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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
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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died recently, especially Claire Valliquette.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Dave Parno, Anthony Mask, Fr. Doug Morris, Brian Moseley, JoAnn Perrigo, Sr. Margaret Joan Pecore, Barbara Helferty, Betty Brisco, Betty Sammon, Catherine Kuehl, Luke Holmes, Betty Tracey, Gwen Deslaurier, Leona & Ken Barr, Ed Sulpher, Rose Nighbor, Audrey Tibbles, Audrey Hawley, and Joan Prince.

LENT

† **"The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic"**: Following the 7:00 p.m. Monday Mass, discussion continues in the small hall based on the book, "The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic". There are a few copies of the book in the church.

Topics to be discussed:

March 9th: Chapter 4 "Generosity"
 March 23rd: Chapter 5 "Evangelization"



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Each Monday during Lent the C.W.L. and Knights of Columbus members will facilitate the

Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m., prior to Mass. We welcome all and will provide the booklets for your reflection on each of the fourteen stations.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Duncan Lennox, winner of the Altar Server draw for February.

SUNDAY OFFERING: Mar 1st - \$4,985.54

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

***March 10th**: Our SFX CWL General Monthly Meeting will be held in the Small Parish Hall beginning at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. A food donation that will be forwarded to the Renfrew Food Bank would be greatly appreciated.

***April 8th-11th**: More Workers for our SFX CWL Rummage Sale are needed. See Poster and Sign-Up Sheets on Parish Entrance Bulletin Boards. For more info contact Co-conveners Elaine Turner at 613-432-5535 or Lore Coyne at 613-433-9298.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: General Meeting on Monday, March 9th at 7 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE: this timely issue will be the topic addressed by Father Tim Moyle on **Monday, March 16th at 7:00 p.m. in Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall**. All welcome. Discussion and light refreshments to follow. Hosted by O.L.F. C.W.L.

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH SUPPER
 SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2015
 YOUR ARE NOT TOO LATE!!!**

Yes, we're still looking for people to fill the position of Cook/Gravy-maker. If you might be interested last year's convenor would be happy to guide you through this year.

The following is an excerpt from a book of quotes from Pope Francis entitled "Words of Challenge and Hope".

GOD TAKES THE FIRST STEP

God does not wait for us to go to him, but it is he who moves toward us, without calculation, without quantification. That is what God is like. He always takes the first step; he comes toward us.

PARISH POTLUCK

To say goodbye to winter and **HELLO to SPRING** we invite you to our final Parish Potluck of the season. Please join us on **Saturday, March 21st after the 4:30 p.m. Mass** for great company and incredible food in the parish hall. Everyone welcome. Any queries please contact Nancy Connors @ 613-432-3207



CONFESSION DURING LENT:

3:45 - 4:15 p.m.	SATURDAYS AFTERNOONS
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	SUNDAY MORNINGS
3:30 - 6:30 p.m.	MONDAY, MARCH 30 TH (extra priest)
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 4 TH

*We proclaim Christ crucified,
 a stumbling block to some,
 but to those who are the
 called, the wisdom of God.*

1 Corinthians 1.18, 22-25++

UPCOMING EVENTS AT S.F.X.

◆ **Mon., Mar. 9** Bereavement Group Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1 7:30 p.m.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON Mar. 9
 6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS
 7:00 p.m. Terry McIntyre - Bill & Susan Ringrose
 TUES. Mar. 10
 9:00 a.m. Theresa Kuslusi, Ted & Olivia - Bob & Tim
 WED Mar. 11
 8:00 a.m. Intentions of Betty Brisco
 - Bob & Heather Mahusky & Family
 THUR Mar. 12
 8:00 a.m. Morrie Wallace - Dwaine & Mary Steele
 10:30 a.m. MANOR: Alma Bennett
 - Glen & Cora Warren
 FRI Mar. 13
 8:00 a.m. Andy Donohue & His Parents - Angela McAdam
 SAT Mar. 14
 4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan
 SUN Mar. 15
 10:30 a.m. Glenn Carr, Father Charles Giroux &
 Terry McIntyre - Gloria & Family
 Deceased Parents, Brothers & Sisters
 - Parnell & Stella Shalla

LITURGICAL ROLES

4th Sunday of Lent - March 15th, 2015

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - K. Harris; A.M. Slight
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - T. Brazeau; B. Kuslusi;
 T.B.A.
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; D. Mantil;
 D. Mooney; J. & R. Brydges
 SERVERS - T.B.A.
SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - A. Hermans; R. Russell
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - R. Holmes; L. Sammon;
 V. & A. Dumoulin
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; A. M. Millar;
 K. & T. Mann; N. Smith
 SERVERS - S. & N. Lesk
 CANTOR - H. Holley
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Cancelled for March Break

OUR LADY OF FATIMA CATHOLIC SCHOOL is collecting plastic milk bags. Students in the social justice club are weaving milk bags into sleeping mats for children in Africa. Bags may be placed in the brown boxes at the church entrances.

ANNUAL DAY OF REFLECTION FOR CATHOLIC MEN - Pope Francis and the Family: with Most Rev. Michael Mulhall, at St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall, Arnprior on **Saturday, March 14th from 10 a.m. (9 a.m. Coffee/muffins) until 2 p.m.** No fee for the day but registration required by calling 613-623-3722 or email at jwagner@bell.net, as a lunch will be provided. Must register by Wed., March 11th. Sponsored by Arnprior Knights of Columbus Council 2082 (you don't have to be a Knight to attend!)

GROVES PARK SPAGHETTI SUPPER: Tuesday, March 17th: Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with Dennis Harrington and Friends at Groves Park Lodge from 5 - 7 p.m. For \$9/ person gather your friends for entertainment and a spaghetti dinner with salad, roll, dessert and tea or coffee. Take-out orders available by calling 613-432-5823. All proceeds go to the Residents' Fund. See you there!

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION
MARCH 28, 2105

The emerging Franciscan Fraternity of St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe, Arnprior is sponsoring a Day of Reflection to take place at **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Braeside on Saturday, March 28 beginning with the Holy Mass at 9:00 a.m.** and followed by conferences of the Year of Consecrated Life with special reference to the Evangelical Counsels and their importance for all Christ's faithful. Please bring your own 'brown bag' lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. Day concludes with a Conference, the Holy Rosary and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, finishing around 2 p.m. This would be a most fitting preparation for Holy Week. For more information, please contact Gerry and Jane Whalen at 613-623-8330.

CHARITABLE GIVING: A tradition of St. Francis Xavier Parish is to give 2% of our annual Sunday Offerings to local and global based charities to support their efforts to build a better world. Our 2014 Charitable Donation monies totaled \$4,493.79 and have been distributed to the following recipients: Canadian Northern Missions, Renfrew & District Food Bank, Hospice Renfrew, Sisters of St. Joseph (Peru), Missionaries of Africa (Fr. Kevin Rand) and the Dominican Republic Experience (St. Joseph's High School), St. Thomas the Apostle School and St. Joseph's Catholic High School.

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