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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 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 Georgina Mahusky and Ted Kapuschinski, brother-in-law of Bob Kusluski.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

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

LENT

† "The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic": On the first four Mondays of Lent 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.

Topics to be discussed:

February 23rd Chapter 2 "Prayer"
March 2nd: Chapter 3 "Study"
March 9th: Chapter 4 "Generosity
March 16th: Chapter 5 "Evangelization"

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. A few copies are still available.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

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 \$864.05 (less expenses) which will be added to our parish Care Fund for which, as stated in a previous bulletin, we are experiencing increased and constant requests.

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

1. SFX CWL Council Rummage Sale April 10th: Noon - 6:00 pm. April 11th: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

To make this a successful event our SFX CWL Council needs workers to help before, during and after. If any Parishioners can help in any way, there are Sign-Up sheets at both church entrances. (There is a special need for men to help with the heavier lifting.)

Starting April 8th, our Council will gladly accept donations of miscellaneous items such as small appliances, household ware & accessories, clothing & accessories for all ages, toys, games, books etc. Times for drop off are posted on Posters at Church Entrances. For safety sake, please no outdated children's necessities e.g. car seats, cribs as well as non-working small appliances.

For more info contact Co-Convenors: Elaine Turner 613 432 5535 or Lore Coyne 613 433 9298.

Proceeds of the Rummage Sale will go to SFX Parish, Local Community & World Charitable Organizations. Plan to attend to help our SFX CWL Council achieve and honour its commitments.

2. View Parish Website

<u>www.sfxrenfrew.wordpress.com</u> and click on Catholic Women's League for the following:

- 2015 SFX CWL Council's Rummage Sale Poster
- 2015 SFX CWL Council Calendar of Events
- 2014 SFX CWL Council President's Yearly Report to Diocesan CWL
- 2014 SFX CWL Council's List of Service Pin Award Winners
- 2014 SFX CWL List of Organizations to which money and time were donated
- Minutes of SFX CWL Council Monthly Meetings.

Photo copies of the above are available on tables at Church Entrances.

SUNDAY OFFERING: Feb. 22nd - \$3,398.00

HELP YOUR CHILDREN ENTER INTO LENT: "Lenten Adventure" is a collection of FREE, faithful activities for parents and their children, all accessible via email.

Sign up for FREE at www.LentenAdventure.com

UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.

Mon., Feb. 23 Bereavement Group Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1 7:30 p.m.
 Tues., Feb. 24 F&P Rectory Mtg. Rm. #2 7:00 p.m.
 Wed., Feb. 25 Cemetery Board Rectory Mtg. Rm. #2 7:00 p.m.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON Feb. 23
6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS
7:00 p.m. Raymond Dedo - Brenda & Frank Richter
TUES. Feb. 24
9:00 a.m. Terry Neville - Harry & Catherine Enright
WED Feb. 25

WED Feb. 25 8:00 a.m. Genny Rouble - Mike & Darlene Joyce

THUR Feb. 26
8:00 a.m. Tom & Clarissa Mahusky - The Family

10:30 a.m. MANOR: Irene Lajoie - Dan Power FRI Feb. 27 8:00 a.m. Jim McAdam - Angela & Family

SAT Feb. 28 4:30 p.m. Tom Prince - The Family

Jason Smith - Gerry & Cecilia Kusluski

SUN Mar. 1 10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

LITURGICAL ROLES

2nd Sunday of Lent - March 1st, 2015

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - P. Dowdall; J. Dowdall MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - G. & S. Harper; B. & S. A. Holley

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; R. & N. Connors; D. Dillon; G. Harper

SERVERS - K. & K. Dowdall

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 g.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S.T.A. Student; T. Wall MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S.T.A. Students EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; R.A. Dicker J. O'Connor; N. Adam; T Fiebig

SERVERS - S. & B. Beauchamp CANTOR - J. Belanger CHILDREN'S LITURGY - L. Valiquette

ANNUAL DAY OF REFLECTION FOR CATHOIC MEN - Pope Francis and the Family: with Most Rev. Michael Mulhall, at St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall, Arnprior on Saturday, March 14th from 10 a.m. (9 a.m. Coffee/muffins) until 2 p.m. No fee for the day but registration required by calling 613-623-3722 or email at jwagner@bell.net, since a lunch will be provided. Must register by Wed., March 11th. Sponsored by Arnprior Knights of Columbus Council 2082 (but you don't have to be a Knight to attend!)

CENTRE SCOLARIE CATHOLIQUE JEANNE-LAJOIE ÉLÉMENTAIRE: Registration for Junior and Senior Kindergarten will be from February 23rd to the 27th, 2015. We ask parent to contact us at 613-732-8302 to make an appointment. Please note that registration may also be done at any time or date.

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.

The following is an excerpt from a book of quotes from Pope Francis entitled "Words of Challenge and Hope".

GIVE GOD SPACE IN PRAYER

n the silence of the daily routine, St. Joseph, ⊥ together with Mary, shares a single common centre of attention: Jesus. They accompany and nurture the growth of the Son of God made man for us with commitment and tenderness. reflecting on everything that has happened. In the Gospels, St. Luke twice emphasizes the attitude of Mary, which is also that of St. Joseph: she "kept all these things, pondering them in her heart" (2:19,51). To listen to the Lord, we must learn to contemplate, feel his constant presence in our lives, and we must stop and converse with him, give him space in prayer. Each of us... should ask ourselves. "How much space do I give to the Lord? Do I stop to talk with him?" Ever since we were children, our parents have taught us to start and end the day with a prayer, to teach us to feel that the friendship and the love of God accompany us. Let us remember the Lord more in our daily life!††

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH

An Ecumenical Service will be held at St. Francis Xavier Church beginning at 2 p.m. Theme: "The Bahamas"

Jesus said to them, "Do you know what I have done to You?"

John 13: 1-17 (NRSV).

The women of The Bahamas have written a service around Jesus washing the feet of his disciples.

All are welcome.



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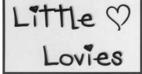
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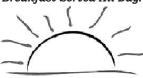
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