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Saturday 4:30 PM
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Sunday @ 10:30 a.m. Mass
Junior Kindergarten to Grade 2

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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

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Please contact Father Brennan at least six months before the proposed celebration as a preparation program is required.

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Please contact Fr. Brennan regarding upcoming preparation

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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette, Robert Berube, Father Doug Morris, Anthony Mask, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Luke Holmes, Catherine Kuehl, Betty Tracey, Leona Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Ed Sulpher, Rose Nighbor, Audrey Tibbles, Audrey Hawley, and Joan Prince.

REFUGEE APPLICATION - The application for our refugee family is currently in the process of being reviewed. Please begin praying for the family that we are sponsoring by name: Ammar Hriz, Wiamm Al Dakhil, their son Elian Hriz and Barra Hriz. They are in a desperate situation in Lebannon. We pray for their continued safety and that the immigration process will move forward quickly so that we can soon welcome them here in Renfrew.

SUNDAY OFFERING

March 13th - \$3,977.35

Thank you for continuing support!

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

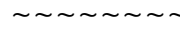
CWL Diocesan Spring Meeting on Saturday, April 2nd, at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Hall in Petawawa, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Any member wishing to attend, please contact Joan at 613-432-9161.



The National Catholic Mission 2016, "Merciful Like the Father", with Fr. Tom Rosica CSB will be broadcast during Holy Week on the following dates/times:

Salt + Light TV: Part 1: Tuesday, March 22nd and Part 2: Wednesday, March 23rd at 8:00 p.m. and Midnight;

Vision TV: Part 1: Monday March 21st and Part 2 on Tuesday, March 22nd at 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.



† LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES †

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH & OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

Monday, March 21st from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

As is our tradition during Lenten time, we celebrate God's forgiveness as a way of journeying to new life at Easter.

CONFESSION DURING LENT:

- 7:30 - 7:45 a.m. FRIDAY MORNINGS
- 3:45 - 4:15 p.m. SATURDAYS AFTERNOONS
- 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. SUNDAY MORNINGS
- 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. MONDAY, MARCH 21st - S.F.X. & O.L.F.
- 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 26th



PALM SUNDAY

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, March 22nd, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.** Following the Mass, the Blessing of the Oils of the Consecration of the Holy Chrism, there will be a gathering for everyone in the Cathedral Parish Hall. All of the faithful of the Diocese are welcome. Please note: there will be **no parish liturgy at S.F.X. on Tuesday, March 22nd.**

†HOLY WEEK†

	<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>	<i>Our Lady of Fatima</i>
Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper	7:00 p.m.	5:15 p.m.
Good Friday Commemoration of the Lord's Passion	3:00 p.m.	12 Noon
Holy Saturday Confessions	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	11:00 a.m. - 12 Noon
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass	7:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Solemn Mass of Easter Sunday	10:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON Mar. 21
3:00 - 7:00 p.m. **CONFESSIONS**
7:00 p.m. Betty Mahusky-Brisco - Leanne Brisco

TUES. Mar. 22
10:30 a.m. **CHRISM MASS - ST. COLUMBKILLE, PEMBROKE**

WED Mar. 23
8:00 a.m. Christopher Cunningham - Mom & Jim

THUR Mar. 24
7:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**
Ken Barr - Brian & Doris Long

FRI Mar. 25
3:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

SAT Mar. 26
7:30 p.m. **EASTER VIGIL**

SUN Mar. 27
10:30 a.m. **EASTER SUNDAY**
Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

**TRIDUUM & EASTER
LITURGICAL ROLES:**
AS ASSIGNED

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & ALTAR SERVERS needed for the Triduum and Easter Sunday. Please contact the office (432-5825 X2) if you can assist at any of these liturgies.

Divine Mercy Sunday Devotion

Please join us as we celebrate *Divine Mercy Sunday* on April 3rd from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. at St. Columbkille Cathedral, 188 Renfrew St., Pembroke. The guest speaker will be Father Denis Lemieux of Madonna House. This will be a time with Our Lord with adoration, singing of hymns and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Let us join together and pray for God's mercy upon the whole world.

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**COMMUNITY FREE SOUP KITCHEN:** Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at St. Paul's Anglican Church. See posters.

**St. Michael's Choir School in Concert ~ SACRED SPLENDOR:** On Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at St. John Chrysostom Church in Arnprior. The full choir of 140 boys (junior and senior) will sing and celebrate the joy of Easter. Tickets for this event are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for youth (under 18) and will be available at the door. Tickets can also be purchased in Arnprior at The Gallery Gift Shop (158 John St. N.), Peebles (Arnprior Mall), or the Parish office (295 Albert St. 613-623-2282). The concert is sponsored by the Bell Tower Renewal Committee.

**GOOD FRIDAY is a day of FAST and ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT.**

These practices are an outward sign of openness to God, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, and a witness to 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. Those who are ill or elderly are prudently dispensed from these observances.



**The Diocesan Missionary and Development Collection** will be taken up on Good Friday. The monies from this collection will go directly to missionary efforts and apostolic work with the poor in a variety of countries. Please be generous.

**From Bishop Mulhall concerning the 2016 Diocesan Lenten Missionary and Development:**

"Once again, we will continue the practice of sharing the Annual Diocesan Lenten Missionary and Development Collection with religious communities and apostolates that have a connection with the diocese to be used in their efforts with the poor. We will also direct funds to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association which is a papal agency for humanitarian and pastoral support. On many occasions, Pope Benedict XVI and Pope Francis have invited us to prioritize our attention to Christians in the Middle East in their very difficult situations. Our 2016 contribution will be directed through CNEWA to provide care and support for the refugees in the Middle East resulting from the turmoil of the civil war in Syria.

I wish to add for your knowledge and for the faithful of the diocese that since 2011, the generosity of our parishes has allowed the diocese to provide over \$309,000.00 for refugees supported by means of our Development Collection....."

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.**

♦ **Mon., Mar. 21**      **Bereavement Group**      **Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1**      **7:30 p.m.**

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