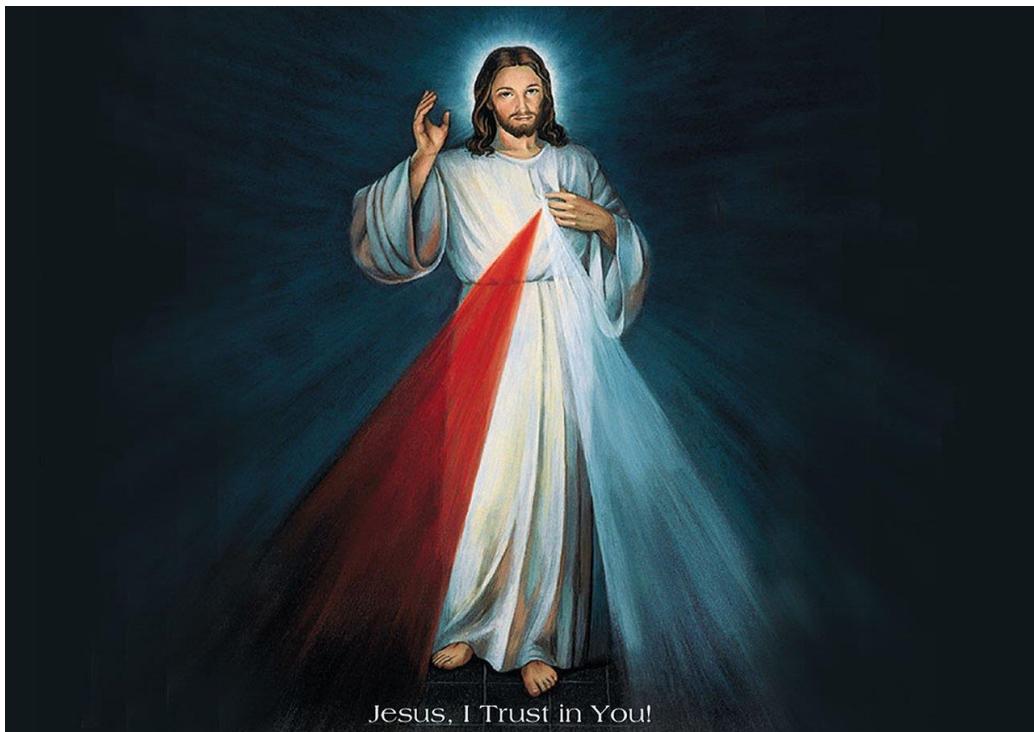


# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

## MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH



The Divine Mercy Image of Jesus is not another ordinary holy picture. It is an Image Jesus himself revealed to St. Faustina and commanded her to have it painted. Jesus promised many graces to those who venerate this Image and wanted it made known throughout the whole world.

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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

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WEEKDAY MASS  
Monday 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, April 13, 2025</b>	\$ 4,334.80
Envelopes	\$ 3,933.00
Loose	\$ 401.80

Attendance: Sat. 166 Sun. 148

<b>Sunday, April 20, 2025</b>	\$ 3,423.00
Envelopes	\$ 2,546.00
Loose	\$ 877.00
Donation for Easter Flowers	\$ 50.00
Lent & Mission Development	\$ 7,186.10
Easter	\$ 4,342.00

Attendance: Good Friday 210 Easter Sun. 463

## Most Precious Blood

<b>Sunday, April 13, 2025</b>	\$ 756.00
Envelopes	\$ 676.00
Loose	\$ 80.00

Attendance: 63

<b>Sunday, April 20, 2025</b>	\$ 1,146.00
Envelopes	\$ 756.00
Loose	\$ 290.00
EFT	\$ 100.00
Lent & Mission Development	\$ 350.00
Easter	\$ 475.00

Attendance: Good Friday 63 Easter Sun. 95

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

<b>Mon. Apr. 28</b>	
8:00am	<b>William McLaren</b> by Joanne & The Late Mackie McLaren
<b>Tues. Apr. 29</b>	
8:00am	<b>Greg &amp; Helen Colterman, Brother Tim &amp; Sister Mary Urquhart</b> by Ann & Kevin Pilon
<b>Wed. Apr. 30</b>	
6:00 – 7:00 pm	<b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
7:00 pm	<b>Repose of the Soul of Pope Francis</b>
<b>Thur. May 1</b>	
8:00am	<b>Florence Hisko</b> by Mary Dedo & Family
<b>Fri. May 2</b>	
8:00am	<b>Deceased Relatives &amp; Friends of Gray &amp; Craig Families</b> by Jack & Gerry Craig
<b>Sat. May 3</b>	
4:30pm	<b>Carl Warren</b> by Leona & Family <b>Jeffrey Herrick</b> by Joanne & The Late Mackie McLaren
<b>Sun. May 4</b>	
Calabogie 8:30am	<b>Intentions of Parishioners of both Parishes</b> by Father Brennan
SFX 10:30am	<b>Dalton Enright</b> by Art & Marilyn Campbell <b>Ruth McEachen</b> by The Family
First Holy Communion	

