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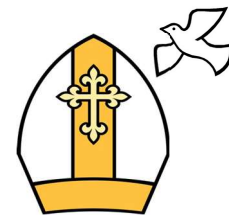


Feast of Saint Valentine – February 14th

Saint Valentine is the patron saint of love. Believers say God worked through his life to perform miracles and teach people how to recognize and experience true love.

This famous saint, an Italian doctor who later became a priest, inspired the creation of the holiday of Valentine's Day. He was sent to jail for performing weddings for couples during a time when new marriages were outlawed in the ancient Rome. Before he was killed for refusing to renounce his faith, he sent a loving note to a child he had been helping to teach, the daughter of his jailer, and that note eventually led to the tradition of sending Valentine's cards.

The most famous miracle attributed to Saint Valentine involved the farewell note that he sent to Julia. Believers say that God miraculously cured Julia of her blindness so that she could personally read Valentine's note, rather than just have someone else read it to her. —learnreligions.com/st-valentine-patron-saint-of-love-124544.



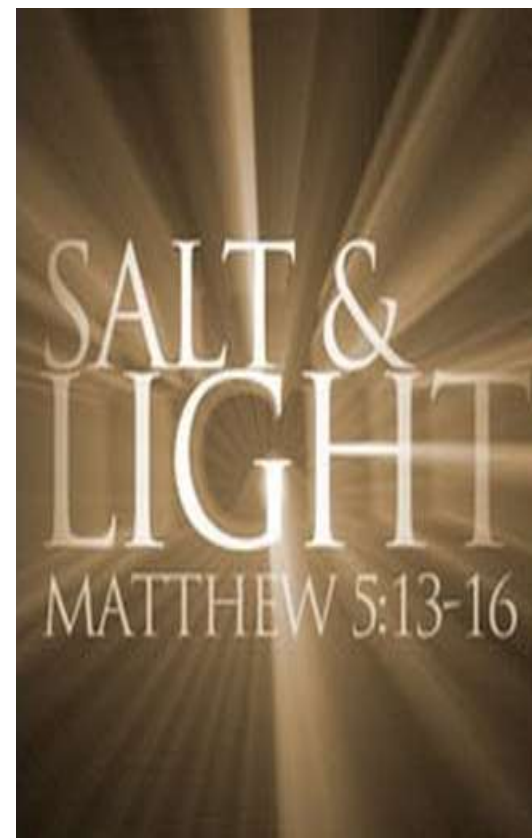
St. Gregory the Great Roman Catholic Church

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(613) 476-6276
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St. Frances of Rome Church (Summer Mission)

67 Belleville Street, Wellington ON K0K 3L0
Weekend Mass will resume in May 2026

February 8, 2026
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



“...let your light shine before human beings, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.”—Matthew 5:16

Our Mission: We are a Catholic Parish in Prince Edward County committed to proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Our Vision: To foster Christian Stewardship as a "Way of Life" in which individuals more fully live their baptismal call to discipleship through intentional, planned, proportionate giving of time, talent and treasure in response to God's generosity.

Parish Hours

Daily Mass

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday* – Thursday	12:30 PM
Friday**	8:30 AM

* Refer to weekly bulletin for any changes
** Adoration and Exposition follows Friday Masses

Weekend Mass

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	10:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Daily – phone the office

Office Hours

Tuesday – Thursday 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

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*A Catholic community of faith in
Prince Edward County since 1836*

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 8, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Feb. 9 NO MASS

Tuesday, Feb. 10
10:00 AM at West Lake

Wednesday, Feb. 11
12:30 PM

Thursday, Feb. 12
12:30 PM

Friday, Feb. 13
8:30 AM Followed by Exposition & Adoration

Saturday, Feb. 14 **Lenore Bongard, RIP**
5:00 PM St. Gregory's Saturday Choir

Sunday, Feb. 15
10:00 AM **For the People of Our Parish**

Prayer Requests



Pray for the sick and homebound, including:

Jennifer Gannon



Pray for the repose of the souls of deceased members of St. Gregory the Great parish.



Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of:

Lenore Bongard



Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day – February 11th

Mary appeared to a fourteen-year-old girl named Bernadette Soubirous. At first, no one believed her, not even her own mother. And Bernadette herself did not know it was Mary—she simply believed that God was speaking to her through these visions, and referred to this heavenly woman as “The Lady.”

Bernadette kept returning to the place where “The Lady” had appeared, even though her family and the local government told her not to. Eventually, “The Lady” revealed herself to Bernadette as the “Immaculate Conception.” And on February 25, 1858, Mary told Bernadette to drink from a fountain. Bernadette was confused because there was no fountain, but she started digging. Soon, she discovered the natural spring of Lourdes, which pilgrims still travel to today for healing.

God spoke to Bernadette through Mary, and Bernadette had the faith to receive the message, even when it didn't seem to make sense. We can adopt the same attitude of openness to God and his messages. We probably won't see visions or hear voices, but we can always ask the Big Question: “God, what do you want me to do?” That is a question he will always answer.—Dynamic Catholic

As I raised my head to look at the grotto, I saw a lady dressed in white, wearing a white dress, a blue girdle and a yellow rose on each foot, the same colour as the chain of her rosary; the beads of the rosary were white. From the niche, or rather the dark alcove behind it, came a dazzling light.

– Bernadette Soubirous

“I do not promise to make you happy in this world, but in the other.”—Our Lady of Lourdes



The Archdiocese of Kingston: 1826 - 2026

On December 8, 2025, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, Patroness of our Archdiocese, we began our celebration of the 200th anniversary of the Archdiocese. On January 27, 1826, Pope Leo XII erected the Diocese of Kingston and nominated Alexander Macdonell as the first Bishop of Kingston. With this Papal act, Kingston became the second diocese in Canada and the first Roman Catholic diocese erected in the British Empire since the Reformation!

In the weeks and months ahead, we will share in our bulletin various milestones of this 200-year journey, including milestones leading up to 1826. The complete timeline can be found on the Archdiocese of Kingston website <https://romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/200thanniversary>

July 20, 1807: A formal meeting to establish a Roman Catholic Church was held. At the meeting, three wardens were elected. A one-acre lot had been granted for the erection of a Catholic chapel.

October 8, 1808: First Church in Kingston – the contract to build a stone Catholic Church in Kingston was signed. Built on the corner of Bagot and William Streets, it remained unfinished. It was used as military barracks 1812 – 1814. Named St. Joseph's, also known as St. Columba's (commonly known as “the French Church”), it was blessed by Bishop Plessis on June 3, 1816 and dedicated to St. Isidore. It was the only Catholic Church in Kingston until the opening of St. Mary's Cathedral in 1848.

The Parish Photo Directory Has Arrived

The new Parish Photo Directory has arrived! For those who participated in this directory, you may pick up a copy of the directory at the Parish Office during office hours.



A Gift from Our Parish

A reminder that FORMED is a free service available to all our parishioners. This gift from our parish provides access to a wide variety of Catholic movies, studies, books, and programs for all ages. As Lent approaches, FORMED offers many resources to help you grow in faith and prepare your heart for Easter. We invite you to take advantage of this wonderful resource during the Lenten season.

Visit: FORMED.org/signup on your internet browser. Type in K0K 2T0. Click on St Gregory. Register your name and email and you are in. Use your browser, or download the app on Android or Apple devices, Roku, FireTV and Apple TV, too!



2025 Tax Receipts

Thank you to everyone who makes an offertory donation to our parish. Please note that your 2025 parish tax receipts are being processed and will be available for pick up at the back of the church next weekend. They will be sorted in alphabetical order by surname for you to pick up. Tax receipts not picked up by February 23rd will then be mailed.

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.”—Galatians 5:22-23a