

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Most Precious Blood Church
8:30 a.m. Sunday

WEEKDAY MASS
Tuesday to Friday 8:00 a.m.

During July & August
Wednesday to Friday 8:00 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Closed Friday

Parish Registration

If you are new to our Parish Community, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket.

Names: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Sunday Offerings

St. Francis Xavier

Sunday, Aug. 6, 2023	\$ 6,212.69
Envelopes	\$ 3,001.00
Monthly	\$ 2,623.34
Weekly EFT	\$ 325.00
Loose	\$ 263.35

Attendance: Sat. 99 Sun. 127

Sunday, Aug. 13, 2023	\$ 3,591.55
Envelopes	\$ 3,100.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 325.00
Loose	\$ 166.55
Special Mission Care Fund	\$ 50.00 \$ 100.00

Attendance: Sat. 116 Sun. 129

Most Precious Blood

Sunday, Aug. 6, 2023	\$ 866.25
Envelopes	\$ 793.00
Loose	\$ 178.00
Donation	\$ 300.00

Attendance: 76

Sunday, Aug. 13, 2023	\$ 636.25
Envelopes	\$ 557.00
Loose	\$ 79.25
Special Mission Summer Support	\$ 295.00 \$ 100.00

Attendance: 64

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS	
Mon. August 21	
	Mass OLF @ 8:30
Tues. August 22	
	Mass OLF @ 8:30
Wed. August 23	
8:00am	Patricia Maloney by Bernie Taylor
Thur. August 24	
8:00am	Mary McNeely by SFX CWL
Fri. August 25	
8:00am	Dalton Enright by Mike, Hayden, Nolan & Emma Buch
Sat. August 26	
4:30pm	Stacia Prince by Mom & Dad Dwaine Steele by Angela McAdam
Sun. August 27	
Calabogie 8:30am	Elaine Gorra by Ted & Maggie
10:30am	Intentions of Parishioners of both Parishes by Father Brennan

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS	
Mon. August 28	
	Mass OLF @ 8:30
Tues. August 29	
	Mass OLF @ 8:30
Wed. August 30	
8:00am	Helen Visinski by Suzanne & Norman Ross
Thurs. August 31	
8:00am	John Wright & Clarence McIntyre by Dorothy & Family
Fri. September 1	
8:00am	Martin & Esther Dobec AND Greg & Joe Dobec by The Family
Sat. September 2	
4:30pm	Clarissa Mahusky by The Family Kenneith Blais Sr. by The Family
Sun. September 3	
Calabogie 8:30am	Brian & Bruce Blimkie by Mom, Dad, Brothers & Sister
10:30am	Intentions of Parishioners of both Parishes by Father Brennan

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, August 20, 2023

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, August 27, 2023

Prayers for the Deceased: We pray for our loved ones who have died especially Wendy Ryan, (daughter of Gordon Hawley) and Rose Riddell.

Prayers for the Sick and Shut-in:

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially, Ken Lauzon, Claude & Noreene Adam, Olivia Curry, Mary Visutskie, Father Steve Ballard, Yvonne Kohl, Marie Budden, Annlea O'Rourke, Gail Caillier, Doris Long, Johanna Mathieu, Margarita Kurth and Georges & Jeannette Blanchette.

If you have a family member in the hospital or at home and wish a priest to visit, please call the office to arrange.

CALABOGIE AUGUST SANCTUARY LAMP: Steele & Mangan Family by Mary & The Late Dwaine Steele.

Office closed: on Monday August 28th.

THE HOLY SEE: *Pope's Prayer Intention for August 2023: For World Youth Day* – We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

St. Francis Xavier C.W.L. CRAFTERS GET READY! Over the next few months as you do your beautiful crafts, please set a few aside for the **CWL TEA AND TALENT SALE** on Saturday, November 11th. And to all of you who are busy pickling and preserving, we also look forward to your delicious contributions. Thank you.

Summer Mass Announcement: During the summer months of July & August daily weekly mass will be on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 8:00 a.m. here at St. Francis Xavier. Monday and Tuesday's mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Fatima at 8:30 a.m., unless otherwise noted in the bulletin.

Religious Articles Sale: We will be having another **religious article sale on the weekend of August 19th & 20th**. We will be available before and after mass at the back of the church. Confirmation will be celebrated in September, so if you have someone celebrating, come see what we have to offer in the way of gifts.

St. Joseph High School New Grade 8 and 9 Student Orientation Barbecue will take place on Wednesday, August 30 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Parents are welcome. Classes begin Tuesday, September 5 at 8:10 am.

VOCATIONS: *1st Thursday Holy Hours to Pray for Vocations:* On September 7th 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Bancroft – "Then Jesus said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Mt. 9:37-38). The Holy Hour will consist of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Sacred Music, a reflection by Fr. Murray, a Rosary for vocations, and time for silent prayer. These Holy Hours are open to everyone, not just those considering a priestly vocation. For more information and details please visit [Pembroke Vocations](#)

Our Lady of Mercy Parish Supper in Bancroft, Ontario, on **Sunday, September 10th** from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Silent Auction, Raffle Tickets, Cash Prizes! Cost: \$15/adult - \$6/children 12 & under. Take-out available!

Are you interested in learning more about the Indigenous Peoples of Canada?

Indigenous world views, cultural values and traditional ways of relating to others?

Historical events of contact with Europeans?

Effects of the fur trade on Indigenous peoples?

Settler and Indigenous perspectives on treaties and today's realities?

