

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH



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## SUNDAY EUCHARIST

St. Francis Xavier	Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Most Precious Blood	Sunday	8:30 a.m.
St. Francis Xavier	Sunday	10:30 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.
8:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.
9:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

First Friday before and after 8:00 a.m. mass @ St. Francis Xavier Parish Or by appointment. Contact one of the Priests.

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### OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Thurs – 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Fridays - Closed

<b>PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR</b>	Nancy Connors
<b>FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR</b>	Steve Dregas

<b>C.W.L. PRESIDENT</b>	Carol Sulpher
<b>K of C GRAND KNIGHT</b>	Dean Black

<b>CEMETERY BOARD CHAIR</b>	Mike Coulas
<b>CEMETERY CONTACT</b>	Bob Gervais Ext. 3

## BAPTISM

Please contact one of the Priests

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact a priest at least six months before proposed celebration as a preparation program is required

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Suspended until further notice

## COMMUNION TO THE SICK / SHUT-INS

Contact the parish office to arrange this ministry

## CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

St. Thomas the Apostle, Renfrew - 613-432-3137

<https://rccdsb.edu.on.ca/our-schools/st-thomas-the-apostle/>

St. Joseph's, Calabogie – 613- 752-2808

<https://rccdsb.edu.on.ca/our-schools/st-josephs-calabogie/>

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

St. Joseph's Catholic High School - 613-432-5846

<https://sites.google.com/rccdsb.ca/jagpride/home>

# Sunday Offerings

## St. Francis Xavier

<b>Sunday, February 19, 2023</b>	\$ 3,059.75
Envelopes	\$ 2,465.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 290.00
Loose:	\$ 304.75

**Attendance:** Sat. 124 Sun. 142

<b>Sunday, February 26, 2023</b>	\$ 4,299.50
Envelopes	\$ 3,801.25
Weekly EFT	\$ 290.00
Loose	\$ 208.25

**Care Fund** \$ 70.00

**Attendance:** Sat. 134 Sun. 112

## Most Precious Blood

<b>Sunday, February 19, 2023</b>	\$ 604.00
Envelopes	\$ 529.00
Loose	\$ 75.00

**Attendance:** 37

<b>Sunday, February 26, 2023</b>	\$ 600.50
Envelopes	\$ 508.50
Loose	\$ 92.00

**Heating to date** \$ 490.00

**Attendance:** 42

Thank you for your continued and generous support of our parishes.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS	
<b>Mon. Mar. 6</b>	
6:30pm 7:00pm	<b>Stations of the Cross</b> <b>Rita &amp; Jerry Enright</b> by Elaine Turner
<b>Tues. Mar. 7</b>	
8:00am	<b>Ruth Elliott</b> by Stephanie Nickel & Cecily Button
<b>Wed. Mar. 8</b>	
8:00am	<b>David Taylor</b> by Cathy & Mona Mahusky
<b>Thur. Mar. 9</b>	
8:00am	<b>Norm Ilan</b> by Doris Gay
<b>Fri. Mar. 10</b>	
8:00am	<b>Dalton Enright</b> by Michael & Leanne Enright <b>Stacia Prince</b> by Garry & Sue O'Neil
<b>Sat. Mar. 11</b>	
4:30pm	<b>Intentions of Parishioners of both Parishes</b> by Father Brennan
<b>Sun. Mar. 12</b>	
<b>Calabogie 8:30am</b>	<b>Donna Lauzon</b> by Debbie Fleury
<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Father Giroux</b> by The Family <b>Gordon Wren</b> by Arnold & Family

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS	
<b>Mon. Mar. 13</b>	
6:30pm 7:00pm	<b>Stations of the Cross</b> <b>Repose of the Soul of John Berkhout</b> by J. Paul & Nadine Condon
<b>Tues. Mar. 14</b>	
8:00am	<b>Marie Bowers</b> by Felicia Mangan
<b>Wed. Mar. 15</b>	
8:00am	<b>Repose of the Soul of Jeanette Holmes &amp; Son Brian</b> by Carolyn, Jason, Scott & Gregory Holmes
<b>Thurs. Mar. 16</b>	
8:00am	<b>Bill Ringrose</b> by Angela McAdam
<b>10:30am</b> <b>Bonnechere Manor</b>	<b>Repose of the Soul of Brady McNamara &amp; Deceased Family Members</b>
<b>Fri. Mar. 17</b>	
8:00am	<b>Repose of the Soul of Dolly McDonald</b> by Daughter Debra
<b>Sat. Mar. 18</b>	
4:30pm	<b>Intentions of Parishioners of both Parishes</b> by Father Brennan
<b>Sun. Mar. 19</b>	
<b>Calabogie 8:30am</b>	<b>Bridget Dedo</b> by Jason & Tina Dedo
<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Urban Agnew</b> by Anita & The Family <b>Isadore Lorbetskie</b> by Agnes & Family

