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*"And I tell you, you are a rock, and on  
this rock I will build my church"*

*Matthew 16:18*

*"This is my commandment:  
Love one another as I have loved you"*

*Jn 15:15*

Drawings:  
M.J. Lamb

December  
2025  
Month  
Dedicated  
to The  
Immaculate  
Conception

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By the 20th of each month

### St. Patrick's & St. Brendan's Parish Bulletin

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<b>Sunday Mass:</b>	9:00am - St. Patrick's
<b>Saturday Mass:</b>	6:00pm - St. Brendan's (Closed for winter)
<b>Confessions:</b>	By Appointment
<b>Catholic School:</b>	St. Joseph's, Gananoque, 613-382-2361
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<b>St. Brendan's Ladies Auxilliary:</b>	Tracy Yuille, 613-659-2966
<b>Cemetery Board Chair:</b>	Chris O'Grady, <a href="mailto:ogrady02@hotmail.com">ogrady02@hotmail.com</a>

### Monthly Mass Intentions

Dec 7 <sup>th</sup> 12 pm	St. Patrick's	Ted Bootsma Req. Carol Wagner
Dec 14 <sup>th</sup> 9 am	St. Patrick's	Grover & Lena Reid Req. Mary Robertson
Dec 21 <sup>st</sup> 9 am	St. Patrick's	Vlado & Marie Babak Req. Jerry & Marie Babak
Dec 24 <sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm	St. Patrick's	Living Intentions of Beryle Kolb Req. Brad & Karen Davis
Dec 28 <sup>th</sup> 9 am	St. Patrick's	Ed Lappan Req. Irene Lappan
Dec 31 <sup>st</sup> 6 pm	St. Patrick's	People of the Parish

When booking a mass, please use the envelopes at the back of the church and place in the collection basket. To inquire about a particular date please contact Karen Davis at 613-532-3347.



### 2025/26 Sunday Missals

The 2025/26 Sunday missals are available on the back table of the church. A donation of \$5 to cover their cost is welcomed and can be placed in the donation jar. Our Sunday Missals provide an opportunity for us to prepare ourselves for our Sunday worship through studying the readings.

### 2026 Offertory Envelopes

The 2026 Envelopes are now available at the back of the church. If there is an error in your address please let Karen Davis know at [bkranch5@gmail.com](mailto:bkranch5@gmail.com)

### Lectors/Ushers/Offertory Schedule

		Lector	Ushers	Greeters/Offertory
Dec 7 <sup>th</sup>	12pm	Tracy Yuille	Charles & Hiram Summers	Maggie & Keeva Duffy
Dec 14 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Marg Atkinson	Chris Lappan Mary Robertson	Pat & Tracy Yuille
Dec 21 <sup>st</sup>	9am	Kay Davis	Brad Davis Charles Summers	Teagan Paquette Keeva Duffy
Dec 24 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm	TBD	Volunteer	Volunteer
Dec 28 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Charles Summers	Richard & Kay Davis	Mangan Family
Dec 31 <sup>st</sup>	6pm	TBD	Volunteer	Volunteer

# GROWING IN FAITH

## As a Family

Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate

Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Patronal Feast Day for the Immaculate Conception will occur on Mon. Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>. Come and join parishioners from throughout the Archdiocese to celebrate the conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral in Kingston at 10:30am.  
Confessions available beginning at 9:30am.

*We celebrate at Christmas - not only that Christ was **Born**  
but that he **Lived**.*

- Craig C. Christensen -

### The Pope's Intention for December

**For Christians in areas  
of conflict**

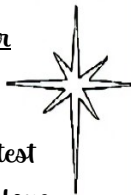
Let us pray that  
Christians living in areas  
of war or conflict, especially in the Middle  
East, might be seeds of peace,  
reconciliation, and hope.



**Prayer for Vocations** O God, you have chosen the Apostles to make disciples of all nations and by Baptism and Confirmation have called all of us to build up your Holy Church. We earnestly implore you to choose from among us, your children, many priests, deacons, brothers, and sisters who will love you with their whole heart and will gladly spend their entire lives to make you known and loved by all. AMEN

### Advent Prayer

Heavenly Father, your  
son, Jesus, is your greatest  
gift to us, a sign of your love.  
Guide us as we strive to walk  
in that love together as a family  
this Advent. As we prepare our  
hearts for Christmas, bring us  
closer to each other and to your  
son. Give us the grace and  
strength we need every day.



