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Most Reverend Michael Mulhall, Archbishop of Kingston

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Office Hours
Monday Closed
Tuesday - Thursday 9:00am - 12:00pm
Friday 9am - 12pm; 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Mass Schedule
Daily Masses
St. Francis de Sales, Smiths Falls
Tuesday 5:30pm
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am
1st Saturday 9:00am

Weekend Masses
St. Francis de Sales, Smiths Falls
Saturday 5:00pm
Blessed Sacrament, Lombardy
Sunday 9:00am
St. Francis de Sales, Smiths Falls
Sunday 10:30am

Confessions
Saturday 4:00pm – 4:50pm (before 5:00pm Mass)
Prior to or after Mass daily or by appointment

Sacraments
(Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, RCIA, Confirmation, Marriage)
Contact the parish office
Weddings, call office at least 6 months prior to intended date.

Adoration
Eucharistic Adoration ...Monday 9:00am - 9:00pm
Holy Hour ...Tuesday 4:30pm - 5:30pm
1st Friday Benediction & Adoration ...9:00am -10:00am

Parish Outreach Program
Wednesday Community Lunch 12:00pm, Hanley Hall

Communion & Anointing of the Sick
If you or a loved one are ill or homebound, please call the office

October 25th, 2026 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"I love you, O Lord, my strength." **Psalm 18**

Mass Schedule

Sat. October 24	5:00pm	Jay Hitchins
Sun. October 25 (BS)	9:00am	Stephen Tysick
Sun. October 25	10:30am	For the People
Mon. October 26	9:00am-9:00pm	***Adoration***
Tues. October 27	10:30am	***Van Horne Mass:*** Bob Linton
Tues. October 27	4:30-5:30pm	***Holy Hour***
Tues. October 27	5:30pm	Lita Cassidy
Wed. October 28	8:30am	Eugene Curran
Thurs. October 29	8:30am	Ethel Collier
Fri. October 30	8:30am	Special Intention
Sat. October 31	5:00pm	Intentions of Anna Schiavone
Sun. November 1 (BS)	9:00am	For the People
Sun. November 1	10:30am	Intentions of Nadeau Family

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The central theme of today's readings is the greatest commandment in the Bible, namely, to respond to God's love for us by loving Him, and then to express that love in action by loving Him living in our neighbor. Our love for God is tested and put into practice by the way we love our neighbor.

First Reading: Commands Israel to protect and care for the underprivileged and foreign aliens, remembering their own past oppression in Egypt, to establish a humane society.

Second Reading: St. Paul praises the Thessalonians because their mutual love and receptive faith serve as an inspiring example to Christians everywhere.

The Gospel: Jesus binds the love of God and neighbor as the highest Christian duty. Because all people reflect God's image, loving one's neighbor through active deeds rather than mere feelings is the ultimate expression of honoring God.

Life Messages

We need to love God: Loving God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, in response to His total love for us, means that we should place God's will ahead of ours, seek the Lord's will in all things, and make His will, not our own, paramount in our lives. We need to keep God's Commandments, and offer daily prayers of thanksgiving, praise, and petition. We also need to read and meditate on His word in the Bible and accept His invitation to join Him in the Mass and other liturgical functions.

We need to love our neighbor: God's will be that we should love everyone, seeing Him in each of them. Since every human being is the child of God and the dwelling place of the Spirit of God, we are giving expression to our love of God by loving our neighbor as Jesus loves him or her. This means we need to help, support, encourage, forgive, and pray for everyone – without discrimination based on color, race, religion, gender, age, wealth, or social status. Forgiveness, too, is vital.

Prayer for the Healing of our Family & Friends: Let us call to mind and include in our prayers, those who are in need of God's aid and grace, especially *His Holiness Pope Leo XIV, Jessa Rego, Denise Di Stasio, Fr. Sebastian Amato, Thérèse Brunette, Pierre Chartier, Raymonde Mason, Ross Mayer, Marcel Stevens, Brigitte Berube, Pat McGlade, Kathy Tysick, Elaine Black, Dan Boyle, Svitlana Kulish, Jean Brady, Robert Stevens, Diane Lockett, Calvin Prince, Fr. Leo Bryne, Ian Kemp, Fr. Michael McCarthy, Fr. Mac Burke, Fr. Don Cummings, Sean Conway, Sylvain Hébert, Denis Richardson, Jennifer Hamilton*

