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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

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Gerald Sugars.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette, Robert Berube, Father Doug Morris, Anthony Mask, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Luke Holmes, Catherine Kuehl, Betty Tracey, Leona Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Ed Sulpher, Rose Nighbor, Audrey Tibbles, Audrey Hawley, and Joan Prince.

REFUGEE UPDATE

As soon as we hear from Immigration that our applications are moving forward we will set a date to receive your donations of household items at either parish before the Mass on that weekend. We will store the items until we are ready to rent accommodation for the refugees. We ask your continued prayers for the safe arrival of Ammar, Wiaam and baby Elian Hriz and Baraa Hraiz to Renfrew. Any questions, call Maureen at 613-432-7388, or Joan at 613-432-9161.

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**SUNDAY OFFERING April 10<sup>th</sup> -  
\$4,008.51**  
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**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
LOTTERY 2016**

Tickets may be picked up at the office. Your support is greatly appreciated. We would encourage everyone to at least purchase tickets themselves. Tickets will also be available the weekends of April 23/24 and May 7/8.

**Marilyn Campbell 432-5735
Anita Agnew 432-4070**

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER C.W.L. NEWS:

◆ All women of the parish are invited to attend a **Luncheon on Sunday, April 24th at 11:45 a.m.** CWL Service pins will be presented, and guest speaker, Christine Helferty will give an inspiring talk on her missionary work in Uganda. Bring your daughters and granddaughters. For reservations: please call Joan at 613-432-9161 or jtlemay@sympatico.ca before April 20th. If you need a ride, please also call Joan.

◆ The CWL has initiated a nationwide **12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care** on May 4th, 2016. St Francis Xavier will hold a Holy Hour from 1-2 pm on May 4th in the Church. Everyone is invited to join with us and pray for improved Palliative Care services in our country.

"SPRING INTO SONG": Hebron Community Christian Reformed Church will be hosting "Spring into Song" ecumenical church service on April 24th at 2:00 p.m. to support the work of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank and to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Foodgrains Bank here in Renfrew. Members from various churches involved in the local project along with members of our congregation will participate and lead in singing and worship. Freewill offering taken, which the Canadian Government will match 3:1. Please plan to attend to enjoy an hour of worship and support this very important ministry. Light refreshments will follow.

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**EASTER OFFERING: - \$4,129.00**

**LENTEN MISSIONARY & DEVELOPMENT:  
\$8,667.00**

May God bless you for your generous response.

**ADULT FAITH RETREAT**

The Diocesan Office of Faith Formation and Leadership Development is sponsoring an Adult Faith Retreat on **Saturday, May 14, 2016 at St. Francis Xavier Parish, Renfrew** from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The retreat is open to all. The theme is Our Merciful Responses and the guest speaker will be Dr. Carol Kuzmochka, consultant, process facilitator and part-time professor, faculties of Theology and Human Sciences of St. Paul University. Cost is \$15 and includes lunch and break. For more information, please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613-732-7933 ext. 206 or [dcadrienchaput@pembrokedioocese.com](mailto:dcadrienchaput@pembrokedioocese.com). Registration deadline is Tuesday, May 10, 2016.

**LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

MON. Apr. 18 NO PARISH LITURGY (No Mass at OLF)  
 TUES. Apr. 19  
 9:00 a.m. Louise Gavin - Jerry & Maxine Lapierre  
 WED. Apr. 20  
 8:00 a.m. Lois Kusluski - Bob, Trudy, Don & Girls  
 THUR. Apr. 21 NO PARISH LITURGY (Mass at OLF @ 8:15 a.m.)  
 FRI. Apr. 22 NO PARISH LITURGY (Mass at OLF @ 8:15 a.m.)  
 SAT. Apr. 23  
 4:30 p.m. Raymond Roach & his mother, Nellie  
 - Dorothy Roach  
 Rita Connors - Jason & Tina Dedo & Family  
 SUN. Apr. 24  
 10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

Fifth Sunday of Easter - April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.**

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - A.M. Slight; J. Freemark  
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - L. Manwell; R. Zohr  
 M. & B. Coulas  
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - S. Dregas; C. Sulpher  
 D. Mooney; D. Dillon  
 SERVERS - L. Zohr

**SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.**

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - A. Hermans; J. Valliquette  
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - J. Ballard; L. Leech;  
 B. Taylor; A. Agnew  
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - D. Yantha; J. O'Connor  
 A.M. Millar; M. Campbell; M. L. Rowat  
 SERVERS - N. & S. Lesk; S. Holmes  
 CANTOR - M. E. Vice  
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - L. Richards; D. Fleury

**Respect for Life Talk:** May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m., preceded by Mass at 6:30 p.m., the St. Casimir, Round Lake Respect for Life group is sponsoring a Pro-Life speaker, Jakki Jeffs. Her talk will focus on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide.



**CONFIRMATION**

This year Confirmation will be celebrated in our Parish in late November. Father Brennan visited the Grade 7 and 8 students on April 11<sup>th</sup> to invite them to celebrate this sacrament of our faith. **Registration forms, along with a letter, were handed out and were to be returned by April 15<sup>th</sup> to the parish office or to their classroom teacher, OR they may be returned April 19<sup>th</sup> at our Parent meeting, which will be in the small hall at 7:00 p.m.**

**HOSPICE RENFREW** will once again be hosting our annual **"Hike/Run for Hospice - It Takes a Team!"** major fundraising event on **Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at Ma-Te-Way Park.** All funds raised go directly to the Hospice to allow end-of-life care to be offered to families completely free of charge! For pledge sheets or to register your team online please go to [www.hikeforhospicerenfrew.ca](http://www.hikeforhospicerenfrew.ca).

**"Hike/Run for Hospice - It Takes a Team!"** St. Francis Xavier Parish is hoping to have a team of walkers to participate in Hike for Hospice this year. If interested in joining contact Margaret at 613-432-6276 or contact [maloneym@bell.net](mailto:maloneym@bell.net) to help support palliative care in our community.



†† **FIRST COMMUNION** ††



Congratulations and blessings to our young parishioners who received the Holy Eucharist for the first time this weekend:

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Wesley Freamo</i>    | <i>Owen LaRocque</i>    | <i>Peighton Lavallee</i>    |
| <i>Charlie Leclair</i>  | <i>Laura Anne Lewis</i> | <i>Oakleigh Livingstone</i> |
| <i>Greyson Mousseau</i> | <i>Claire Richards</i>  | <i>James Russett</i>        |
|                         | <i>Sadie Wilson</i>     |                             |

May you know and feel Our Lord's grace, peace and love that He shares so generously with you and may God bless you and your family today and always.

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.**

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| ♦ <b>Mon., Apr. 18</b>  | <b>Bereavement Group</b>        | <b>Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1</b> | <b>7:30 p.m.</b> |
| ♦ <b>Tues., Apr. 19</b> | <b>Confirmation Parent Mtg.</b> | <b>Small Hall</b>          | <b>7:00 p.m.</b> |

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