

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

## MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH



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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 10:30 am

**Most Precious Blood Church**

8:30 a.m. Sunday

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### WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday to Friday 8:00 a.m.

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Closed Friday

# Sunday Offerings

## St. Francis Xavier

<b>Sunday, May 14, 2023</b>	\$ 2,756.00
Envelopes	\$ 2,234.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 300.00
Loose:	\$ 222.00
Care Fund	\$ 150.00
<b>Attendance: Sat. 100 Sun. 144</b>	
<b>Sunday, May 21, 2023</b>	\$ 3,172.50
Envelopes	\$ 2,654.00
Weekly EFT	\$ 300.00
Loose	\$ 218.50
Pope's Pastoral to date	\$ 827.00
Parish Supper to date	\$ 640.00

**Attendance: Sat. 140 Sun. 104**

## Most Precious Blood

<b>Sunday, May 14, 2023</b>	\$ 571.70
Envelopes	\$ 451.70
Loose	\$ 120.00
<b>Attendance: 48</b>	
<b>Sunday, May 21, 2023</b>	\$ 746.00
Envelopes	\$ 631.00
Loose	\$ 115.00
<b>Popes Pastoral Works</b>	\$ 190.00
<b>Sister Betty</b>	\$ 40.00
<b>Attendance: 60</b>	

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS	
Mon. May 29	
	<b>Mass OLF @ 8:30</b>
Tues. May 30	
8:00am	Margaret Burns by Jan & Roy Leitch
Wed. May 31	
8:00am	Repose of the Soul of Jeanette Holmes & Son Brian by Carolyn, Jason, Scott & Gregory Holmes
Thur. June 1	
8:00am	John & Gladys Kenopic by their daughters
Fri. June 2	
8:00am	Clayton Freamo by his Sister Muriel
Sat. June 3	
4:30pm	Intentions of Parishioners of both Parishes by Father Brennan
Sun. June 4	
Calabogie 8:30am	Charles & Doreen Murphy by Christena & Gordon Mulvihill
10:30am	Repose of the Soul of Dolly McDonald by Rita LaJoie Gordon Wren by Grace Tracey

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS	
Mon. June 5	
	<b>Mass OLF @ 8:30</b>
Tues. June 6	
8:00am	Dick & Marie L'Abbe by The Family
Wed. June 7	
8:00am	Dwaine Steele by Deija McAdam
Thurs. June 8	
8:00am	Carol Freemark by Jim & Linda Freemark
Fri. June 9	
8:00am	Patsy Dedo by Jason Dedo & Family
Sat. June 10	
4:30pm	Tom & Maureen Prince by The Family Repose of the Soul of Joseph Seguin by Debra McDonald
Sun. June 11	
Calabogie 8:30am	Jeff Herrick by Mackie & Joanne McLaren
10:30am	Intentions of Parishioners of both Parishes by Father Brennan

## Pentecost Sunday May 28, 2023

## Most Holy Trinity Sunday June 4, 2023

**Prayers for the Deceased:** We pray for our loved ones who have died especially Glenn O'Malley & Mary McNeely.

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

We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially Bernadette Lacourse, Ken Lauzon, Noreene Adam, Olivia Curry, Wendy Ryan, (daughter of Gordon Hawley), Mary Visutskie, David Degas, Father Steve Ballard, Diane Burns, Yvonne Kohl, Marie Budden, 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.*

**On May 30<sup>th</sup>** All the priests of the Diocese will be meeting with Bishop Desrochers to discuss pastoral restructuring of the Diocese. This is an important meeting and so I ask that you remember us in prayer that day. Pray that the Holy Spirit may guide our deliberations for the good of all the priests' deacons and laity of the Diocese.

**Word Among Us:** Available in the Church and in the mailbox just outside the office door. Payment of \$4.00 may be placed in the containers provided, in our secure mailbox or in the collection basket duly noted.

**THE EVANGELIZATION TEAM: Call for Testimonies: Share Your Conversion Story:** Attention all members of our diocese! Have you experienced a profound transformation through your faith in Jesus Christ? Have you encountered God in a powerful way that has changed the course of your life? If so, we would love to hear your story! We are currently looking for personal conversion stories to be featured in the next edition of Ecclesia. Your testimony has the power to inspire and encourage others on their own spiritual journey. Please consider sharing your story with us and being a light to those around you. Submissions can be sent to Yvette Bourque at [yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com](mailto:yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com).

**Thank You!** A big thank you to all parish priests who have been offering Masses for the intentions of the members of the Starflowers Prayer Initiative. A second big thank you to those who celebrated the feast of Blessed Catherine of St Augustine, May 8<sup>th</sup>, with Mass and with presentations about Blessed Catherine and the Starflowers prayer initiative. A third big thank you to all parishes praying the Litany of the Patrons of the Diocese, whether weekly or monthly. This is much appreciated. Prayer is the foundation for the success of the evangelization efforts being made throughout the diocese.