The CWL of St. Francis Xavier Parish invites interested members of Our Lady of Fatima and St. Francis Xavier Parishes to enrol in a **free open online course entitled Indigenous Canada offered by the University of Alberta and attend a series of 4 group discussions regarding the contents of the main themes in the course.**

The course will be completed independently online by each participant (technical help is available for those requiring it). Personal time required to complete the 12 modules in the course is approximately 20 hours.

Not interested in the online course at this time, but interested in the four discussion evenings? You are still welcome to join the one-hour group discussions which will take place at St. Francis Xavier Small Hall on pre-set dates this fall. Credible facilitators will be on hand to lead the 4 discussions.

Email Carol Sulpher (csulpher@icloud.com) or Joan Lemay (jtlemay@sympatico.ca) by Friday, September 15 to express interest in participating in this opportunity. Links for the course and other details will be forthcoming at this time.

St. Francis Xavier Cemetery: Memorial Service at the cemetery on **Sunday, September 17th, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.** In case of inclement weather, the celebration will be held at St. Francis Xavier Parish. Please bring your own lawn chair.

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION : *Indigenous Culture and Spirituality – A Day of Exploration – September 20,*

2023: In concluding his pilgrimage of apology to the Indigenous Peoples of Canada Pope Francis asked Canadians to commit to four things: to ensure history is told in a truthful way; to support Indigenous language, culture and traditions; to be an ally in support of the pursuit of justice; and to appreciate Indigenous wisdom to care for the land and environment.

In response to Pope Francis call to action, Bishop Desrochers and the Indigenous Healing Circle of the Diocese of Pembroke have contracted with Fr. Daryold Winkler, Indigenous priest of the Archdiocese of Ottawa, with a couple of 'Elders' from Pikwakanagan, to facilitate a day of reflection on Indigenous Culture and Spirituality.

As we prepare to experience **National Truth and Reconciliation Day** on **September 30th**, please mark the date, **September 20th**, to meet with them in Pembroke from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 pm. More Information to Follow!

Rights of Indigenous Peoples:

1. Indigenous peoples have the right to maintain and develop their political, economic and social systems or institutions, to be secure in the enjoyment of their own means of subsistence and development, and to engage freely in all their traditional and other economic activities.
2. Indigenous peoples deprived of their means of subsistence and development are entitled to just and fair redress.

Article 20– United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

St. Patrick Annual Supper & Bazaar: on **Sunday, September 24** from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. with Mass taking place at 12:00 noon at Mount St. Patrick Parish. The supper will be held at the DACA Centre. Raffle tickets are available from our parishioners, Gourley's Store, Ray's Flowers and the parish office. We are looking for 2 additional volunteers – one to be responsible for the bake tent and the second to organize the white elephant table. If interested, please contact Gail at 613-649-2236. The raffle draws to be held at 4:00 p.m. at the Parish Supper on Sunday, September 24, 2023.

THE EVANGELIZATION TEAM: *New Evangelization Initiatives:* Missionary evangelization, wrote Pope John Paul II, is "the primary service which the Church can render to every individual and to all humanity"

From the very start, the diocesan evangelization team recognized prayer as the core foundation for evangelization and missionary transformation of the diocese. As a result, they initiated the [Blessed Catherine's Star Flowers](#) initiative, which now has over 300 participants dedicated to interceding for the missionary efforts within the diocese. This initiative provides parishioners with valuable resources such as booklets and litanies of the patron saints of parishes, fostering unity and devotion among the participants. For more information on the Blessed Catherine's Star Flowers, please contact [Greg and Mary Doyle](mailto:gmdoyle39@gmail.com) at gmdoyle39@gmail.com.

Revitalizing the Rural Parish for Mission – By Pierre-Alain Giffard, Director of Pastoral Work: Rural parishes face a unique set of challenges that can make evangelization and vitality seem like insurmountable goals. Declining and aging populations, few resources, and maintenance burdens on aging buildings can all contribute to a sense of struggle or even despair. However, with intentionality, creativity, and a focus on empowering laity, rural parishes can tap into their potential to become strong, missional faith communities. [\(Read more...\)](#)

FROM THE CCCB: *The Holy Father's Apostolic Visit to Canada: Looking Back One year Later: Ottawa –* On the liturgical Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, we remember that a year ago, in July 2022, His Holiness Pope Francis came among us in Canada (his 37th apostolic journey) to undertake what he referred to as a ["penitential pilgrimage."](#) A very important pastoral visit for the Holy Father, which he made in communion with the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, it marked an important step towards "walking together" in the Church's relationship with Indigenous Peoples, both in Canada and abroad. Travelling over 8,000 km to reach Canada, [Pope Francis then travelled 5,700 km within Canada, with stops in Edmonton, Quebec City, and Iqaluit, where he attended seven events](#) in total. [\(Read more...\)](#) <https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/the-holy-fathers-apostolic-visit-to-canada-looking-back-one-year-later/>.

EWTN: Live Truth, Live Catholic: GREAT BOOKS EVERY CATHOLIC SHOULD KNOW: This series introduces viewers to great works of literature which have informed Catholics for centuries. Joseph Pearce hosts an introductory guide to the truths found in the best of history's most-read stories. **Sundays, 5:00 PM, Mondays, 6.30 AM**

I FORGIVE WITH IMMACULEE ILIBAGIZA: Powerful stories of men and women who through their faith, have chosen to forgive. Rwandan genocide survivor Immaculee libagiza hosts. **Sundays, 11:30 PM, Tuesdays, 6.30 PM**

Installation of Archbishop-Designate Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R. as Archbishop of Moncton, New Brunswick. The Most Rev Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R. will be installed as the Archbishop of Moncton on October 18, 2023.