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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

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Stanley Benish, Leo Kenopic and Bernard Hanniman, brother of Shirley McCanna.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Isadore Lorbetskie, Bob Flynn, Arnold Wren, Fr. Mike Costello, Fr. Moses Nwosu, Fr. John Affleck, Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette, Robert Berube, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Luke Holmes, Catherine Kuehl, Leona Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Rose Nighbor and Audrey Tibbles.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER C.W.L. NEWS:

CWL Diocesan Spring Meeting Sat., March 25, St. Theresa's Parish Hall, Temiscaming. Transportation provided. If interested in attending contact Joan 613 432-9161 before March 19th.

SFX CWL Rummage Sale Info

Dates: Friday, April 28th Noon - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 29th 8:00 - 12 Noon

Donations Accepted:

Wed., Apr. 26th

Noon - 8:00 p.m. Large SFX Hall

Thurs., Apr. 27th

8:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m. Large SFX Hall

Fri., Apr. 28th

8:00 a.m. -8:00 p.m. Small SFX Hall

Sat., Apr. 29th

7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Small SFX Hall

Pick Up: Contact Elaine 432-5535

For Safety Sake: No outdated cribs, car seats, or non working appliances.

Workers Needed: Before, During & After. All are welcome to volunteer: Members, Non-Members, (including High School Students), male & female. Contact Elaine Turner 432 5535 or enrightturner@sympatico.ca

Proceeds to Charitable Works within the Parish, Local Community & World Wide.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RENFREW:

are serving a **FISH & CHIPS DINNER** every Friday during Lent (Mar. 3rd to Apr. 6th); from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. \$10.00 / person. Take out is also available. Location: Knights of Columbus Hall, 313 Raglan St. S., Renfrew.

LENT

During Lent we will have Mass at 7:00 p.m. on Mondays preceded by the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m. Mass on Tuesdays will be at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesday to Friday at 8:00 a.m. Please make a special effort to come to Mass whenever you can during this Holy Season.

Reconciliation will be available before all weekend Masses and all Fridays before the morning Mass. There will be a Penitential Service held here April 6th.

7:00 a.m. WORKERS MASS DURING LENT

Father Holly will offer a 7:00 a.m. Mass for workers at Our Lady of Fatima Church during the weekdays of Lent. It is hoped that this will be a convenience for those who wish to begin their day with Mass on their way to work or school.

DID YOU KNOW

That was then....this is now.

Listed below are some of the items from SFX Statistical Reports for the years 1960 and 2016. Very interesting!

	<u>1960</u>	<u>2016</u>
Baptisms	92	15
First Communions	69	10
Marriages	26	5

There were 88 Priests listed in the 1960 Clergy Directory. In 2016 there were 49, of which 10 are retired.

EWTN GLOBAL CATHOLIC NETWORK: invites you to a Family Celebration at the Centrepointe Theatre in Ottawa on **Sat., April 1** for an inspiring day for your entire family! This year's theme will be "The Life and Legacy of Mother Angelica". Be renewed in your faith with inspirational talks by your favourite EWTN hosts, Johnnette Benkovic, Father Mitch Pacwa, S.J., and Father Larry Richards. Admission free, but seats are limited. Log onto ewtn.com/familycelebration for info.

ON OUR WAY WITH JESUS:

Part II: "WE SHARE IN THE EUCHARIST".....

Parent/ Child meeting in the church on Thursday, March 23rd at 6:30 p.m.

Please pray for our young people preparing for their First Communion.



LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Mar. 20
 6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS
 7:00 p.m. Linda Powell - Jason & Tina Dedo
 & Family

TUES. Mar. 21
 9:00 a.m. Arnold Kennelly - Shirley & Family

WED. Mar. 22
 8:00 a.m. Tom Donohue - Elaine Turner

THUR. Mar. 23
 8:00 a.m. Lorna Kluge - Larry & Family
 10:30 a.m. MANOR: Marie Helferty
 - Barbara Helferty

FRI. Mar. 24
 8:00 a.m. Betty Mahusky-Brisco
 - Daughter, Leanne

SAT. Mar. 25
 4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

SUN. Mar. 26
 10:30 a.m. Lawrence Mahusky Sr.
 - Son, Lawrence
 Fr. Charles Giroux & Glenn Carr
 - Gloria & Family

LITURGICAL ROLES

4th Sunday of Lent - March 26th 2017

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S. McCanna; J. Lemay
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - J. Skebo; J. Mahusky
 T. Brazeau; B. Kuslusi
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - R. & N. Connors;
 T. Lemenchick; S. Dregas
 SERVERS - E. Saumure

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S. McNulty; J. Valliquette
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - A. & M. Campbell;
 R. Holmes; L. Sammon
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - M.L. Rowat; J. O'Connor;
 T. Mann; M. Campbell; S. O'Neil
 SERVERS - T.B.A.
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 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - T.B.A.

25 GREAT THINGS YOU CAN DO FOR LENT

Besides giving up chocolate

A few more ideas of how you might challenge yourself this Lent.

1. If you don't have a cross in your home, buy a simple one and put it in your bedroom.
2. Read the entire book of Mark in one sitting. As the shortest Gospel, it is the most concise story of Jesus' life, and the cross, a central Lenten symbol, plays an even more prominent role than in the other Gospels.
3. Think about a habit that has kept you from being whom God is calling you to be. Consciously give up the habit for Lent

The above ideas are only a sampling from the article "25 Great Things You Can Do for Lent" by Renée Lareau which may found on line at <http://bustedhalo.com/author/renee-lareau>.

Annual Lenten Day of Reflection

Annual Lenten Day of Reflection; "Jesus, the Mercy of God": with Fr. Howard Chabot and Deacon Adrien Chaput at St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall in Arnprior on Saturday, April 8th from 10:00 a.m. (9:00 a.m. coffee/muffins) until 2:00 p.m. No fee for the day but registration is required by calling the parish office or 613-623-3722 or e-mail jwagner@bell.net since a lunch will be provided. Last date to register will be Wednesday, April 5th. Everyone is welcome!

Chrism Mass

Bishop Mulhall extends a warm welcome to all members of the Diocese to join in the celebration of the **Chrism Mass at St. Columbkille Cathedral on Tuesday of Holy Week, April 11th, 2017 at 10:30 a.m.** The Bishop will bless the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick and he will consecrate the Holy Chrism.

SUNDAY OFFERING: Mar. 12th - \$3,401.45



LENT: a time to
Renew
 our relationship
 with God

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

† LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE †

Thursday, April 6th at 6:30 p.m.

followed by individual confessions until 7:30 p.m.

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