# **Saint Francis Xavier Parish**

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#### PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR

**DEACON** 

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Mon to Thurs

Friday - Closed

**OFFICE HOURS** 

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Nancy Connors

#### FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR

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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 41 Bolger Lane 613-432-3137 http://stthomas.rccdsb.edu.on.ca

#### HIGH SCHOOL

St. Joseph's Catholic High School 835 First Street 613-432-5846 http://sjchsrenfrew.wordpress.com

#### PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Murray Smaggus.

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

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

TRIDUUM & EASTER: a heartfelt THANK YOU to the Liturgical ministers, music and hymn leaders, Mass servers and the parish staff who facilitated such beautiful liturgies during the Triduum and for Easter. Thanks also to the C.W.L. who hosted the reception following the Vigil.

#### **ON OUR WAY WITH JESUS:**

### Part II: "WE SHARE IN THE EUCHARIST

Parent/ Child Meeting "Come and See" in the church on Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

CLIMATE CHANGE, FAITH, AND JUSTICE Saturday, May 4 at TSA United Church, Renfrew. Facilitator Karri Mann-Venn of Citizens for Justice will set the global context, discuss commitments through the Paris accord and help explore how we can respond politically and as a people of faith. \$5. See posters.

SUNDAY OFFERING - Apr. 21<sup>st</sup> - \$3,397.00 EASTER OFFERING: - \$4,552.00 LENTEN MISSION & DEVELOPMENT \$8,324.20

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

◆ Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> CWL invites everyone to "An Hour of Prayer for Palliative Care". We will pray for this intention at the 8 am Mass and the parish Holy Hour which follows.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RENFREW COUNCIL 1916: Inviting all members and spouses to a social gathering on Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 7 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall. Pizza and wings will be served.

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 celebrate are:

Emmett & Aldene Gray (64)
Ivan & Freida Beauregard (58)
Brian & Shirley Proulx (37)

#### **LOVE ONE ANOTHER**

**RENFREW HOSPICE'S** annual **HIKE FOR HOSPICE** will be held Sunday, 5 May. Registration starts at 12:30 p.m. Hike begins at 2:00 p.m. 55% of Hospice's operating costs must come from fundraising. All money from this year's **Hike** will go to support daily operations, so that they can continue to offer programs and services at no cost to the people they serve.



## **†† FIRST COMMUNION ††**

Next Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, nineteen of our young people will be receiving Holy Eucharist for the first time. As a parish family we welcome them for this most special event in their faith lives. The communicants and their families will have reserved seating in the front pews of the centre aisles.

The C.W.L. will host a luncheon for the First Communicants and their families following the celebration.

Please keep these young people and their families in your prayers.

#### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER BURSARY

The annual recipient of the SFX Parish Bursary of \$500 will be chosen by the Parish Pastoral Council

- applications may be requested by the student from the Parish office or the high school;
- applications will be reviewed by the Pastoral Council;
- students from either Renfrew High School who are seeking higher education may apply.

The criteria for recognition of an appropriate recipient will be based on:

- the involvement of the applicant in our parish community;
- their witness to our Faith in their school and/or the Renfrew community;
- the applicant's intentions as to their future education.

Applications may be picked up at the Parish Office and must be returned by Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. We wish God's Blessings to all of the graduating students at this challenging time in their lives.

#### **LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

MON. Apr. 29 NO LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass at OLF)

TUES. Apr. 30

9:00 a.m. Dec'd Relatives of the Parker Family

- P. & J. Spilchen

WED. May 1

8:00 a.m. Bernadette Dagenais

- Daughter, Lynn Dagenais

THUR. May 2

8:00 a.m. Intentions of Arlette Hermans

- Mary Alice Enright

FRI. May 3

8:00 a.m. Gregory Carey - Bill & Susan Ringrose

8:30 a.m. HOLY HOUR

SAT. May 4

4:30 p.m. Vicki, Bill, Deborah & Sandi

- Mom, Leona Barr

Angela LeGary - Mary & Family

SUN. May 5

10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

Third Sunday of Easter - May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S. McCanna; A.M. Slight MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - W. & M. Remus

J. Skebo; J. Mahusky

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - R. & N. Connors;** 

S. Dregas; D. Mooney

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

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - STA Student; L. Richards MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - STA Students EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - R.A. Dicker; D. Yantha;

D. Lennox; D. Yemen; M.L. Rowat

SERVERS - N. & S. Lesk CANTOR - J. Belanger

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - H. Holley; D. Holley

#### Christian Mothers Annual Spring Retreat

St. Hedwig's Church, Barry's Bay for a Christian Mothers Annual Spring Retreat – "Hope for the Loving Mother" spiritual and physical remedies on **Saturday, May 11**<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Presented by Fr. Stephen Helferty and Dr. Rachel Helferty, N.D. Mass, light breakfast, talk, lunch, adoration, confession. Free will offering. All women welcome! RSVP to Mary Anne Kluke at <a href="maryannekluke@gmail.com">maryannekluke@gmail.com</a> or 613 281-6970 by **Monday, May 6**<sup>th</sup>.

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH SUPPER SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019

weekend the Worker Sign-up This Sheets & Food Donation Sheets are inserted in the bulletin. We look forward to another year of great participation by our parish family. If you have never volunteered before we would love to have you on board!! And, of course, we welcome back all those who have assisted on a regular basis. You can appreciate the logistics involved in preparing these schedules so we encourage you to return the completed sheets by Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. Please return the green Food Choice form to the church by May 19th, and return the white Food Choice form when dropping off your donation the weekend the parish supper.

THE NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE takes place on Parliament Hill on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Join Renfrew County Right to Life and thousands of pro-life marchers in a peaceful protest of 50 years of legal abortion in Canada. To reserve a seat on the bus, please call Barb at 613-735-6265. Payment by donation on the bus. For more info: facebook.com/RCRTL.

#### **FAMILY & FRIENDS SPRING DINNER:**

Hosted by Community Living Renfrew County South on **Wednesday**, **May 1** at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall. Includes lasagna (meat or vegetarian), salad, bun, beverage & dessert. Doors open at 4:30 p.m.

Dinner served 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Advanced tickets - Adults \$12 available until Apr. 26 at Community Living, 326 Raglan St. S. Tickets at the door - Adults \$15. Children - by donation (under 12 years). Take out available.

THE WORD AMONG US: copies of the Easter edition, daily meditations from April 21 to May 31 are now available. A \$3 donation would be appreciated.

#### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH LOTTERY 2019

Thank you to all who have picked up your tickets. Envelopes containing five books of tickets will be available at the Church doors on May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. We encourage everyone to pick up tickets to sell or at least purchase them yourself. Tickets can also be obtained at the Church Office during office hours or by contacting Debbie MacDonald. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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