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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Thurs
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Friday – Closed

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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
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St. Joseph's Catholic High School
835 First Street 613-432-5846
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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Des Herrick, Blaine Melvin Strutt, husband of Elayne Strutt and Joan Walters, mother of Harry and Larry Walters.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Gloria Bruce, Noreene Adam, Ruth Elliott and Sandy Massine.

PRIVILEGED FORMS OF PENANCE

are recommended, especially during Lent. These forms are privileged because they are based on the teaching of the Gospels (fasting, almsgiving, prayer, works of mercy) or because of their traditional value among the people of God (abstinence from meat).

◆ Christian fasting obtains its full meaning when we deprive ourselves of food in order to be more open to prayer, to share more in the suffering of those who are starving and to save money to give to the poor. Fasting is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of the depth of our faith.

◆ the law of "abstinence from meat" binds those who are 14 and older; the law of "fasting" binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance. The actions modeled by adults will be the greatest influence in this matter.

DURING LENT our Liturgies are more subdued with less singing and more emphasis on quiet reflection. Lent is a good time to come a little early to Mass and reflect on the readings for the Eucharist on that particular day.

SUNDAY OFFERING - March 3rd - \$7,028.34

\$4,519.00 - Envelopes \$301.00 Loose
\$2,003.34 - EFT Monthly
\$205.00 - Weekly EFT

BEST LENT EVER 2019 For those who have Internet, Dynamic Catholic is offering a daily reflection for Lent. Just Google Dynamic Catholic, go to their site and you will find the link. This is excellent for individuals and families.

LENTEN MASSES AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA: there will be morning Mass offered at OLF at 7:00 a.m. and 8:15 a.m. each weekday morning during Lent.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RENFREW:

will be serving a **FISH FRY SUPPER** every Friday during Lent (not Good Friday). Meals are \$10.00 and start from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Location: Knights of Columbus Hall, 313 Raglan St. S. First meal Friday, March 8th to Friday, April 12th, 2019. For more info call 613-432-0887. All profits go to charity.

Shepherds of Good Hope: If you would like to donate warm clothing or other items during this 'Lenten Season' that may be of use to the homeless frequenting the Centre of Services for the Homeless at 233 Murray St. in Ottawa, we will ensure that all is delivered! How easy it is to take for granted our good fortune and pass by the opportunity to share a little with those in much greater need! Will you give a little something of your excess? If you can, please call Bruce at 613 584-3951 or Ron at 819 689-5440. (It would be very helpful if you wish to donate separately and mark 'Male' or 'Female' on any bags or boxes.

THE RENFREW GOLDEN AGE ACTIVITY CENTRE

will be hosting a **Seniors' Information and Active Living Health Fair** at the Renfrew Recreation Centre on **Thursday, March 21st from noon until 6pm.** There will be **4 presentations** throughout the day: Canada Revenue Agency, Community Paramedic Response Unit, The Ottawa Heart Institute and RVH Sleep Services. Over 40 exhibits will provide clinics, demos and information pertinent to healthy aging. Light refreshments and swag bags will be available. It is a **FREE** event sponsored by the OCAO and the Ministry of Seniors and Accessibility. Everyone is welcome to attend, to bring questions and to find answers. For info call: 613-431-8289.



POTLUCK LUNCH: SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST

You are invited to a potluck lunch after the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. It's a great opportunity to gather as a community. Come one, come all!

The kitchen will be open at 9:45 a.m. with the oven on warm.

