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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
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St. Joseph's Catholic High School
835 First Street 613-432-5846
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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially George Kalimeris and Harold Johnson.

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, Betty Tracey, Georgina Mahusky, Sylvie Lafontaine, Gwen Deslaurier, Deborah McCarty, Leona & Ken Barr, Ed Sulpher, Rose Nighbor, Ernie Wright, Audrey Tibbles, Ted Kapuschinski, Audrey Hawley, John Nadobny and Joan Prince.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CEMETER FUND

was established to accept donations for the on-going maintenance of our beautiful Cemetery. Thanks to all who contributed this year. You may still donate. If you do not have church envelopes, SFX Cemetery Fund Donation envelopes may be found at the church entrances.

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

Minutes of the September 16th SFX CWL Meeting are now on the parish website. (www.sfxrenfrew.wordpress.com). Hard copies (paper) will still be at the church entrances. Special thanks to webmaster, Steve Jones.

BEREAVMENT SUPPORT GROUP

For all of us, the death of a relative or close friend is the hardest thing we have to face in life, and we have to face it many times.

Grief is a natural reaction to a loss and the process does not end until we heal. There is no time limit to grief; we get on with life when we are ready.

Grieving is a difficult process and it can help to work through the process with another person. There is a bereavement support group operating out of St. Francis Xavier church here in Renfrew. Normally we meet every Monday evening at seven thirty. The meetings last one hour. Everything said is kept confidential behind closed doors. Deacon Don Smith is the facilitator. The group is non-denominational so all are welcome.

If you would like to get help, you can contact the church office at 432-5825.

You will be most welcome.

Deacon Don

**FIRST RECONCILIATION /
FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION**

If there are any students in Grade Two in Public Schools and parents wish their child to receive these two sacraments, a letter and forms are available at the Parish Office. **Registration closes on October 10th.**



OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY: The CWL will be praying one decade of the Rosary before the weekend Masses during the month of October.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT on First Fridays will be from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. We encourage as many as possible to spend this time in prayer.

Devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help will begin immediately after the Blessed Sacrament has been exposed. CWL sponsored Coffee Parties will be held on the last Friday of the month beginning October 31st.



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

* **COLTON ERIC BROWNE**, son of Tim & Ashley

LIMA-PEMBROKE PARTNERSHIP:

Please support our annual fundraising campaign to help our Peruvian friends in the poorest communities of Lima by making a donation to the Diocese of Pembroke "Peru Projects" (income tax receipts will be issued). Your donation will go a long way: feeding malnourished children, building houses and day care centres for infants and seniors, providing medical and health services and much, much more. Please see the poster on the bulletin board at church entrance or contact Yvonne Sklepowicz 613-432-6725 for more information. May God shower you with many blessings for your ongoing support and generosity.

BONNECHERE MANOR: Auxiliary Annual Bridge Party, Thursday, October 9th at 7:30 p.m. in the Rotary Hall. For reservations and info please call Eleanor at 613-432-4312.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

MON Oct. 6 Mass at OLF – 8:15 a.m.
 TUE Oct. 7
 9:00 a.m. Special Intention - Yvonne Kohl
 WED Oct. 8
 8:00 a.m. Hazel McGuire - Violet Cahill
 THUR Oct. 9
 8:00 a.m. Catherine Gallagher - Ron & Marilyn Leclaire
 10:30 a.m. MANOR: Deceased Parents - Tom Wojick
 FRI Oct. 10
 8:00 a.m. Garry Latendresse - Irvin Riopelle
 SAT Oct. 11
 4:30 p.m. Stan Nighbor - Wife, Rose
 Barry Yantha - Lola Mulvihill
 SUN Oct. 12
 10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Parishioners - Fr. Brennan

LITURGICAL ROLES

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Oct. 12th, 2014

SATURDAY EVENING MASS - 4:30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - J. Freemark; S. McCanna
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - L. & G. Curry;
 A. & W. Wren
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; G. Curry;
 R. & N. Connors; S. Dregas
 SERVERS - L. & S. Brown

SUNDAY MORNING MASS - 10:30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD - B. Chapman; B. Chapman
 MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY - J. Ballard; L. Leech;
 V. & A. Dumoulin
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - A. Burchat; D. Yemen;
 D. Yantha; M. Campbell; D. Lennox
 SERVERS - L. Curry; H. Curry
 CANTOR - H. Holley
 CHILDREN'S LITURGY - S. Pallen

MINISTRY SCHEDULES: Hard copies of the new schedule for those who require them may be found on the table in the main entrance. .

RENFREW PRO LIFE

All are invited to join Calabogie Renfrew Pro Life, Sunday, October 5th for the Life Chain 2014. We meet at Raglan and Renfrew Street for prayerful witness in front of the Post Office from 2:00 to 3:00 pm.



SUNDAY OFFERING: September 28th - \$3,290.50
Thank you to all who contribute

CONGRATULATIONS: to Sarah Lesk, winner of the Altar Server draw for September.

PARISH SUPPERS

Oct. 5 St. Alphonsus Parish, Chapeau Arena
 12:00 – 6:00 p.m.
 Oct. 12 St. Casimir's Parish, Round Lake
 12:30 – 6:00 p.m.
 See posters

III EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS

Family life will be the focus of an extraordinary general session of the Synod of Bishops that will meet at the Vatican October 5-19, 2014. Around 150 Synod fathers will take part in the meeting to discuss the "pastoral challenges of the family in the context of evangelization." The Synod is expected to last two weeks.

As parishes and individuals we are asked to pray for the intention of the Synod. Below is a prayer to the Holy Family.



*Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendour of true love,
to you we turn with trust.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and
prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic Churches.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again
experience violence, rejection and division:
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,
may the approaching Synod of Bishops
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the family,
and its beauty in God's plan.*

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
graciously hear our prayer. Amen.*

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