**Mass Bookings:** Following a period of few requested Mass intentions, the reserve of Mass intentions is now, gratefully, high at both parishes. We ask that you contact the parish office and schedule your Mass intention well in advance, that is, two months in advance. We also suggest that if you are wanting a special date, consider requesting your Mass a year in advance to ensure the date is available. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we endeavour to accommodate your requests and schedule all of the Masses in a timely fashion.

**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.

**Bernadette McCann House Donations:** Over the next few weeks the **CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES** would like to ask the Parish community to participate in gathering items to support Bernadette McCann House. The class will organize and deliver the items. Each bulletin will have different items from the homes' Wishlist and this time we are requesting household items:

hand soap  
cleaners of all kinds

toilet paper  
mops

laundry detergent  
sponges

garbage bags  
towels & face clothes

We will have baskets in the foyers for drop off items. Thank you so much on behalf of the Confirmation Candidates. Also, thanks so much to whom have donated so far. We are truly blessed to live in such a wonderful and giving community.

**Columbus House Baby Bottle Fundraiser:** Our fundraiser raises money for the Columbus House - Young Parent Support Program's. Our continued success is based on the support by parishes across Renfrew County. This annual fundraiser truly celebrates the spirit of family, by **commencing on Mother's Day and continuing through to Father's Day**. Parishioners support our program by bringing home a baby bottle and returning it, one month later, filled with spare change. The money raised ensures that our YPSP participants and their children continually are offered quality education, programming and childcare services. For any questions or concerns please contact Crystal at 613-639-2267.

***"God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, so that everyone....may have eternal life."***



St. Joseph's Catholic High School in Renfrew, is offering a "Spaghetti Supper" on **Tuesday, May 30th**. Meals must be pre-ordered by **Monday, May 29th**. The supper includes spaghetti with homemade sauce, a side salad and a bun. We are asking for a "Free-Will Offering" for the meal with the proceeds to be used to support families in need in our community. Meals will be available for pickup or delivery at the school at

835 First St. in Renfrew, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. To order your number of meals, please call the school at 613-432-5846, extension 2011, and leave a message, or send an email to [jason.dedo@rccdsb.ca](mailto:jason.dedo@rccdsb.ca). Please leave your name, phone number, quantity of meals desired and preferred time of pickup or delivery.

## **VOCATIONS:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday Holy Hours to Pray for Vocations:** On June 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Paroisse Sacré-Coeur, Corbeil – "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](#).

**IMAGE OF GOD MONTHLY WOMEN'S LAST SESSION:** Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 7-8 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall, Renfrew. Topic: When Life Gets Hard – A no nonsense look at the deserts in marriage, parenting and our spiritual lives. Please enter through the small Parish Hall doors. For more information contact Yvette Bourque at [yvettebourque@pembroke.diocese.com](mailto:yvettebourque@pembroke.diocese.com).

**Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate – Mr. Lukas Časta:** With great joy, we announce the ordination to the Diaconate of Mr. Lukas Časta, a native of St. Hedwig Parish, Barry's Bay, on the Solemnity of St. Columbkille, June 9, 2023 at 7 p.m. at St. Columbkille Cathedral. All are welcome!

**Knights of Columbus:** General meeting **Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** at Knights of Columbus Hall.

**CWL Upcoming Events:** Our CWL Annual Service Awards Dinner will take place on **Tuesday, June 13 at 5:30 pm** at AlphaCater Restaurant at Days Inn. The dinner will cost \$25. Members and guests may RSVP, indicate a chicken or ham meal or dietary restrictions, place it well marked envelope in the collection basket, drop it off at church office or contact M Legris at 613-312-9502, [legrism03@gmail.com](mailto:legrism03@gmail.com) who can pick it up. **Deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Healing Service with Eucharistic Adoration:** At St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish, 19450 Opeongo Line, Barry's Bay on **Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-8:15 p.m.** Guest speaker: Father Réal Ouellette. All are welcome!

**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 **June 14<sup>th</sup>**. No meals will be served during July & August. **Come and enjoy a warm meal among friends.**

**Walk The Opeongo Line, July 27-30, 2023:** Join pilgrims from ages 7-77 in this life changing, 4-day journey from Our Lady of Fatima, Renfrew to St. Ann's Shrine, Cormac. This will be our 5<sup>th</sup> year making the 67km walk! It's an experience that merits many blessings and many wonderful memories. For more information and to register, visit: [Pilgrimage to St. Ann's Shrine – 2023 Pilgrimage \(walktheopeongonline.org\)](#).



Pentecost is a Christian holiday which takes place on the 50th day after Easter Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles.

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**JUNE SANCTUARY LAMP:** Deceased Relatives by Doris Gagnon.

**Reminder BBQ Chicken Church Supper at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Braeside this Sunday May 28<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 6:00 pm. Adults \$ 20.00 children (under 12) \$10.00 and children (under 6) Free. Take out available.**