## Second Sunday of Lent March 5, 2023

## Third Sunday of Lent March 12, 2023

**Prayers for the Deceased:** We pray for our loved ones who have died especially Josephine Lapicki.

### **Prayers for the Sick and Shut-in**

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Olivia Curry, Wendy Ryan, (daughter of Gordon Hawley), Mary Visutskie, David Dregas, Father Steve Ballard, Diane Burns, Yvonne Kohl, Marie Budden, Marcella Cybulski, Darlene Shields, Annlea O'Rourke, Gail Caillier, Doris Long, Johanna Mathieu, Margarita Kurth, 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.*

**Shrove Tuesday:** Was a success. Thank you to all who came out for the pancake supper. We raised \$850.00 for Hospice Renfrew.

### **Knights of Columbus Renfrew:**



will be serving a **FISH FRY SUPPER** every Friday during Lent from February 27 to March 31st at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 313 Raglan St. S. **Please note there will not be a supper served on Good Friday.** The meals will be served from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and are \$13.00 each. Tickets available at the door and take out is also available. Proceeds to charity. All are welcome.

During Lent we will have Mass at **7 p.m. on Mondays** and at **8 a.m. on Tuesday to Friday.**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be prayed **Mondays at 6:30 p.m. beginning Monday, March 6.**

**CONFESSIONS:** During Lent a priest will be available for confession  $\frac{1}{2}$  before the weekday Masses and  $\frac{3}{4}$  hour before weekend Masses.

**Monthly "Community Friendship Meal":** Free luncheons will be offered at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in the Parish Hall. Lunch will be provided by the students from St. Joseph's Catholic High School and served between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on **March 8**, April 12, May 10 and June 14. No meals will be served during July & August. **Come and enjoy a warm meal among friends.**

**Food Bank Weekend March 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>:** You can help by donating food items (both non-perishable and perishable), personal hygiene products and baby items like food & diapers. Baskets are provided at both entrances.

**Lenten Missions and Development Donations:** Just a reminder that the donations envelopes for the Lenten Missions and Development are collected Good Friday, April 7 this year. Also, at the entrances, March 11/12 or 18/19 weekend there will be a display with posters, information, prayer cards and descriptions of some of the worthwhile, protective and supportive programs of Development and Peace. The theme this year is 'Stand for the Land' which means protecting small rural communities from having lands confiscated, polluted, defending human rights, and creating a voice for those who have been killed in defense of their land. You may want to be a lifelong member of Development and Peace for a one-time payment of ten dollars. You can go to [devp.org](http://devp.org) scroll to bottom of page where it says get involved and click become a member or pick up an addressed membership registration envelope with inside instructions and mail it in.

If you wish more information, you may contact Margaret at 613-312-9502. We thank you for your past and continued prayers and support.

**Knights of Columbus:** General meeting **Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** at Knights of Columbus Hall.

**CWL Members:** are reminded about their **General Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, March 14 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Small Hall. During Lent and this time of fasting, we will not have a regular snack break. Members should consider bringing an item for the Food Bank. In honour of St. Patrick's feast day just around the corner, let's light up the room by wearing something green.... and of course, don your CWL pins! We also look forward to a short presentation by member Aleksandra Czaplá on "The Third Order Franciscans".

**Six Week Study on the Mass:** Follow along with Bishop Robert Barron as he leads us through a series of presentations on the Mass. He will guide us to a deeper understanding of the meaning of the Mass and lead us into a more personal encounter with Jesus, who gives us His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

Sessions will take place on **Wednesday evenings** in the **Parish Hall at 7pm** on the following dates:

- **March 15, 22, 29**
- **April 12, 19, 26**

**IMAGE OF GOD MONTHLY WOMEN'S SESSIONS:** Next session – Wednesday, March 15 from 7-8 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall, Renfrew. Topic: **A Powerful Culture – Your family is unique – it is time to own that.** Please enter through the small Parish Hall doors. For more information contact Yvette Bourque at [yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com](mailto:yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com).

