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### First Holy Communion – Next Sunday

Please keep the following young parishioners in your prayers as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion next Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

May this sacred milestone deepen their love for the Eucharist and bring them ever closer to Christ.

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|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| † Brandon Balderrama Macias | † Matthew Dafoe  | † Hudson Rose      |
| † Byron Balderrama Macias   | † Vanessa Dafoe  | † Aaliyah Thompson |
| † Maria Barrios             | † Emma Normandin | † Dafni Vranas     |

### A Prayer for First Communion

Dear God, as I prepare for my First Communion, I ask for Your guidance in my spiritual growth. Help me deepen my relationship with You, strengthen my faith, and increase my understanding of Your love. Teach me to walk in Your ways and to live a life that reflects Your truth and love.



## St. Gregory the Great Roman Catholic Church

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Picton, ON K0K 2T0  
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[www.st-gregory-picton.ca](http://www.st-gregory-picton.ca)

### St. Frances of Rome Church (Summer Mission)

67 Belleville Street, Wellington ON K0K 3L0  
Sunday Mass at 11:30 AM from May 31, 2026 – October 4, 2026

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter April 26, 2026



“Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep.”—John 10.8

**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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### Parish Contacts

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

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – April 26, 2026

### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday, April 27</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 28</b> 10:00 AM at McFarland	
<b>Wednesday, April 29</b> 12:30 PM	<b>Marjorie Drechsler, RIP</b> St. Gregory's CWL
<b>Thursday, April 30</b> 12:30 PM	<b>Katie Shannon, RIP</b> Dona Geggie
<b>Friday, May 1</b> 8:30 AM followed by Exposition & Adoration	<b>Michael Shannon, RIP</b> Liz Brown
<b>Saturday, May 2</b> 5:00 PM	<b>Robert McDermott, RIP</b> Nancy Covel
<b>Sunday, May 3 – First Holy Communion</b> 10:00 AM For the People of Our Parish	

### Prayer Requests



Pray for the sick and homebound of our Parish and for those who love and minister to them.



Pray for the repose of the soul of:  
Father Sabinus Iwu, SMMM



Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of:  
Robert (Bob) McDermott



### May: The Month of Mary

It is a centuries-old custom of Catholics to dedicate the month of May to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The month of May is always part of the Easter season, the fifty days we celebrate in the liturgy the Resurrection of Our Lord, a time also of awaiting the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The celebration of May as a Marian month fits well with the liturgical celebrations of Easter and Pentecost as we recall Mary's great joy in her Son's victory over death as well as her presence with the apostles in the upper room prayerfully awaiting the

descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

We are encouraged to deepen our devotion through prayer, particularly by praying the rosary. The rosary is a powerful tool for meditation on the life of Christ and a way to seek Mary's intercession. Let us come together in prayer, asking Mary to guide us closer to her Son, Jesus. May this month strengthen our faith and bring peace to our hearts.



**There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church, if you are willing to lead the Rosary. Rosary begins 20 minutes before Mass. Thank you.**

**"Mary is the sure path to our meeting with Christ. Devotion to her enables us to be closely united to the Trinity." – Pope Benedict XVI**



### The Archdiocese of Kingston: 1826 - 2026

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>

**1875:** Bishop John O'Brien was appointed on February 12, 1875. He died on August 1, 1879.

**1880:** Bishop James Vincent Cleary was appointed the sixth Bishop of Kingston on October 1, 1880 and he became the first Archbishop of Kingston with the elevation of the Diocese to an Archdiocese on December 28, 1889.

**1885 – Founding of the Canadian Freeman:** The Canadian Freeman, a Catholic newspaper, was first published on March 17, 1885 in Kingston. It was initially published by two laymen. It was then purchased by the Archdiocese on July 7, 1916. It ran until 1942 when The Canadian Register began publishing.



### National Palliative Care Week is from May 3<sup>rd</sup>–9<sup>th</sup>

This year's theme is 'Palliative Care Everywhere'. All parishioners are invited to spend 1 hour in prayer, at home or in the church for an increase in palliative care services in Canada. Many Canadians face significant challenges accessing this holistic care. Whether in hospice, in hospital, at home or in long-term care, individuals facing serious end-of-life issues deserve the comfort, dignity and quality of life that palliative care offers. At present, MAiD is far more accessible in our country!

Prayer resources are available at the side entrance to the church, (e.g. Physicians Way of the Cross, Beatitudes for Caregivers). Please devote 1 hour of your time during the week of May 3-9 ... the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, personal prayer. Also, a copy of the CWL Resolution 'Federal Government To Complete Development of Office of Palliative Care' is posted.



### May = Moms and Babies Month

*"Blessed are the poor..."* Our CWL members invite you to add baby essentials to the bassinets at the doors of the church during the month of May. These diapers etc. will be given to the local food banks for distribution. *"... for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven."* Thank you.



### Mittens and Gloves and Hats, Oh My....

There are a number of hats, gloves and other items in the lost and found basket at the back of the church. Please check if any of these items belong to you. Thank you.

### Papal Intention for May – That Everyone Might Have Food

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.