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Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 10:30 AM

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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

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died especially Ken Culhane.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

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

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.

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 <u>Automatic Debit Service</u>. Forms on table in main foyer.

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 Sunday, Dec. 23rd

4:30 p.m. 10:30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHRISTMAS DAY

5:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m.

8:00 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 29th Sunday, Dec. 30st

4:30 p.m. 10:30 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

NEW YEAR'S EVE NEW YEAR'S DAY 4:30 p.m. 10:30 a.m.

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

General Meeting on Monday, December 10th at 7 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall followed by the Christmas Social.



A TIME TO PREPARE

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 Sunday, Dec. 23rd

7:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHRISTMAS DAY

5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

7:15 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 29th Sunday, Dec. 31th

7:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

NEW YEAR'S EVE NEW YEAR'S DAY

4:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

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

9:00 a.m. Margaret Burns - Jan & Roy Leitch

WED. Dec. 12

8:00 a.m. Special Intention - A Parishioner

THUR. Dec. 13

8:00 a.m. Raymond Turner - Elaine & Family 10:30 a.m. MANOR: Linda Hull - Ron Windle

FRI. Dec. 14

8:00 a.m. Adam Joseph Plazek - Wife, Josephine

SAT. Dec. 15

4:30 p.m Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

SUN. Dec. 16

10:30 a.m. Joe Mahusky - Joan Rodgers

THE RENFREW CHILDREN'S/YOUTH CHORUS present "Peace on Earth" at their Annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 9 at 3:00 PM at Trinity-St. Andrews United Church. Tickets \$5 and are available at the door. Directed by Jessica Belanger and Hannah Holley. Raffle draw and homemade butter tarts and cookies will be sold as a fundraiser after the concert.

SUNDAY MISSALS: for 2018/2019 are available at the church entrances. \$5. **YOUTH MISSALS** would make a lovely gift for a child or grandchild. Price: \$8

\$\text{SUNDAY OFFERING: Dec. 2}^{nd} - \text{\$5,977.08} \\
\$3,966.00 - Envelopes \\
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\$349.00 - Weekly EFT \\
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SFX Cemetery Fund - \text{\$2,395.00 to date}

National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous People: The 'Canadian Catholic Aboriginal Council', created by the CCCB in 1998, proposes that the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12), Patroness of the Americas, be a 'National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous People.' We are invited to pray for aboriginal peoples on that day.

THE 2019 OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH CALENDAR: exclusively designed and produced by Fr. Peter Do, is now available at the OLF parish office. This beautiful calendar features photos of the parish church. Calendars are \$20 and only 100 will be available. Order your calendar by contacting the OLF parish office at 613-432-8525.

LITURGICAL ROLES

3rd Sunday of Advent - December 16th, 2018

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Dowdall; J. Freemark MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - C. & D. Sulpher

J. Skebo; D. Mooney

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - K. Harris; C. Sulpher; T. Lemenchick; K. Coulas

SERVERS - T.B.A.

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - E. Sheahan; J. Valliquette MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY- D. Dawkins; L.Sammon; B. Taylor; T.B.A.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – J. O'Gorman; T. Fiebig; D. & B. O'Connor; K. or T. Mann

SERVERS - S. & M. Holmes

CANTOR: Slights

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - S. Pallen; H. Desjardins

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S: If you are able to assist at any of the liturgies please contact the office ASAP so that a schedule may be completed.

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

CWL DECEMBER POTLUCK DINNER

Members invited to join at OLF Mon., Dec. 10th for an evening of fun and good food. Social at 5:30 pm. Meal at 6 pm.(Snow date is Dec 17th.) Questions contact Joan 432 916.

SENIOR OUTREACH PROGRAM IN 2019: St. Francis Xavier Parish Catholic Women's League (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 x2 or you may email martha.sfx@on.aibn.com with information on the following: 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.

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

December 16 deadline is Dec. 10 @ 9 a.m. December 23 deadline is Dec. 13 @ noon December 30 deadline is Dec. 18 @ 9 a.m. January 6 deadline is Dec. 31 @ 9 a.m.

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