens in March. Apply now to work there next summer. Consider helping campers from low-income families. For more info: chilaweetrails.ca.

Sharing with those in need:

1st Sunday each month – St. James
3rd Sunday of each month – St. Francis
All canned and boxed foods are appreciated!

If you would like a **Blessing of your Marriage** during the months November – April, please contact the office and Fr. Don will be happy to offer a blessing.

Laminated Prayer Cards – \$5 prayer cards
St. James the Minor
Sacred Heart of Jesus
St. Francis of Assisi
You can pick them up from Fr. Don
or at the office.

Check out our....

‘Gift of the Holy Spirit’ Library, Loogman Hall, St. James Church. Resources can be borrowed after Mass on Sundays – a self-serve sign out book is there. Contact Joanne at (613-921-0560) or by email at joannek.belanger@gmail.com if you would like to visit the library at other times.



Providence Associates: Do you want to deepen your Spirituality and build community with others committed to serving with compassion? The Providence Associates of the Sisters of Providence of St. Vincent de Paul meet monthly at Holy Rosary parish in Belleville. They invite women and men to consider attending one of their meetings to learn more about who they are. For info: associates@providence.ca or call 613-544-4525 ext. 148.

Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic Education Foundation: The ALCEF is a registered charity that raises funds to assist families within our schools during times of poverty or crisis. The ALCEF has provided over \$230,000 in financial assistance to over 738 families since 2007. Visit <http://www.alcbsb.on.ca/Board/Pages/Foundation.aspx>.

Online Faith Formation Courses - for a Certificate in Catholic Studies. \$85.00 per course. Register completely online at www.newman.edu/CCS. See website for details and FAQ's. Info: Mary-Jo MacKinnon-Simms 613-548-4461 Ext 115.

Parish Cemeteries

Bylaws, contracts, price lists, etc. can be obtained from the parish office, or for more information call:

Terry O'Shea (398-6341) or
Brian Kerby (848-5936).

For Parish Members - \$580.00 (\$330. for plot + \$250 care and maintenance)

For Non-parish Members - \$1000.00
(\$600. for plot + \$400 care & maintenance)

Please note Bylaw #A31: "a Parish Member shall mean an envelope holder and supporter of our parish on a regular basis."