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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 Jean Valliquette and Sister Betty Berrigan, sister of Joanne O'Gorman.

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.

Because of health concerns over the <u>COVID-19</u> <u>VIRUS</u> we will not be distributing communion from the chalice at weekday and weekend masses beginning March 16th until further notice. For weekend Masses we will just need 3 people in total to distribute Communion. During Lent we will keep having a Eucharistic minister help me distributing the Body of Christ. Fr. Brennan

MASS FOR THE FEAST OF ST. PATRICK will be celebrated at St Patrick Church, Mount St Patrick on Tuesday, March 17 at 10.00 a.m. All are welcome.



CONFESSIONS:

The sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at local parishes as listed:

Eganville: March 23rd 3:00-4:00 and 6:00-7:00

Douglas: March 29th 3:00-4:00 Arnprior: April 5th 2:00-3:00

Our Lady of Fatima: April 7th 3:00-6:30 St. Francis Xavier: Before all weekend Masses and April 11th 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Love consists in sharing what one has and what one is with those one loves.

Love ought to show itself in deeds more than in words.

- St. Ignatius of Loyola

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.

March 21st & 22nd: RELIGIOUS ARTICLES SALES

before & after both Masses. A great opportunity to get religious gifts and cards for the sacraments involving Baptism, 1st Communion, and Confirmation as well as the usual religious items: rosaries, medals, bibles, St. Christopher medals, St. Joseph Statues etc.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Father Jim Beanish and Deacon Adrien Chaput invite you to join them on Sunday, April 19 from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. at St. Columbkille Cathedral, Pembroke. Guest speaker is Father Michael Lund. Social time in hall after the prayer service. For more information please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at the Diocese of Pembroke 613-732-7933 x206 or dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com.

POTLUCK SUPPER: Saturday March 21st

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.



We welcome to the Christian Community the child recently baptized into our faith. As the Parents and Sponsors make a commitment to share with this child our Catholic faith, we as a faith community offer our on-going support to:

~ BRODY EMMETT ALLEN MURDOCK, son of Curtis & Amanda ~

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Mar. 16

6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 p.m. Terry Latendresse

- Ed & Mary McCann

TUES. Mar. 17

9:00 a.m. Mabel Eady - Ruth Elliott

WED. Mar.18

8:00 a.m. Lorna Kluke - Larry & Family

THURS. Mar. 19

8:00 a.m. Chris Cunningham - Mom & Jim

FRI. Mar. 20

8:00 a.m. Betty Mahusky-Brisco - Charlotte

SAT. Mar. 21

4:30 p.m. Ambrose & Bernice Valliquette

 Leona & Family Donna Enright

- Jerry & Maxine Lapierre

SUN. Mar. 22

10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

LITURGICAL ROLES

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 22nd, 2020

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Lemay; A. M. Slight MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S. & R. Mears;

T. Brazeau; B. Kusluski

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - T. Lemenchick;

K. Harris; L. Armstrong

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - H. Curry; R. Russell MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - B. Taylor; E. Turner;

L. Sammon; N. Bailey

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST – D. & B. O'Connor; D. Yantha

SERVERS - T.B.A. CANTOR: H. Holley

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - D. Cosier; E. & E. Sheahan

CONFIRMATION 2020: In the spring and fall of 2020 the Confirmation program, Decision Point, will be facilitated by Saint Francis Xavier Parish.

Father visited the Grade 6 and 7 classes at St. Thomas the Apostle School this week and handed out Registration Forms which need to be returned by March 22nd. There will be a meeting for parents and children

after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday March 29th in the Small Hall. The program will be explained at this session.



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.

CHRISM MASS: at St. Columbkille Cathedral, Pembroke, on <u>Monday</u> of Holy Week, **April 6**th, at 10:30 a.m. During the ceremony, the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick will be blessed, and the Holy Chrism will be consecrated.

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