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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, especially Josephine Blimkie, sister of Angela Martin.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Noreene Adam, Angela LeGary, Scott Rowbotham, Mary Blimkie, Joan Sherlock, Greg Mantil, Sandy Massine, Mary Visutskie, Greg Colterman, Baby Isaac Smith, Larry Hebert, Hedy Kedrosky, Carolyn Dodds, Des and Doreen Herrick, Elaine Brazeau, Bob Flynn, Linda (Mahusky) Hull, Dorothy Kosowskie, Barbara Helferty, Catherine Kuehl, Rose Nighbor and Audrey Tibbles.

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**CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK: May 6 to May 11.** This year's theme is "Renewing the Promise", Catholic Education Week 2018 combines the themes of reconciliation, solidarity, love, justice and ecology. The CEW biblical quote is "For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." Acts 2:39.

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH BURSARY:**

a bursary will be awarded to a student graduating from SJCHS or RCI this June and going on to pursue post-secondary education. Applications may be obtained from parish office and are to be submitted to the parish no later than Sunday, May 13.

**FOOD BANK:FOOD BANK DONATIONS:**

Reminder that next weekend is the Parish **Food Bank Sunday** for May. Baskets at the doors of the church will be available for your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

**SUNDAY OFFERING: Apr. 29<sup>th</sup> - \$4,330.85**

**40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION:** You are cordially invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving in celebration of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priestly Ordination of **Reverend Kerry Brennan** on Ascension Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> here, at St. Francis Xavier Church at 10:30 a.m. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

*"You are a priest forever,  
in the order of Melchizedek."*

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

◆ **On Tuesday, May 8th, 2018** the CWL Councils of OLF and St. F. X. are co-hosting a talk on the topic of Dementia in the Parish Hall of St. F. X. Time: 7:00 p.m. There will be refreshments following the presentation by Caitlin Brydges, the regular meeting of St. F. X. CWL follows the break. Donations of socks for homeless and food for the Food Bank gratefully accepted.

◆ CWL members interested in joining the group to attend the **Diocesan CWL Convention Saturday May 26th** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Pembroke are asked to contact Margaret at 613-432-6276.

MARCH FOR LIFE - TRANSPORTATION

Together with the Renfrew County Right to Life, the Diocese of Pembroke is sponsoring a bus for the March for Life in Ottawa on May 10th. It will leave Moncion's Metro in Pembroke at 7:30 a.m. with stops at the Cobden Shell Station and Tim Horton's in Arnprior. It will depart from the Hill at 3:30 p.m. sharp. A free will offering will be collected. Please contact Barb Austen at 613-735-6265 to reserve seats on the bus.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Tate Skelhorn, winner of the Altar Server draw for April.

†† FIRST COMMUNION ††



Congratulations and blessings to our young parishioners who received the Holy Eucharist for the first time last weekend:

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| Willow Burns | Crosby Campbell | Abigail Ejetsiak | Taylor Fraser |
| Mallory Freamo | Gracie Glofcheskie | Bentley McGregor | Leigha Munford |
| Tatum Plouffe | Hunter Prince | Luc Schneider | Jordan Stewart |
| Alexander Tracey | Carter Virgin | Bree Wilson | |

May you know and feel Our Lord's grace, peace and love that He shares so generously with you and may God bless you and your family today and always.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON. May 7
8:00 a.m. Deceased Relatives - Marguerite Power

TUES. May 8
9:00 a.m. Mitch Dawkins - Diane & Lore

WED. May 9
8:00 a.m. Audrey Hawley - The McGrath Family

THUR. May 10
8:00 a.m. Ron Vincent - Helen & Family
10:30 a.m. MANOR: Peggy Evans
- C.W.L. of Cathedral Parish, Pembroke

FRI. May 11
8:00 a.m. Don Coyne - Johanna Mathieu

SAT. May 12
4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

SUN. May 13
10:30 a.m. Walter, Agnes & Christine Narezny
- The Family
Rita Wallace - Donita Konyk

THE RENFREW CHILDREN'S/YOUTH CHORUS presents their annual Spring Concert: "*Sing for Spring!*" on **Sunday, May 13 at 3:00 p.m. at Trinity St. Andrew's United Church.** Tickets are \$5 and available at the door. Homemade butter tarts and raffle tickets for a Spring themed gift basket will also be sold at the concert.

AN INVITATION TO YOUNG ADULTS: to meet with Fr. Ryan Holly on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in Our Lady of Fatima parish hall to discuss and reflect on the new apostolic exhortation from Pope Francis on the call to holiness. *Gaudete et Exultate* (Rejoice and Be Glad). The document may be accessed online at www.vatican.va. Next meeting will be on Monday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m.

LITURGICAL ROLES

Ascension of the Lord - May 13th, 2018

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.
MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Dowdall; A.M. Slight
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S. & R. Mears
J. Skebo; T. Lemenchick
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - K. Coulas; D. Mooney;
G. Blanchette; T. Lemenchick
SERVERS – T.B.A.

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.
MINISTERS OF THE WORD - B. & B. Chapman
MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - T. & B. McIntyre;
L. Sammon; B. Taylor
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - K. & T. Mann;
M. L. Rowat; R. A. Dicker; M. Campbell
SERVERS - A. Coyne
CANTOR - H. Holley
CHILDREN'S LITURGY - D. Cosier; C. Manwell

PARISH LENDING LIBRARY Over the coming weeks a short synopsis of books in the library will be presented in the bulletin in an effort to make parishioners aware of what is available.

♦ **Going Home** is a book authored by local priest Father Denis Lemieux. He offers a thoughtful reflection of the parable of the prodigal son in light of the teachings of Catherine de Hueck Doherty, foundress of Madonna House in Combermere. You will find this book in the *Bible Study Section* of our Parish Library.

PARISH SUPPER: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Braeside, **Sunday, May 27 from 2 - 6 p.m.** BBQ chicken. Adults: \$15; Children (-12) \$5; Children (-6) Free. See posters.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH SUPPER

SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018

Worker Sign-up Sheets & Food Donation Sheets: Please return the completed sheets by **Sunday, May 20th**. This event requires the involvement of many people so we look forward to another year of great participation by our parish family. If you have never volunteered before we would love to have you on board!! And, of course, we welcome back all those who have assisted before. If you have not yet got one, sheets may be found at the church entrances.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH LOTTERY 2018

Thank you to all who have picked up your tickets. Last weekend 287 books were distributed and 62 books were returned sold. If you have not yet picked up your tickets, please do so as soon as possible. Tickets can be obtained at the Church Office during office hours or by contacting Debbie Macdonald. We would also appreciate return of sold tickets ASAP. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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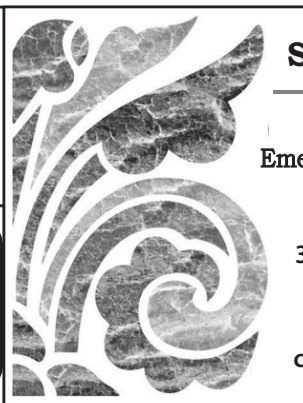
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