

SUNDAY OFFERING ARNPRIOR: Mar 26th \$3,659.15
ATTENDANCE: MAR 25th 117 **MAR 26th** 139
BRAESIDE OFFERING: Mar 26th \$1,452.35
ATTENDANCE: Mar 26th 89

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE ARNPRIOR: The strength of belonging to a sisterhood of thousands of women is powerful and our impact makes a difference in our parishes, communities, country and beyond. The Catholic Women's League is the largest women's organization in Canada.

CWL ARNPRIOR next meeting will be on Wed. April 5th at 7p.m. in the parish hall.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP: In preparation for our church diner, we are in great need of people to help clean out the garage. We also require kitchen helpers and people to help set up the tents the day of the dinner. There is a meeting on Monday March 27th at 1:00pm in the Braeside church hall for all interested in making the dinner as successful as always. Any questions call Beth at 296-3469

VOCATIONS: 1st Thursday Holy Hours to Pray for Vocations: On April 7th, 8-9 p.m. at Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Pembroke - "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 Holy Hour will consist of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Sacred Music, a reflection by Fr. Murray, a Rosary for vocations, and time for silent prayer. April's Holy Hour will be at the Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Pembroke. These Holy Hours are open to everyone, not just those considering a priestly vocation. For more information and details please email vocations@pembrokediocese.com diocese.com or visit www.pembrokevocations.com/events.

WASHING OF THE FEET: Due to the ongoing concerns of covid the washing of the feet will be omitted again this year.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS: Today from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. there will be four visiting priest confessors.



WINE & CHEESE: St. John Chrysostom will be hosting a wine & cheese after the Easter Vigil, Saturday April 8th. Immediately after mass we will be meeting downstairs in the basement of the church. If you plan on attending please register on the signup sheet that is at the entrance of the church or call the office at 623-2282.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ARNPRIOR & BRAESIDE



St. John Chrysostom Parish Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish
✠ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord ✠
April 2, 2023

Pastoral Staff
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Liturgical Appointments: APRIL 8/9

Next Weekend	4:30 P.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
Reader	TBA	Sabrina	Ellie Hrkach
Ministers of Communion	Margaret	Joan W.	Bernice Fitzmaurice
Greeter/Usher	Linda, Denis, Clare +1	Lynn, Carol Therese, Gilles	Paul Avon
Music	Maxine/James	Stephanie/Anda	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: The theme of Matthew's Gospel is to show Jesus as the fulfillment of Scripture. Throughout the Passion narrative, Matthew cites and alludes to Scripture to show that the events of Jesus' Passion and death are in accordance with all that was foretold. And if the events were foretold, then God is in control. In addition, Matthew is particularly concerned that the reader does not miss the fact that Jesus is the Suffering Servant of the Old Testament. Jesus acts in obedience to the Father even in death, so that sins may be forgiven. Matthew makes this clear in the story of the Lord's Supper. As Jesus blesses the chalice, he says: ". . . for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins." (Matthew 26:28) While the Gospels of Matthew and Mark have many parallels in their narrative of the Passion, there are a few details worth noting that are unique to Matthew. Only Matthew indicates the price paid to Judas for betraying Jesus. The story of Judas's death is also found only in Matthew, as is the detail that Pilate's wife received a warning in a dream and that Pilate washed his hands of Jesus' death. Finally, Matthew's Gospel alone mentions the earthquakes and other phenomena that happened after Jesus' death. Matthew places the responsibility for Jesus' death on the Sanhedrin, the chief priests and elders who were responsible for the Temple. However, the animosity that those Jewish leaders and the Jewish people demonstrate toward Jesus is not to be interpreted in ways that blame the Jewish people for Jesus' death. Throughout Matthew's Gospel, the narrative reflects the tension that probably existed between the early Christian community and their Jewish contemporaries. At the Second Vatican Council, the Council Fathers made clear that all sinners share responsibility for the suffering and death of Jesus and that it is wrong to place blame for Jesus' Passion on the Jewish contemporaries of Jesus or on Jewish people today. There are many vantage points from which to engage in Jesus' Passion. In the characters of Matthew's Gospel, we find reflections of ourselves and the many ways in which we sometimes respond to Jesus. Sometimes we are like Judas, who betrays Jesus and comes to regret it. We are sometimes like Peter, who denies him, or like the disciples, who fell asleep during Jesus' darkest hour but then act rashly and violently at his arrest. Sometimes we are like Simon, who is pressed into service to help Jesus carry his cross. Sometimes we are like the leaders who fear Jesus or like Pontius Pilate, who washed his hands of the whole affair. Jesus dies so that our sins will be forgiven.



EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS: for the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones can be made with the envelopes provided in the pews and at the entrance of the church. The Masses will be offered for your intentions. **Donations must be submitted at the Parish Office by April 5th, 2023.**

Tuesday 10:30 a.m. CHRISM MASS at St. Columbkille Cathedral in Pembroke

+++ The Sacred Paschal Triduum +++

Thursday Of The Lord's Supper

April 6 7:00 p.m. St. John Chrysostom

Departed Relatives *by Bob & Sandy Lee*

Adoration Before The Lord - Our Lady's Chapel until 10:00 p.m.

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

April 7 12:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Christopher H. J. Clarke *by Jerry & Jane Whalen*

3:00 p.m. St. John Chrysostom

Steve Blais *by Bonnie Blais & Family*

Holy Saturday:

April 8 7:30 p.m. St. John Chrysostom

Suzanne Mullins *by Blaine Mullins & Family*

The Resurrection of the Lord

April 9 9:00 a.m. St. John Chrysostom

Missa Pro Populo

10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Jack Miller *by Val & Enis Poirier*

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

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: that these forty days of spiritual renewal may help us turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel, for the young children of our parish who are preparing for their upcoming sacraments, for our faithful departed, Alma McNulty mother of Catherine McNulty of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Larry Pouliot from St. John Chrysostom.

SPIRITUAL MOTHERHOOD OF PRIESTS: An invitation to any Catholic woman interested in becoming a Spiritual Mother of Priests. Formation Weekend and Induction/Renewal Promises Mass – June 2, 3 & 4th 2023 at Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Dr. Kanata K2L 2X1. Details at www.spiritualmotherhoodofpriests.ca. Please register by email to spiritualmotherhoodottawa@gmail.com by Wed. May 24th. For more information please call 613-254-7220.