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

<b>Mon. May 5</b>	
9:00am	<b>The ongoing Conversion and Spiritual Growth of the Staff and Students of St. Joseph's High School</b>
<b>Tues. May 6</b>	
8:00am	<b>Garry Enright</b> by Elaine Turner
<b>Wed. May 7</b>	
8:00am	<b>Ed Debosky</b> by Bob & Tim
<b>Thur. May 8</b>	
8:00am	<b>Pete Spilchen</b> by Wife Jean
<b>Fri. May 9</b>	
8:00am	<b>Repose of the Soul of Brian &amp; Doris Long</b>
<b>Sat. May 10</b>	
4:30pm	<b>Intentions of Parishioners of both Parishes</b> by Father Brennan
<b>Sun. May 11</b>	
Calabogie 8:30am	<b>Ann Williams</b> by Arlane & Family
SFX 10:30am	<b>Repose of the Soul of Dolly McDonald</b> by Daughter Debra <b>Robert &amp; Sylvia Siroski</b> by Mike & Carol-Ann Walters
	<b>Mother's Day</b>

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy), April 28, 2025

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter, May 4, 2025

**Prayers for the Deceased:** We pray for our loved ones who have died especially, David Belaire (brother of Julia Lesk), Christopher Degas, Catherine McNulty, Doris Long, Sister Teresa Rice (Sister Edna) & His Holiness Pope Francis.

**Prayers for the Sick and Shut-in:** We pray for those who seek God's healing, especially, Barbara Callaghan, Karen Knott (sister of Arnold Wren, Arnold Wren, Jeanne Rossi & son Adam, Lawrence Mahusky, Lois Desjardine, Elaine Turner, Sandra Carroll (mother of Robert Carroll), Susan Hanniman, Mary Visutskie, Yvonne Kohl, Annlea O'Rourke, Johanna Mathieu, 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 MAY SANCTUARY LAMP:** Charles & Doreen Murphy by Gordon & Christena Mulvihill

**Mass of the Dead for the Repose of the Soul of Pope Francis:** Bishop Brehl invites the faithful, religious and clergy of the Diocese to a Mass of the Dead for the Repose of the Soul of Pope Francis to be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Columbkille, Pembroke, **on Monday, April 28 at 5:00pm.**

**Holy Hour and Memorial Mass for Pope Francis:** On Wednesday, April 30th there will be Adoration, Rosary, and Prayers for Pope Francis starting at 6pm, Benediction at 6:45, with a Memorial Mass for the repose of the soul of the Holy Father beginning at 7pm. Please join us as we pray for the repose of his soul, and for the election of a new pontiff.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for May 2025:** For working conditions. Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

**Religious Articles Sale at SFX:** was a success. Thank you for stopping by to browse and see our selection. If you missed it and would like to have a look, please don't hesitate to contact Theresa in the office and she would be happy to help you find the perfect gift. And for those looking for the St. Christopher visor clips, they are at the office for you.

**Live Truth Live Catholic:** Holy Mass with Canonization of Carlo Acutis, the first millennial to be beatified by the Catholic Church, known for his great devotion to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. **April 27, 4:30am, 7:00pm.** **Blessed Carlo Acutis: From London to the World,** Explore the remarkable life and spiritual Journey of Carlos. **April 25, 6:30pm.** **My Highway to Heaven Carlo Acutis and the Eucharist,** Hear the testimony of family, friends, clergy, and religious who know him and remember his love and reverence for the Eucharist. **April 26, 2:00pm** **I Am With You, a Documentary on Carlo Acutis,** The remarkable life of Carlo Acutis is explored in this EWTN documentary. His devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and his amazing efforts to publicize miracles. **April 27, 6:00pm, April 29, 4:30pm** (Cogeco at 184, Bell Fibe at 633, on demand.ewtn.com).

### 2025 – S.F.X. CWL Rummage Sale

Our S.F.X. CWL Council has scheduled our annual Rummage Sale for **Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025, from 8:00am – Noon** at the St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall.

Donations from parishioners, friends and relatives would be greatly appreciated in the following areas: Accepting Small Furniture, Small Kitchen Appliances, Kitchenware, Jewellery, **Gently used** clothing for Men, Women & Children of all ages, Women's accessories, Children's Toys, Adult & Children's books, puzzles, DVD's, CD's, Seasonal Decorations, Linens & Bedding in good condition. Please **NO large furniture or TV's and no children's car seats or cribs.**

Male & female workers are needed for receiving, sorting, hall set-up, table area leaders, Sales Reps, and clean-up. It would be a great way for students to get some High School Volunteer Community Hours! Our CWL Council would appreciate if you would promote attendance with family, friends, relatives and colleagues.

To volunteer in any area, contact Debbie at **(613-570-4849)** or email [st.francisxaviercwl@gmail.com](mailto:st.francisxaviercwl@gmail.com). Proceeds of the sale will go towards the needs of our Parish and local community.

