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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 Kathleen McGahern and Dolores Agnel.

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.

FATHER BRENNAN WILL BE AWAY:

for the next week. Please see **Liturgical Celebrations** for times of Masses at O.L.F. If you require a priest in case of an emergency please contact **Father Holly at 613-432-8525.**

1st COMMUNION

What a beautiful parish celebration last Sunday as 10 children received the Holy Eucharist for the first time.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to our three catechists, Margaret Maloney, Theresa Brydges and Nancy Saumure, who have journeyed with the children and their families over the last half year.

Thank you also to the members of the CWL who provided the lovely luncheon following the liturgy. I received many comments on how appreciative the families were to be able to share this time together and enjoy a delicious repast.

THE WORD AMONG US: copies of the May edition of this publication which contains the complete Catholic Mass readings as well as daily meditations may be found at the church entrances. A donation of a \$2 would be appreciated to help defray costs.

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

◆ 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.

◆ St Francis Xavier and Our Lady of Fatima CWL are hosting the Diocesan Convention on Saturday, May 28th at SFX parish hall. All CWL members are welcome to attend. Please contact Joan: 613 623 9161 or jtleamay@sympatico.ca if you wish to attend, or for more information. Come and meet other CWL women from throughout the diocese, learn more about the work the CWL does, and attend a great workshop on The Mystery of the Divine Indwelling. **Deadline for application is May 8th.**

**FATHER PETER PROULX
40TH ANNIVERSARY**

The parishioners of Holy Name of Jesus Parish and Father Peter Proulx invite you to celebrate Father's Fortieth Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated on **Sunday May 8th** at 9 a.m., followed by a brunch in the parish hall. An open house at the Rectory will continue as the day unfolds. Best Wishes only-please.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: to all couples of the Parish who celebrate a Wedding Anniversary in April. We remember you and your intentions at the 10:30 a.m. Mass this weekend. May God Bless You All. Among those who celebrated are:

- Emmett & Aldene Gray (61)
- Ivan & Freida Beauregard (55)
- Brian & Shirley Proulx (34)

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 dcadrien-chaput@pembrokedioocese.com. Registration deadline is Tuesday, May 10, 2016.

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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Apr. 25 NO PARISH LITURGY (Mass at OLF @ 8:15 a.m.)
 TUES. Apr. 26 NO PARISH LITURGY (Mass at OLF @ 8:15 a.m.)
 WED. Apr. 27 NO PARISH LITURGY (Mass at OLF @ 8:15 a.m.)
 THUR. Apr. 28 NO PARISH LITURGY (Mass at OLF @ 8:15 a.m.)
 10:30 a.m. MANOR - LITURGY OF THE WORD
 FRI. Apr. 29 NO PARISH LITURGY (Mass at OLF @ 8:15 a.m.)
 SAT. Apr. 30
 4:30 p.m. Mom, Dad, Chris & Alma - Mary Griese
 Eugene Cadotte - Wife, Teresa
 SUN. May 1
 10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

LITURGICAL ROLES

Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 1st, 2016

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S. Mosco; L. Carter
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S. & R. Mears
 R. & L. Wojcik
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - L. Neville; K. Coulas
 L. Armstrong; L. Gallagher
 SERVERS - K. Dowdall
SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S.T.A. Student; R. Russell
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S.T.A. Students
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - S. O'Neil; K. & T. Mann;
 D. & B. O'Connor
 SERVERS - L. & H. Curry
 CANTOR - J. Belanger
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - C. Manwell; E. Shannon

"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 to help support palliative care in our community.



This year Confirmation will be celebrated in our Parish in late November. **Please note:** Father Brennan visited the **Grade 6 students** on April 18th to invite them to also celebrate this sacrament of our faith this November. **Registration forms, along with a letter, were handed out and must be returned on or before April 29th to the parish office or to their classroom teacher. There will be a meeting for the parents of Grade 6 candidates on Tuesday, May 3rd at 7 p.m. in the small hall.**

MASS FOR THE SICK WITH THE VENERATION OF THE RELIC OF ST. PEREGRINE: will be celebrated at St. John Chrysostom Parish in Arnprior on **Wednesday, May 4th at 7:00 p.m.** The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be administered along with the invocation of the intercession of St. Peregrine for those suffering with cancer.

HOSPICE RENFREW will once again be hosting our annual **"Hike/Run for Hospice - It Takes a Team!"** major fundraising event on **Sunday May 1st, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at Ma-Te-Way Park.** Please go to the Hospice website, www.hikeforhospicerenfrew.ca.

COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN: FREE lunch Wednesday, April 27th at 12 noon at St. Paul's Anglican Church. See posters.

SUNDAY OFFERING
April 17TH - \$4,268.85

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH LOTTERY 2016

To date 138 books have been returned. We respectfully request that sold tickets be returned as soon as possible as it makes bookkeeping easier and ensures that tickets are not misplaced or lost. Please pick up your tickets ASAP. During the week, tickets may be obtained from the parish office during office hours. Thank you very for your support!!

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

UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.

- ◆ **Mon., Apr. 25** Bereavement Group Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1 7:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Mon., May 3** Confirmation Parents (Gr. 6) Small Hall 7:00 p.m.

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