ATTENDANCE ARNPRIOR: Aug 5th- 88, 6th- 129, 12th- 88, 13th- 144, 19th- 114, 20th- 135, 26th- 97, 27th- 124, Sept. 2nd- 130, 3rd- 135, 9th- 120, 10th- 156 ATTENDANCE BRAESIDE: Aug 6th- 88, 13th- 100, 20th- 114, 27th- 96, Sept 3rd- 95,

10th- 88

SUNDAY OFFERING ARNPRIOR: August 6th, \$3,926.76, 13th, \$8,136.74, 20th, \$2,240.90 27th, \$4,374.50, September 3rd, \$4,506.30, 10th, \$4,992.00 SUNDAY OFFERING BRAESIDE: August 6th \$1,639.00, 13th, \$3,931.11, 20th, \$1,781.60, 27th, \$1,706.97, Sept. 3rd, \$1,542.42, 10th, \$2,114.75

ARNPRIOR CWL: Change to the Food Bank Collection: Please bring your food donations to any weekend Mass and place it in or beside the hamper at the entrance of the church.

Sat. Sept 23 - CWL annual day of reflection (Our Lady of Fatima, Renfrew)

Wed Sept 27 - CWL Executive meeting

Thurs. Sept 28 - Milk Bag Mats workshop at 1pm in the parish hall

Wed Oct 4 - CWL potluck and general meeting, 6pm in the parish hall

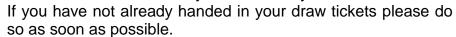
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Business Meeting – Monday October 2nd @ 6:00 p.m. Executive Meeting – Monday September 25th @ 7:00 p.m

BRAESIDE CWL: We will be hosting coffee and donuts after the 10:30 mass TO-DAY. Please join us! Also, our monthly meeting will be held Tuesday Sept. 19th at 6:30 in the parish hall.

DONATION: A \$5,000.00 donation has been made to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Memorial fund in memory of the late Lorne McMahon.

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM PARISH DINNER: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH 2023

The Harvest Festival is only 4 weeks away.



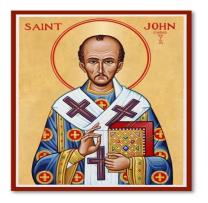
This year Giant Tiger is donating the 75 dozen buns that we require for our dinner so I will not need anyone to donate buns. Instead I will have a signup sheet for butter. I will have this out next weekend at the entrance of the church.

We are always in need of lots of desserts and salads. No leaf salads please.

We will be accepting only homemade crafts, jellies/jams and baked goods for the craft table. Please no garage sale items. We will also need lots of plastic containers for all the leftovers so we can donate them to the food bank the next day. Thanking you in advance for all your hard work and volunteer hours.

Cheryl Peters, Harvest Festival Convener

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ARNPRIOR & BRAESIDE





St. John Chrysostom Parish **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish** ₩ Twenty Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time ₩ **September 17, 2023**

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Liturgical Appointments for the Month of September

September	4:30 P.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
Reader	Debbie	Roxanne	Mark Cassanto
Ministers of Communion	Margaret/Nancy	Betty/Janet	Gary Fisher
Greeter/Usher	Linda, Denis Clare +1	Therese/Gilles Luc/Cheryl	Charlie Dagg
Music			James

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

REFLECTION ON TODAYS GOSPEL: Today's Gospel reading directly follows last week's Gospel in which Jesus taught the disciples how to handle disputes and conflict within the Christian community. In today's reading Peter asks Jesus how many times one ought to extend forgiveness to another. Peter proposes a reasonable number of times, perhaps seven. Jesus replies by extending Peter's proposal by an enormous amount; not just seven times should one forgive, but 77 times. The parable of the unforgiving servant is Jesus' elaboration of his initial reply to Peter. Through the parable we come to understand the depths of God's mercy toward us and the results of our acceptance of God's forgiveness. The king in the parable decides to settle accounts with his servants. We are told that one servant in particular owes the king an enormous sum of money. Despite the promise of the servant, it is unlikely that he would ever be able to repay the debt that he owes. The king is moved by the humility of the pleading servant and mercifully forgives the debt. Rather than displaying gratitude for this forgiveness, the servant confronts a fellow servant who owes him a small debt—a pittance when compared with the amount that was owed to the king. The unmerciful servant refuses the pleas of his fellow servant and sends the servant to prison. A few other servants tell the merciful king about the actions of the unforgiving servant. The king punishes the servant because he refused to show the kind of mercy he had himself received from the king. Jesus concludes by indicating that this is how it will be with God and those who refuse to forgive one another. There is a temptation to quantify forgiveness as Peter tried to do, but Jesus' point is that forgiveness is not about quantity—the number of times we extend forgiveness to another. In the parable the king's forgiveness is like God's forgiveness, and it transforms us, helping us to be as forgiving as God. The lesson is clear: If we hoard God's mercy while showing no mercy to others, we risk forfeiting the effects of God's mercy in our lives.



HEALING SERVICE WITH EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Guest Speaker – Father Real Ouellette
St. John Chrysostom Parish
Wednesday, September 20, 2023
7:00 – 8:15 p.m.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK SEPTEMBER 20- 24

Wednesday 9:00 a.m St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon Priest, Paul Chong Ha-Sang,

And Companions, Martyrs

Braeside Robert Williams by Jerry & Jane Whalen

Thursday 9:00 a.m. St. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist

Arnprior Father Grant Neville by Margaret Dupuis

Friday 9:00 a.m. Arnprior For the Souls in Purgatory by A Parishioner

Saturday 4:30 p.m. St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Arnprior Dennis McCormick by Judy Holmes

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Arnprior *Missa Pro Populo*

10:30 a.m. Braeside June Murphy by The Estate

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

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: the lonely, the depressed, parishioners who are sick and their caregivers; for all who have died, especially Patricia Egan, and Wayne Oattes of the parish.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE: Father Réal Ouellette has the great pleasure and honour of accompanying a Marian Pilgrimage to Lourdes (France), Compostela (Spain), and Fatima and Lisbon (Portugal) from October 25th to November 6th 2023.

For more info: https://spiritours.com/en/product/france-spain-portugal-acn/

PARISH SUPPERS: St. Patrick Annual Supper and Bazaar will take place on Sunday, September 24th from 1-6 p.m. at the DACA Center. Visitor's Mass at 12 noon at St. Patrick Church.

YOU - THEOLOGY OF THE BODY FOR TEENS BY ASCENSION PRESS

For all teens from age 14 – 19. Come learn what LOVE really is, why we were made male and female, how do we know what the truth is, what is our true value, what does God want to reveal to us about our bodies and so much more. Saturdays Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 9 from 10 – 3:30 pm. \$40 per participant includes student workbook and daily lunch. *Special parent session on Oct. 21, 10 a.m -12:30 p.m. Includes lunch. No cost*. Online registration and further details at www.pembrokediocese.com (front page)

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