# Parish News

## **NOTE: St. Patrick's Mass Schedule for December**



**Sun. Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - 12 noon**

**Sun. Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> - 9am**

Confessions: **Sat. Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> - 6-7pm**

Christmas Eve: **Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> - 6:30pm**

New Years Eve: **Wed. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> - 6pm**



### **Annual CWL Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon**

Sun. Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 1:30pm Immediately following Mass

Please join us in the basement hall at St. Patrick's. Bring your favourite main dish to share. Coffee, tea and beverages will be provided. All are welcome!

## thank you!



St. Patrick's Catholic Women's League would like to thank parishioners & friends who supported us during our recent fundraiser of homemade pies/crisps. We had many volunteers from the parish family helping to fulfill the orders. It was a great day of fellowship.

## FORMED<sup>®</sup>

THE CATHOLIC FAITH.  
ON DEMAND.

Don't forget that online resources are available to every member of our parish at the Catholic streaming service FORMED.org. There is no cost because we pay for a parish wide website. All you need to do is create an account to log in and start watching lots of great content.

3 Simple Steps - Go to:

1. <https://signs.formed.org>
2. Enter our parish's postal code (we will use St. John's in Gananoque as we share a subscription **K7G 2A1**)
3. Enter your name and your email address
4. **Explore & Enjoy!**

# More Parish News

## **Parishioner Prayer Requests**

Please keep in your prayers parishioners and friends that are experiencing illness & challenges:

Leslie King	Fila Kleba	Adrian Van Weert
Joseph O'Grady	Jocelyn O'Grady	Tracy Yuille
Nancy & Rick Langton		



If you know of someone that is sick and homebound and would like to receive Communion of the Sick at home please reach out to Kel James at St. John's in Gananoque.

### **Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion**

St. John's, Gananoque will be running sacramental preparation classes for Grade 2 students for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and first Communion. If you have a child of that age and wish for them to be included, a mandatory parent meeting and registration night is being held on Tues. Dec. 2, 6:30pm at St. John's.

### **Sacraments of Confirmation**

St. John's, Gananoque will be running sacramental preparation classes for confirmation in the New Year. If you have a child in grade 7 that wishes to participate please reach out to Kel James, 613-382-2017 for more information.



Father Tom Stephan will be celebrating his 18th Anniversary of Ordination on Dec. 2nd. Be sure to congratulate him when you see him next and offer up this prayer in his name!

*Almighty and merciful God, we offer You our sincere thanks and gratitude for Father Tom who has faithfully served You for 18 years. We thank You for the grace You have bestowed upon him and for the gift of his ministry. May the Father Tom be blessed with strength and courage for the years ahead. May Your presence be with him, comforting and inspiring him as he continues his ministry.*

*We ask that You grant Father Tom the grace and wisdom to spread Your word and lead with humility and compassion. May he be filled with joy and peace as he continues to serve You and Your people. May his ministry continue to provide hope, healing, and spiritual rejuvenation. Amen.*

# Local Parish Events



## Holiday Craft Fair

### **St. Edward's CWL Annual Christmas Bazaar**

St. Edward's School Gymnasium, 51 Bedford Street, Westport

**Sat. Dec. 6, 2025, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

Join us for festive fun at the annual Christmas Bazaar! Enjoy a bake table, an In-House Raffle with great prizes, and our Christmas Raffle. A delicious lunch (soup or chili, homemade bun, pie, coffee or tea) will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (or while supplies last) for **\$10 per person**.

### **3rd ANNUAL 2025 RND Christmas Market**

Regiopolis-Notre Dame Catholic High School, Kingston

**Sat. Dec. 6, 2025, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

A showcase of the unique work of local makers, raising money for Clothes for Kids, and collecting non-perishable food items to be donated.

