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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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St. Joseph's Catholic High School 835 First Street 613-432-5846 http://sjchsrenfrew.wordpress.com

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Enid Kennedy and Sister Eileen Collins c.s.c. (Sr. Mary Vivian of Rome).

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.

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today we hear Christ proclaim "good news to the poor" and celebrate the new law that he gave us. It unites us with him, and inspires us to work for God's kingdom of love, peace and justice.

As a congregation, a social group, a school group, a family or evens as individuals, we are called to live in step with the spirit of renewal.

This means showing compassion to people in need, but also working to break the chains of structural injustice that prevent millions throughout the world from realizing full and dignified lives. We are called to seek ways to release from poverty those who live on the outer margins of society. Many of us have a deep desire to do something about the plight of the world's poor people. Living this principle means understanding that poverty is not simply about lack of money, and that charity alone - though vital- will not bring it to an end.

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.

CHURCH RECTORY AT BRUDENELL AVAILABLE FOR RENT: Large unfurnished and newly renovated, suitable for a large family or approved shared tenancy. Located on church property where there are some restrictions that apply. References required. Rent approximately \$500 monthly, utilities not included. Wood and oil heated. If interested contact Alice Power at 613-757-0408.

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

SUNDAY OFFERING - Jan. 20th - \$2,791.10 \$2,441.00 - Envelopes \$145.10 - Loose \$205.00 - Weekly EFT

NEW YEAR'S OFFERING - \$2,789.01 to date INITIAL OFFERING - \$1,312.00 to date Thank you for your ongoing support!!

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 Jan. 28 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass @ OLF)

TUES, Jan. 29

9:00 a.m. Don Coyne & Tony Dota - Lore Coyne

WED. Jan. 30

8:00 a.m. Don Shean - Bonnie & Family

THURS, Jan. 31

8:00 a.m. Mitch Dawkins - P. & J. Spilchen

FRI. Feb. 1

8:00 a.m. Holy Souls and Special Intention

- The Blanchette Family

HOLY HOUR 8:30 a.m.

SAT. Feb. 2

4:30 p.m. Intentions of Dorothy Wright-McIntyre

- Jason & Tina Dedo & Family

SUN. Feb.

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

LITURGICAL ROLES

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 3rd, 2019

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S. McCanna; J. Perry MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - W. & M. Remus:

M. & B. Coulas

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - R. & N. Connors;

T. Lemenchick: K. Harris

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - STA Student: L. Richards MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - STA Students EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – J. O'Gorman; T. Fiebig; D. Lennox; R.A. Dicker; D. or B. O'Connor

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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH **SUPPER - SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019**

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

CWL Executive Meeting Monday, January 28, at 6:30 pm. in the small hall.

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 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.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: to all couples of the Parish who celebrate a Wedding Anniversary in January. We remember you and your intentions at the 10:30 a.m. Mass this Sunday. May God Bless You All. Among those celebrating are:

Don & Nancy Smith	(53)
Leonard & Lois Desjardine	(38)

Mark & Melany Tracey (32)

Harry & Doreen Ballard (11)

Christian & Ashely Ste-Marie (4)

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