

# Saint Francis Xavier Parish

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## OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Thurs  
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Friday – Closed

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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  
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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 Sylvie Lafontaine, Barb Patrick, Stella Shalla and Georges Blanchette.

**PARISH OFFICE:** The office remains closed to the public. You may reach us by phone at 613-432-5825 or by email at sfx.parish@on.aibn.com or contact Father Brennan directly at sfxpastor@bellnet.ca.

**PRIVATE PRAYER / HOLY HOUR**

The church will be open for private prayer on Tuesdays to Fridays after the 8:00 a.m. (Mass) until 4:00 p.m. **Please leave the kneeler down in the pew that you use so that the area may be properly disinfected.**

There will be no Holy Hour during the summer months.



**FOOD BANK DONATIONS:**

While we still cannot accept canned goods for the Food Bank, just a reminder that the Food Bank is accepting monetary donations which may be directed to 115 Veterans Memorial Blvd., Renfrew, ON., K7V2R5. You may also sign up for automatic deposits to the food bank. Go to Canada Helps.org which provides a list of charities to which you may donate.

**WORD AMONG US:** July/August editions may be found in the mail box just outside the office door. Payment may be placed in the secure mailbox or when the church reopens. We will do our best to replenish the supply available in the mailbox.

**Upcoming Pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Cape and to the Shrine of Saint Anne:** The 146<sup>th</sup> annual pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Cape and to the Shrine of St. Anne de Beaupré will not happen on August 8-9, 2020. The pilgrimage has now been rescheduled for **September 12-13 or October 17-18, 2020.** Pilgrims who have already prepaid for their pilgrimage will be refunded if they cannot be present to either one of these projected dates. The projected dates will depend on the federal, provincial, territorial and public Health governments' decisions. Our Lady of the Cape, pray for us. Good Saint Anne, pray for us.

**Sunday Offering June 21 : 4,861.00**  
**\$4,646.00 Envelopes; \$215 Weekly EFT**  
**Lenten Mission & Development:**  
**\$5,292.00 (to date)**  
**Easter - \$5,882.00 (to date)**  
**Care Fund: \$50.00**  
**Pope's Works - \$722.00 (to date)**  
**Education of Priests - \$1,012.00 (to date)**  
**Parish Supper: \$5,725.00 (to date)**

**INSTALLATION AS BISHOP OF PEMBROKE:** Bishop Guy Desrochers will be installed as Bishop of Pembroke on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Due to the restrictions necessitated by COVID-19, this will be a small, private ceremony, with attendance by invitation only. It will be recorded for broadcast online. A public liturgical celebration will be planned for a later date, when it will be possible to gather a large number of people. Please keep Bishop Desrochers in your prayers.

**LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

- MON. Jun. 29 NO PARISH LITURGY
- TUES. Jun. 30  
8:00 a.m. Evelyn Wren - Arnold Wren & Family
- WED. July 1  
8:00 a.m. Doug Rouble  
- Georges & Jeannette Blanchette
- THURS. July 2  
8:00 a.m. Clair Scully - Elaine Turner
- FRI. July 3  
8:00 a.m. Linda Hull - Mona Mahusky
- SAT. July 4  
4:30 p.m. Glen McGahan - Wife & Family
- SUN. July 5  
10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners  
- Fr. Brennan

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

**For the foreseeable future ministers will be contacted on a week to week basis regarding assistance with hospitality ministry and cleaning assistance for weekend Masses.**



**CANADA DAY - JULY 1**  
**God keep our land**  
**Glorious and Free!**

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!!** To all our local graduates at every level. Graduation may look a little different this year - families and friends gather for a toast remotely or from a safe distance as students toss their caps collectively over the video chat. Regardless, graduation will always be a time to celebrate your accomplishments and the exciting experiences and undertakings that lay ahead for you. And while in today's world, that future may seem more daunting, more uncertain, know that we have tremendous faith in what your generation can and will accomplish. I sought quotations I thought might inspire you and found many from numerous famous individuals, however, upon further reflection realized that we need go no further than the bible. So, congratulations, success in your future endeavours and always trust in the words of St. Paul who boldly and with great faith declared in Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

**BILL GATES VIEWS ON THE CVIRUS.....**

**What is the Corona/Covid-19 Really Teaching Us?**

I'm a strong believer that there is a spiritual purpose behind everything that happens, whether that is what we perceive as being good or being bad.

As I meditate upon this, I want to share with you what I feel the Corona/Covid-19 virus is really doing to us.

- It is reminding us that we are all equal, regardless of our culture, religion, occupation, financial situation or how famous we are. This disease treats us all equally, perhaps we should too. If you don't believe me just ask Tom Hanks.

- It is reminding us that we are all connected and something that affects one person has an effect on another. It is reminding us that the false borders that we have put up have little value as this virus does not need a passport. It is reminding us, by oppressing us for a short time, of those in this world whose whole life is oppression.

- It is reminding us how precious our health is and how we have moved to neglect it through eating nutrient poor manufactured food and drinking water that is contaminated with chemicals.

- It is reminding us of the shortness of life and of what is most important for us to do, which is to help each other, especially those who are old or sick. Our purpose is not to buy toilet roll.

- It is reminding us of how materialistic our society has become and how, when in times of difficulty, we remember that it's the essentials that we need (food, water, medicine) as opposed to the luxuries that we sometimes unnecessarily give value to.

- It is reminding us how important our family and home life is and how much we have neglected this. It is forcing us back into our houses so we can rebuild them into our home and to strengthen our family unit.

- It is reminding us that our true work is not our job, that is what we do, not what we were created to do. Our true work is to look after each other, to protect each other and to be of benefit to one another.

To be continued

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

Roy & Flo Laprade	(62)	Victor & Audrey Dumoulin	(44)
Chuck & Betty Ross	(54)	Tom & Cathy Freemark	(43)
Dwaine & Mary Steele	(53)	Bernard & Shirley-Ann Holley	(33)
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Dan & Margaret Sheahan	(48)	Mat & Danielle Harper	(11)
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