SUNDAY OFERING: Arnprior: New Year's - \$1,110.00; Sunday offering - \$4,430.00

Braeside: New Year's - \$585.00; Sunday offering - \$1,624.00

ATTENDANCE: Arnprior: December 3rd - 110, 4th - 131, 10th - 151, 11th - 260,

17th - 111, 18th - 155, 24th - 450 & 125, 25th - 186

Braeside: December 4th – 101, 11th – 70, 18th - 89, 24th - 135, 25th - 45

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Did you know The Catholic Women's League is the largest women's organization in Canada? With more than 60,000 members, the Catholic Women's League welcomes women of all ages and diverse backgrounds. Throughout Canada, you will find Catholic women growing in faith, caring through a wide range of service, and seeking true justice for all. Want to make a difference but not sure how to get started? Send a note with your name and contact information to the parish office or drop it into the collection basket and someone from the CWL will be in touch with you soon. Your place is among us!

CWL ARNPRIOR: Congratulations to the new executive team for 2023-2024: President - Joan Wilson; Vice-President - Heather Kozuska; Secretary - Teresa McLeod; Treasurer - Colleen Piasetzki; Past President - Nancy Black; Chairperson of Faith - Shaunacey Peplinski; Chairperson of Correspondence – Samantha Hudson; Chairperson of Social Justice – Joan Kelly; Chairperson of Servcie – vacant. Our annual Box Lunch will take place on Wednesday February 8 at 11:30 a.m. Please invite women from the parish to join us for lunch and become part of our council.

LEGION/KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EUCHRE CHALLENGE: Just a month left before the upcoming challenge in 2023. All games will be played at the Parish Hall in 2023; January 13 & 27, February 10 & 24 and March 10 and the banquet on the 31st of March. For those of you who would like to jo9in us, just get a partner and show up on the dates above. Cost is \$5.00 a person.

CHANGE OF PROGRAMMING – IMAGE OF GOD monthly <u>Women's</u> Sessions Next Session: Wednesday Feb. 8, 7 – 8 p.m – St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall, Renfrew. Topic: READY FOR THE WORLD - Training, formation and catechesis – the difference will mean the world to your family. Join us for IMAGE OF GOD monthly evening sessions for Women. This event is being hosted by the Family Life and Youth Ministry Office with guest speaker Patrick Sullivan, Lay Evangelist, and is open to all. Each evening has a different topic and will include time for discussion. The purpose is to grow in your spiritual health, your spousal relationship and your parenting skills. No matter what age you are you will find this very helpful. Please enter through the <u>small Parish Hall doors</u>. For more information contact Yvette Bourque at <u>yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com</u>. <u>THERE WILL BE NO MENS GROUP FOR NOW</u>.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ARNPRIOR & BRAESIDE





St. John Chrysostom Parish

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

★ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ★ January 15, 2023

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Liturgical Appointments: January 21/22

Next Weekend	4:30 P.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
Reader	Rich	St. John XXIII	Beth Johnson
Ministers of Communion	Cheryl/Margaret	Janet	Delia Burns
Greeter/Usher	Linda, Denis, Clare +1	St. John XXIII	Andy Prince Garry Fisher
Music	James	St. John XXIII	James

St. John Chrysostom Parish is the Home of the Arnprior & District Food Bank 613-668-4462, Al-Anon & A.A.

REFLECTION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL: This Sunday we break from our reading of Matthew's Gospel (the primary Gospel for our current liturgical cycle, Cycle A) to read from John's Gospel. We heard Matthew's account of Jesus' baptism last Sunday, on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Today, we hear John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus as found in John's Gospel. John's Gospel differs from the other Gospels because John does not describe Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist. Instead, John the Baptist announces that he knows that Jesus is the Son of God. In today's reading, John the Baptist sees Jesus approaching and cries out, giving witness about who Jesus is. In John's testimony he says that he saw the Spirit descend upon Jesus. By this sign, John the Baptist knew that Jesus was the one who is to come after him. John the Baptist uses two titles for Jesus that are familiar to us. John calls Jesus the "Lamb of God" and the "Son of God." By using these titles, John the Baptist identifies Jesus' ultimate purpose: to redeem sinful humanity. John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus clearly distinguishes John's baptism from the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John baptizes with water; Jesus will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John also puts his practice of baptism in the context of Jesus' ministry. The purpose of John's baptism was to make Jesus known to Israel. John the Baptist's sense of purpose is clearly identified in this reading: he baptized in order to prepare for and make known the ministry of the One who was to follow. John's witness is an excellent example of what it means to be a disciple. By our Baptism, we are called to make Jesus known to all the world by our words and by the witness of our lives.

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION: His Excellency Most Reverend Guy Desrochers will be leading us in our Lenten Day of Reflection on Saturday, February 25, 2023 at the Parish Hall in Arnprior. Doors open at 9:00 a.m. for coffee and muffins. Retreat starts at 10:00 a.m. There is no fee for the day but registration is required by calling the parish office at 613+-623-2282 or John Wagner at 613-623-3722 or email jwagner@bell.net since a lunch will be provided. Last date to register will be Sunday February 19, 2023. Sponsored by Arnprior Knights of Columbus Council 2082. Everyone is welcome.

CHURCH EXTERIOR RESTORATION COLLECTION: The amount of \$5,613.25 from the month of November 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. Thank you for your generosity.

POPE'S PRAYER FOR JANUARY: For educators, we pray that educators may be credible witnesses, to teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK, JAN 18 - 22, 2023

Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Braeside	June Murphy by The Estate
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Arnprior	Shirley Anderson by Her Sisters
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Arnprior	Bob & Dorothy Stanley by Bob & Sandy Lee
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Arnprior	Sandra Leduc by Denis Leduc
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Arnprior	Missa Pro Populo
	10:30 a.m.	Braeside	Gordon McNulty by William McNulty

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: 20 minutes before weekend Masses and also upon request.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: for the repose of the soul of Mr. John Gruszka, grandfather of Father Scott Murray. Mr. Gruszka passed away in Oshawa on December 27th. Please pray for Mr. Gruszka and the consolation of Father Scott and his family at this time. For the weak, the lonely and the depressed, for the sick of the parish and for all those who have died.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY:

The Lift Jesus Higher Rally (LJHR) is an annual event for Youth and Adults that focuses on evangelizing through uplifting music, testimonials, reflections, Divine Mercy celebration and Eucharistic Adoration. Tracks for adults (\$25) and youth (\$15) on **Saturday March 24**th, **2023**, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto. For more information and registration go to: www.LJHR.ca.

2023 NORTHERN ONTARIO CATHOLIC YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE - LEVEL UP, FIND YOUR PURPOSE - NORTH BAY, ONTARIO, FEBRUARY 25

This event is for ages 13-19 and includes a day full of prayer, music, workshops, games, Catholic vendors and motivational talks from **Keynote Speaker**, **Ken Yasinski**. Ken Yasinski has been speaking full time for 20 years within the Catholic Church. He is the founder of Face to Face Ministries, a Lighthouse Catholic Media Speaker, author, and songwriter. This event is being hosted by the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall from 10 a.m to 8 p.m. Registration information can be found at www.holynamestalphonsus.com/levelup. Young people from all over Northern Ontario and beyond are welcome to attend this Conference. The **Diocese of Pembroke, Family Life and Youth Ministry Office**, is organizing transportation to attend this 1 day conference. The **cost is \$30.00 per participant** (includes transportation, lunch and dinner). Deadline is Friday Feb. 17th. Contact Yvette for more information or to receive a registration form. (613) 585-6301 or yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com.