

SUNDAY OFFERING JANUARY 22nd - Arnprior: Sunday offering - \$3,688.30

Braeside: Sunday offering - \$1,271.30

ATTENDANCE JAN 22nd - Arnprior: Sat – 160, Sun - 206 **Braeside:** Sun - 81

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Imagine if you knew the great works done by Catholic Women's League members. As social justice activists, we pray and work for family, friends and all people to change current issues and make this world a better place. We hope you will join us!

CWL ARNPRIOR: February 8 at noon is our annual Box Lunch and membership recruitment drive. All women in the parish are welcome. We promise a nice lunch, sisterhood and an opportunity for you to ask us all about the CWL! Membership forms will be available and the cost to join is \$35.00 for 2023.

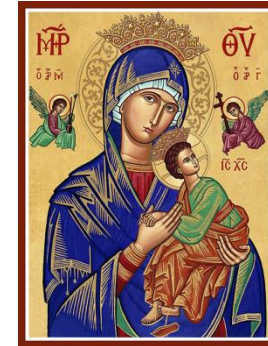
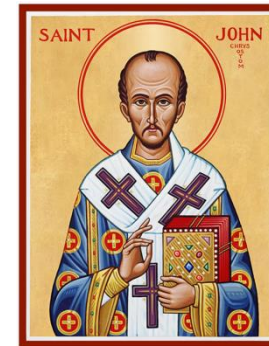
CWL BRAESIDE: The CWL has a tradition of visiting the sick and homebound of the parish approximately once a month for a friendly chat. Also if you or a relative are in need of a visit please don't hesitate to contact Marilyn Robertson @ 613-623-5788 to set up an appointment.

LEGION/KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EUCHRE CHALLENGE: 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 join us, just get a partner and show up on the dates above. Cost is \$5.00 a person.

IMAGE OF GOD: Next Session: Wednesday Feb. 8, 7 – 8 p.m – St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall, Renfrew. Topic: READY FOR THE WORLD - 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 small Parish Hall doors. For more information contact Yvette Bourque at yvettebourque@pembrokedioocese.com.

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 24th, 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

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ARNPRIOR & BRAESIDE



St. John Chrysostom Parish Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

✠ Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠

January 29, 2023

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Liturgical Appointments: FEB 4/5

Next Weekend	4:30 P.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
Reader	Christine	Sharon	
Ministers of Communion	Joan A./Nancy	Luc/Sharon	Kathie McMahon
Greeter/Usher	Linda, Denis, Clare +1	Cindy Colotelo	Jacob Perreault
Music	James	KofC	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: Today's reading is the beginning of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, which is found in Matthew's Gospel. The form of the Beatitudes found here is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, in the psalms, and in wisdom literature, for example. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God. We quickly note in this reading that the people whom Jesus calls "blessed" and "happy" are not people we think of as blessed or happy . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. This Gospel is one of reversals. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness. "Blessed" is sometimes translated as *happy, fortunate, or favored*. In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favor is upon those who are poor, those who mourn, those who are persecuted. This news might have been welcome—and surprising—to the crowds who heard Jesus that day. The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. By referring to the good things that the faithful will experience, Matthew reminds us that those who act in the manner described in the Beatitudes will find their reward with God.

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.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: the weak, the lonely and the depressed, for the homeless and less fortunate, for those struggling with addictions, for the sick of the parish and for all those who have died.

CHURCH EXTERIOR RESTORATION COLLECTION: The amount of \$7,975.00 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. 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 31 – FEB 5, 2023

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Braeside Deceased Family & Friends by *Gerry & Jane*
Thursday 9:00 a.m. Arnprior **The Presentation of the Lord**
Rev. R.A. Glofcheski by
Mike & Gladys Glofcheski
First Friday 9:00 a.m. Arnprior *For Donors to the Memorial Fund & Those Named in Memoriam*
Saturday 4:30 p.m. Arnprior *Missa Pro Populo*
Sunday 9:00 a.m. Arnprior *Betty Margaret Barrett by Your Parish Family*
10:30 a.m. Braeside Daly & MacKey Families by Stewart & Ann Daly

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

VOCATIONS :Feb 2nd, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at St. Michael Parish, Douglas – "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 vocations office is beginning a new prayer initiative in 2023. The First Thursday of each month there will be a Holy Hour to pray for priestly vocations. The Holy Hour will be in a different parish of the diocese each month. It will consist of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Sacred Music, a reflection by a priest, a Rosary for vocations, and time for silent prayer. The first Holy Hour will be at St. Joseph Parish, QC (10 minutes from Pembroke) with the reflection given by Fr. Scott Murray. These Holy Hours are open to everyone, not just those considering a priestly vocation.

POPE FRANCIS'S MESSAGE for the 31st World Day of the Sick (11 February 2023): The Vatican released [Pope Francis's message for the 31st World Day of the Sick](#), celebrated every year on 11 February, liturgical memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. The Holy Father's message is entitled: "**Take care of him**" – **Compassion as a synodal exercise of healing**. In light of the Church's synodal journey, Pope Francis invites "all of us to reflect on the fact that it is especially through the experience of vulnerability and illness that we can learn to walk together according to the style of God, which is closeness, compassion, and tenderness."

2023 BIBLE IN A YEAR ONLINE RETREAT: This three day online retreat with Jeff Cavins, Fr. Mike Schmitz, and Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio will help attendees embrace their rich inheritance as sons and daughters of God. From **February 11-13, 2023**. Visit <https://ascensionpress.com/products/bible-in-a-year-retreat> for more information.