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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 Elizabeth "Bess" McCarthy and Phil Rekowski.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN
We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Arnold Wren, Mary Boudreau, Father Doug Morris, Fr. Moses Nwosu, Fr. John Affleck, Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette, Robert Berube, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Luke Holmes, Catherine Kuehl, Betty Tracey, Leona Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Rose Nighbor, Audrey Tibbles, Audrey Hawley,

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

and Joan Prince.

The CWL Membership drive is over, but it's not too late for the ladies of the parish to join or renew. We continue to accept new or renewed membership payments by cheque payable to St. Francis Xavier CWL, or cash that can be dropped into the collection basket at the Saturday and Sunday masses. CWL application forms for new members 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. and join our meetings that are held the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall at 7pm.

IT REALLY HELPS!!!: Please be sure to mark the amount of your donation on the front of the Sunday contribution envelope. This will esure that you are credited with the correct amount and it makes the bookkeeping easier. A win/win situation!

KUDOS to the Renfrew Knights of Columbus Council 1916 for their Christmas Day meal. Because of their generosity, as well as businesses and other volunteers, a total of 412 meals were served including take out meals.

Please consider "Helping Our Parish". We are in need of Men and Women as Mass Servers during the week as well as servers for funerals. For information call Martha Scott at the Parish office 432-5825 ext 2 or Don Coyne at 433-9298

2016 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.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2017

Pope Francis, in his message for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees, urges us to do as Jesus did by proclaiming the good news of hope to all, especially to those in great need. He wants to "focus attention on the smallest of the small." The statement noted that children, who often arrive unaccompanied in their destination countries, "are unable to make their own voices heard" and "easily become victims of grave violations of human rights."

MINISTRY SCHEDULES: hard copies for those who do not receive it via email may be found on the table in the main foyer.

The Office of Faith Formation of the Diocese of Pembroke invites you to join us for an Informative Session on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide with Father Ryan Holly and Deacon Adrien Chaput. "Say No to Euthanasia" on Monday, January 30, 2017 at St. Columbkille's Cathedral Parish Hall 188 Renfrew Street, Pembroke, or on Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall 331 Plaunt Street, Renfrew. For more info please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613-732-7933 ext. 206 or at dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com.

POTLUCK SUPPER: Saturday February 4th

The Parish Council would like to invite you to our second potluck supper of the season after the 4:30 p.m. 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.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Jan. 16 NO PARISH LITURGY (Mass at OLF - 8:15a.m.)

TUES. Jan. 17

9:00 a.m. Thomas Dedo - Mary Dedo

WED. Jan. 18

8:00 a.m. D. J. McCallum - Don & Stella Madigan

THUR. Jan 19

8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving to St. Jude - A Parishioner

FRI. Jan. 20

8:00 a.m. Kay Kasaboski - Lois Agnel

SAT. Jan. 21

4:30 p.m. Wilma Adamchick

- Clarence & Sandy Massine

Larry Latendresse - Gord & Sharon Harper

SUN. Jan. 22

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

LITURGICAL ROLES

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 22nd 2017

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - N. Saumure; K. Harris MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - C & D. Sulpher;

R. & L. Woicik

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - G. Curry; D. Mooney;

C. Sulpher; S. Harper

SERVERS - E. Saumure

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

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

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY— A. & M. Campbell;

L. & S. Hall

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P. Perry; M. L. Rowat

SERVERS - N. & L. Lesk CANTOR - H. Holley

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - S. Pallen; J. Mahusky

CHURCH DOORS: Please ensure that the front doors are securely closed behind you since they do not always close properly at this time of year. During winter months, after the morning Masses, the front doors will be locked. The Handicapped door will be open during the day.

WORDS OF WISDOM

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered; Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; Be kind anyway

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies; Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you; Be honest and frank anyway.

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; Build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous; Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow; Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; Give the world the best you've got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God; It was never between you and them anyway.

~ Mother Theresa ~

SUNDAY OFFERING: Jan. 8th - \$4,066.40

UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.

* Wed., January 18 R.C.I.A. Small Hall 7:00 p.m. * Thurs. January 19 PPC Mtg. Rm. #2 7:00 p.m.

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

The children now embark on the journey of experiencing God's love to us through preparation for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

Parent Meeting in the church on Tuesday, January 31st at 6:30 p.m. Commissioning Mass: weekend of February 4th/5th

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

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