**Recollection For Women:** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Pembroke on **Thursday, March 16th from 11 am to 1 pm.** Take a break from your busy schedule to think about your life, your relationship with God and gain a fresh outlook. Includes exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, guided prayer, examination of conscience, confession, benediction and a talk. Bring your lunch for a get together afterward. This spiritual activity, inspired by the writings of St. Josemaria Escriva, is entrusted to Opus Dei, a Personal Prelature of the Roman Catholic Church. For more information, please contact Nadia at [nadia.bagshaw@sympatico.ca](mailto:nadia.bagshaw@sympatico.ca) or 613-584-9388.

**Monthly SFX Potluck:** Please put a note in your calendar to come to our Parish Potlucks. Next one is on **Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>.** As per previous years, we will have the kitchen open before the Saturday Mass and the potluck will be directly afterwards. Come one, come all and bring a friend.

**Annual Women's Retreat: March 24 to 26, 2023:** at the Graphite Bible Camp in Maynooth. Fr. Zachary Romanowsky and Cheryl Ann Smith from Madonna House will be leading the retreat. The cost is \$175.00. For more information contact us at [womensretreatcombermere@gmail.com](mailto:womensretreatcombermere@gmail.com) or call/text Caitlin 613 316-0992 or Kristan 613 585-0579.

**EARTHQUAKE IN TURKEY AND SYRIA:** People are wondering how they can help victims of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. Here are links to two Catholic aid organizations:  
Development and Peace – Caritas Canada: <https://www.devp.org/en/>  
The Catholic Near East Welfare Association: <https://cnewa.org/ca/>

**HAPPY BELATED ANNIVERSARY:** to all couples of the Parish who celebrated a Wedding Anniversary during the months of January and February. We remember you and your intentions at Mass this weekend. **May God Bless You All.** Among those celebrating are:

**January**

Don & Nancy Smith (57)  
Mark & Melany Tracey (36)  
Christian & Ashley Ste-Marie (8)



**February**

Donald & Janet Goulet (51)  
Brian & Lee Ann Shepherd (46)  
Michael & Jennifer Cuff (18)

**Housekeeping:** We would like to ask that you give your boots a little wipe when you come in. A lot of sand/salt in the yard means extra work for John as it gets tracked in on the carpet. Your co-operation is much appreciated to those who work so hard to keep our church clean.

**St. Francis Xavier Cemetery:** The Cemetery Board has determined that to help reduce Spring clean-up costs at the cemetery, a “Clean-Up Bee” could take place this year. It was decided that as the Spring Burials are anticipated to occur on May 10, 2023, a good day for clean up would be **Saturday, April 29, 2023**, beginning at 10:00 a.m., rain or shine. As many hands as possible are welcome. Please bring work gloves and rakes.

1. **St. Francis Cemetery Monument & Marker Inscription pre-approval process:** Parishioners are advised that for new monuments or marker orders, a copy of a drawing of the intended inscription and any symbols to be placed on a headstone, marker, footstone or corner post is to be previewed by Cemetery Administration, for approval prior to production.
2. Questionable inscriptions, symbols or markings will be presented to the Cemetery Board for approval or disapproval.
3. Cemetery Administration will convey the decision of the Cemetery Board to the Monument Provider, prior to production.

## **MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH**

**MARCH SANCTUARY LAMP:** Pat, Mary & Louis Charbonneau by The Family.

**CONFESSIONS:** During Lent a priest will be available for confession ½ before the weekend Masses.

### **Prayers during Lent:**

*Lord, be with me during all my Lent prayers journey. Let me be honest with myself, let me see everything wrong with my soul and heart and admit my shortcomings and sins. Lord, show me what I should change in my life, and please fill my heart with patience, gratitude and peace.*

*Draw us closer to your heart, so that we might know you better and understand you more completely. We pray that we would not only give things up for Lent but also give you glory through Lent, Lord. May our actions reflect our hearts, and may we worship you through all that we say and do throughout the coming weeks.*

