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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

Cancelled until further notice

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

In the Quiet Room
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
or Fr. Coyne Ext 4

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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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Dec. 6
8:00 am Andrée Dregas - The Family
TUES. Dec. 7
8:00 am Anthony Mask - Agnes & Family
WED. Dec. 8
8:00 am Sanctity of Life - SFX CWL
THURS. Dec. 9
8:00 am Intentions of Denis Dupuis - Leona Dupuis
10:30 am MANOR MASS:
Intentions of Family & Friends - A Parishioner
FRI. Dec. 10
8:00 am Michael Colterman
- Art & Marilyn Campbell
SAT. Dec. 11
4:30 pm Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
SUN. Dec. 12
10:30 am Alice Lee - The Family
Maria Abraham - Debra McDonald

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Dec. 13
8:00 am Ambroise Fleury
- Judy & Richard Bissonnette
TUES. Dec. 14
8:00 am Intentions of Family & Friends
- A Parishioner
WED. Dec. 15
8:00 am Eileen Vice - The Family
THURS. Dec. 16
8:00 am Repose of the Souls of Jeannette Holmes
& Son, Brian Holmes - Carolyn, Scott, Jason
& Gregory Holmes
10:30 am MANOR MASS:
Intentions of Bonnechere Manor Residents
- Father Brennan & Father Coyne
FRI. Dec. 17
8:00 am Mary Alice Enright - Glenn Enright
SAT. Dec. 18
4:30 pm Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
SUN. Dec. 19
10:30 am Gertrude Lepine - Jan & Roy Leitch
C.J., Gladys, Mark, Murray & Randy McNulty
& Dec'd Relatives - Lori & Donna

2022 SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES: are ready. Your 2022 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.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Maureen Tsakiris.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Leonard Chippior, Marie Budden, Lois & Leonard Desjardine, Marcella Cybulski, Darlene Shields, Annlea O'Rourke, Gail Caillier, Doris Long, Johanna Mathieu, Margarita Kurth, Betty Sammon, Sylvie Lafontaine, Stella Shalla and Georges and Jeannette Blanchette.

Sunday Offering November 21st: \$2,500.00
Envelopes: \$2,220.00;
Weekly EFT: \$215.00; Loose: \$65.00

Sunday Offering November 28th: \$3,379.00
Envelopes: \$3,029.00;
Weekly EFT: \$215.00; Loose: \$135.00
SFX Cemetery Fund: \$5,850.00 to date
Care Fund: \$570.00 over last two weeks.

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 Care Fund clearly marked on your donation envelope.

BLESSED CATHERINE'S STARFLOWERS: Information concerning this Diocesan initiative may be found in the Nov. 21 bulletin. Please consider participating in this fellowship of prayer. If interested contact Bernie Taylor at 613-432-8588 or email bjt.tfs@gmail.com

BULLETIN DEADLINES: in case anyone wishes items included in the next bulletin, the deadline for December 19th is Wednesday, December 15th @ 9 a.m.



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL RENFREW COUNCIL 1916: will be holding their FREE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER on Christmas Day (December 25) from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall. Sit down dinners are also available in the hall with health protocols in place plus double vaccinations to enter. To order a meal call Kelly at 613-432-2145 or order on December 25 at 613-432-6121. Volunteers can call M.J. Blimkie at 613-432-5334.

DECEMBER 5, 2021

FIRST RECONCILIATION / FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION: Because of Covid last year we did not have First Communion. This year we are taking registration in Grade 3. Registration forms are available at the parish office. They must be returned by December 17th. Our program will begin Sunday, January 9th with a parent/child meeting in the church after the 10:30 Mass.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL RENFREW COUNCIL 1916: The General meeting will be held on **Monday, December 13th** at 7 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall followed by a Christmas Social.

REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP

November 28, 2021

Dear Parishioners:

Our last communication was February 2018 when we asked your help to raise money to sponsor Elian Hriz, Ammar's brother, to come to Canada. With your help we raised enough to sponsor Elian's immigration. His application was moving along and we anticipated his arrival in 2020. Then the COVID -19 pandemic hit and all immigration was halted. Recently there has been activity with Elian's file and we are anticipating (and hoping and praying) that he will arrive in Ottawa sometime in 2022. Elian will live with Ammar and Wiaam, and our Sponsorship money will support him for 1 year. In Ottawa he will be able to access resources for learning English, and he will be reunited with his brother, his sister-in-law, and his 2 nephews, Elian and Sharbel.

We ask your continued prayers for Elian and for his safe arrival in Ottawa.

In Thanksgiving,

OLF/SFX Refugee Committee

APPROACHING THE LONGEST NIGHT: A TIME OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION for those experiencing grief during the Christmas season is being held at **Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Renfrew on December 21st at 7:00 pm**. This will be a time of prayer, readings from Sacred Scripture and gentle music. The service is open to any who wish to attend. We are grateful to the Knights of Columbus (Renfrew Council) for their assistance and support. You are invited to bring a small memento of your loved one to place in an area of remembrance at the foot of the altar prior to the service.

COVID protocols observed: Facemasks, Contact Tracing Sheets, Hand Sanitizing. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS 2021 / NEW YEARS 2022 SCHEDULE: Please refer to specific parish bulletins for information regarding Mass **RESERVATIONS**. Reservations are required at **SFX** for only the **5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass** and will be accepted on a **first come/first received** basis. **SFX registration forms are inserted in this bulletin and may also be found at the entrances of the church or may be picked up at the office during regular hours.** The reservation information you provide will be used for required contact tracing. Upon arrival an usher will direct you to your assigned seat. Seating at all Masses will be arranged to comply with local Health Unit regulations.

| | <u>Calabogie</u> | <u>Mt St. Patrick</u> | <u>O.L. Fatima</u> | <u>SFX</u> |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Christmas Eve (Friday, Dec. 24) | 7:00pm | 5:00pm | 5:00 & 7:15pm | 5:00 & 8:00pm |
| (Saturday, Dec. 25) | — | — | 9:00am | 10:30am |
| Sunday, Dec. 26 (Holy Family Sunday) | 8:30am | 10:45am | 9:00am | 10:30am |
| New Year's Eve (Friday, Dec. 31) | — | — | 5:15pm | 4:30pm |
| New Year's Day (Mary the Mother of God - Holy Day of Obligation) | 8:30am | 10:45am | 9:00am | 10:30am |
| Epiphany of the Lord (Sunday, January 2) | 8:30 am | 10:45am | 9:00am | 10:30 am |

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