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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
41 Bolger Lane 613-432-3137
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HIGH SCHOOL

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 Catherine Maloney.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette, Robert Berube, Fr. Doug Morris, Anthony Mask, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Catherine Kuehl, Luke Holmes, Betty Tracey, Leona & Ken Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Ed Sulpher, Rose Nighbor, Audrey Tibbles, Audrey Hawley, and Joan Prince.

**COUNTDOWN TO LENT
ASH WEDNESDAY IS COMING!**

Lent begins Feb. 10th. Pope Francis has asked that "the season of Lent in this Jubilee Year be lived more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God's mercy" (Misericordiae Vultus 17). Ash Wednesday there will be 9:30 a.m. Mass, with the imposition of Ashes at which time the school communities of St. Joseph's High School and St. Thomas the Apostle School will attend. Mass and imposition of Ashes at 7 p.m. as well. There will also be Mass at Our Lady of Fatima at 8:15 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. on Ash Wednesday.

During Lent we will have Mass at 7 p.m. on Mondays preceded by the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m. Mass on Tuesdays will be at 9 a.m. and Wednesday to Friday at 8 a.m.

Please make a special effort to come to Mass whenever you can during this Holy Season.

Reconciliation will be available before all weekend Masses and all Fridays before the morning Mass. A Lenten Confession Day will be held at both Parishes in Renfrew March 21st from 3p.m. to 7 p.m.

◆ On **Tuesday, February 2nd**, we celebrate the **FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**. Traditionally, candles are blessed for use in the ensuing year. In keeping with this tradition, candles will be blessed during the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday. These candles will be available for purchase @ \$3.00 a box after Mass and on the weekend of February 6/7.

◆ **Wednesday, February 3rd is the FEAST OF ST. BLAISE**. Throats will be blessed following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**NOTIFICATION OF THE
DIOCESE OF PEMBROKE**

On January 6, 2016, the Diocese of Pembroke received from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith a decree dated December 4, 2015 conveying and executing the decision of the Holy See, in which Robert Borne of the Diocese of Pembroke has been dismissed from the clerical state and dispensed from all priestly obligations. The decree indicated that there is no appeal of this decision.

This Notification is being issued so that the faithful may have clarity regarding the canonical status of Robert Borne. With the publication of this sad and necessary decision, it is asked that the Holy Father and all concerned be remembered in prayer.

January 26, 2016

THE WORD AMONG US: copies of the Lenten edition of this publication which contains the complete Catholic Mass readings as well as daily meditations may be found at the church entrances. A donation of a toonie would be appreciated to help defray costs.

**JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN AND KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 1, 2016**

**JANUARY 25 – FEBRUARY 5, 2016 inclusive
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

OUR LADY OF FATIMA Full Day (Extended FSL)
Jeannie Armstrong 613-432-4351

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE Full Day
Connie Dick 613-432-3137

If unable to register at this time please contact the school principal and make arrangements for a mutually convenient time to register.

If you do not know your child's designated school, please call your local Catholic school.

Documents required to register your child

* Proof of Age, Proof of Residence, Certificate of Immunization (Health Unit), Child's Individual Health Card, Baptismal Certificate. Your 911 address will also be required.

* Senior Kindergarten registrants must be five years old by December 31, 2016.

* Junior Kindergarten registrants must be four years old by December 31, 2016.

* Pupils presently attending Junior Kindergarten do not have to register for Senior Kindergarten.



LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Feb. 1 NO PARISH LITURGY (**NO Mass at OLF**)
 TUES. Feb. 2
 9:00 a.m. Willis Wren - Theresa Wren & Family
 WED. Feb. 3
 8:00 a.m. Ron Vincent - Sandra & Terry Mosco
 THUR. Feb. 4
 8:00 a.m. Linda Lepine - Don & Sheila Letts
 FRI. Feb. 5
 8:00 a.m. Teresa Friske - Margaret Maloney
 8:30 a.m. HOLY HOUR
 SAT. Feb. 6
 4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
 SUN. Feb. 7
 10:30 a.m. Sr. Joan Pecore - Jessica Belanger
 Maurice & Lillian Gervais
 - Rebecca Schneider & Family

LITURGICAL ROLES

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 7th, 2016

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - L. Carter; J. Dowdall
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - R. & L. Wojcik
 Wayne & Maureen Remus
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - L. Armstrong; G. Curry;
 L. Neville; D. Mooney
 SERVERS - K. & K. Dowdall

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S.T.A. Student; J. Valliquette
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S.T.A. Students
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - M. Campbell; A. M. Millar;
 D. Yantha; D. Yemen; M.L. Rowat
 SERVERS - L. & H. Curry
 CANTOR - J. Belanger
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - A. Cameron; C. Manwell

THE CALABOGIE RENFREW PRO-LIFE encourages you to read, support and sign The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada and other faith communities of the Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide poll by visiting www.euthanasiadeclaration.ca

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



RENFREW: will be serving a **FISH FRY DINNER** every Friday during Lent - Feb. 12th, 19th and 26th and March 4th, 11th & 18th (not Good Friday). Location: 313 Raglan St. S. Meals from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Price \$10.00. Take out available. For more information call 613-432-5334 M.J. Blimkie .

WE'VE GOT MAIL:

Dear Father Brennan and Parishioners, (of my home Parish):
 Thank you for your donations of stamps. You have been very generous. These stamps are sold by our Sister and the money goes to support our mission projects in Peru, Chile, Haiti, Burkina Faso and Mali. We, the Sisters of the Holy Cross, appreciate your tremendous help in these projects. God bless you and keep the stamps coming.
 Unison of Prayer
 Sister Barbara Hebert csc



RELIGIOUS ARTICLES SALE: will be held before and after the Masses next weekend, **February 6/7.**

2015 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS: To obtain a receipt put a stamped, self-addressed envelope in the collection basket and it will be mailed to you. Receipts may also be picked up at the parish office during regular office hours.

SUNDAY OFFERING:
 January 24th - \$3,991.25

SYRIAN REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP:
 \$40,772.95



The Parish Council is hosting a **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER** on Tuesday, February 9th from 5 - 7 p.m. in S.F.X. Parish Hall



Free Will Offering Everyone Welcome

The recipient of the funds this year will be to the Sisters of St. Joseph's and specifically for their undertakings in their Peruvian Mission. Sister Pauline Coulterman sends regular updates to the parish on the work of their mission in Peru. Contact person: Nancy Connors 613-432-3207.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.

***Mon., February 1 Bereavement Group Mtg. Rm. #1 7:30 p.m.**

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