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St. Francis Xavier, a welcoming faith community lovingly sharing the gifts of God.

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 10:30 AM

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday @ 10:30 a.m. Mass
Junior Kindergarten to Grade 2

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 PM to 4:15 PM
Sunday 10:00 AM to 10:15 AM
First Friday before 8 AM mass
Or by appointment. Call Fr. Brennan Ext 1

COMMUNION TO THE SICK OR SHUT-INS

Contact the parish office to arrange for this Ministry

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact Father Brennan at least six months before the proposed celebration as a preparation program is required.

BAPTISM

Please contact Fr. Brennan regarding upcoming preparation

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School
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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died especially Margaret Anderson and Israel "Ike" Coules, brother of Gerald Coules.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Terry Latendresse, Gloria Bruce, Noreene Adam and Sandy Massine.

THE 2019 LENTEN MISSIONARY DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION: Once again, we will continue the practice of sharing the **Annual Diocesan Lenten Missionary and Development Collection** with religious communities and apostolates that have a connection with the diocese to be used in their efforts with the poor. As in the past, we will also direct funds to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) which is a papal agency for humanitarian and pastoral support.

2019 NATIONAL CATHOLIC TV MISSION: SIN, FORGIVENESS & RECONCILIATION:

Cardinal Thomas Collins is this year's Mission leader, and he will explore the healing power available to us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Mission will air on Salt + Light and VisionTV during Holy Week. Part 1, Friday, April 19 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time & Part 2 on Saturday, April 20 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION WEEKEND RETREAT:

at Galilee Centre in Arnprior, May 3-5. Step out of your daily life and focus on the spiritual journey. Included are four talks by Denis Paquette exploring the meaning and need for faith, titled "Fortify Your Life: Dive into Faith". Denis is a contemplative who has a diploma in contemplative theology and spiritual mentorship from Saint Paul U. Price is \$250. Register by March 30. Email: william_meek@bell.net or call 613-521-3234

CWL NEWS:

◆ Save the date: Diocesan CWL convention in Douglas on Saturday, May 25th.



With joy and thanksgiving to God, at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday we will welcome into Full Communion **Patricia McGregor and David Moon** through the reception of the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. The Vigil will be celebrated at 8:00 p.m.

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**Chrism Mass:** All are invited to participate in the celebration of the Chrism Mass presided by Archbishop-Designate Michael Mulhall at St. Columbkille Cathedral, Pembroke, on Tuesday of Holy Week, April 16<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 a.m. During the ceremony, the Bishop will bless the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick and he will consecrate the Holy Chrism.

**SAVE THE DATE:** for a Mass of Thanksgiving in honour of the 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee of Priesthood for Father Brady McNamara and Father Ric Starks, which will be celebrated at Our Lady of Fatima Church on the Second Sunday of Easter, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

Below is an excerpt from a letter received from **Bernadette McCann House**.

"The Agency is extremely grateful to you and your congregation, for your gracious donation as a result of your Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on March 6<sup>th</sup>. It is through the kindness of others, that we are able to help those who access our services, with food and medication costs, recreational fees, or gas, etc. **Donations from the community truly make a difference in the lives of others.**

**WORLD DAY OF YOUTH  
APRIL 14**

Instituted at the conclusion of the inter-national Year of the Youth and in conjunction with Saint John Paul II's World Youth Day gatherings, Palm Sunday has included this observance since 1985.

"Young people must say to the world: It is good to follow Jesus! You bring us the joy of faith and tell us that we must live the faith always with a young heart." (Pope Francis)



We welcome to the Christian Community the child recently baptized into our faith. As the Parents and Sponsors make a commitment to share with this child our Catholic faith, we as a faith community offer our on-going support to:

~ Addison Leigh Arbuthnot, daughter of Ryan and Krystyn ~

**LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

MON Apr. 15  
 6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
 7:00 p.m. Rev. Patrick J. Tait - The Dobec Family  
 TUES. Apr. 16  
 10:30 am **CHRISM MASS IN PEMBROKE**  
 WED. Apr. 17  
 8:00 a.m. Gertrude Lepine - Jan & Roy Leitch  
 THURS. Apr. 18  
 7:00 p.m. **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
 Lila Prince - John & Martha Scott  
 FRI Apr. 19  
 3:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION**  
 SAT. Apr. 20  
 8:00 p.m. **EASTER VIGIL**  
 SUN. Apr. 21  
 10:30 a.m. **EASTER SUNDAY**  
 Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

**TRIDUUM & EASTER  
 LITURGICAL ROLES  
 AS ASSIGNED**

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Divine Mercy Sunday Devotion – April 28, from 2-3 p.m. St. Columbkille Cathedral, Pembroke, with Adoration, singing of hymns, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, as we pray for God's Mercy upon the whole world. For more info please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613 732-7933 ext. 206 or dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com.

SUNDAY OFFERING - April 7th - \$6,177.04
 \$3,702.00 - Envelopes \$266.70 Loose
 \$2003.34 - Monthly EFT
 \$205.00 - Weekly EFT

TRIDUUM & EASTER SCHEDULE

	Precious Blood	Mt. St. Patrick	O.L. Fatima	SFX
HOLY THURSDAY April 18	—	7:00 pm	5:15 pm	7:00 pm
GOOD FRIDAY April 19	3:00 pm	3:00 pm	12 noon	3:00 pm
EASTER VIGIL April 20	—	—	8:00 pm	8:00 pm
EASTER SUNDAY April 21	8:30 am	10:45 am	9:00 am	10:30 am

CONFESSIONS AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH:

- ◆ before weekend Masses and before mass on Fridays during Lent.
- ◆ Holy Saturday, April 20th from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH:

- ◆ Monday, April 15th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ Holy Saturday, April 20th beginning at 10:00 a.m.



HOLY THURSDAY: Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY is a day of FAST and ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT

These practices are an outward sign of openness to God, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, and a witness to our faith. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older, the law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. Those who are ill or elderly are prudently dispensed from these observations.



THE DIOCESAN LENTEN MISSIONARY DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION

Will be taken up on **Good Friday**. The monies from this collection will go directly to missionary efforts apostolic work with the poor in a variety countries. Please be generous.

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