

# Saint Francis Xavier Parish

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## OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Thurs  
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Friday – Closed

## PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR

Nancy Connors

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Bob Gervais Ext 3

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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

## 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  
835 First Street 613-432-5846  
<http://sjchsrenfrew.wordpress.com>

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially Lila Prince, Emerilda Dagenais and Leonard Kane, brother of Ben Kane.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN**

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Gloria Bruce, Noreene Adam, Ruth Elliott and Sandy Massine.

**FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION AS WE ENTER THE SEASON OF LENT:**

Spring plowing is not done outside the ground, but deep within the soil itself in order to prepare it to receive the seed. The surface must be cracked open, turned over, crumbled in order for the depth to bring forth new life. This describes the transformation that Lenten penance is to bring forth in us.

Jesus assumes the people pray, fast, and give alms because this is part of their religious heritage. What Jesus addresses is the how and the why of such practices. Do we pursue them for our own self-advancement in the eyes of others or do we engage in them because they turn us from self-centredness to focus on God and others?

Lenten penance is meant to crack us open, turn us around, and crumble the hardness of our hearts. Its deepest work done in secret beneath the surface brings forth luscious fruit evident to all we encounter. We enter Lent needing to be plowed, we arrive at Easter bearing new Life.

Points to ponder:

- ◆ What I need the help and strength of God's grace to transform is.....
- ◆ The form of Lenten penance that will lead me to transformation this Lent is.....
- ◆ The fruits of my penance that I hope to see by the end of Lent are....



**COUNTDOWN TO LENT**

**ASH WEDNESDAY IS COMING!**

Lent begins March 6<sup>th</sup>. Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and Abstinence. There will be 9:30 a.m. Mass, with the imposition of Ashes at which time the school communities of St. Joseph's High School and St. Thomas the Apostle School will attend. We will also have Mass at 7:00 p.m. on Ash Wednesday with imposition of Ashes.

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. led by members of the CWL and the K of C. 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.

**LENTEN MASSES AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA:** Please note that beginning Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> there will be morning Mass offered at OLF at 7:00 a.m. and 8:15 a.m. each weekday morning.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RENFREW:**

will be serving a **FISH FRY SUPPER** every Friday during Lent (not Good Friday). Meals are \$10.00 and start from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Location: Knights of Columbus Hall, 313 Raglan St. S. First meal Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> to Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019. For more info call 613-432-0887. All profits go to charity.

**SUNDAY OFFERING - Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> - \$2,579.05**  
 \$2,174.00 - Envelopes \$200.05- Loose  
 \$205.00 - Weekly EFT



**The Parish Council is hosting a  
SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER**

**Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> from 5 - 6:30 p.m. in S.F.X. Parish Hall**

**Free Will Offering Everyone Welcome Bring a friend**

Any questions please contact Nancy and Russ Connors @ 613-432-3207.

This year your Free Will Offering will go to Bernadette McCann House.

**LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

MON Mar. 4 NO PARISH LITURGY (8:15 a.m. Mass @ OLF)  
TUES. Mar. 5  
9:00 a.m. Dorothy & James Cardiff - The Family  
WED. Mar. 6  
9:30 a.m. Intentions of Chris Boulanger  
- Staff of SJCHS  
Repose of the Soul of Stanley Peplinski  
- Students of SJCHS  
7:00 p.m. Special Intention - Gloria Bruce  
THURS. Mar. 7  
8:00 a.m. Lila Prince - S.F.X. C.W.L.  
FRI Mar. 8  
8:00 a.m. Hedy Kedrosky - Stella Shalla  
SAT. Mar. 9  
4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan  
SUN. Mar. 10  
10:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Shalla  
& Kluge Families - Stella Shalla

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent - March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.**

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - L. Carter; J. Freemark  
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - D. & C. Sulpher;  
T. Lemenchick; J. Mahusky  
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - C. Sulpher; D. Dillon  
G. Harper; D. Mooney

**SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.**

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - N. Smith; R. Russell  
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - B. Taylor; E. Turner;  
D. Dawkins; L. Sammon  
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - D. & B. O'Connor;  
R. A. Dicker; D. Yantha; D. Yemen  
SERVERS - N. & S. Lesk  
CANTOR - T.B.A.  
CHILDREN'S LITURGY - No Liturgy

**FOOD BANK DONATIONS:** next weekend is the Parish **Food Bank Sunday** for March. Baskets at the doors of the church will be available for your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to Tate Skelhorn winner of the Altar Server draw for February.



**CWL NEWS:**

Everyone is welcome Tuesday March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Special guest speaker Lisa Oegema from Victims Services of Renfrew County: "Creating an Awareness about Human Trafficking". Refreshments and meeting to follow including budget presentation and re-affirmation of officers.

**CWL RUMMAGE SALE**

April 5 & 6 CWL Rummage Sale at St. Francis Xavier Large Parish Hall

Fri., Apr 5th: Noon - 6:00 p.m.  
& Sat. Apr. 6th, 8:00 -11:00 a.m.

Donations accepted:

- ◆ Apr. 2nd & 3rd: 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. Large Hall
- ◆ Apr. 4th: 8:00 a.m.-7:00 pm. Large Hall
- ◆ Apr. 5th; 8:00 a.m.-12 Noon Small Hall

Volunteers needed in all areas: Set-Up, Pick-Up, Area Leaders, Area Workers, Lifters, Unpackers, Sales, Cashiers, Clean Up. All Volunteers welcome . Contact Elaine at 613 432 5535 or [enrightturner@sympatico.ca](mailto:enrightturner@sympatico.ca)

Proceeds: To SFX Parish (including payment on SFX Church Doors), Local Community, National & International Charities.

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**KITCHEN PARTY: Saturday, March 9 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Ile-du-Grand-Calumet, QC, sponsored by CWL of Ste. Anne Parish.** Irish Stew, home-made bread, Poor Man's pudding, beverages. Tickets are: \$10 Adults; Children 10 & Under \$5; Children 5 yrs and under FREE. See posters.

**Mass for the Feast of St Patrick** will be celebrated at St Patrick Church, Mount St Patrick, on Saturday, March 16 at 10 a.m. All are warmly invited.

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**THE WORD AMONG US:** copies of the Lenten edition are now available. A \$3 donation would be appreciated.



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:

~ Eliza Tierney Wong, son of Harry & Victoria ~

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**RENFREW COUNCIL 1916**  
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**MEETINGS:** 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM  
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