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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)*



**T**he light and joy that Christmas brings is needed throughout the year. Each time we offer the hope of the Gospel, each time we reach out with generosity to help another, each time we enter prayerful solidarity with the hurting, the illumination of Emmanuel’s presence is revealed.

May your family enjoy the warmth and love of Christmas throughout the coming year.

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 Joan Sherlock, Greg Mantil, Sandy Massine, Mary Visutskie, Philip Laprade, Jack Windle, Greg Colterman, Baby Isaac Smith, Larry Hebert, Hedy Kedrosky, Carolyn Dodds, Des and Doreen Herrick, Ed Lee, Elaine Brazeau, Bob Flynn, Arnold Wren, Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette, Robert Berube, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Catherine Kuehl, Leona Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Rose Nighbor and Audrey Tibbles.

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> until Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**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. 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.

**CARE FUND DONATIONS:** Two donations were received the weekend of December 10/11. One for \$25 and one for \$100. No names or info were on the envelopes. If you think one of these might be yours please contact the office so that your account may be properly credited.

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

### CONFESSIONS

December 24<sup>th</sup> 11:30 am– 12:30 am



### CHRISTMAS MASSES

<b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>
5:00 pm	10:30 am
8:00 pm	

<b>Saturday, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup></b>
4:30 pm	10:30 am

### NEW YEAR’S MASSES

<b>NEW YEAR’S EVE</b>	<b>NEW YEAR’S DAY</b>
4:30 pm	10:30 am

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

### CONFESSIONS

December 24<sup>th</sup> 10 am - 11:00 am



### CHRISTMAS MASSES

<b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>
5:00 pm	9:00 am.
7:15 pm	

<b>Saturday, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup></b>
7:00 pm	9:00 am

### NEW YEAR’S MASSES

<b>NEW YEAR’S EVE</b>	<b>NEW YEAR’S DAY</b>
4:30 pm	9:00 am.

**LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

MON. Dec. 25 **See Christmas Mass Schedule**  
TUES. Dec. 26  
9:00 a.m. Annie & Sylvie Recoski  
- Mary Visutskie & Family  
WED. Dec. 27  
8:00 a.m. Henry Moore - The Mask Family  
THURS. Dec. 28  
8:00 a.m. Don Letts - Andy & Leona Lacourse  
FRI. Dec. 29  
8:00 a.m. John Burnett - Michael Rouble  
SAT. Dec. 30  
4:30 p.m. Rita Mahusky - Son, Lawrence Mahusky  
Ken Barr - Wife, Leona Barr  
SUN. Dec. 31  
10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

Feast of the Holy Family - December 31<sup>st</sup> 2017

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

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S. McCanna; A.M.Slight  
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - L. Manwell; R. Zohr  
D. Mooney; J. Mahusky  
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - S. Dregas; D. Mooney;  
T. Lemenchick; L. Armstrong  
SERVERS - L. Zohr

**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; A. Agnew  
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - N. Adam; N. Smith;  
J. O'Gorman; D. Yemen  
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CANTOR - M. E. Vice  
CHILDREN'S LITURGY - NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY

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

**SUNDAY OFFERING - Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Not available at time of publication

*"O Come Let Us Adore Him"*

**RENFREW KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will be hosting its **ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP DINNER** on Christmas Day. A free dinner will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Anyone wishing a dinner either to take out or to be delivered is requested to call Brian Long at 613-432-0887 or at the Knights of Columbus Hall on the day before at 613-432-6121.

**THE CHRISTMAS MASS ON TV**

For those who cannot make it to church, please join the Catholic Community this Christmas. Watch the Daily TV Mass:

**Christmas Eve** on VisionTV at 9:00 p.m. ET and yesTV at 10:00 p.m. ET

**Christmas Day** at 8:00 am and 12:00 pm ET on VisionTV;  
11:00 pm ET on Salt + Light;  
1:00 pm on yesTV

You can also watch on the web at **www.dailytvmass.com**

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PRAYER GROUP** will not meet on Dec 21<sup>st</sup> and Dec 28<sup>th</sup>. Starting in January we will have 3 talks by Sister Briege McKenna (who has a great healing ministry) on Jan 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**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 info call the membership chair - Debbie Macdonald at 613-432-5768 or email at [debbiemacdonald12@gmail.com](mailto:debbiemacdonald12@gmail.com).



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 will offer our on-going support to:

**~ OLIVER SIMON LASEK, son of Matthew & Angela ~**



**POTLUCK SUPPER: Saturday January 20<sup>th</sup>**

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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