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*May the Spirit of God
Lead You Through the New Year*

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Eunice Meilleur and Maureen (Freemark) Grace.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Stella Shalla, Maurice McQuade, Fr. Peter Proulx, Aileen Villemure, Georges Blanchette and Sandy Massine.

THE WORD AMONG US: copies of the January edition may be found at the church entrances. A donation of \$3 would be appreciated.

SUNDAY OFFERING - Dec. 22nd - \$4,838.20

\$4,330.50 - Envelopes \$302.70 - Loose
\$205.00 - Weekly EFT
\$800.00 Gift Cards for SFX Care Fund

SUNDAY OFFERING - Dec. 29th - \$3,865.90

\$3,404.00 - Envelopes \$256.90 - Loose
\$205.00 - Weekly EFT
\$500.00 Gift Cards for SFX Care Fund

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION - \$11,323.00 (to date)

\$8,553.00 - Envelopes \$1,715.00- Loose
\$1,055.00 - EFT

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS: Any donations received or deposited after December 31st, 2019 will be credited to your 2020 income tax receipt.

THE KNOTS PRAYER

Dear God, please untie the knots that are in my heart and my life.

Remove the have nots, the can nots and the do nots that I have in my mind.

Erase the will nots, may nots, might nots that may find a home in my heart.

Release me from the could nots, would nots and should nots that obstruct my life.

And most of all, dear God, I ask that you remove from my mind, my heart and my life all of the ``am nots`` that I have allowed to hold me back, especially the thought that I am not good enough.

Amen.



THANK YOU: Thanks to all who made our Christmas Celebration so special this year: Gord, Sharon and Jessalyn Harper and Brian and LeeAnn Shepherd who decorated the church; singers, musicians, lectors, Hospitality Ministers and Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers. A Special thanks to all who remembered Deacon Don, Deacon Michael Coyne, the Parish Staff and myself with gifts. Your generosity is much appreciated. *Father Brennan*

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

It's hard to talk about Epiphany without sounding like we're exaggerating. Today is a day of superlatives. Epiphany is the grandest, merriest, brightest and best day of Christmastime.

Today we celebrate three wonders: the Magi offer the Lord gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The Lord comes to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. The Lord turns water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana.

Epiphany means "appearance" and "revelation" and "manifestation." In the gospel stories of Epiphany, we hear that God appears in creation. God is revealed in a star, in the waters of a river, in the shining skies, on the wings of a dove, in stone jars of everyday water.

In a sense, at Epiphany all of us are queens and kings. In baptism we were anointed to be God's royal people. Now the star shines over us, we who are baptized, we who bear the name of Christ.

CARE FUND DONATIONS: A "Thank You" also to the many parishioners who donated to the Parish Care Fund either monetarily or with gift cards. Many in our community struggle to make ends meet and thus the demand for financial assistance has been substantial. May God bless you all abundantly for your generosity.

WARM CLOTHING FOR OTTAWA! We are delighted to report that 11 bags of women's and 5 bags of men's clothing as well as 2 pairs of men's boots was received from parishioners and forwarded to Ottawa to be distributed to those in need. Thank you for your generosity.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Jan. 6 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass @ OLF)
 TUES. Jan. 7
 9:00 a.m. Tony Lorbetskie - Mary Visutskie & Family
 WED. Jan. 8
 8:00 a.m. Diana Freemark - Jim & Linda Freemark
 THURS. Jan 9
 8:00 a.m. William O'Kane - Larry & Rita Holden
 10:30 a.m. MANOR: Joan Roach - The Family
 FRI. Jan. 10
 8:00 a.m. Intentions of Dianne Dedo
 - Jason & Tina Dedo & Family
 SAT. Jan. 1
 4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
 SUN. Jan. 12
 10:30 a.m. Ray Wojcik - Gisele Raby

LITURGICAL ROLES

BAPTISM OF THE LORD
January 12th, 2020

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - N. Saumure; J. Freemark
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - D. & C. Sulpher
 D. & C. Varrin
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - D. Mantil; D. Mooney
 C. Sulpher; D. Dillon

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - T. Keller; B. Chapman
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY- D. Dawkins;
 A. Agnew; B. Taylor; L. Sammon
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – D. Yemen; T. Keller;
 D. Lennox; M. L. Rowat; D. Yantha
 SERVERS - S. Lesk; K. Richards
 CANTOR: T.B.A.
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - D. Cosier; E. & E. Sheahan

BLESSINGS TO ALL IN THE NEW YEAR!

FOOD BANK DONATIONS:



Next weekend is the Parish **Food Bank Weekend** for January. Baskets will be at the doors of the church for your donations.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: to all couples of the Parish who celebrated a Wedding Anniversary during the month of December. We remember you and your intentions at the 10:30 a.m. Mass this weekend. May God Bless You All. Among those celebrating are:

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| Hector & Barbara Chugg | (64) |
| Brian & Suzanne Moseley | (45) |

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.

13TH ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT:
January 17-19 at Graphite Bible Camp. Cost is \$150. Theme is *"Loving Obedience to the Father's Loving Will (Through Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit)."* A deposit of \$50 is needed to reserve your place. For details, please contact Pierre-Paul Filion at 613-602-6580 or ppfiliation@yahoo.ca.



*We have seen
his star in the east
and have come to
worship him.*

**May your
NEW YEAR
be
Joyous & Fruitful**

POTLUCK SUPPER: Saturday January 18th

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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