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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

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Flora Campbell, mother of Art Campbell, Irene Lajoie, sister of Aileen Power and sister-in-law of Marguerite Power, Maria Villanueva, mother of Gloria Barillas and Brian James Mulvihill, brother-in-law of Debi Abraham.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Fr. Doug Morris, Brian Moseley, JoAnn Perrigo, Sr. Margaret Joan Pecore, Barbara Helferty, Betty Briscoe, Betty Sammon, Catherine Kuehl, Luke Holmes, Betty Tracey, Georgina Mahusky, Gwen Deslaurier, Leona & Ken Barr, Ed Sulpher, Rose Nighbor, Audrey Tibbles, Ted Kapuschinski, Audrey Hawley, and Joan Prince.

ASH WEDNESDAY—FEB.18TH

† Lent, our time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving can set us free! Free to be with God and others in true inner peace. Let us journey towards Lent with great expectation of what God has in store for us this year.

† On the first four Mondays of Lent (**February 23rd, March 2nd, 9th & 16th**) following the 7 p.m. Mass, discussions will be held in the small hall based on the book, "The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic". This is the book given out to parishioners at Christmas. There are a few copies remaining if you did not get one at that time.

THE WORD AMONG US: At the church entrances you will find copies of "The Word Among Us" with daily reflections for the season of Lent as well as the daily Mass readings. The booklets are free (one per family please). We encourage you to pick one up and use it as part of your Lenten prayer practice.



FOOD BANK DONATIONS: I would like to commend you on the very generous donations received for the food bank. Since "Food Bank Sunday" was introduced last fall the response by parishioners has been very impressive. May God Bless You for the caring and concern shown to those of our community who struggle to survive in these economically challenging times.

PHYSICIAN-ASSISTED SUICIDE

Inserted in this week's bulletin is the statement on Physician-Assisted Suicide by the Most Reverend Paul-André Durocher, Archbishop of Gatineau and President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. We urge you to read the letter on this very important issue.

At Bishop Mulhall's request, following is an announcement by Thomas Cardinal Collins which appeared last weekend in bulletins in the Archdiocese of Toronto:

CATHOLICS URGED TO SUPPORT THE PHYSICIANS CHARTER OF RIGHT OF FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE AND RELIGION

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario (CPSO) in a proposed new draft document states: "Where physicians are unwilling to provide certain elements of care due to their moral or religious beliefs, an effective referral to another health care provider must be provided to the patient". Catholic physicians believe that a mandate for an "effective referral" is violation of a physician's rights, as it compels the physician to violate his or her own conscience by being a participant in the very act, the very procedure to which he or she objects in the first place. The CPSO is accepting submissions from all Ontario citizens until February 20. We are all called to inform the CPSO in writing that we reject the proposed "effective referral" mandate for doctors whose Charter right of freedom of conscience and religion must be respected. The Catholic Civil Right League (CCRL) is one Catholic lay group coordinating these efforts. Go to www.ccrl.ca to find out more and to get involved.

We encourage you to contact your M.P. and M.P.P. Their contact information may be found on the back of the bulletin insert.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

**Tuesday February 17th from 5 - 7 p.m.
in S.F.X. Parish Hall**

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Contact person: Nancy Connors 613-432-3207.

PURIFICATION CANDLES: Blessed candles may be found at the church entrances. The cost is \$4 per box and money may be placed in the small black metal boxes attached to the tables.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.

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| ♦ Mon., Feb. 16 | Bereavement Group | Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1 | 7:30 p.m. |
| ♦ Wed., Feb. 18 | Prayer Shawl Ministry | Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1 | After 9:30 a.m. |
| Ash Wednesday Mass | | | |

FEBRUARY 15, 2015

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON Feb. 16 NO PARISH LITURGY - NO MASS AT OLF
TUES. Feb. 17
9:00 a.m. Special Intentions - Georges & Jeannette
Blanchette
WED Feb. 18 **ASH WEDNESDAY**
9:30 a.m. Rita Pilon - Staff of St. Joseph's Catholic HS
Dec'd Members of STA School Community
- Students & Staff of STA School
7:00 p.m. Bob Patrick - Vi & Ron Doran
THUR Feb. 19
8:00 a.m. Jock Jolicoeur - Barb & Mary
FRI Feb. 20
8:00 a.m. Gertrude Dagenais - Sue & Terry Steele
SAT Feb. 21
4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
SUN Feb. 22
10:30 a.m. Chris Warren - Mom & Dad
Maria Villaneuva - Gloria Barillas
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### LITURGICAL ROLES

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent - February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

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

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Freemark; S. McCanna  
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - L & G. Curry;  
D. & C. Sulpher  
EUCARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; S. Dregas;  
D. Sulpher; K.Harris; G. Curry

SERVERS - L. & S. Brown

#### **SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.**

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Cuff; R. Russell  
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - J. Ballard; L. Leech  
V. & A. Dumoulin  
EUCARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; M. L. Rowat  
D. Yantha; M. Campbell; D. Lennox  
SERVERS - A. & D. Lennox  
CANTOR - L. Mahusky  
CHILDREN'S LITURGY - L. Richards; A. McGee

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**\*\*BONNECHERE MANOR BULLETIN DELIVERY ROSTER:** needs reinforcements. This ministry entails delivering bulletins about once every two months to a number of our parishioners who reside at the Manor. For info or to volunteer contact the office at 613-432-5825.

**SUNDAY OFFERING: February 1<sup>st</sup> - \$3,663.75.**

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL SPAGHETTI SUPPER:** at our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church on **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2015 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.**



**OUR LADY OF FATIMA CATHOLIC SCHOOL** is collecting plastic milk bags (the outer bag that holds 3 smaller bags) for a social justice activity. Students in the social justice club are weaving milk bags into sleeping mats for children in Africa. Bags may be placed in the small brown boxes found at the church entrances.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Parish office will be closed Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> for Family Day.

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH SUPPER SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2015

Believe it or not we are at that time of year when we are thinking of our Parish Supper. Our Community support and involvement is extraordinary and we should all be proud.

Sadly we are saying farewell to our Cook, Debi Abraham and our Volunteer Co-ordinator, Linda Cybulski. We thank them for their years of support and hard work.

So. Yes, we are now looking for someone to replace these two positions. If you feel you might be interested both Debi and Linda are happy to guide you through this year.

The Parish Supper Committee decided after last year that the hours of the Supper would be changed. Our new hours are from 2:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m. The Parish Supper cannot proceed without new volunteers stepping forward and maybe knowing the hours have changed will help in that decision making process.

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