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Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 10:30 AM

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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.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing. especially Stella Shalla, Joan Sherlock, Greg Mantil, Sandy Massine, Mary Visutskie, Philip Laprade, Greg Colterman, Baby Isaac Smith, Larry Hebert, Hedy Kedrosky, Carolyn Dodds, Des and Doreen Herrick, Ed Lee, Elaine Brazeau, Bob Flynn, Arnold Wren, Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette. Robert Berube, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Catherine Kuehl, Leona Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Rose Nighbor and Audrey Tibbles.

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

CWL Executive Meeting Tuesday, January 30, at 6:30 pm. in Rectory Meeting Room #2.

LAST FRIDAY COFFEE PARTY hosted by the CWL will be this Friday, Jan. 26th after the 8 am Mass and Devotions to Mary. Join us for refreshments and fellowship in the parish hall.

The KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: October 2017 "Rose Sunday" \$930.00 was collected for Pro-Life. Thank you for your support and donations.

2017 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS: are ready. To obtain a receipt put a stamped, selfaddressed envelope in the collection basket and it will be mailed to you.

THE SACRED RELIC OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER. patron of our parish, will be visiting Eglise Sainte-Marie d'Orléans on Jan. 31, St John the Apostle Church (2340 Baseline Rd) on Thurs., Feb. 1 from 12:30 to 5:00 pm. The Relic will also be at Notre Dame Cathedral, 385 Sussex Dr., Ottawa on Feb. 2 with welcome at 12 noon, Mass at 12:15, public veneration throughout the afternoon and evening, 7:30 pm Mass, veneration followed by closing prayer and litany at 10 p.m. For more info visit the web site https://cco.ca/relic/.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

This year we will Celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in late November in our Parish. Students in Grades 6 and 7 who wish to be confirmed will be given a letter and a registration form to be filled in and returned to the Parish Office or placed in the Collection Basket on or before January 28th. A Parent Meeting will be held in the Small Parish Hall February 11th after the 10:30 Mass. your child attends Public School you may pick up Registration forms at the Parish office during regular business hours. You may also register your child at the February 11th Parent Meeting.

Catechetical sessions for parents and children will be held in the Parish Hall March 25th April 8th and April 22nd at 9 a.m. and in the Fall, September 30th, October 14th, and October 28th.

CWL LET'S-TRY-AGAIN POST-CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER

The St. Francis Xavier and Our Lady of Fatima CWL members will be sharing a Post-Christmas potluck dinner in St. Francis Hall.

Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2018; **Arrive:** 5:30p.m.; **Dinner:** 6:00p.m.

Bring your favourite dish. It will be an evening of prayer, fun and friendship.

SAVE A CARPET - STOMP YOUR FEET

It would be very much appreciated if you would make an effort to try and remove some of the salt and sand from your boots as you enter the church.

NEW - Diocesan E-News! If you wish to receive information about what is happening around the diocese and beyond, via e-mail, please contact Donna Biggs at donnabiggs@pembrokediocese.com.

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 Thursday, February 1st at 6:30 p.m. Commissioning Mass: weekend of February 3rd/4th

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

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Jan. 22 NO PARISH LITURGY (Mass at OLF-8:15a.m.)

TUES. Jan 23

9:00 a.m. Cara Dance - Jan & Roy Leitch

WED. Jan. 24

8:00 a.m. Annie Lemenchick - Jason & Tina Dedo

& Family

THURS. Jan. 25

8:00 a.m. Beulah Muselak - Mike & Merle Ritz 10:30 a.m. MANOR: Kay Kasaboski - Mary Thibeault

FRI. Jan. 26

8:00 a.m. Alex Paquette - Ed & Mary McCann

SAT. Jan. 27

4:30 p.m. Joe Mahusky - Mona Mahusky

SUN. Jan. 28

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

<u>The Call for Conscience Campaign 2018</u> <u>Sign-Up Sundays! We Need Your Help!</u>

The Call for Conscience 2018 Campaign will be held on February 4 and February 11, 2018. Bishop Michael Mulhall and Bishops across Ontario are asking for your help. The Coalition for HealthCare and Conscience is inviting our elected Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and those seeking office this June (in Ontario) to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/ assisted suicide and to protect faith based facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide. Our desire is to gather at least one email address from every family. Your email address then will be entered into a centralized database so that we can seamlessly share information regarding the Call for Conscience campaign. Our goal is to collect 100,000 e-mails by the end of February 2018. For more information, please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613-732-7933 ext. 206 or go to www.canadiansforconscience.ca.

Please consider sharing your contact information at the back of the church on the above mentioned weekends. Parish Coordinators will be there to receive your information. Thank you for living the faith!

SUNDAY OFFERING - Jan. 14th - \$4,941.13 \$3,586.00 - Envelopes \$266.00 - Loose \$314.00 - Weekly EFT

NEW YEAR'S - \$2,797.80 (to date)
INITIAL OFFERING - \$1,197.00 (to date)

LITURGICAL ROLES

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 28th 2018

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - P. Dowdall; J. Dowdall MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - L.Manwell; R. Zohr; J. Skebo; J. Mahusky

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SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

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N. Smith; J. O'Gorman

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ost of us have been reading about the attestation that groups applying for the Federal Government's summer jobs program have to sign. This affects us here in Renfrew, because we apply for a summer student to work at the Cemetery each summer. This job offers practical experience for a young person and of course benefits the cemetery monetarily. We, as a church community cannot sign this attestation. It is completely contrary to our belief in the sanctity of life from the moment of conception.

The Prime Minister talks about the rights of women over their own bodies, but he does not speak of the rights of the child growing in a mother's womb. In this morning's Citizen (Jan17th) the Prime minister says he recognises "the role church groups and faith groups of all different types have in promoting strong communities and running day camps for kids....It's an extremely positive impact and we're absolutely going to work with them to continue ensure they can that." Let's hope and pray that he will extend that concern to all church run programs that qualify for the summer jobs grants.

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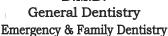
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