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Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 10:30 AM

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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

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 Murray Londeau.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Scott Rowbotham, Mary Blimkie, Joan Sherlock, Greg Mantil, Sandy Massine, Mary Visutskie, Philip Laprade, Greg Colterman, Baby Isaac Smith, Larry Hebert, Hedy Kedrosky, Carolyn Dodds, Des and Doreen Herrick, Ed Lee, Elaine Brazeau, Bob Flynn, Arnold Wren, Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Georges Blanchette, Robert Berube, Barbara Helferty, Betty Sammon, Catherine Kuehl, Leona Barr, Gwen Deslaurier, Rose Nighbor and Audrey Tibbles.

THE REFUGEE COMMITTEE would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all who responded to our recent appeal. The target amount of funds was raised -- by the help your sacrifice and generosity-- in just four weeks! We give thanks for your support and assistance once again!

SYRIAN REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

\$10,500.00

(St. Francis Xavier and Our Lady of Fatima)

SFX CWL Rummage Sale Info

Dates: Friday, May 4th Noon - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 5th 8:00 - 11 a.m.

Donations Accepted:

Tues., May 1st
8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Large SFX Hall

Wed., May 2nd
8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Large SFX Hall

Thurs., May 3rd
8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Large SFX Hall

Fri., May 4th
8:30 a.m. - Noon Small SFX Hall

Contact Elaine 432-5535 / Marg 432-6276
for info, volunteering or article pick up

Please: No outdated cribs, car seats, or non working appliances or large furniture. Thank you.

Everyone is welcome to volunteer: men, women and students.

Proceeds to charitable works in the parish, local community and world wide.

With joy and thanksgiving to God, on Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil we will welcome **Holly Desjardins** into our faith community through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. We will also welcome into Full Communion **Bonnie McIntyre and Tiffany Emon-Brydges** through the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. The Vigil will be celebrated at 7:30 p.m.

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 27th, 2018 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.

THE 2018 LENTEN MISSIONARY DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION will be taken up on Good Friday and is shared with a variety of worthy apostolates and endeavours that care for the poor in Canada and abroad. The Diocese ensures that these funds get to communities and agencies that use the funds directly for those in need.

April 7th & 8th: Religious Articles will be on sale at the back of the Church before & after both Masses. Gifts may be purchased as gifts for reception of the sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Marriage. St. Christopher medals, St. Joseph statues, Cross pendants and glass rosaries have been added to our inventory.

Next Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program will be held on April 7th and April 14th, at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Pembroke. Register online at www.pembrokediocese.com or contact your parish office. **Registration Deadline: March 29th.**

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 22nd from 10am to 3pm. There will be 3 guest speakers: Ontario Energy Board, Canada Revenue Agency and the Champlain LHIN. Over 40 exhibits will provide information pertinent to aging. It is a FREE event sponsored by the OACAO and the Ministry of Seniors Affairs. Everyone is encouraged to bring questions to find answers. For info call: 613-431-8289.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. Mar. 26
 6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS
 7:00 p.m. Margaret Burns - Jan & Roy Leitch
 TUES. Mar. 27
 10:30 a.m. **CHRISM MASS - ST. COLUMBKILLE
 PEMBROKE**
 WED. Mar. 28
 8:00 a.m. Chris Cunningham - Mom & Jim
 THURS. Mar. 29
 7:00 p.m. **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**
 Arden Hay - Bea & Family
 FRI. Mar. 30
 3:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION**
 SAT. Mar. 31
 7:30 p.m. **EASTER VIGIL**
 SUN. Apr. 1
 10:30 a.m. **EASTER SUNDAY**

Divine Mercy Sunday

Come and join us as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on Sunday, April 8, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Columbkille Cathedral, 188 Renfrew Street, Pembroke, with adoration, singing of hymns and the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. We will pray for God's mercy upon the whole world. Our guest speaker will be Fr. Michael Weitzl from Madonna House. For more information, please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613-732-7933 ext. 206 or dcnadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com.

THE WORD AMONG US: copies of the Easter edition are now available. A \$2.00 donation to offset costs would be appreciated.

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

ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES
 The "2018 One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies" global prayer event is scheduled for May 4th, 5th and 6th. Persons participating will pray at least one Rosary for the protection of unborn babies. For further details and to register please go to www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.org.

Renfrew Blood Donor Clinic:
 Tuesday March 27 1:00 pm to 7:00pm
 Royal Canadian Legion, Renfrew, Branch 148
86 donors needed
 Refreshment area sponsored by the Renfrew Rotary Club

PILGRIMAGE TO RUSSIA with Fr. Michael Scherrey, Companions of the Cross, Sept. 6 to 17, 2018. Twelve days and ten nights. Price includes all fares, fees, tips, stipends, taxes and meals, and excludes lunches and Russian Visa. \$4579/person (dbl occupancy). Departure from Toronto. Limited space. Info meeting will be held on Sunday, June 10 at 2:30 p.m. at Saint Mary's Parish in Ottawa. For more info contact Laurie Courchesne-Dooley at 613-732-5739 or email lafrcondo@outlook.com.

SUNDAY OFFERING - Mar. 18th - \$3,409.25
 \$2,815.00 - Envelopes \$275.25- Loose
 \$319.00 - Weekly EFT

TRIDUUM & EASTER SCHEDULE

	Precious Blood	Mt St. Patrick	O.L. Fatima	SFX
HOLY THURSDAY March 29	—	7:00 pm	5:15 pm	7:00 pm
GOOD FRIDAY March 30	3:00 pm	3:00 pm	12 noon	3:00 pm
EASTER VIGIL March 31	—	—	7:30 pm	7:30 pm
EASTER SUNDAY April 1	8:30 am	10:45 am	9:00 am	10:30 am

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.



RECONCILIATION will also be celebrated on Holy Saturday, March 31st from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

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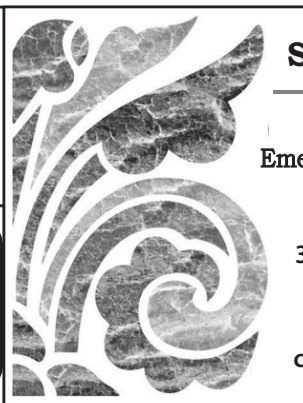
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