

FEAST OF ST. JOHN XXIII: On October 11 the Church commemorates St. John XXIII who was Pope from 1958-1963. He was born on November 25, 1881 and was baptized Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli. Born poor, he claimed it as one of his greatest advantages for it would allow him, his entire life, to live frugally and as he noted in his Last Will and Testament (itself a beautiful testimony to his faith and piety), it would allow him to die poor! His spirit of detachment and simplicity of life was the hallmark of his entire ecclesiastical calling.

Elected Pope on October 28, 1958, given his age, it was believed that he would be but an interim Pastor of the Universal Church. His pontificate, which lasted less than five years, presented him to the entire world as an authentic image of the Good Shepherd. Meek and gentle, enterprising and courageous, simple and active, he carried out the Christian duties of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy: visiting the imprisoned and the sick, welcoming those of every nation and faith, bestowing on all his fatherly care.

It was his convocation of the Second Vatican Council and the desire to usher in an age of spiritual renewal within the life of the Church that made his pontificate anything but ordinary and routine. But providence did not permit him to see the conclusion of the Council (called together on October 11, 1962, Pope John would pass away on June 3, 1963). We pray that his example might inspire us to live with humility, piety and detachment.

St. John XXIII pray for us, and for the School Community in Arnprior that bears his name!

CWL BRAESIDE: Our next regular meeting is this Tuesday, October 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. At 7:00 p.m. that same evening, we welcome Samantha Hudson as our guest speaker. All are most welcome! Please see the Notice at the Church Entrance for more information. Also note that next Sunday is our monthly Food Drive. Please be generous!

CWL ARNPRIOR: Upcoming Elections – This year we will be electing new ladies for the positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Please find nomination forms for these positions on the table at the entrance of the church that members can fill in and return in the collection basket or to the office.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA CWL SPAGHETTI DINNER: You are invited to join us at Our Lady of Fatima Church Hall for a Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, November 1st from 5 – 7 pm. Cost is \$20/meal or \$35.00 for 2 meals. All are welcome.

A HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL!



**THE PARISHES OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, ARNPRIOR
& OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, BRAESIDE**

✠ TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ✠
October 11, 2026

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

SUNDAY SOCIAL – SEPTEMBER - JUNE

Arnprior - First Sunday of the Month
Braeside - Third Sunday of the Month

DIRECTORY FOR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Please find flyers at the entrance to the Churches outlining Sacramental Preparation in our Parishes:
Baptism, First Confession, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, OCIA and Marriage.

St. John Chrysostom Church is home to the Arnprior & District Food Bank
613-622-2663

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION:

As we take up the round of activities for another School Year, we invite parents with children eligible for First Confession and First Communion, or with youth eligible for the Sacrament of Confirmation, to register with the Parish at gingerregan.dre@gmail.com. You can also access this information via the Parish website at www.catholicarnpriorbraeside.com. It is hoped that we can begin the Formation for First Confession in November, and then, in the New Year, the Instruction and Formation for First Holy Communion, as also the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday, April 17; First Confession on Friday, April 30; and First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 2. We will endeavor to communicate this information to parents through our Catholic Schools, but if you know of parents with children attending other Schools within the community, or Homeschooled, invite them to make contact with the Parish so that we can welcome them to participate in our Programs of Formation and Instruction.

PASTORAL VISITS:

If someone is housebound and would like to have a Pastoral Visit and avail of the Sacraments of Penance, Holy Communion and the Sacrament of the Sick, they may call the Parish Office (613-623-2282) and ask for the same. If you have a family member or friend who would appreciate such a visit, with their permission you can also call on their behalf and this visit will be gladly arranged.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

In Arnprior, Confessions are heard Saturdays 3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m., and Sundays, 8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m. In Braeside on Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m. Confessions are also available by appointment. Kindly call the Parish Office.

POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER 2026:

For mental health ministry – Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

CHILDREN’S LITURGY:

Children ages four and up are invited to join us each Sunday at the 9:00 am Mass. We encourage all children to come and participate and learn about the Gospel through readings and activities. We are always in need of other adults to assist.

INVITATION TO ATTENDEES AT THE 10:30 AM MASS

Ushers are needed for the 10:30 a.m. Mass in Braeside: women, men and youth who in a spirit of Christian hospitality welcome parishioners and visitors to our Worship and assist in taking up the Sunday offering. If you would like to help, please contact Andy Prince at 613-623-7246.

MASS INTENTIONS: OCTOBER 14 - 18

Wed	9:00 am	Braeside	Bill Koot by the Family
Thurs	9:00 am	Arnprior	Rita Hogan by Daughters Anne & Donna
Fri	9:00 am	Arnprior	Departed Students by Bob & Sandy Lee
Sat	4:30 pm	Arnprior	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i>
Sun	9:00 am	Arnprior	Steve Blais by His Wife & Family
Sun	10:30 am	Braeside	Geraldine Paquette by Helen Havelin

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

♦ The parable of today’s Gospel is a strange mixture of happiness and violence. Is God’s invitation to happiness in this kingdom so compelling and at times so challenging and disruptive of our accustomed way of doing things that we must resort to violence to avoid saying yes? Send God your R.S.V.P. today! We pray:

To the wedding feast of your Son, O good and gracious God you have invited all the peoples of the world. May this gracious invitation remind us that all is grace and keep us from turning away any who would respond to your invitation. At the same time let us never take for granted such an offer and come arrayed in a wedding garment of holiness, keeping unstained the Baptismal Robe received, clothing ourselves in virtue and justice and integrity of life.

♦ October is the *Month of the Holy Rosary* and presents the perfect occasion to revive the practice of the Daily Rosary, especially the Family Rosary. As noted last Sunday, Pope Leo has asked that as we pray the Rosary this month, we make as one of our primary intentions, peace in our world. According to St. Louis Marie de Montfort (1673-1716), the devout recitation of the Rosary brings about the following benefits:

- it gradually brings us a perfect knowledge of Jesus Christ;
- it purifies our souls from sin;
- it gives us victory over all our adversaries;
- it makes the practice of virtue easy;
- it sets us on fire with the love of our Lord;
- it enriches us with graces and merits;
- it supplies us with what is needed to pay all our debts to God and to our fellowmen;
- and finally, it obtains innumerable graces from God.

♦ On Monday we celebrate ‘Thanksgiving.’ Two Prefaces in the Missal express the sentiments we should cultivate on this Thanksgiving weekend: “For you laid the foundations of the world and have arranged the changing of times and seasons; you formed man in your own image and set humanity over the whole world in all its wonder, to rule in your name over all you have made and for ever praise you in your mighty works...” (*cf. Preface V of Sundays in Ordinary Time*); “For, although you have no need of our praise, yet our thanksgiving is itself your gift, since our praises add nothing to your greatness but profit us for salvation through Christ our Lord.” (*cf. Common Preface IV*). This weekend and always, let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