Admission: Non-perishable food item or monetary donation to Clothes for Kids

~ The first Christmas was simple. It's OK if yours is too. ~

## Trinitas

### **Holiday Concerts**

#### **Joyful Tidings!**

7 Centuries of Music for Advent & Christmas

Sat. Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2 PM

St. John's Anglican Church, Portsmouth

#### **Festival of Advent**

Lessons and Carols

Sat. Dec. 13th, 6:30pm

Christ Church, Chapel Royal of the Mohawk, Tyendinaga

#### **Annual Epiphany Carol Sing-Along**

Sat. Jan. 3rd, 2pm

St. Joseph's Church, Kingston

### **Melos Choir Journey to Bethlehem**

Sun. Dec. 14th @ 3pm

St. John the Apostle

Reflective Advent chants,  
joyful Christmas carols,  
music for the Persian  
Festival of Yaldo

Tickets: \$25 at the door

on online at

[www.melos-earlymusic.org](http://www.melos-earlymusic.org)

# More Parish News

## **Contact Information**

**St. John's Parish Office:** 613-382-2017; [stjohn.gananoque@archkingston.ca](mailto:stjohn.gananoque@archkingston.ca)

St. Patrick's and St. Brendan's Parish Website: **[www.stspatrickbrendan.com](http://www.stspatrickbrendan.com)**

**For Emergencies:** Father Tom Stephan

437-366-0731, [frtstephan@archkingston.ca](mailto:frtstephan@archkingston.ca)



We offer a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners to our community of faith.

At certain times, the parish will send out updates concerning parish life. For returning & new parishioners we need your contact information! Please complete a Parish Information Sheet, that can be found on the table at the entrance of the church. Also, please consider your stewardship to the parish; weekly envelopes are available. Please notify Karen Davis of your request at [bkranch5@gmail.com](mailto:bkranch5@gmail.com)

## **PLEASE DONATE**

All cheques must be made out to

**"St. Patrick's Church"**

This includes parishioners from  
St. Brendan's Parish.

### **St. Patrick's Monthly Financial Update**

Oct 30/25 - Nov 26/25

(Income is an approximate amount and includes Sunday offering, building and maintenance and donations)

**Income:               \$ 2,508.69**

**Expenses:           \$ 2,128.81**

**Difference:         \$   379.88**

(for inquiries please reach out to  
Karen Davis, [bkranch5@gmail.com](mailto:bkranch5@gmail.com))

### **Food Bank**

People continue to be in need in our area. Please pick up brown food bank bags, available at the entrance to the church. Non-perishable food and toiletries are welcome at any time.

### **Upcoming Committee Meeting Dates:**

Parish Pastoral Council - April 2026

CWL - Wed. Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, 7pm @ Kay Davis'

Property & Finance Meeting - None currently booked

Please note: These meetings are closed to committee members only. Important information will be shared with parishioners as per Father Tom's direction.

# ADVENT CALENDAR 2025

BRING YOUR FAMILY CLOSER TOGETHER... IN THIS JUBILEE YEAR!



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>30</b>  <b>St. Andrew</b>	<b>1</b>  <b>The Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>2</b>  <b>St. Francis Xavier</b>	<b>3</b>  <b>St. Francis Xavier</b>	<b>4</b>  <b>St. Nicholas</b>	<b>5</b>  <b>St. Nicholas</b>	<b>6</b>  <b>St. Lucy</b>
<b>7</b>  <b>St. Ambrose</b>	<b>8</b>  <b>The Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>9</b>  <b>St. Ambrose</b>	<b>10</b>  <b>St. Ambrose</b>	<b>11</b>  <b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b>	<b>12</b>  <b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b>	<b>13</b>  <b>St. Lucy</b>
<b>14</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>15</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>16</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>17</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>18</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>19</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>20</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>
<b>21</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>22</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>23</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>24</b>  <b>St. John of the Cross</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Nativity of the Lord</b> 		

**SHOW AFFECTION**

Express what it is you love or admire in one another

**WORK AS A TEAM**

Grow closer through team work and by sharing household chores

**HAVE FUN**

Have fun as a family, be a source of joy for one another

**FORGIVE**

Offer forgiveness to someone who has hurt you

**CELEBRATE**

Celebrate Mass as a family; read, draw or share with each other stories of hope

**GIVE THANKS**

Thank Jesus for daily blessings; Write or draw a thank you note to show gratitude

**BE OF SERVICE**

Do something good for others as a family; help care of the poor, lonely and isolated



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

"JESUS CHRIST, OUR HOPE"

TIMOTHY 1:1

