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Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 10:30 AM

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Cancelled until further notice

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

In the Quiet Room
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
or Fr. Coyne Ext 4

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

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Father Brady McNamara and Anna Swayze, mother of Alanna Emon.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Darlene Shields, Annlea O'Rourke, Gail Caillier, Doris Long, Johanna Mathieu, Margarita Kurth, Mary McCann, Betty Sammon, Dick Cobus, Sylvie Lafontaine, Stella Shalla and Georges and Jeannette Blanchette.

Sunday Offering February 28th: \$4,666.00 Envelopes: \$4,296.00 Weekly EFT: \$240.00 Loose: \$130.00 Care Fund: \$250.00 Sunday Offering March 7th: \$6,952.34 Envelopes: \$3,774.00 Monthly EFT: \$2,863.34; Weekly EFT: 240.00; Loose: \$75.00; Care Fund - \$150.00

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT: IMET (Inter-Marriage Enrichment Team) is a group of dedicated couples from eight very lively parishes in the Joliet diocese who have been putting on marriage enrichment events for over a decade. On March 20, they hold their first online event, "How to Be Married and Stay Engaged: Back to Back, Face to Face, and Shoulder to Shoulder," presented by Jim Healey. To register for the event go to https://www.imetevents.org/.

Next Diocesan Marriage Preparation program – April 17th and May 1st: This program will be ONLINE only. To register please go to https://pembrokediocese.com/flymo/marriage-and-family/. Deadline to register is April 1st. All couples will be mailed a package with the materials needed for the program.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Mar. 15

6:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7:00 pm David Hanniman - Angela McAdam

TUES. Mar. 16

8:00 am Joan McLaughlin - Lore Coyne

WED. Mar. 17

8:00 am Dolly McDonald - Rita Lajoie

THURS. Mar. 18

8:00 am Helen Lefebvre - Marcella Cybulski

FRI. Mar. 19

8:00 am Betty Mahusky-Brisco

- Leanne & Charlotte

SAT. Mar. 20

4:30 pm Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

SUN. Mar. 21

10:30 am Urban Agnew - Anita & Family

Isadore Lorbetskie - Agnes & Family

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Mar.22

6:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 pm Repose of the Soul of Dolly McDonald

- Daughter, Debra

TUES. Mar. 23

8:00 am Don Coyne - Fr. Michael Coyne

WED. Mar. 24

8:00 am Ivan Cameron - Marcella Cybulski

THURS. Mar. 25

8:00 am Barton Kurth - Wife, Margarita

FRI. Mar. 26

8:00 am Deceased Members of the Kluke

& Shalla Families - Stella Shalla

SAT. Mar. 27

4:30 pm Irene & Wilfred Freamo

- Daughter, Leona Barr

M.J. & Yvonne Brennan - Fr. Kerry Brennan

SUN. Mar. 28

10:30 am Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

Did you know that **<u>DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE</u>** provides humanitarian aid to communities coping with climate change, conflict and natural disasters in over a dozen countries?

The **Share Love, Share Lent** campaign looks at how our solidarity is meaningful for **Rohingya refugees** and their host communities in **Bangladesh**.

Please pray for communities affected by crises and help us to keep supporting them by contributing to the collection on Good Friday this Lent. For inspiration and information, visit **devp.org/lent**.

BY MY SIDE

A Program of Spiritual Friendship and Healing for Separated and Divorced Catholics

- This non-profit ministry will assist separated and divorced Catholics to reconnect and build on their faith. Both the women and men sessions begin on Saturday, March 27 2021 and are offered virtually over Zoom. All registrants will receive a private link to their first session.
- The women sessions are 6 weeks in length and run from 9 am to 11 am.
- The men sessions are also 6 weeks in length and fun from 12 pm to 2 pm with the exception of May 1, which will be from 9 am to 11 am.
- The program, led from a Catholic faith exploration perspective, is designed to help participants find reconciliation, peace and healing by taking positive steps in their daily spiritual life.
- For information and registration, visit our website: www.bymyside.ca, or on Facebook at: facebook.com/bymysideott, or contact Mary Jane Manley at 613-294-1308. The cost is \$40.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that a major restructuring of Development and Peace began on August 1, 2020. At the request of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), which has asked D&P to rethink its governance structure in order to make the organization more effective and transparent in its relations and communications with the CCCB, the firm Deloitte has been mandated to prepare and oversee this major restructuring project until its completion.

The restructuring project also aimed to redefine the criteria for accepting new partners, in order to avoid finding ourselves in problematic situations where they do not respect the moral values advocated by the Catholic Church by promoting, for example, the use of abortion or euthanasia.

Last summer, I was asked to be involved in one of the four new committees proposed by Deloitte. And as a result of their recommendations, since last December, the number of members on the National D&P Council has decreased from 21 to 16 members (and we will decrease from 16 to 15 after this transition year). Four bishops now sit on the National D&P Council, whereas there have been none for many years. This situation made communication and interaction between the CCCB and D&P very difficult and sometimes resulted in inconsistent and contradictory press releases. The CCCB then asked me if I would agree to become a member of the new National Council with the other three bishops. I accepted this task in faith, not without hesitation, since I had just been appointed Bishop of the Diocese of Pembroke.

Considering these circumstances, you now understand why our diocese has decided to once again support Development and Peace in the great Lenten collection this year. This support had been interrupted because some partners did not endorse the values advocated by the Catholic Church, even though they were receiving grants and services from D&P. The situation has since been rectified with the creation of a special commission that has been looking into all the files that raised concerns. To date, all contracts with suspect partners have been either cancelled or renewed because of the results of this investigation. As of two weeks ago, only one case remained unresolved because it involved a contract with a partner who was also receiving a grant from a Canadian provincial government. We were assured that the case would be resolved very soon.

In light of this presentation, I thank you and would be grateful if you would embark once again on this adventure whose objective is to help the most needy, and to once again show your generosity towards D&P during the next diocesan collection that will be offered to you this Lent 2021.

Sincerely yours in Christ our Redeemer,

+ Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R.

Bishop of Pembroke

TRIDUUM & EASTER SCHEDULE

	Precious Blood	Mt. St. Patrick	O.L. Fatima	SFX
HOLY THURSDAY April 1		7:00 pm	5:15 pm	7:00 pm
GOOD FRIDAY April 2	12 noon	3:00 pm	12 noon	3:00 pm
EASTER VIGIL April 3			8:00 pm	8:00 pm
EASTER SUNDAY April 4	8:30 am	10:45 am	9:00 am	10:30 am

CONFESSIONS AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH:

- 1/2 hour before weekday Masses and 3/4 hour before weekend Masses or by appointment
- Tuesday, March 23rd from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm and 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm
- Holy Saturday, April 3rd from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

CONFESSIONS AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH:

- 15 minutes before Masse or by appointment
- Sunday, March 28th from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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