

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH**



**And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.
Matthew 28:20**

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SFX MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday to Friday 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD CHURCH

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Closed Fridays

Sunday Offerings

St. Francis Xavier

Sunday, April 26, 2026 \$ 3,189.60
 Envelopes \$ 2,837.00
 Loose \$ 352.60

Attendance: Sat. 133 Sun. 192

Sunday, May 3, 2026 \$ 9,672.00
 Envelopes \$ 4,255.00
 Monthly Pre-authorized \$ 5,058.00
 Loose \$ 359.00

Parish Supper Donations \$ 1,645.00

Attendance: Sat. 173 Sun. 168

Most Precious Blood

Sunday, April 26, 2026 \$ 883.00
 Envelopes \$ 758.00
 Loose \$ 125.00

Attendance: 48

Sunday, May 3, 2026 \$ 581.00
 Envelopes \$ 446.00
 Loose \$ 135.00

Sister Betty Care Fund \$ 300.00

Attendance 54

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS	
Mon. May 11	
	Mass at OLF @ 8:30
Tues. May 12	
8:00am	Lita Ballard by Judy & Family
Wed. May 13	
8:00am	Raymond Norton by Mom & Family
Thur. May 14	
8:00am	Gladys Bushby by Marguerite Power
Fri. May 15	
8:00am	Laurande Sim by Don & Nancy Smith
Sat. May 16	
4:30pm	Intentions of Parishioners of all Parishes by Father Brennan
Sun. May 17	
Calabogie 8:30am	Kay Killoran by Clarke & Colleen Eady
10:30am	Theresa Pierunek by Agnes Lorbetskie & Family
Ascension of The Lord	Margaret Burns by Roy & Jan Leitch

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS	
Mon. May 18	
	Mass at OLF @ 8:30
Tues. May 19	
8:00am	Andrée Dregas by Steve & Family
Wed. May 20	
8:00am	Fr. Steven Ballard by Judy & Family
Thur. May 21	
8:00am	Laurette Cloutier by Daughters Diane & Louise
10:30am Bonnehchere Manor	Rita Mahusky by Shirley & The Late Lawrence Mahusky
Fri. May 22	
8:00am	Terry McHale by Art & Marilyn Campbell
Sat. May 23	
4:30pm	Intentions of Parishioners of all Parishes by Father Brennan
Sun. May 24	
Calabogie 8:30am	Raymond Norton by Karen & Kerry Ann McNulty
10:30am	Steele & Mangan Families by Mary & Family
Pentecost Sunday	Emily Breen by Barry & Sandra

I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

John 14:18

6th Sunday of Easter, May 10, 2026 Ascension of the Lord, May 17, 2026

Prayers for the Deceased: We pray for our loved ones who have died, especially, Jean Dunbar.

Prayers for the Sick and Shut-in: We pray for those who seek God's healing especially, Jack Dillon, Steve Ryan (son of Doreen), Robert Spilchen (son of Jean), Diane Burns, Elaine Turner, Mary Visutskie, Yvonne Kohl, 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

Pope's Prayer Intention for May 2026: That everyone might have food. Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

Our CWL is looking for new volunteers for our Funeral Luncheons Ministry. We operate with 3 teams on a rotating 3-month schedule. Each team is available every 3 months. CWL membership is not a requirement. If you think that this service is a good opportunity where you can serve your parish, or if you would like more information, please contact Joan Lemay at 613-432-9161 or jtlemay@sympatico.ca.

SFX CWL Parish Council's 2026 Rummage Sale Report: We are happy to report that our 2026 Rummage Sale was a tremendous success. We made a profit of \$5,534.20. The great success was achieved through the generosity and kindness of over 50 volunteers (men, women and students) who spent many hours with pickups, setup, sorting, selling, preparing food, and cleanup. Special thanks to John who works with us to get the hall set up to make it all come together. Of course, we are also most grateful to everyone who donated items to the sale, and to the people who attended the sale. Our parish and community will be the beneficiaries. TOGETHER, WE MADE IT HAPPEN! Sincerely, Rummage Sale Co-Conveners Rita Mears and Debbie Macdonald,

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 9, 2026, beginning at 10:00 a.m., rain or shine. As many hands as possible are welcome. Please bring work gloves and rakes.

