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GREETINGS FROM FR. STEVE BALLARD - NEW MASS SCHEDULE

I am looking forward to the upcoming move, the privilege of serving both parishes in Arnprior & Braeside, and meeting all of you! Since my appointment coincides with the decision to 'twin' the two parishes, this new pastoral arrangement will require some adjustments and changes, but those that we can approach and discuss together. I look forward to beginning these discussions first with Parish Staff, the Parish Pastoral Councils of both parishes and the Parish Finance Committees. Following discussions with Fr. Burchat & Fr. Ryan, I would like to announce the Mass schedule for both the weekends and the weekdays. Naturally, we can amend things, as needed, and as time unfolds.

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 23, 2022

THE CHURCH: THE BODY OF CHRIST: The second reading this Sunday is the famous text from the First Letters to the Corinthians, in which St. Paul compares the Church to a human body. The Church is truly a kind of body, of which Christ is the head, and with him she forms a whole. At the same time there is a unity among the diversity and multiplicity of charisms. It is by these gifts of the Holy Spirit that the Church is able to be a rich and vital organism with a unity that welcomes a providential diversity and differences. The Church prolongs the presence of the Risen Lord throughout history through the Sacraments, the Word of God and the charisms and ministries distributed among the Christian community. It is in Christ and in the Holy Spirit that the Church is an intimate communion and holy.

FAREWELL FOR FR. JOHN NEXT SUNDAY: Because of pandemic restrictions there will be a simple farewell at the end of the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass in the church.

FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM FR. PETER PROULX: As the pandemic continues I ponder the reality that during it I have had the opportunity to assist you the parishioners and Fr. Burchat during these months. Wearing masks however has made it most interesting. We got to meet each other but rarely did I see many of your faces. In reality though it was my privilege and pleasure to share my priestly ministry with you. Being that my life affords me time to assist as needed in the Diocese it may afford future opportunities to be with you. For all of your acts of kindness and for your prayerful support I am truly grateful. God Bless and be well. ~ Fr. Peter

Sunday Mass Schedule - Beginning the weekend of February 5 / 6

Saturday - 4:30 p.m. St John Chrysostom (Arnprior)

Sunday - 9:00 a.m. St John Chrysostom (Arnprior)
- 10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Braeside)

Weekday Mass Schedule - Beginning Tuesday, February 8, 2022 (until Easter)

There will be no weekday masses the first week of February

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday @ 10:00 a.m. St John Chrysostom (Arnprior)

Wednesday @ 10:00 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Braeside)

After Easter Sunday, the Weekday Mass time returns to 9:00 a.m. until October 31. It is been my experience that a little extra time on weekday mornings is helpful in the winter, both for parishioners and church workers, in clearing snow both on the walkways and the church steps, and in the parking areas. As is already the case, parishioners are welcome to attend any mass and at either church. In the event of a funeral, "The Mass of Christian Burial" (Funeral Mass) will become the 'mass of the day' in either parish, and we will re-schedule the posted intention. We will soon announce a special Mass schedule for Ash Wednesday.

I am grateful for any assistance that can be offered, recognizing that I am only one man, but together, we are communities of faith!

~ Fr. Steve Ballard



Third Week in Ordinary Time

January 26 - 28

- Wednesday 9:00 a.m.** St. Timothy & St. Titus, bishops
Rita Ryan by Norma & Frank Ryan
- Thursday 9:00 a.m.** Adam & Jerry Srodulski by Emilia & Edward Srodulski
- Friday 9:00 a.m.** St. Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor
Agnes Mask by the Wagner Family

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 30, 2022

- Saturday 3:45 p.m.** Confessions
- 4:30 p.m.** For our Parish during this time of pastoral transition
- Sunday 9:30 a.m.** Intentions of the People (*Missa pro populo*)

Liturgical Appointments: January 29/30

Next Sunday	4:30 P.M.	9:30 A.M.
Reader	Chris Waclawik	Regina Rolph
Ministers of Communion	Priest & Deacon	Priest & Deacon
Greeter/Ushers	Linda Chandler	Carol Marcellus
Music		

IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:

- the Synod 2021-2022 and the Evangelization Project in the Diocese of Pembroke;
- our parish community and Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Braeside during this time of pastoral transition; Fr. Steve Ballard who arrives as our new pastor on February 1; Fr. John Burchat and the parish communities of St. Lawrence O'Toole (Barry's Bay), Holy Canadian Martyrs (Combermere) and St. Francis de Sales (Latchford Bridge);
- parishioners who are sick; and those who have died, especially: *Bonita Costello; Doris Lunney; Agnes Lee*, mother of Bob Lee; *Elizabeth Sammon* and *John Oattes*, sister and brother-in-law of Helen Havelin.

PANDEMIC PROTOCOL FOR MASSES AT SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM: Face masks are still mandatory at all times in the church, as per the pandemic regulations of the Renfrew County District Health Unit. Please continue to also observe our protocol for hand sanitizing and social distancing.

SUNDAY OFFERING: January 16: \$3,321.00; To date: Christmas Offering: \$5,340.75; New Year's Offering: \$1,205.00; Initial Offering: \$877.25; Bishop's Evangelization Appeal: \$435.00. Thank you for your continuing commitment during these difficult times!

FINANCIAL REPORT: As required by the law of the Church and diocesan financial policy, the Parish Finance Committee will be reviewing all revenues/expenditures for the fiscal year 2021. Thank you for your generous contributions throughout 2021 despite that it was again another year eclipsed by the global COVID-19 pandemic and its many repercussions. The Finance Committee will also approve a financial report for parishioners which will be received along with a letter and your charitable donation receipt in early February.

Because of your commitment and generosity which has continued during the pandemic, our financial status is generally positive. Thank you to all those who have continued to be generous in their financial response to the Church Exterior Restoration Collection. Thank you for your faith-filled generosity and your financial commitment St. John Chrysostom Parish.

CHURCH EXTERIOR RESTORATION COLLECTION: The amount of \$8,363.25 from the month of December was recently sent to the Chancery Office in Pembroke.

This monthly appeal uses a special envelope and collection dedicated to the Church Exterior Restoration Debt. With the oversight of the Parish Finance Committee and Mr. John Tammadge as its delegated officer and our Diocesan Finance Administrator, these donations are sent to the Diocese on a monthly basis in order to reduce our debt. Now and in the years to come, these Exterior Restoration Debt Donations will not be permitted to be used for regular operating expenses or minor capital expenditures/repairs. The intention of the donor will be respected and regular updates will be provided. Thank you for your generosity!

THE EVANGELIZATION PROJECT: At the entrance of the church is the current issue of our diocesan newspaper, *Ecclesia*, with articles about the Synodal Process and the Evangelization Project. There are also **prayer cards** for the Evangelization Project, and **collection envelopes** for contributions in support of it.

CWL FOOD BANK PROJECT: Non-perishable goods can be placed in boxes at the church entrance the second weekend of each month. Financial offerings can be dropped in the collection.