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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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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Garry Lavallee.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette, Robert Berube, Fr. Doug Morris, Anthony Mask, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Luke Holmes, Catherine Kuehl, Betty Tracey, Leona & Ken Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Ed Sulpher, Rose Nighbor, Audrey Tibbles, Audrey Hawley, and Joan Prince.

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During Lent we will have Mass at 7:00 p.m. on Mondays preceded by the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m. Mass on Tuesdays will be at 9 a.m. and Wednesday to Friday at 8 a.m.

Please make a special effort to come to Mass whenever you can during this Holy Season.

**R**econciliation will be available before all weekend Masses and all Fridays before the morning Mass. A Lenten Confession Day will be held at both Parishes in Renfrew on March 21<sup>st</sup> from 3p.m. to 7 p.m.

**JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY:** earlier a paper entitled "**52 + 2 Ways to Be Merciful During the Jubilee Year of Mercy**" was inserted in the bulletin. As a gentle reminder to try and incorporate these practices in our daily life, each week we will try and publish one or two of the suggestions.

- 1) Call someone you know who is lonely, even if you understand *why* they're lonely. *Especially*, if you do.
- 2) Write a letter of forgiveness to someone. If you cannot send it, sprinkle it with holy water, ask Christ Jesus to have mercy on you both and then burn or bury it.



**SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER**

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Father Brennan and the PPC would like to thank all those who attended the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper to make it such a success. Many added thanks to those who donated maple syrup. The event realized **\$706.00** which will be forwarded to the Sisters of St. Joseph's specifically for their undertakings in their Peruvian Mission.

COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN: FREE lunch on Wednesday, February 24th at St. Paul's Anglican Church. Please see posters.

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

◆ **St Francis Xavier CWL General Meeting Tuesday, February 16th at 7 pm in small hall.**

Installation of Executive and presentation of 2016 budget. All members welcome. Please bring a non perishable item for the Renfrew Food Bank.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

RENFREW: will be serving a **FISH FRY DINNER** every Friday during Lent - Feb. 12th, 19th and 26th and March 4th, 11th & 18th



(not Good Friday). Location: 313 Raglan St. S. Meals served from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Price \$10.00. Take out is available. For more information call 613-432-5334 M.J. Blimkie.

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: will gather on **Wednesday February 17th at 10:00 a.m.** in meeting room 1 (rectory basement). Newcomers most welcome.

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**Adoration and Prayer**

The Office of Faith Formation and the Office Family Life and Youth Ministry invite you to an evening of Adoration and Prayer at St. James the Less Parish, Eganville from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on February 26, 2016. All are welcome to this special gathering during the Jubilee of Mercy. Fr. Ken O'Brien will share a talk on the Sacrament of Reconciliation at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be available. For more info, contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613-732-7933 ext. 206 or [dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com](mailto:dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com).

**Marriage Encounter**

If you had the possibility to make your marriage better, where you and your spouse could deepen your love, to be happier and feel closer to each other, would you take the chance? Live a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain. The next weekend is in Morrisburg (Ottawa region) from February 26-28, 2016. Places are limited. For more information or to sign up, call Kathleen and Guy Séguin at 613-800-0866 or email us at [kgse-quini@gmail.com](mailto:kgse-quini@gmail.com) before Feb. 15. For more information on Worldwide Marriage Encounter go to <http://www.wvme.org>

**SUNDAY OFFERING:  
February 7<sup>th</sup> - \$5,948.74**

**Lent**

**LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

MON. Feb. 15  
 6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
 7:00 p.m. Gail Corbin - Diane Dillon  
 TUES. Feb. 16  
 9:00 a.m. Special Intention - Deborah Sharpe  
 WED. Feb. 17  
 8:00 a.m. Rev. Patrick J. Tait - The Dobec Family  
 THUR. Feb. 18  
 8:00 a.m. Bernard Mahusky - Jerry & Sandy Mahusky  
 FRI. Feb. 19  
 8:00 a.m. Cora Warren - Glenn & Barb McGahan  
 SAT. Feb. 20  
 4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan  
 SUN. Feb. 21  
 10:30 a.m. Georgina Mahusky - Sister, Mary Boudreau

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LITURGICAL ROLES

Second Sunday of Lent - February 21st, 2016

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Lemay; M. Maloney
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - R. Zohr; L. Manwell;
 L. & G. Curry
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - G. Curry; T. Lemenchick;
 L. Gallagher; D. Dillon
 SERVERS - L. Zohr

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Cuff; J. Perry
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - L. & S. Hall;
 A. Agnew; B. Taylor
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - J. O'Connor; T. Fiebig;
 D. Letts; R.A Dicker; D. Yemen
 SERVERS - N. & S. Lesk; A. Coyne
 CANTOR - L. Mahusky
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - S. Barkey; C. Brown

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**MINISTRY SCHEDULE:** current schedule runs out February 28<sup>th</sup>. If there are any changes for current ministers please contact the office by **no later than Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

To obtain a **2015 TAX RECEIPT** put a stamped, self-addressed envelope in the collection basket and it will be mailed to you. Receipts may also be picked up at the parish office during regular office hours.

**REGISTRATION FOR JR. & SR. KINDERGARTEN AT CENTRE SCOLAIRE CATHOLIQUE JEAN-NNE-LAJOIE ÉLÉMENTAIRE** will be from **Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016**. Contact 613-732-8302. N.B.: Registration can be done at any time or date.

**DON'T GIVE UP CHOCOLATE THIS LENT!**

**Do something life-changing!**

Sign up for **"Dynamic Catholic's Best Lent Ever!"** email program. Each day you will receive an email with a short video featuring Matthew Kelly and a member of the Dynamic Catholic Team. They will guide you through the 40 chapters of Matthew's new best-seller 'Rediscover Jesus' and share simple ways to bring Jesus into your daily life. Sign up today on the front page of the diocesan website [www.pembrokedioocese.com](http://www.pembrokedioocese.com) or go to [DynamicCatholic.com/Lent](http://DynamicCatholic.com/Lent) and check out the other great resources.

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The topic of **ASSISTED SUICIDE** is very much in the news these days. What is the Church's stand on assisted suicide? St. Francis Xavier CWL invites you to come to a talk by **Fr. Tim Moyle**, on this issue facing all of us, **March 2nd at 7 p.m. in St. Francis Xavier Hall.**

THE SIN OF INDIFFERENCE

Today no one in our world feels responsible; we have lost a sense of responsibility for our brothers and sisters. We have fallen into the hypocrisy of the priest and the Levite whom Jesus described in the parable of the Good Samaritan: we see our brother half-dead on the side of the road, and perhaps we say to ourselves, "Poor soul...!" and then go on our way. It's not our responsibility, and with that we feel reassured, assuaged. The culture of comfort which makes us think only of ourselves makes us insensitive to the cries of other people, makes us live in soap bubbles which, however lovely, are insubstantial; they offer a fleeting and empty illusion which results in indifference to others; indeed, it even leads to the globalization of indifference. In this globalized world, we have fallen into globalized indifference. We have become used to the suffering of others; it doesn't affect me; it doesn't concern me; it's none of my business!

from "Pope Francis Speaks to Our Hearts"

UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.

*Mon., February 15	Bereavement Group	Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1	7:30 p.m.
*Wed., February 17	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1	10:00 a.m.
*Wed., February 17	Cemetery Board	Rectory Mtg. Rm. #2	7:00 p.m.

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