Prayer for the Repose of the Souls of: Let us remember those who have recently died, especially *Patricia Ann Walker, Aline Robert, Melchor Sison Gonzales, Debbie Shea, Vincent Stevens, Edward Bates, France Giguere, Fr. Stan Alanen, Hugh McDougall, Sabu J. Chelamootil, Beverly Nadeau, Stephen Tysick, Keith Cassell, Jean Pierre Proulx, Fr. Bill Steacy, Suzanne Johncox, Edie Cordick, Mary Huard, Mary Kacur, Jack McConnell, Joseph Peringelil, Fidelis Ajawara, Marion Lukow, Norma Cordick, Robert Linton, Josephine Campbell, Madeline Jordan, Pierrette Fillion, Lita Cassidy, Mary Salvi, Marilyn Kelly, Ellen Jane Bennett, Luc Massie, Mary DeLasio-Hardy, Audra Nugent* and those whom we hold within the silence of our minds and hearts.

Upcoming Events/Meetings

October 25	Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction 5-8pm
October 27	Van Horne Mass 10:30am
October 27– October 31	Photo Directory Pictures Schedules Upper HH Tuesday -Friday 2:30-8:30pm Saturday 9:30am-3:30pm
November 1	1st Reconciliation Class 11:30am lower HH
November 2	All Souls Day: CWL & K of C Memorial Mass 5:30pm
November 4	Little Flowers Girls Club lower HH 6pm
November 5	CWL Executive Meeting 6pm
November 5	RCIA Session upstairs chapel in church 7pm
November 6	Adoration, Benediction, Confession 9-10am followed by movie lower HH 10am

Into the Future Candle will be lit the week of October 25 for a *Special Intention*, requested by Marilyn Mitchell. Spaces are available for November 15 & 29 and December 6, 20, & 27. Please call the parish office.

Devotion for October: The Holy Rosary

O Virgin Mary, grant that the recitation of your Rosary may be for me each day, in the midst of my many duties, a bond of unity in my actions, a tribute of filial piety, a sweet refreshment, an encouragement to walk joyfully along the path of duty. Grant, above all, O Virgin Mary, that the study of your mysteries may form in my soul, little by little, a luminous atmosphere, pure, strengthening, and fragrant, which may penetrate my understanding, my will, my heart, my memory, my imagination, my whole being. So shall I acquire the habit of praying while I work, without the aid of formal prayers, by interior acts of admiration and of supplication, or by aspirations of love. I ask this of you, O Queen of the holy Rosary, through Saint Dominic, your son of predilection, the renowned preacher of your mysteries, and the faithful imitator of your virtues. Amen.

Pope's Prayer Intention for October

For Mental Health Ministry

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illness.

Collection Counters	Rosary Leaders
November 1 *Stella D'Souza, Chris & Melanie Poirier*	***October 31*** *Cathy Bridson* ***November 1*** *Rob Drapeau*

Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00pm October 31 *Karen Forbes* *Mike Fitzpatrick*	*David Houlahan*
9:00am November 1 *Richard Knott*	*Nancy Mahon*
10:30am November 1 *Jenny Komorowski* *Dan Komorowski*	*Carol Stanzel*

RCIA Reminder

We want to remind everyone that our **bi-weekly sessions are currently underway!** Even if you missed the first few meetings, **you are still very welcome to join us.** There is absolutely no pressure or obligation—just a safe, open space to explore, ask questions, and grow spiritually. Sessions run every second Thursday evening at 7pm in upstairs chapel in church **(next session Thursday November 5, 2026).**

Attention: Update Re: Cheques Made out to Our Parishes

We have recently been advised by BMO that, as part of its fraud prevention and compliance measures, it is enforcing its cheque deposit requirements more strictly. **Moving forward, cheques deposited into parish bank accounts must be made payable to the exact official account name registered with BMO.** Cheques made payable using variations of the parish name may be returned or refused for deposit. We understand that parishioners have used different versions of parish names for many years, and this change may cause some inconvenience. For your reference, our associated account name(s) within BMO are below, **please do not use both.**

Blessed Sacrament Parish or St. Francis De Sales Church

Interested in Junior Liturgy? Let Us Know!

