

ATTENDANCE ARNPRIOR: February 10th - 126 —, 11th - 175
SUNDAY OFFERING ARNPRIOR: February 11th, \$4,513.90
ATTENDANCE BRAESIDE: February 11th 100
SUNDAY OFFERING BRAESIDE: February 11th \$2,390.15

CLEANING BEE: I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that had anything to do with helping out last weekend to clean the church. We had 26 volunteers who showed up and it was amazing. You would think 26 would be enough but there were a few minor things that we did not get at. I will be doing this as a yearly spring clean. We cleaned for two hours and then enjoyed pizza and refreshments together. Thanks again it was so greatly appreciated.....Cheryl

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Business Meeting Monday March 4 @ 6:00 p.m.
Executive Meeting Monday February 26 @ 7:00 p.m.

LEGION/KNIGHTS EUCHRE CHALLENGE: **St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall.**
Open to everyone. Cost: \$5 per person. Bring a partner. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the games start at 7:00 p.m. Dates: February 23rd, March 8th with banquet on the 22nd. You must play at least 3 nights to get the banquet free.



BRAESIDE EUCHRE: Every Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the parish hall in Braeside. Come and enjoy fun and fellowship.

BRAESIDE CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE: The next General Meeting will be held on February 20th at 6:30 pm and the March meeting will be on the 19th both will be in the Braeside parish hall.



BRAESIDE COFFEE & DONUTS: March 17th after the 10:30 mass.
Everyone welcome. Come and enjoy the fellowship.

STRENGTH FROM HEAVEN: This Lent, we invite you to join us for a three day mission, led by Catholic Evangelist, Patrick Sullivan. Patrick is an international catholic author, speaker and missionary preacher. His talks have been aired on EWTN, Formed, and Shalom World Media. Known for his deep love of the Scriptures and his ability to make difficult theological concepts more accessible, audiences frequently walk away from his talks feeling refreshed and challenged to take their next step in faith. Be sure to bring a note pad and pen - you will want to take notes! February 27-29 at 7:00 p.m. in meeting room #1 in the church basement. Everyone welcome.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ARNPRIOR & BRAESIDE



St. John Chrysostom Parish Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish
✠*First Sunday of Lent*✠
February 18, 2024

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Liturgical Appointments for February 24/25

| September | 4:30 P.M. | 9:00 A.M. | 10:30 A.M. |
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| Reader | Carol | Josie | Gerry |
| Ministers of Communion | Richard/Nancy | Golda/Savio | Kathy |
| Greeter/Usher | Linda/Denis Clare +1 | Lynn, Marc Cheryl/Rich | Jacob |
| Music | Praise & Worship | James | James |

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday night during Lent, starting on February 16th the Franciscans will lead the stations of the cross at 7:00 p.m.

FIVE WEEK BIBLICAL WALK-THROUGH CHRIST’S PASSION: Join in a “Pilgrimage that reveals Christ’s amazing love for us” at St. Francis Xavier Main Parish Hall in Renfrew. Each one-hour session takes place **on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. – February 15, 22 & 29, March 7 & 14.** Using Ascension Press’ 30-minute videos and discussions we will deepen our faith this Lent and Easter, deepen our understanding of the Passion of Christ, follow the events of the Passion and Death of Jesus, and learn how to apply the Passion of Christ to our own lives.

THE TRADITIONAL LENTEN DISCIPLINES:



1. Prayer: Catholics are encouraged to *be more mindful* of the presence of God and desire for friendship by praying more during Lent, especially with Sacred Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. *Making time* for weekday Mass, spiritual reading, Eucharistic adoration, the Stations of the Cross, praying of the Rosary as a family, days of reflection, scripture study groups, and Lenten workshops is also encouraged.

2. Fasting & Abstinence: Catholics of age 14 and older abstain from meat (beast or fowl) on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays during Lent. In addition, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics from age 18 - 59 fast, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day. *Why not consider how food is wasted. What is the quality of your interaction during mealtimes at home? Give up some treat you enjoy. Abstain from alcoholic beverages and expensive cuts of meat. Eat of the food of the poor: a bowl of rice per day and some vegetables.*

3. Almsgiving: Moved by the sacrifice of Christ, we give generously to the poor and not just from our surplus. We can simplify our lifestyle, reduce our consumerism and give that discretionary income to those in need. Almsgiving can be combined with fasting, giving to the poor the money saved by eating, drinking or buying less as we rely more upon God's abundant grace. May the experience of physical hunger also remind us of our deep need and desire for Christ the Bread of Life.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: This year the theme for the World Day of Prayer is “I beg you....bear with one and other in love”. It will be held at the Anglican Church, 287 Harrington St. in Arnprior on Friday March 1st at 2:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK February 21 - 25

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| Wednesday | 9:00 a.m. | Braeside | Deceased Members of the Sawyer & Fairfield Families <i>by Jim & Sue Sawyer</i> |
| Thursday | 9:00 a.m. | Arnprior | Chair of St. Peter, Apostle Deceased Members of the Freeman & Farrell Families <i>by Dwayne & Donna Freeman</i> |
| Friday | 9:00 a.m. | Arnprior | Mary & Versal Bond & Betty Bond Fox <i>by Their Family</i> |
| Saturday | 4:30 p.m. | Arnprior | Rita Hogan <i>by Her Daughter</i> |
| Sunday | 9:00 a.m. | Arnprior | <i>Missa Pro Populo</i> |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Braeside | Yvette Levea <i>by Enis & Val Poirier</i> |

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

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: For the homeless, that they find shelter in these cold winter months, for parishioners who are sick; and those who have died, especially, Maurice Sample and Lee DuBois,

THE EVANGELIZATION: A prayer for those whom we wish to encounter Christ and walk the path of discipleship – By Pierre-Alain Giffard, Director of Pastoral Work: Heavenly Father, I come before you in Jesus’ name and covered with his precious blood lifting up ... *(name those you pray for)*. I ask that you touch them with your Holy Spirit. May they come to know your grace, your love, and your saving power. Open their heart and mind to the truth of your Word. Remove any doubts or uncertainties that may hinder their journey towards you. Lord, I ask for your divine intervention so that they encounter you through the Holy Spirit in ways that are undeniable and life changing. Surround them with believers who can share their testimonies and walk alongside their journey. Grant them to find the truth and embrace your Son, Jesus Christ, as their Lord and Saviour. I place them into your merciful hands, trusting in your perfect timing and your unfailing love. Amen

THEOLOGY ON TAP (19-49ish) – Pembroke: Join us for Theology on Tap **Thursday February 22nd (Feast of the Chair of St. Peter)**, 7 – 8:30 p.m. at Nelson St. Pub, 207 Nelson Street, Pembroke. Guest speaker: **Fr. Scott Murray**. Topic: **“St. Peter – A history of the Papacy.”** Consider inviting someone who doesn’t attend or rarely attends church. Questions? Contact Yvette at yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com.