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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

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Linda Lee, Angela Gravelle and Audrey Youmans.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially, Elaine Brazeau, Bob Flynn, Arnold Wren, Fr. Mike Costello, Fr. Moses Nwosu, Fr. John Affleck, Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette, Robert Berube, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Luke Holmes, Catherine Kuehl, Leona Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Rose Nighbor and Audrey Tibbles.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - General Meeting will be held on Monday, April 10th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Sunday, April 23 from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. at St. Columbkille Cathedral, Pembroke. Guest Speaker: Father Howard Chabot. This will be a time with Our Lord with Adoration, Singing of Hymns and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Please see posters.

APRIL 22 & 23 RELIGIOUS ARTICLES SALES before & after Masses at the back of the Church. Will be featuring cards/gifts for First Communion.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Savanna Brown winner of the Altar Server draw for March.

SUNDAY OFFERING: Apr. 2nd - \$5,492.88 Thank you for your continuing support. ith joy and thanksgiving to God, on Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil we will welcome Hyuna Ku and August Mielke into our faith community through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. We will also welcome into Full Communion Matt Valliquette and Michael Newberry through the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. The Vigil will be celebrated at 8 p.m.

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

- ◆CWL General Meeting: April 11th, at 7pm; guest speaker is students from SJHS talking about their Dominican Experience. Donations of non-perishable items for food bank gratefully accepted.
- ♦ The CWL holds a prayer service at the funeral home, and a guard of honour at the funeral of any deceased members at the request of the family. Members are encouraged to talk to your families if you wish this service. Any CWL member interested in volunteering, please contact Cecilia Kusluski (432-3450) or Susan Ringrose (432-7405).
- ◆2017 CWL Service Pin Presentation

All women of the parish are invited to attend the CWL Service Pin Award Presentation Luncheon on Sun., Apr. 23rd, in the parish hall immediately following the 10:30am Sunday mass. Bring your daughters and granddaughters over the age of 7 to enjoy a time of Faith, Fun and Fulfillment. Please RSVP attendance with Debbie Macdonald before April 18th, 2017 at 613-432-5768 or email: debbiemacdonald12@gmail.com.

If you need a ride to the event, please contact Joan Lemay at 613-432-9161 or email: <u>itle-may@sympatico.ca</u>

OPPORTUNITIES TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:

Before Mass on Fridays, Saturday and Sundays in our parish church

SUNDAY, APRIL 9
St. John Chrysostom Church, Arnprior 2:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Fatima Church, Renfrew 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY Our Lady of Fatima 11 a.m. - 12 noon; St. Francis Xavier 1 - 2 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 observances.

† HOLY WEEK †

	St. Francis Xavier	Our Lady of Fatima
Tuesday of Holy Week at 10:30 a.m.	Mass of Chrism at St. Columbkille, Pembroke	
Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper	7:00 p.m.	5:15 p.m.
Good Friday Commemoration of the Lord's Passion	3:00 p.m.	12 Noon
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass	8:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Solemn Mass of Easter Sunday	10:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Apr. 10

6:30 p.m STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 p.m. Stanley Benish - Mary Griese & Family

TUES. Apr. 11

10:30 a.m. CHRISM MASS - ST. COLUMBKILLE,

PEMBROKE

WED. Apr. 12

8:00 a.m. Parnell Shalla - Stella & Family

THUR. Apr. 13

10:30 a.m. MANOR: Dan Power

- Pat & Bernice Fitzmaurice

7:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Don Letts - Barbara & Hector Chugg

FRI. Apr. 14

3:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

SAT. Apr. 15

8:00 p.m. **EASTER VIGIL**

SUN. Apr. 16

10:30 a.m. **EASTER SUNDAY**

Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

TRIDUUM & EASTER LITURGICAL ROLES: AS ASSIGNED

The National Catholic Mission this year is inspired by the writings and teachings of Fr. Henri Nouwen. Join Sr. Sue Mosteller and Fr. Ron Rolheiser for this 2-part Mission being broadcast during Holy Week.

BROADCAST DURING HOLY WEEK 2017 (Check your local listings as times are subject to change.)

Vision TV

PART 1: Monday, April 10, 2017

- 4:00 pm PT / 7:00 pm ET / 8:00 pm AT
- Rebroadcast Tues., April 11 after Daily TV Mass

PART 2: Tuesday, April 11, 2017

- 4:00 pm PT / 7:00 pm ET / 8:00 pm AT
- Rebroadcast Wed., April 12 after Daily TV Mass

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PART 1: Tuesday, April 11, 2017

- 5:00 pm PT / 8:00 pm ET / 9:00 pm AT
- Rebroadcast Wed., April 12 after Daily TV Mass

Part 2: Wednesday, April 12, 2017

- 5:00 pm PT / 8:00 pm ET / 9:00pm AT
- Rebroadcast Thurs., April 13 after Daily TV Mass

Bonnechere Manor Auxiliary Luncheon Bridge Party: Thurs., April 27th (please note change of date) at 12:00 noon. \$20.00 per person. Please RSVP to Eleanor 613-432-4312 or Carol 613-432-5060. All proceeds go to the Sunshine Coach Ride the Bus Campaign.

The Diocesan Missionary and Development Collection will be taken up on Good Friday. The monies from this collection will go directly to missionary efforts and apostolic work with the poor in a variety of countries. Please be generous.

Below is an excerpt from Bishop Mulhall's letter regarding this year's collection.

Our 2017 contribution will be directed through Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) to provide care and support for the refugees in the Middle East resulting from the turmoil of the civil war in Syria. I wish to add for your knowledge and for the faithful of the diocese that since 2011, the generosity of our parishes has allowed the diocese to provide over \$396,180 for refugees support by means of our Development Collection. I am deeply grateful for this generosity.

For further information on the plight of these countries and the many projects supported by the CNEWA, please see the contacts mentioned below.

As in the past, if any individuals wish to contribute to the *Development and Peace - Canada Caritas* (new name for the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace), they may do so by personally addressing their contributions to Development and Peace - Caritas Canada, 1425 René-Lévesque Blvd., 3rd Floor, Montreal, Quebec H3G 1T7.

Should you wish to obtain further information, please call the Chancery at 613-732-7933 or CNEWA at 613-738-9666 or consult the web-site www.cnewa.ca.

† Michael Mulhall Bishop of Pembroke

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH LOTTERY 2017

689 books were distributed and 21 books were sold last weekend. A great start. Tickets can be obtained by contacting Debbie Macdonald and they will also be available the weekend of April 22nd/23rd. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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