We are exploring continuing with a **Junior Liturgy (Children's Liturgy of the Word)** during our 10:30am Sunday Masses! It would offer our youngest parishioners a chance to hear the Sunday Gospel and participate in faith-based activities tailored for them during the Liturgy of the Word. We want to hear from you! If you are a parent or guardian who would utilize this program, please let us know.

How to share your feedback:

Email us: stfrancisdesales@archkingston.ca

Call the office: 613-283-0220

Sign up Sheet: at the entrance of the church or on Flocknote

Celebrating Hallowtide: All Saints & All Souls

On **Sunday, November 1**, we celebrate the **Solemnity of All Saints**, a Holy Day of Obligation. We must remember Sunday is primarily the Lord's Day and the Saints are the principal witness to Christ and to the saving power of his Death and Resurrection. We honor all the holy men and women who have attained heaven and stand as a "garden of holiness" and inspiration for us. On **Saturday, November 2**, we observe **All Souls' Day (The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed)**. United in the *Communion of Saints*, we offer our prayers for our deceased family, friends, and all the holy souls in Purgatory.

All Souls Day Mass

A Commemorative Mass for All Souls will be celebrated on All Souls Day, Monday November 2, at 5:30pm. All parishioners are invited to join us as we pray for, remember, and honor all the faithful departed of our families, friends, and parish community especially our CWL and K of C members. Let us gather together to commend their souls to God's eternal mercy and love.

Congratulations on your Baptism

This Sunday we celebrate the Baptisms of *Calder Theodore Duncan*, child of Justin Duncan and Linda Walters, *Rory Grace Hamilton*, child of David Hamilton and Trisha Billings, and *Roman Fowler*, child of Cory Fowler and Isabella Gondek. Congratulations on your Baptism. Best wishes for this new step in your journey of faith. Let God be the guiding light for you. May you be wise people and follow the path of Jesus.

Cemetery Fall Clean Up

St. Francis de Sales and Blessed Sacrament Cemetery Committee request individuals who have loved ones buried at either cemetery please help by cleaning up family/friend's graves as part of the cemetery's fall cleanup program. Your help is much appreciated in the maintenance and care for our loved one's graves. May their souls rest in peace.

Volunteers for Wednesday Community Lunches

We are still looking for more volunteers for teams to help serve our neighbours for our dine in community lunches on Wednesdays. If you are interested, please contact Jenny at 905-576-8072.

CWL Social Justice Committee – Urgent Action Needed on AI Data Centers

The CWL Social Justice Committee invites you to support proper regulations for artificial intelligence data centers to protect our communities and ecosystems. Please sign the official House of Commons petition before the **November 7 deadline**. **How to sign:** Search Google for **"Petition e-7553"** on the Our Commons Petitions website. **Important:** Check your email after signing and **click the verification link** so your signature counts. Thank you for your stewardship!

Book of Remembrance will be placed at the entrance of both churches on Sunday November 1. Please feel free to make an entry throughout the month of November as we remember our deceased loved ones. **We ask that you only include those who have died within the last year.**



Prayers for His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV

Let us join together in prayer for the swift and complete recovery of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV following his surgery on October 13, 2026. Below is a prayer offered by the Holy Father himself in a message for the 34th World Day of the Sick.

Sweet Mother, do not part from me. Turn not your eyes away from me. Walk with me at every moment and never leave me alone. You who always protect me as a true Mother, obtain for me the blessing of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Jesus and Moses are playing golf when they come to the par-3 with a long carry over water to an island green. Moses tees off with a 3-wood and hits the green. Jesus takes out his 5-iron and says, "I'm going to hit a 5-iron because Arnold Palmer would hit a 5-iron from here." Jesus tees it up and hits his iron shot that finishes 25 yards short of the green and in the water. Jesus turns to Moses and says, "How about parting the water so I can play my ball where it lies?" Moses says, "No way. You foolishly chose the wrong club because of your Arnold Palmer fantasy and I'm not going to be a party to it!" Jesus shrugs and starts walking on the water to where his ball went in. Just then, a foursome approaching the tee box sees Jesus walking on the water. One of them asks Moses, "Who does that guy think he is, Jesus Christ?" Moses turns and says, "No, he thinks he's Arnold Palmer!

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