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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Thurs
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Friday – Closed

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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
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St. Joseph's Catholic High School
835 First Street 613-432-5846
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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Hedy Kedrosky, Sherry & Mark Cruise, Sandy Massine and Noreene Adam.

2019 SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES: are ready. 2019 envelopes may have a new number and should not be used until the new year. Please call the office if you do not have envelopes and would like some. You may also consider the Automatic Debit Service. Forms on table in main foyer.



SUNDAY OFFERING: Dec. 9th
\$5,515.30
 \$5,009.00 - Envelopes
 \$349.00 - Weekly EFT
 \$157.30 - Loose

CHRISTMAS GIVING & RECEIVING:

Each year we receive requests at this time to assist the needs of families and individuals who experience hardship during this season.

Our Parish must recognize our responsibility to act in charity. To do so we rely on your assistance as well. Your kind donations to the Care Fund through gift cards (i.e. - Walmart, No Frills, Metro, Giant Tiger) and monetary gifts are used to outreach these requests. Please consider assisting the needs of the community by donating to the Parish Care Fund clearly marked on your donation envelope.

BULLETIN DEADLINES: in case anyone wishes items included in the next few bulletins, the deadlines for the Christmas season are as follows:

December 30 deadline is Dec. 18 @ 9 a.m.
 January 6 deadline is Dec. 31 @ 9 a.m.

"Lord is close at hand"

CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

CONFESSIONS

Before all weekend Masses
December 24th
 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
CHRISTMAS MASSES

Saturday, Dec. 22nd 4:30 p.m.	Sunday, Dec. 23rd 10:30 a.m.
CHRISTMAS EVE 5:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	CHRISTMAS DAY 10:30 a.m.
Saturday, Dec. 29th 4:30 p.m.	Sunday, Dec. 30st 10:30 a.m.
<u>NEW YEAR'S MASSES</u>	
NEW YEAR'S EVE 4:30 p.m.	NEW YEAR'S DAY 10:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

CONFESSIONS

Before all weekday and weekend Masses
Monday, December 17th
 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
December 24th
 10 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**STAY
AWAKE!**

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH
CHRISTMAS MASSES

Saturday, Dec. 22nd 7:00 p.m.	Sunday, Dec. 23rd 9:00 a.m.
CHRISTMAS EVE 5:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	CHRISTMAS DAY 9:00 a.m.
Saturday, Dec. 29th 7:00 p.m.	Sunday, Dec. 31st 9:00 a.m.
<u>NEW YEAR'S MASSES</u>	
NEW YEAR'S EVE 4:30 p.m.	NEW YEAR'S DAY 9:00 a.m.



We welcome to the Christian Community the child recently baptized into our faith. As the Parents and Sponsors make a commitment to share with this child our Catholic faith, we as a faith community offer our on-going support to:

~ **WYATT PATRICK RAPHAEL LESK**, son of Benjamin & Emma ~

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Dec. 17 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass @ OLF)
 TUES. Dec. 18
 9:00 a.m. Dec'd Members of the Stubinsky,
 Leclaire & Elliott Families
 - Ruth Elliott & Family
 WED. Dec. 19
 8:00 a.m. Jackie Gaudreau - Bill & Susan Ringrose
 THUR. Dec. 20
 8:00 a.m. Weekday Mass Attendees
 - A Parishioner
 10:30 a.m. MANOR: Wil Hermans - Martina Keough
 FRI. Dec. 21
 8:00 a.m. Greg Mantil - Dianna & Family
 SAT. Dec. 22
 4:30 p.m. Arden Hay - Bea & Family
 Blanche Ridgen - Bea Hay
 SUN. Dec. 23
 10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

LITURGICAL ROLES

4th Sunday of Advent - December 23rd, 2018

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - K. Harris; J. Perry
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - M. & B. Coulas;
 T. Lemenchick; J. Mahusky
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - D. Dillon; D. Mantil;
 G. or S. Harper; S. Dregas

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - N. Smith; T. Keller
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY- L. & S. Hall;
 T. & B. McIntyre
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – R.A. Dicker; D. Yemen
 D. Yantha; N. Smith; S. O'Neil
 SERVERS - N. & S. Lesk; C. Richards
 CANTOR: M. E. Lunney
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - NO LITURGY

Marriage Preparation Program: Next program is on February 23 and March 2, 2019 in Renfrew at SFX parish. **Registration Deadline: Feb. 16.** Registration online at www.pembrokediocese.com or a form can be obtained from at the parish. Inquires: Yvette Bourque at 613 732-7933 ext. 208 or yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com.

ADVENT III—GAUDETE SUNDAY

"Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say Rejoice"
 The Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete "Rejoice" Sunday. Marking the half-way point during the season of Advent, we are reminded that our joy comes from our hope and belief in the Lord. Joy is the hallmark of the Christian life.

RENFREW KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be serving free **Community Dinners** on Christmas Day from 11 am to 2 pm. Delivery of meals free for take-out, and for those who wish to join us at the hall we can arrange free transportation to and from your residence. For dinner requests or more information please call Brian or Doris Long at 613-432-0887. On December 25, Christmas Day call the hall at 613-432-6121 after 9 am. Merry Christmas.

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

SENIOR OUTREACH PROGRAM IN 2019:

St. Francis Xavier Parish CWL Council plans to embark on a Seniors Outreach Program in 2019 if enough interest is shown. Members have agreed to occasionally visit any elderly women from the Parish who would welcome visits either in their own home, a nursing home, retirement home or chronic care. All participating CWL Members will undergo a Police Check. If you or a member of your family would welcome such a visit please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible at 613-432-5825 or email martha.sfx@on.aibn.com with the following info: name, address, phone number and email address and info will be forwarded to the S.F.X. C.W.L. Seniors Outreach Sub Committee Chair.

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**12<sup>th</sup> Annual Men's' Retreat.** January 18-20, 2019 at Graphite Bible Camp. Cost is \$150. Leaders: Fr. David May and Steve Heroux from Madonna House. Theme: "The Lord is My Strength and My Song." \$50 deposit to reserve a place. See poster or contact David Douthwright at [daviddouthwright@hotmail.com](mailto:daviddouthwright@hotmail.com).

**SHOPPING FOR CHRISTMAS:** Dear God, as I look through my gift shopping list, I hold up to you each person listed on it. Slowly, one by one, I ask that the fire of your abundant love burn within each of them. I pray that the gift I find for each person will bring joy into that life. But, help me to keep a balance this season, Lord. Let me keep my buying in perspective, not to spend more than I need to or can afford. Let me not give in to the pressures of this world and not equate love with money spent. Let me always remember the many, many people who have so much less in material things. Help me to buy wisely, so that my choices will not burden those in other countries who are so deeply affected by this country's economy. And finally, loving God, help me to find time in the frantic moments of each day to become centred on you. Walking through a store, riding on the bus, hurrying down a street: let each of these times be moments when I can remember your incredible love for me and rejoice in it.

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**RENFREW COUNCIL 1916**  
 (Serving Renfrew & Area)  
**MEETINGS:** 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM  
**MEMBERSHIP:** Open to Men 18 Yrs. or older who are practicing Catholics in good Standing with the Catholic Church  
 For more information on joining contact your local Priest or call 613-432-3377

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