**Drop off dates at Large Hall Entrance: Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am – 7:00pm, and Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am – 7:00pm. If Donation Pick up is required email [st.francisxaviercwl@gmail.com](mailto:st.francisxaviercwl@gmail.com)**

**Divine Mercy Sunday:** The Office of Faith Formation and Leadership Development invites you to Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on April 27, 2025 from 2:00-3:30 p.m. at St. Columbkille Cathedral Parish, 188 Renfrew Street, Pembroke. Our presenter will be Bishop Brehl, C.Ss.R. There will be Adoration, singing of Hymns and the Divine Mercy Chaplet as we pray for God's Mercy upon the whole world. For more information, please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613 732-7933 ext. 206 or [dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com](mailto:dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com).

**Mother's Day Tea** will take place at the DACA Centre, 111 Flat Road, on **May 3 at 1:00 p.m.** Enjoy homemade sandwiches, scones and desserts while you 'sip' among friends. Lucky draws and door prizes. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Please RSVP and arrange payment in advance. Contact Meg Chippior at 613-983-8893 or [mchippior@hotmail.com](mailto:mchippior@hotmail.com). An event not to be missed!

**St. Francis Xavier Cemetery Spring Cleanup:** The Cemetery Board has determined that to help reduce Spring clean-up costs at the cemetery, a “**Clean-Up Bee on Saturday, May 3, 2025**, beginning at 10:00 a.m., rain or shine. As many hands as possible are welcome. Please bring work gloves and rakes. Spring burials date to be determined.

**Knights of Columbus Renfrew Council 1916:** Inviting all members and spouses to a social gathering on **Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 – 7:00p.m.** in the Knights of Columbus Hall. Pizza and wings will be served.

**Renfrew County Right to Life** is co-sponsoring a bus to the National March For Life which takes place on Parliament Hill on **Thursday May 8**. The coach will leave the Pembroke Metro at 7:45 am, with stops at the Cobden Pentecostal Church and the Renfrew Visitors' Centre. Payment by donation. To reserve seats, please email [RCRTlife@gmail.com](mailto:RCRTlife@gmail.com) with names of all riders. For more information: [facebook.com/RCRTL](https://facebook.com/RCRTL) .



**The Confirmation Class of 2025 would like to invite the people of the Parish to join them in gathering items that are needed for the Bernadette McCann House. Accepting donations until Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup>. You may put them in the baskets provided at the entrances. Here are some items that are of need for their clients. Copies will be at the entrances for you to take as a reminder of their current needs. Thank you!**

**GETTING TO KNOW THE HOLY SPIRIT** on May 10 (9:00am to noon) Facilitator: Clarissa Boyce: Chaplin, Spiritual Director, Artist and Potter. Cost: \$40 including welcome coffee and baked goods. Have you ever asked yourself “Do I really know the Holy Spirit”? Join us for an information morning discussion. You will be guided with support and reading. Bring your bible as handouts will be provided for quick references for your independent study guide, allowing time for private meditation and reflection.

**Columbus House Baby Bottle Fundraiser:** With Spring coming, we look forward to the annual Columbus House Baby Bottle Fundraiser. This event helps Columbus House to continue to provide services in the Young Parent Support Program in Pembroke, Renfrew and throughout the County with Outreach Services. The fundraiser fittingly begins on **Mother's Day, May 11<sup>th</sup>** and concludes on Father's Day, June 16<sup>th</sup>. You will find the bottles at the entrances of the church. Any questions or concerns can be directed to Crystal Schroeder at 613-639-2267 or [ypsppembroke@gmail.com](mailto:ypsppembroke@gmail.com). They are now available at the church entrances. Thank you for your consideration.

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Renfrew**, is the designated church for the Jubilee Indulgence on **Tuesday, May 13, 2025**, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Confessions and adoration will take place from 5:00pm to 6:45pm. The Rosary will be recited at 6:15pm and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at 6:45pm. Mass will be celebrated at 7:00pm. For more information on the graces of the Jubilee Indulgence, please visit <https://pembrokediocese.com/article/jubilee-2025-indulgence-en/> .

**Community Friendship Luncheon** at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, **Wednesday, May 14** in the parish hall from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Come, have a seat and enjoy fellowship and a delicious meal prepared by students of St Joseph High School.

**Development & Peace:** We thank you for your support with donations and prayers. This will help support our brothers and sisters in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. It is not too late to still place donations on offertory in any labelled envelope (some are at entrances) or donate online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give). Again, sincere thanks for your generosity.

**First Holy Communion:** will be held on May 4<sup>th</sup> during mass. As we prepare for this sacred sacrament, let's remember the children and their families in our prayers. May God bless them and guide them through this important time of faith and spiritual growth.

#### **ST. FRANCIS XAVIER BURSARY**

The annual recipient of the SFX Parish Bursary of \$500 will be chosen by the Parish Pastoral Council

- applications are available at the two local high schools or at the parish office;
- applications will be reviewed by the Pastoral Council;
- students from either Renfrew High School who are seeking higher education may apply.

The criteria for recognition of an appropriate recipient will be based on:

- the involvement of the applicant in our parish community;
- their witness to our Faith in their school and/or the Renfrew community;

**Deadline for submission is Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.** We wish God's Blessings on all of the graduating students at this challenging time in their lives.