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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 Clare Larabie and Helen Stroud.

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Lucille Leveck, Fr. Doug Morris, Anthony Mask, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Catherine Kuehl, Luke Holmes, Betty Tracey, Gwen Deslaurier, Leona & Ken Barr, Ed Sulpher, Rose Nighbor, Audrey Tibbles, Audrey Hawley, and Joan Prince.

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** There will be 8:15 a.m. Mass on Saturday, August 15 at Our Lady of Fatima parish in honour of Our Lady's Feast.

N.B.: Next bulletin will be published Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015. Please retain this bulletin for Mass times and intentions.

SUNDAY OFFERING: July 26th - \$3,763.95 SUNDAY OFFERING: Aug. 2nd - \$5,719.59

#### **PARISH SUPPERS**

- ST. ANDREW'S, KILLALOE Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> 1:30 6:00 p.m.
- ST. THOMAS D'AQUIN, ASTORVILLE Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>
- starting 3:30 p.m.
- OUR LADY OF GRACE, WESTMEATH Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>
- 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS, BRUDENELL Aug.  $30^{\mathrm{th}}$
- starting at 1:00 p.m.

#### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CEMETERY

Memorial Service at the cemetery on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.</u> In case of inclement weather the celebration will be moved to St. Francis Xavier Church.

"Lord, for your faithful people, life has changed, not ended."

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RENFREW COUNCIL 1916: collects aluminum cans, eave troughs, siding, copper, liquor and beer bottles and old car batteries on the <u>last Saturday of every month</u>. Proceeds from the sale of these items are distributed to Knights of Columbus charities. If you would like to participate, please contact Don Coyne 613-433-9298, Rick Norman, 613-432-8603 or M. J. Blimkie 613-432-5334.

"LETTERS TO A YOUNG CATHOLIC" Book Study: Young Catholics in the area are invited to participate in a book study of George Weigel's "Letters to a Young Catholic" on Tuesday nights from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at Tim Hortons/Wendy's. We will be discussing chapters 6/7 on August 11<sup>th</sup> and chapters 8/9 on August 18<sup>th</sup>. For more info, contact Rachel Helferty at rachelhelferty@hotmail.com or 613-649-2482.

PILGRIMAGE DAY OF FRIENDSHIP & PRAYER: on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. Monday, September 14, 2015. Please consider joining Our Lady of Fatima CWL and parish members in general for a day of pilgrimage within our own diocese. A bus will leave Our Lady of Fatima parking lot at 9:00 a.m. We will travel to the Shrine of St. Ann in Cormac, where Mass will be celebrated in the parish We will visit Madonna House in church. Combermere and pray the Rosary at the Grotto of Our Lady at St. Mary Church, Wilno. Pilgrims are invited to bring a bag lunch and the group will stop at a local restaurant for supper. The cost of the bus will be subsidized by the parish and the CWL, to keep costs down. Participants are asked to contribute \$15.00 plus the cost of your supper. Please reserve your seat on the bus by calling Darlene Meleskie at 613-432-3587 or Nancy Guyea at 613-432-5125. To assist with planning, please book and submit payment by August 26<sup>th</sup>.



# ANNOUNCEMENT ST. JOSEPH'S HIGH SCHOOL

#### **NEW GRADE 8 & 9 ORIENTATION BARBECUE**

Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – 5:00 p.m.

Parents are always welcome!

#### **GUIDANCE APPOINTMENTS**

Student Services will be open on Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, and Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> for all new students intending to register or current students requiring guidance appointments.

SCHOOL BEGINS TUES., SEPT. 1st, 2015 8:10 a.m.

#### LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Aug 10 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass at OLF) TUES. Aug 11 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass at OLF)

WED. Aug 12

7:00 p.m. Lois Shubaly - Jerry & Maxine Lapierre

THUR. Aug 13

8:00 a.m. Andrew F. Rekowski - Meryl & Bob Stufko 10:30 a.m. MANOR: Intentions of Wil Hermans

- Mary Ellen & Dalton Enright

FRI. Aug 14

8:00 a.m. BenSurnoski & Deceased Relatives

- Theresa Surnsoski

SAT. Aug. 1*5* 

4:30 p.m. Paul & Amy Yantha - Eve Yantha

Vickey, Debra & Bill - Ken & Leona Barr

SUN. Aug. 16

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

LITURGICAL ROLES

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 16th, 2015

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - N. Saumure; S. McCanna

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S. & R. Mears; G. & S. Harper

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - L. Gallagher

SERVERS - E. Saumure

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - T. Keller; R. Russell MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY -D. & C. Varrin;

R. Holmes; L. Sammon

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - D. Varrin; N. Adam

SERVERS - N. & S. Lesk

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Aug.17 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. MASS at OLF) TUES. Aug. 18 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass at OLF)

WED. Aug. 19

7:00 p.m. Rita Lemenchick - Kay & Dave Lorente

THUR. Aug. 20

8:00 a.m. Mary Belanger - Mary Mask

FRI. Aug. 21

8:00 Chester Yantha - Eldon Yantha

SAT. Aug. 22

4:30 p.m. Christine Narezny - The Family

June Smaggus - Murray & Family

SUN. Aug. 23

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

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#### LITURGICAL ROLES

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 23rd, 2015

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - T.B.A; C. Walters
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - D. Mooney; J. Mahusky

B. & S.A. Holley

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - T. Lemenchick SERVERS - T. B.A.

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD —B. Chapman; B. Chapman MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - T. & B. McIntyre;

B. Taylor; A. Agnew

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - K. & T. Mann** 

SERVERS - L. & H. Curry

#### ABORTION: SOME COMMON OBJECTIONS ANSWERED

Following are statements some people make about abortion. Each on of them misses the point, which is that every abortion kills an innocent baby.

"The abortion issue has no place in the Church." Then what does? Are people who Worship God supposed to be blind to injustice? Are believers supposed to be unconcerned about what goes on in the world? Abortion kills over 100,000 babies in Canada each year. In Church we say we believe in "the Lord, the Giver of Life". Church is the place to talk about things that concern God, and God cares about the destruction of 100,000 babies a year. The Bible says that those who worship God but do not act to correct injustices are not pleasing God at all. (see Amos 5:21-27, and Isaiah 1:10-17).

"We shouldn't impose our beliefs on others." Do you really think that to say "killing is wrong" is imposing a belief? Would you want people around you who have the opposite belief? A society cannot run if it tolerates killing of the innocent. Nor can it run if it tolerates stealing. These are basic aspects of human life, and are not exclusively tied to the beliefs of any one religious denomination. You do not have to be Catholic or religious at all to understand that killing the innocent is wrong. To speak up against it is not "imposing beliefs"; it is basic human decency.

"Abortion is not a political issue." In other words, "political issues" have nothing to do with protecting human lives? Why do people organize themselves politically? What is the purpose of government and of power? Abortion kills 100,000 babies a year in Canada and that is a serious, public issue involving human rights and human lives. It therefore involves those who are responsible for public policy. Government has a duty to protect its people, not to pretend they aren't people at all.

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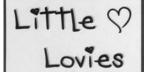
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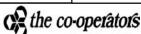
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