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CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS



“Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign, behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a son and his name shall be called Emmanuel.”

(Isaiah 7:14)

He came as a tiny baby so He could share and understand our world. He was born not in a palace, but in a humble stable. He came to Forgive rather than condemn, to Motivate rather than dominate, to Free us, rather than oppress, to Teach us the true meaning of unselfish love.

Wishing you and your loved ones a very Blessed and Merry Christmas.

Fr. Brennan, Fr. Burchat, Deacon Don, and Parish Staff

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.

CHILDREN’S CHOIR: We invite you to come early for the 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass to enjoy a selection of beautiful Christmas Carols offered by our young parishioners under the direction of Jessica Belanger.

HOSPITAL: If admitted to RVH and you wish to see a priest, please make the administrating nurse aware of your wishes.

SUNDAY OFFERING - December 16th
Not available at time of publication

CHRISTMAS GIVING & RECEIVING - IT’S

NOT TOO LATE: 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. 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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from Friday, December 21st until Wednesday, January 2nd.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

CONFESSIONS

December 24th 11:30 am– 12:30 pm



CHRISTMAS MASSES

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 pm

8:00 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

10:30 am

NEW YEAR’S MASSES

NEW YEAR’S EVE

4:30 pm

NEW YEAR’S DAY

10:30 am

“Unto Us a Child is Born”

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

CONFESSIONS

December 24th 10 am - 11:00 am



CHRISTMAS MASSES

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 pm

7:15 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00 am.

NEW YEAR’S MASSES

NEW YEAR’S EVE

4:30 pm

NEW YEAR’S DAY

9:00 am

“O Come Let Us Adore Him”

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Dec. 24 **See Christmas Mass Schedule**
 TUES. Dec. 25 **See Christmas Mass Schedule**
 WED. Dec. 26 NO PARISH LITURGY (10:00 a.m. Mass @ OLF)
 THURS. Dec. 27 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass @ OLF)
 FRI. Dec. 28 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass @ OLF)
 SAT. Dec. 29
 1:00 p.m. GOLDEN / MANWELL MARRIAGE
 4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
 SUN. Dec. 30
 10:30 a.m. Harry Hanniman - Bill & Sheryl Hunt
 Ken Barr - Leona Barr

LITURGICAL ROLES

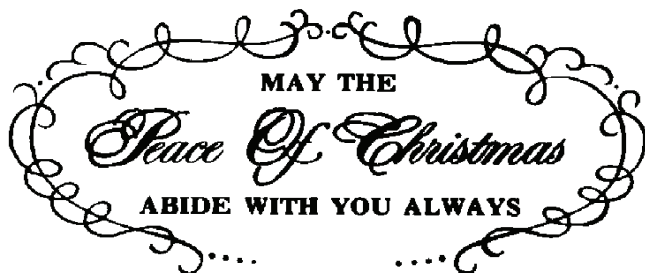
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY
 December 30th, 2018

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S. McCann; J. Lemay
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - D. & C. Varrin;
 B. & S.A. Holley
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - K. Coulas; S. Dregas;
 G. Blanchette; L. Armstrong
 SERVERS - T.B.A.

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Cuff; J. Valliquette
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY- D. Dawkins; T.B.A.
 B. Taylor; L. Sammon
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – T. Fiebig; J. O’Gorman;
 D. & B. O’Connor; D. Yemen
 SERVERS - N. & S. Lesk
 CANTOR: H. Holley
 CHILDREN’S LITURGY - NO LITURGY

**Christmas & New Year’s
 Liturgical Ministers as assigned**

BIBLE STUDY with Fr. Do: Next sessions will be Sat., Jan. 5 @ 10 a.m. and Wed., Jan. 9 @ 7 p.m. in Our Lady of Fatima parish hall



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 martha.sfx@on.aibn.com or 613-432-5825 with the following info: name, address, phone number and email address which will be forwarded to the S.F.X. C.W.L. Seniors Outreach Sub Committee Chair.

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

it's not too late for the ladies of the parish to join or renew. Membership payments by cheque payable to St. Francis Xavier CWL can be dropped into the collection basket. CWL new member application forms are in pre-addressed envelopes at the church entrances and the blue CWL membership renewal envelopes as well as the direct deposit options are gratefully accepted. For more information call the membership chair - Debbie Macdonald at 613-432-5768 or email at debbiemacdonald12@gmail.com.

12th 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.



POTLUCK SUPPER: Saturday January 19th

The Parish Council would like to invite you to a potluck supper after the 4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass. It's a great opportunity to gather as a community and celebrate winter! Come one, come all!

The kitchen will be open at 3:30 p.m. with the oven on warm. Any questions please contact Nancy and Russ Connors @ 613-432-3207.

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RENFREW COUNCIL 1916
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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
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