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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Thurs
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Friday – Closed

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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.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Betty Sammon.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS: Reminder that next weekend (February 9/10) is the Parish **Food Bank Sunday** for February. Baskets at the doors of the church will be available for your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

BLESSED PURIFICATION CANDLES: are available at the church entrances for \$3.00 a box.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Claire Richards, winner of the Altar Server draw for January.

IF YOU'VE LOST IT - WE MAY HAVE FOUND IT: There is a lost and found container in the altar server/choir room. Please feel free to look for any items you may have left in the church.

2018 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS: are ready. To obtain a receipt put a stamped, self-addressed envelope in the collection basket and it will be mailed to you. Thank you for your ongoing generosity to sustaining the ministries and facilities here at S.F.X. Donations received or deposited after December 31st, 2018 will be credited to your 2019 income tax receipt.

THE WORD AMONG US: copies of the February edition of this publication are now available. A \$3 donation to offset costs would be appreciated.

**“Faith, hope and love abide;
the greatest of these is love.
1 Corinthians 12.31 - 13.13**

Marriage Preparation Program: Next program is on February 23 and March 2, 2019 in Renfrew at SFX parish. **Registration Deadline: Feb. 16.** Registration online at www.pembrokediocese.com or a form can be obtained from at the parish. Inquires: Yvette Bourque at 613 732-7933 ext. 208 or yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com.

Women's Retreat. The Joy of Catholic Womanhood: “The Joy of the Lord is my strength.” This retreat will be led by Cynthia Donnelly and Fr. Robert Johnson of Madonna House from Friday, February 22, 2019 at 7 p.m. to Sunday, February 24, 2019 at 2 p.m. at the Graphite Bible Camp. Cost is \$150 (\$120 for those who wish to commute). Student rates available. To register send e-transfer or cheque (Made out to Holy Canadian Martyrs Parish – Women's Retreat) to: Claudia Francis, 976 County Road #27 Codrington, ON, K0K 1R0. Registration is confirmed upon receipt of e-transfer or cheque. For more info contact Claudia Francis at claudia.francis777@gmail.com or call 613-970-4656.

4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

By our baptism, we like Jeremiah, were consecrated and appointed as prophets to the people of our own time. It is a challenging vocation. Inevitably, in our broken and messy world, God's voice is hard to recognize and God's presence often resisted - not just by the people to whom we are sent, but we ourselves can easily fail to recognize God's voice and, consciously or not, be blind to God's presence. God calls us to be more than simply “a gong booming or a cymbal clashing”. For us to be genuine prophets - true witnesses to the presence of God in our world today - then the person of Jesus, love made flesh, must be the foundation stone on which to build our lives, the lens through which to view the world and the guiding star which leads us on our journey through life.

ON OUR WAY WITH JESUS: Part II: “WE SHARE IN THE EUCHARIST”

The children now embark on the journey of experiencing God's love for us through preparation for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion which will be celebrated on May 5, 2019.

Parent Meeting in the church on Thursday, February 7th at 6:30 p.m.

Commissioning Mass: weekend of February 9th/10th

We ask you to keep these children and their families in your prayers over the next months.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON Feb. 4 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass @ OLF)
 TUES. Feb. 5
 9:00 a.m. Saramma Panicker - Phil & Nelli Holmes
 WED. Feb. 6
 8:00 a.m. Enid Kennedy - S.F.X. C.W.L.
 THURS. Feb. 7
 8:00 a.m. Mom & Dad, Brothers & Sisters
 - Josephine Plazek
 FRI. Feb. 8
 8:00 a.m. Joan Roach - Alban Roach & Family
 SAT. Feb. 9
 4:30 p.m. Laraine Martin
 - Donald & Helen Paquette
 SUN. Feb. 10
 10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

LITURGICAL ROLES

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 10th, 2019

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Dowdall; M. Maloney
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S. & R. Mears;
 L. Manwell; R. Zohr
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - G. or S. Harper;
 K. Coulas; G. Blanchette; D. Mooney

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - T.B.A.; R. Russell
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - T. & B. McIntyre;
 L. & S. Hall
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – D. Lennox; M. L. Rowat;
 R. A. Dicker; T. Fiebig; D. or B. O'Connor
 SERVERS - S. & M. Holmes
 CANTOR - Sights
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - No Liturgy

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: Current schedule runs out February 24th. If there are any changes for current ministers please contact the office **no later than Friday, February 15th**. Our **Hospitality Ministry**, especially on Sunday mornings, needs reinforcements. Please contact the office if you might be able to assist.



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

FEB. 9, 2019: Please mark this date on your calendar. You are invited to attend a CWL Presentation for the area C.W.L. Councils on Saturday, Feb. 9th, 2:00-3:30 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall, Plaunt St. Renfrew on C.W.L.'s Strategic Planning Topic. Three Members of our Diocesan Executive will try to help us understand the importance of planning the future of our C.W.L. Councils. If possible bring your 2018 Fall Edition of The Canadian League magazine. Your attendance would be appreciated.

GENERAL MEETING: All CWL members are invited to attend the general meeting on Tuesday, February 12th in the large parish hall. Presentation of 2019 Budget and Re-affirmation of Executive.

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

it's not too late for the ladies of the parish to join or renew. Membership payments by cheque payable to St. Francis Xavier CWL can be dropped into the collection basket. CWL new member application forms are in pre-addressed envelopes at the church entrances and the blue CWL membership renewal envelopes as well as the direct deposit options are gratefully accepted. For more information call the membership chair - Debbie Macdonald at 613-432-5768 or email at debbiemacdonald12@gmail.com.

BONNECHERE MANOR BULLETIN DELIVERY:

2019 schedules will be available in a few weeks. If any of those presently in this ministry have issues regarding participation or scheduling please contact the office. If anyone would like to be added to this ministry your are more than welcome to contact the office for further information.

SUNDAY OFFERING - Jan. 27th - \$3,934.55
 \$3,478.00 - Envelopes \$251.55- Loose
 \$205.00 - Weekly EFT

NEW YEAR'S OFFERING - \$2,804.01 to date
INITIAL OFFERING - \$1,342.00 to date

UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.

* Tues., February 5	R.C.I.A.	Small Hall	7:00 p.m.
* Thurs., February 7	1st Communion Parents Mtg.	Church	6:30 p.m.

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