Cemetery Flowers: Sometimes, flowers placed on monuments can be blown away by the wind, or deer may think they are a tasty treat. When this happens, we cannot determine where the flowers belong. Our caretaker will place the flowers behind the garage until the end of September, and if no one claims them by that time, they will be disposed of. May we suggest that when you place flowers on a monument, you include a weatherproof card inside the arrangement that identifies whose grave they belong to. This way, our caretaker will be able to return the flowers to the correct location.

NEW Session!! Marriage Preparation Program: Due to popular demand, an extra Spring Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program will be offered on **Saturday, May 9th and Saturday, May 30th** at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Petawawa. **Deadline to register: May 5th.** Register online at [Clone of Marriage Preparation Course](#). E-transfers of **\$125/couple** can be made to donnabiggs@pembrokediocese.com, or mail cheques to Diocese of Pembroke, 284 Trafalgar Road, Pembroke, ON K8A 5A8. For inquiries, please contact Patrick Sullivan at family@pembrokediocese.com or call 613 732-7933 ext. 208.

Columbus House Baby Bottle Fundraiser: is having their 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 10th and concludes on Father's Day, June 21st.** You will find the bottles at the entrances of the church the last week of April. Any questions or concerns can be directed to Crystal Schroeder at 613-639-2267 or yppspembroke@gmail.com. Thank you for your consideration.

SFX CWL Monthly Meeting: will be held on **Monday, May 11th at 7:00 p.m.** in the small hall. **The Pembroke Diocesan Convention is on May 30th from 09:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall.** Our council will cover the registration fee for members. Anyone interested in attending please contact Joan Lemay jtlemay@sympatico.ca or 613 432-9161. **Registration deadline May 15th.**

Knights of Columbus: General meeting **Monday, May 11th at 7:00 p.m.** at Knights of Columbus Hall.

Community Friendship Luncheon will take place on **Wednesday, May 13 from 11:30 - 12:30 p.m.** at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall. Come, have a seat, and enjoy fellowship and a delicious lunch prepared by students of St Joseph Catholic High School and hosted by Our Lady of Fatima CWL. All Welcome.

Follow Up Pastoral Planning Meeting: Bishop Michael Brehl, C.Ss.R., together with Fr. Lacey and Fr. Brennan, invites the parishioners of Our Lady of Fatima, St. Francis Xavier and Most Precious Blood Parishes to a meeting on **May 13, 2026 at 6:30 pm at St. Joseph's High School.** The purpose of this meeting is to continue the planning process for the Diocese and some implications for Renfrew parishes as we move forward. All are welcome to participate in this meeting.

National March for Life: 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 14**. The coach will leave Pembroke Metro at 7:45 a.m., with stops at the Cobden Pentecostal Church at 8:15 a.m. and the Renfrew Visitors Centre at 8:40 a.m. Payment by donation. To reserve seats, please email RCRTLlife@gmail.com with names of all passengers, or call Susan Dagenais at 613-401-6482. For more information: facebook.com/RCRTL.

The Popes Pastoral Works Collection – May 17th and this collection is remitted to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops who, in turn, forward the money to the Holy See.

Trinity-St. Andrew's United Community Friendship Meal: will take place on **Tuesday, May 19, 11:30 – 12:30**. Menu is lasagna and Caesar salad, with lemon squares for dessert. Everyone welcome. Donations accepted but not expected.

