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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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## 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.

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

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Betty Briscoe, Catherine Kuehl, Luke Holmes, Ron Bennett, Ronald Larmond, Betty Tracey, Georgina Mahusky, Sylvie Lafontaine, Gwen Deslaurier, Leona & Ken Barr, Ed Sulpher, Rose Nighbor, Audrey Tibbles, Ted Kapuschinski, Audrey Hawley, John Nadobny and Joan Prince.

**FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER:** This Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> we celebrate the Feast of our patron, St. Francis Xavier. Mass will be at 9:30 a.m. St. Joseph's High School students and staff will be present to help us celebrate. We encourage as many as possible to attend this special Mass.

**2015 SUNDAY ENVELOPES:** are in the main foyer. \*N.B. : all envelope boxes are now included. If you do not have envelopes and would like some, please write your information on the form on the table or call the office. Automatic Debit forms also on the table.

**CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT  
ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH**

**CONFESSIONS**

**Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>**

3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

**Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>**

9:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

**December 21<sup>st</sup>** 11:30 a.m. - 12 Noon

**December 24<sup>th</sup>**

11 a.m. - 12 Noon at Our Lady of Fatima

1:00 to 2:00 p.m. - St. Francis Xavier

**CHRISTMAS MASSES**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

5:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

10:30 a.m.

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**

4:30 p.m.

**NEW YEAR'S DAY**

10:30 a.m.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY :**

to all couples of the Parish who celebrate a Wedding Anniversary during November. We remember you and your intentions at the 10:30 a.m. Mass this weekend. May God Bless You All. Among those celebrating are:

- Gary & Lois Murphy (58)
- Don & Lore Coyne (54)
- Gerry & Cecilia Kusluski (53)
- Peter & Gail Hunt (51)
- Richard & Cindy Russell (38)
- Mark & Shauna Lemenchick (37)
- Tom & Pat Rousselle (37)

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

- ♦ **DEC. 7<sup>TH</sup>, 10:30 a.m. MASS:** requested by SFX CWL Council for the Sanctity of Life.
- ♦ **DEC. 8<sup>TH</sup>** members of SFX CWL Council will join OLF CWL Council for a Pot Luck Supper at OLF Parish Hall beginning at 5:30 p.m. All SFX CWL members and other women of SFX Parish who worked at the Tea & Talent Sale are welcome.

**SUNDAY OFFERING: November 23<sup>rd</sup> - \$5,487.00**

**CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT  
OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH**

**CONFESSIONS**

**Heard before all Masses**

**Sunday, December 21**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions following 9:00 a.m. Mass until 12 noon.

**December 24<sup>th</sup>**

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1:00 to 2:00 p.m. - St. Francis Xavier

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7:00 p.m.

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9:00 a.m.



We welcome to the Christian Community the child baptized at St. Francis Xavier last weekend. As the Parents and Sponsors made commitment to share with this child our Catholic faith, we as a faith community offer our on-going support to:

**GREYSON ALLEN TUFTS**, son of Jeremy Emily

**THE WORD AMONG US:** You will find at the church doors "The Word Among Us". It contains daily spiritual reflections for the month of December plus the daily Mass Readings. These are free.

**PUT CHRIST BACK INTO CHRISTMAS:** The lighting of the Vern Yemen Memorial Nativity Scene will take place on Sun., Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m. in Lowe Square. All are most welcome to attend.

**LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

MON Dec. 1 Mass at OLF - 8:15 a.m.  
 TUES. Dec. 2  
 9:00 a.m. Ambrose Smaglinski - The Family  
 WED Dec. 3 **FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER**  
**9:30 a.m.** Rita, Jerry & Ellard Enright - Elaine Turner  
 Dylan Judd - Students of St. Joseph's CHS  
 THUR Dec. 4  
 8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving - A Parishioner  
 FRI Dec. 5  
 8:00 a.m. Parents & Deceased Relatives - Yvonne Kohl  
 8:30 a.m. HOLY HOUR  
 SAT Dec. 6  
 4:30 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan  
 SUN Dec. 7  
 10:30 a.m. Sanctity of Life - S.F.X. C.W.L.  
 C.J., Gladys, Mark, Murray & Randy McNulty  
 - The Family

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

2nd Sunday of Advent - December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.**  
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - A.M. Slight; J. Lemay  
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - R. & L. Wojcik;  
 J. Skebo; S. McCanna  
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; S. Dregas;  
 L. Gallagher; K. Coulas; T. Lemenchick  
 SERVERS - L. & S. Brown  
**SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.**  
 MINISTERS OF THE WORD - S.T.A. Student; N. Saumure  
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - S.T.A. Students  
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; D. Yantha;  
 J. O'Connor; P. Perry; S. O'Neil  
 SERVERS - E. Saumure; N. & S. Lesk  
 CANTOR - M.E. Vice  
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - S. Pallen

**FIRST CONFESSIONS**

Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, ten of our young parishioners will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. We pray that this beautiful encounter with our loving and forgiving Father will become a life long practice in the their lives. Please pray for these children and their families.

**WE'VE GOT MAIL:** the following letter was received from Father Kevin Rand of the Missionaries of Africa (edited for space) ~ Hi Fr. Kerry

As Christmas approaches, Jesus himself is making out his shopping list. On his list this year is a young man. His name is Joshua. He is a 24 year old suffering from an old person's degenerative bone disease. Two years ago Joshua was on top of the world; he had graduated from a Polytechnic school and had acquired a job with an NGO. A month ago he got down from his small motorbike and collapsed to the ground unable to get up. After a few days he was able to stand as one who is bent over to pick up something from the ground. Joshua is in constant pain. Two weeks ago he was sent to Ghana's 'Teaching Hospital' in Accra and was diagnosed with 'Lumbar Cana Re-Stenosis'. I'm not sure what that means but it has to do with the bones of the spine. To correct his condition he will need to find Ghana Cedis 9,200.00 (3,173.00 U.S. dollars) such a big amount is far beyond the means of his family to procure. The operation is scheduled for the 29<sup>th</sup> of January 2015. At the moment I have U.S. \$1,724.00 (Ghana Cedis 5,000) to put towards it.

I know that you and your congregation gave generously last year to help Lydia and I do not want to abuse of your charity, but if there are members of your Church who would like to donate something towards Joshua's being given a brighter future I would be most grateful. May this Christmas be a feast of light for all the little ones of our world. If I receive more than I need I will use the extra to help a few others who need.

Friendship. Fr. Kevin

➡ If you wish to donate to Father's effort in assisting this young man, please place an envelope marked "Father Rand" in the collection basket. Make cheques payable to St. Francis Xavier Parish so that the donation can be included in your 2014 tax receipt.

**ADVENT SERVICE:** Our Lady of Fatima C.W.L. is hosting an Advent Service at Quail Creek on Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. All S.F.X. C.W.L. members are welcome to attend.

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

\* Mon., Dec. 1 Bereavement Group Rectory Mtg. Rm. #1 7:30 p.m.  
 \* Wed., Dec. 3 Reconciliation Prep. "Show & Tell" Church 6:30 p.m.

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