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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 Stanley Peplinskie, Jack Cameron, brother of Isobel Anderson and George Bennett, father of Shauna Lemenchick.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

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

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. Any donations received or deposited after December 31st, 2018 will be credited to your 2019 income tax receipt.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL RENFREW COUNCIL 1916: The General meeting will be held on Monday, January 14th at 7 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall.

FUNNY IN A GOoD WAY presents an event opening the week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Appearances by nationally recognized Comedian/Actor - Leland Klassen, Canadian Military Wives Choir - Petawawa, GATE47, and a skit by local pastors. Proceeds to support Local Food Banks. January 19, 2019 at the Festival Hall, Pembroke. Doors open at 6:30 pm Tickets \$20.00 in advance and \$25.00 at the door. For tickets please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613 732-7933 ext. 206.

PARKINSON CANADA: a support group for those living with Parkinson's Disease and their care partners meets in Renfrew at the Bonnechere Manor on the first Monday of each month at 2 p.m. The organization is also looking for a volunteer facilitator for the Renfrew group. Information is located on the bulletin boards.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM DIOCESE:

Bishop Mulhall has informed Fr. Anthony Burchat that, effective January 4, he will no longer serve as Parochial Vicar at St. Francis Xavier and Most Precious Blood.

On behalf of our parishes, I wish to thank Fr. Burchat for his service and assure him of our continued prayers.

Fr. Kerry Brennan

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 etransfer 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 etransfer or cheque. For more info contact Claudia Francis at claudia.francis777@gmail.com or call 613 970-4656.



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

The celebration of Jesus' Baptism concludes the cycle of festivities around the Nativity. It is a meaningful focal point. Each year, the liturgy offers us one excerpt from the four Evangelical Gospels. Each has its own character and this year, through St. Luke's Gospel, we recall these events.

"You are me Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."



We welcome to the Christian Community the child recently baptized into our faith. As the Parents and Sponsors make a commitment to share with this child our Catholic faith, we as a faith community offer our ongoing support to:

~ ISAAC ADRIEN HOLMES, son of Philip and Mary Ellen ~

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON Jan. 14 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass @ OLF)

TUES, Jan. 15

9:00 a.m. Intentions of Diane Dedo

- Jason & Tina Dedo & Family

WED. Jan. 16

8:00 a.m. Glenn Carr - Gloria & Family

THURS. Jan.17

8:00 a.m. Muriel Jolicoeur - Helen Visinski

FRI. Jan. 18

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the McAdam &

Donohue Families - Angela McAdam

SAT. Jan. 19

4:30 p.m. Cecilia Abad - Margie & Burton Kurth

SUN. Jan. 20

10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brenan

LITURGICAL ROLES

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 20th, 2019

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - E. Saumure; N. Saumure MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - L. & G. Curry;

L. Manwell; R. Zohr

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - G. or S. Harper;

L. Armstrong; S. Dregas; K. Coulas

ALTAR SERVERS: L. Zohr

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Cuff; T. Keller

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T. & B. McIntyre

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D. & B. O'Connor; N. Smith

SERVERS - S. & M. Holmes

CANTOR - M. E. Vice

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND CENTRAL ITALY: with Fr. Bernard Messier, CC. May 5 - 17, 2019. 13 days/11 nights with a 2-day optional extension to May 19. Price includes all costs except for 9 lunches. \$4,599 per person (dbl occ.) Information meeting Thursday, January 17, 2019 at St. Columbkille Parish Hall. For more info please contact tour leader Laurie Courchesne-Dooley at 713-732-5739 or lafrcodo@outlook.com.

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.

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.

12th Annual Men's' Retreat. January 18-20, 2019 at Graphite Bible Camp. Cost is \$150. Leaders: Fr. David May and Steve Heroux from Madonna House. Theme: "The Lord is My Strength and My Song." \$50 deposit to reserve a place. See poster or contact David Douthwright at daviddouthwright@hotmail.com.

NEW YEAR'S OFFERING - \$2,679.01 \$2,174.00 - Envelopes \$55.01 - Loose

\$450.00 - EFT

SUNDAY OFFERING - Jan. 6th - \$5,398.49 \$2,969.00 - Envelopes \$221.15 - Loose \$2,003.34 Monthly EFT \$205.00 - Weekly EFT

INITIAL OFFERING - \$1,192.00 \$1,082.00 - Envelopes \$110.00 - EFT

POTLUCK SUPPER: Saturday January 19th

The Parish Council would like to invite you to a potluck supper after the 4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass. It's a great opportunity to gather as a community and celebrate winter! Come one, come all!

The kitchen will be open at 3:30 p.m. with the oven on warm. Any questions please contact Nancy and Russ Connors @ 613-432-3207.

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