Trinity-St. Andrew's United Church Annual Plant Sale on **Saturday May 23, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** in Stewart Hall. Seedlings, house plants, herbs, perennials, gardening treasures and more! Plant Donations welcome, Friday May 22, 9-4pm. Earlybird sale for Seniors Fri May 22, 2-4pm. All proceeds to Camp Lau-Ren.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Supper: You are invited to join Father Ryan and the Parishioners of OLPH for our annual **BBQ Chicken Dinner on Sunday, May 24 from 2:00-6:00 p.m.** in Braeside, ON. Enjoy a Barbequed Chicken Dinner with beans, salads, and delicious desserts. Cost is \$25.00 for Adults, \$10.00 for children Under 12 and Free to children under 6.

Save the Date – 2026 SFX CWL Service Pin Event: All women of the parish are invited to attend the SFX CWL Service Pin Celebration dinner to be held in the Parish Hall on **Monday, June 8th**. The evening will begin with a "Meet & Greet" at 5:15pm, with catered dinner commencing at 6 pm. (Specific details about the meal and cost to come).

Help Not Harm Campaign – Bill C 218: Private Members' Bill C-218, currently at second reading in Parliament, seeks to prevent the scheduled 17 March 2027 expansion of MAiD to individuals whose sole underlying condition is mental illness. The Archdiocese of Toronto, in collaboration with the CCCB Office for Family and Life, has just launched a national, bilingual online advocacy tool under the campaign banner "**Help Not Harm.**"

By registering, individuals can automatically generate a letter to their Member of Parliament and request that it be sent on their behalf, with copies to the Prime Minister and the Minister of Justice. The tool is available at: <https://www.helpnotharmcanada.ca/>. Since the CCCB Permanent Council [publicly endorsed Bill C-218](#) on 4 February 2026, you are invited to consider promoting the *Help Not Harm* campaign in your diocese/eparchy and to encourage the faithful to subscribe to it as a quick and easy way to support Bill C-218. **Key Info - [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](https://www.helpnotharmcanada.ca/)**.

Happy Anniversary: to all couples of the Parish who celebrate a Wedding Anniversary during the month of May. We remember you and your intentions at Mass this weekend. **May God Bless You All.** Among those celebrating are:

Georges & Jeannette Blanchette (59)	Hugh & Charlotte Nolan (58)	Ernest & Linda Cartier (57)
Alfie & Kitty Curry (54)	Dave & Bev O'Connor (54)	Gordon & Sharon Harper (48)
Garry & Susan O'Neil (39)	Scott & Kristy Campbell (31)	Steven & Kristine O'Connor (30)
Cory & Amanda Cameron (13)	Jordan & Kendall Mahusky (4)	

Pastoral Appointments effective July 2, 2026:

Reverend Kerry Brennan retires from full time parish ministry with the status of retired priest.

Reverend Patrick Dobec retires from full time parish ministry with the status of retired priest.

Reverend John Lacey retires from full time parish ministry with the status of retired priest.

Reverend Michael Coyne is pastor of St Michael Parish, St Pius V Parish, Sacred Heart Mission and St Patrick Parish.

Reverend Real Ouellette is pastor of Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish and Paroisse St-Jean Baptiste.

Reverend Peter Do is appointed administrator of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.

Reverend David Butler, a priest of the Diocese of London on loan to the Diocese of Pembroke, is appointed administrator of Our Lady of Fatima Parish, St Francis Xavier Parish and Most Precious Blood, Calabogie.

Fr. David Butler has over 16 years of dedicated service at the Roman Catholic Diocese of London, Ontario. Currently serving as a Priest, his mission has been to nurture spiritual growth and foster compassionate community engagement. Skilled in theology, pastoral care and preaching, his role involves working closely with others to provide guidance and support rooted in faith. Committed to empowering individuals and strengthening the congregation, he aligns with the Diocese's values of service, inclusivity and spiritual leadership. Focused on creating meaningful connections and advancing the church's mission to inspire collective well-being.

Happy Mother's Day: Almighty God, we ask your blessing on each mother today. Fill their hearts with laughter and joy. Surround them with love from family and friends. Grant them health, peace, and fulfillment as they pursue their calling. Let them know their value and worth in Your eyes and ours. In Jesus' name, Amen.