Any questions please contact Nelli Holmes @ 613-432-3590.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON Mar. 11
6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS
7:00 p.m. Leo Sheedy - Bob Kusluski & Tim Brazeau
TUES. Mar. 12
9:00 a.m. Dec'd Relatives of the Spilchen Family
- P. & J. Spilchen
WED. Mar. 13
8:00 a.m. Intentions of Arlette Hermans
- Fay, Barb, Diane & Jean
THURS. Mar. 14
8:00 a.m. Lorna Kluge - The Family
10:30 a.m. MANOR: Bernard Leclerc - Benoit Ouellet
FRI Mar. 15
8:00 a.m. Margaret Burns - Jan & Roy Leitch
SAT. Mar. 16
4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
SUN. Mar. 17
10:30 a.m. Urban Agnew - Anita & Family
Isadore Lorbetskie - Agnes & Family

LITURGICAL ROLES

2nd Sunday of Lent - March 17th, 2019

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.
MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S. McCanna; M. Maloney
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY- D. & C. Varrin;
M. & B. Coulas
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - S. Dregas; K. Coulas
T. Lemenchick; L. Armstrong
SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.
MINISTERS OF THE WORD - E. Sheahan; T. Keller
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - L. & S. Hall
T. McIntyre; D. Dawkins
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - S. O'Neil; T. Fiebig;
N. Smith; K. & T. Mann
SERVERS - N. & S. Lesk
CANTOR - T.B.A.
CHILDREN'S LITURGY - No Liturgy

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER:

Father Brennan and the PPC would like to thank all those who attended the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper to make it such a success. Many added thanks to those who donated maple syrup and baked beans The event realized **\$812.00** which will be forwarded to the Bernadette McCann House.

CCO Canada is Hiring: Catholic Christian Outreach is a university student movement dedicated to evangelization. Hiring missionaries for both campus and the national office in Ottawa. Receive world class training in evangelization as you journey with students on CCO's campus frontlines; put your expertise to use in a wholesome, Christ-focused workplace. Application deadline: **March 19, 2019**. Info: www.cco.ca/careers or Tanya Rodgerson tanya.rodgerson@cco.ca.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL

RENFREW COUNCIL 1916: The General meeting will be held on **Monday, March 11th** at 7 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall.

CWL NEWS:

Everyone is welcome Tuesday March 12th at 7 pm. Special guest speaker Lisa Oegema from Victims Services of Renfrew County: "Creating an Awareness about Human Trafficking".

Refreshments and meeting to follow including budget presentation and re-affirmation of officers.

CWL RUMMAGE SALE

April 5 & 6 CWL Rummage Sale
at St. Francis Xavier Large Parish Hall

Fri., Apr 5th: Noon - 6:00 p.m.
& Sat. Apr. 6th, 8:00 -11:00 a.m.

Donations accepted:

- ◆ Apr. 2nd & 3rd: 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. Large Hall
- ◆ Apr. 4th: 8:00 a.m.-7:00 pm. Large Hall
- ◆ Apr. 5th; 8:00 a.m.-12 Noon Small Hall

Volunteers needed in all areas: Set-Up, Pick-Up, Area Leaders, Area Workers, Lifters, Unpackers, Sales, Cashiers, Clean Up. All Volunteers welcome . Contact Elaine at 613 432 5535 or enrightturner@sympatico.ca

Proceeds: To SFX Parish (including payment on SFX Church Doors), Local Community, National & International Charities.

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**Mass for the Feast of St Patrick** will be celebrated at St Patrick Church, Mount St Patrick, on Saturday, March 16 at 10 a.m. All are warmly invited.

**Seat of Wisdom College Speaker Series.** Doctor Cecil Chabot will give a lecture on 'Catholic Social Teaching, Indigenous Peoples, and Reconciliation,' in St. Hedwig's Parish Hall, Barry's Bay, on Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, starting at 8:30 p.m. Admission free. All welcome. Cecil Chabot is a historian specializing in Indigenous history who also has extensive experience in Indigenous affairs. He currently teaches First Peoples Studies at Concordia University in Montreal, *and is working on a book that explores a Cree and Algonquian cultural and intellectual history, with emphasis on philosophical anthropology.* For more information, please contact the College at 613 756-3082 or [info@seatofwisdom.ca](mailto:info@seatofwisdom.ca).

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**RENFREW COUNCIL 1916**  
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**MEETINGS:** 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM  
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