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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.

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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 Doris Enright.

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.

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

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) Do something kind and helpful for someone who you don't get along with, or who wronged you.
- 2) Be mindful of your behaviour online. Is that post designed to improve your image... and leave others feeling bad? Are you hammering people in order to serve your anger and humiliate others?

THE WEEKDAY READER ROSTER: needs reinforcements. If you might be able to assist even once or twice a month it would help tremendously. If interested or you would just like more information please contact the parish office at 613-432-5825.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

RENFREW: will be serving a **FISH FRY DINNER** Fridays during Lent - Feb. 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 info call 613-432-5334 M.J. Blimkie.



FRONTIER APOSTOLATE REUNION:

60th Anniversary reunion in Prince George, B.C., August 19-21, 2016. Location: Pastoral Centre in the Diocesan Centre (formerly Prince George College). For further information call Sandy or Clarence Massine at 613-432-3630.

SUNDAY OFFERING:
February 21ST - \$3,611.95
EFT - \$293.00
Envelopes - \$3,164.00
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Thank you to all who help support the Parish.

➔ **MINISTRY SCHEDULES:** will be ready next weekend. Please refer carefully to Liturgical Roles for next week's appointments. Thank you for your co-operation.

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. Sign up today on the front page of the diocesan website www.pembrokedioocese.com or go to Dynamic-Catholic.com/Lent and check out the other great resources.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Each Monday during Lent the C.W.L. and Knights of Columbus members will facilitate the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m., prior to Mass. We welcome all and will provide the booklets for your reflection on each of the fourteen stations.

CONFESSION DURING LENT:

7:30 - 7:45 a.m.	FRIDAY MORNINGS
3:45 - 4:15 p.m.	SATURDAYS AFTERNOONS
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	SUNDAY MORNINGS
3:30 - 6:30 p.m.	MONDAY, MARCH 30 TH (extra priests)
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 4 TH



LENT: a time to
Renew
 our relationship
 with God

UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.

*Mon., February 29	Bereavement Group	Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1	7:30 p.m.
*Wed., Mar. 2	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1	10:00 a.m.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Feb. 29
 6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS
 7:00 p.m. Nora Scully - Harold & Vivian Bolger
 TUES. Mar. 1
 9:00 a.m. Barry Yantha - Martin Rowan
 WED. Mar. 2
 8:00 a.m. Rita Boldt - Phil Windle & Alice Gunithes
 THUR. Mar. 3
 8:00 a.m. Betty Brisco - Ken & Leona Barr
 FRI. Mar. 4
 8:00 a.m. Claire Valliquette - Kathy Mulligan
 8:30 a.m. HOLY HOUR
 SAT. Mar. 5
 4:30 p.m. Clarence McIntyre- Jason & Tina Dedo
 & Family
 Anna Mae Belanger - Darlene & Fay
 SUN. Mar. 6
 10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

LITURGICAL ROLES

Fourth Sunday of Lent - March 6th, 2016

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S. McCanna; J. Harper
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - L. & G. Curry;
 Wayne & Maureen Remus
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - D. Mantil; G. Curry;
 L. Gallagher; D. Mooney
 SERVERS -L. Zohr
SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - STA Student; N. Saumure
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S.T.A. Students
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS—D.& B. O'Connor; D. Letts;
 K. & T. Mann
 SERVERS - L. & H. Curry
 CANTOR - J. Belanger
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - L. Richards; D. Fleury

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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 **Father Tim Moyle**, on this issue facing all of us, **March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 p.m. in St. Francis Xavier Hall.**  
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2015 FINANCIAL REPORT: is attached to the bulletin this weekend.

The Finance & Property Committee would like to express sincere gratitude to the Parishioners of St. Francis Xavier for their generous and ongoing support of the parish. The Committee takes very seriously their financial responsibility and accountability to the parish. If you have any questions concerning the financial report or have any other questions or concerns please contact a member of the Property and Finance Committee who will be most happy to address these.

Steve Dregas (Chair) Bill Ringrose
 Colin Slight Dorothy Yemen
 John Tracey Fr. Brennan

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*"The Lord is merciful and gracious"*

**CHARITABLE GIVING:** A tradition of St. Francis Xavier Parish is to give 2% of our annual Sunday Offerings to local and global based charities to support their efforts to build a better world. Our 2015 Charitable Donation monies totaled \$4,562.61 and have been distributed to the following recipients: Canadian Northern Missions, Renfrew & District Food Bank, Hospice Renfrew, Sisters of St. Joseph (Peru), Missionaries of Africa (Fr. Kevin Rand) and the Dominican Republic Experience (SJCHS), St. Thomas the Apostle School and St. Joseph's Catholic High School and the Parish Care Fund.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - FRIDAY, MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>**

All parishioners are invited to participate in the World Day of Prayer Service at the **Salvation Army Church, Renfrew on Friday, March 4th at 2:00 p.m.** This year's service was written by a women's committee from Cuba. Come be enriched by the Christian faith experiences of other countries and cultures, and share in the burdens of others through prayer."



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