# Saint Francis Xavier Parish

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#### **PASTOR**

Fr. Kerry Brennan sfxpastor@bellnet.ca

#### PARISH SECRETARY

Martha Scott martha.sfx@on.aibn.com

#### PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR

**DEACON** 

Don Smith

Mon to Thurs

Friday - Closed

**OFFICE HOURS** 

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Nancy Connors

#### FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR

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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.

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

#### HIGH SCHOOL

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

#### PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Barry Belanger, Vernon Cruise and Jack Darragh, brother-in-law of Don and Nancy Smith

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Sylvie Lafontaine, Barb Patrick, John Ryan, Stella Shalla, Georges Blanchette and Sandy Massine.



#### FOOD BANK DONATIONS:

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

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PRAYER GROUP** is offering a 10 week program called THE CATHOLIC DISCIPLE. The DVD talks are given by Fr Bob Bedard, CC. Begins March 5 at 7pm in the basement; ends May 14. Call Bernie Taylor at 613-432-8588 for registration ASAP since we have to order books.

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION: ~ "Speak Lord, for Your Servant is Listening - Responding to the Call of Lenten Renewal" with Archbishop Brendan O'Brien on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall in Arnprior from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Doors open at 9:00 a.m.; refreshments. No fee but registration required for numbers for lunch. Call/email the parish office (613 623-2282) or John Wagner (613 623-3722; jwagner@bell.net). Last date to register is Wednesday, March 4. Sponsored by Arnprior Knights of Columbus Council 2082.

**SUNDAY OFFERING - Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> - \$3,394.00** \$2,993.00 - Envelopes \$200.00 - Weekly EFT

\$201.00 - Loose

#### **ADULT FAITH LENTEN RETREAT:**

The Diocesan Office of Faith Formation Office and Leadership Development is sponsoring an ADULT FAITH LENTEN RETREAT on Saturday, April 4, 2020 at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, 100 Lisgar Avenue, Renfrew, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Registration and coffee at 9:30 a.m. Cost is \$15.00 per person (lunch and refreshments provided). This retreat is open to all the faithful. The theme of the retreat is the "Easter Triduum." Our guest speakers will be Father Ryan Holly and Sister Sheila Whelan, G.S.I.C. Please join us for this very special day. Registration deadline is Thursday, April 2, 2020. To register or for more information, please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at (613) 732-7933 ext. 206 or dcadriendchaput@pembrokediocese.com.

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

Dick & Pat Cobus (54)
Don & Janet Goulet (48)
Brian & Lee Ann Shepherd (43)
Michael & Jennifer Cuff (15)

**RENFREW COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE Quarterly Business Meeting.** You are invited to attend the next Renfrew County Right to Life quarterly business meeting on **Thurs.**, **March 5**<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at the Holy Name rectory, 284 Trafalgar Rd, Pembroke (downstairs in the boardroom). Support us with your ideas and your presence as we endeavor to shine our light on the sacredness of life. For more information contact Susan Dagenais at 613 401-6482 or Barb Austen at 613 735-6265.

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - Friday, March 6th

Members of the parish are invited to participate in an ecumenical service on Friday, March 6, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in St. Francis Xavier Church, where members of all churches in the town of Renfrew will gather. Women of Zimbabwe have prepared this year's service. They share the challenges they have met and the hopes they have for the future. They encourage us to 'Rise, take your mat and walk' with them as they continue their often-turbulent journey towards peace and reconciliation. The service also provides thoughts on what this theme means for us in our own lives.



### LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Mar. 2

6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 p.m. Vicki, Debbi & Billy - Mom, Leona Barr

TUES. Mar. 3

9:00 a.m. Dec'd Members of the Parker Family

- P. & J. Spilchen

WED. Mar.4

8:00 a.m. Aileen Power - S.F.X. C.W.L.

THURS. Mar. 5

8:00 a.m. Irene Fremont

- Joan & Earl McLaughlin

FRI. Mar. 6

8:00 a.m. Diana Freemark - Lois Agnel & Family

8:30 a.m. HOLY HOUR

SAT. Mar. 7

4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

SUN. Mar. 8 10:30 a.m.

Herb Kluke - Sister, Stella Shalla Isadore Lorbetskie - Agnes & Family

## LITURGICAL ROLES

Second Sunday of Lent March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020

#### SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - K. Harris; J. Dowdall MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - W. & M. Remus;

L. Manwell; R. Zohr

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - R. & N. Connors**;

T. Lemenchick; L. Armstrong

SERVERS - L. Zohr

#### SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - H. Curry; R. Russell MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - D. & C. Sulpher;

G. Aldakheel; G. Alstah

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST- C. Sulpher; D. Yemen;

K. & T. Mann; M. L. Rowat

SERVERS - S. Lesk; K. Richards

CANTOR: T.B.A.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - NO LITURGY

**CONFIRMATION 2020:** In the spring and fall of 2020 the Confirmation program, Decision Point, will be facilitated by Saint Francis Xavier Parish. Any questions please feel free to contact Nancy Connors @ 613-432-3207 or Father Brennan @ 613-432-5825.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RENFREW:

will be serving a **FISH FRY SUPPER** every Friday during Lent from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 313 Raglan St. S. The first meal will take place on Friday, February 28 and the final meal will be Friday, April 3. Meals are \$12/person. Tickets available at the door and take out also available. Proceeds to charity. All are welcome.

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER C.W.L. COUNCIL:

has decided to enhance our Seniors' Outreach Project to include visits to seniors in Nursing Homes, Retirement Homes and Shut-ins regardless of gender or religious affiliation. If you are/have a senior family member or neighbour who would like regular visits from our CWL Members please contact the Parish Office at 613 432 5825 or Elaine Turner at 613 432 5535. Members are also encouraged to volunteer to answer Renfrew & Area Seniors' Home Support Inc.'s request for providing company, friendship and security for those in need by phoning 613 432 7691. You will be required to attend an interview and provide a Police Check. Please bring a copy of the Police Check to the Parish Office.

Warm Clothing Needed in Ottawa! If you would like to donate warm clothing or other useful items that may be of value to the homeless or the Poorest of the Poor (men and women), we will ensure that all are delivered! Delivery is to Julian of Norwich Anglican Church, Ottawa. They in turn disperse the donations to the Poorest of the Poor, Nelson House Women's Shelter, and the Ottawa Mission for Homeless Men. Bags need to be labelled 'Women's' or 'Men's'. We gather in during the Lenten Season. To donate or volunteer, please contact Bruce at 613 584-3951 or Ron at 819 689-5440.

## SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE/SAUSAGE SUPPER



The staff of St. Joseph's Catholic High School offers our sincere appreciation to Fr. Kerry, Deacon Don and the parishioners of SFX Parish for your generous donations of offerings from your Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper to our "Matthew 25 Fund". Many students and families in need in our Catholic school community will be assisted by your generosity. Total realized was \$1,435.00.

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