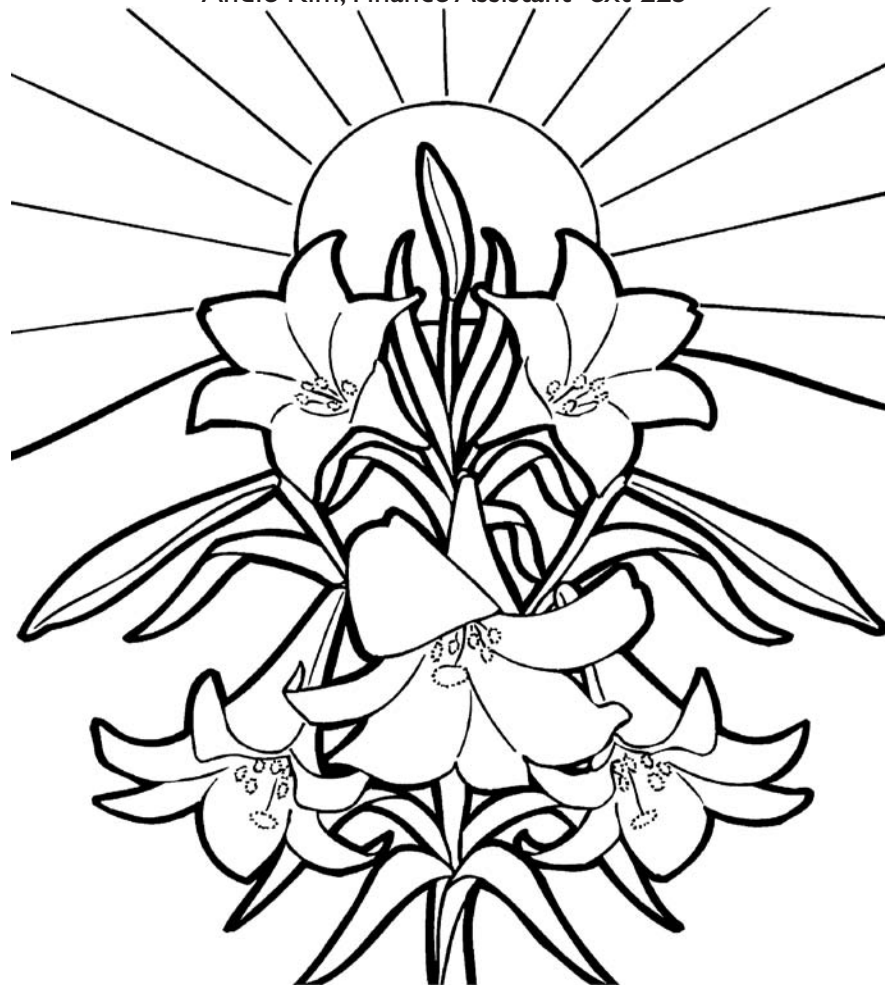


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**The Lord has Risen,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

March 31/April 1, 2018: The Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday, April 1	The Resurrection of the Lord 9:30am: For the People (Mass with Baptisms) 11:30am: For the People
Monday, April 2	Solemnity: Easter Octave Parish and School Closed
Tuesday, April 3	Solemnity: Easter Octave 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Nola Wiechman-Praznik 7pm: 1st Eucharist Parent Meeting (Hall)
Wed., April 4	Solemnity: Easter Octave 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Wendy Stefansson 7pm: Archdiocesan Development and Peace Meeting
Thursday, April 5	Solemnity: Easter Octave 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Mary Flood
Friday, April 6	Solemnity: Easter Octave 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +John Mulhern 9:45am-Noon: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction
Saturday, April 7	Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Easter 5pm: For the People
Sunday, April 8	2nd Sunday of Easter 9:30am: +Geraldine Walker 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Patricia Anne Wightman & +Wladimir Petriuk 12:30pm: Confirmation Session (Computer Lab) 12:30pm: C.W.L Meeting (St. Marie Rm)



From Father Wayne:

CHRIST IS RISEN! This ecstatic proclamation will be made around the world today in all the languages of the human race. Blessed are those who make it. More blessed are those who feel the reality of it in their lives. The Resurrection isn't only for Jesus. It's for all who join their lives to His in faith. The Resurrection is given to us to permeate every moment and every fiber of our lives. It is given to raise us up from whatever way death has intruded into life. Is it illness? Is it addiction or a crushing relationship? Is it the emptiness of final moments? Into all of these and more, the Resurrection comes as new life.

Happy Easter.
Father Wayne

Baptism: Are you expecting a child or contemplating Baptism for your child? For further information, please contact Tom Bailey-Robertson in the Parish Office at (204) 488-4467 (Ext. 217).

Sacrament of First Eucharist Parent Information Evening:
Tuesday, April 3, 7pm-7:45pm, Parish Hall

Sacrament of Confirmation:
Tuesday, May 29, 7pm

Archbishop Richard Gagnon, Presider

RCIA: This is the time to deepen your relationship with God. If you are considering being baptized, becoming Catholic, or if you just want to learn more, consider joining the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). Contact Tom at (204) 488-4467 ext. 217. Sessions are held Sundays from 10:30-11:30am.

St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:
March 24/25: \$3,423.30

Least Coin Collection:
March 24/25: \$448
2018 Total to date: **\$4,538.75**

Holy Hour for Vocations: On April 22, 2018 we are celebrating the Good Shepherd Sunday – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We would like to unite our prayers to those of the Universal Church in asking the Lord to “send laborers into his harvest” (cf. Lk 10:2) - that He would raise up from our midst priests and religious who would serve God and His people with their whole hearts. Come and join us in praying for this in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **April 22nd, 2018 at 7:00 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral** (353 St. Mary's Ave, Winnipeg). The Presider is going to be our Archbishop Richard Gagnon. For further information contact the vocations director, Fr. Peter Nemcek – (204) 452-2227 or pnemcek@archwinnipeg.ca



St. John Brebeuf School: Spaces are available in grades 1, 3, 7 & 8 for the 2018-2019 school year. Call 204-489-2015.



Let us Pray for our sick, homebound and those who need our prayers:

Therefore...pray for one another, so that you may be healed (James 5:15)

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If someone in your family is ill and requests the prayers of the parish community, please contact the Parish Office.

March 31/April 1, 2018: The Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of the Lord: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-18

Scripture tells us that God cherishes our tears, "You have kept count... put my tears in your bottle. Are they not in your record?" (Psalm 56:8). The Psalms also describe tears as food and drink, as a sadness that sustains someone through a time of loss. It takes the power of releasing emotions through tears to move through a traumatic loss towards hope. St. Paul talks about a "godly grief" that leads to conversion, contrasting it with a "worldly grief" that leads to death. A mental illness like depression is not so much about intense sadness as it is about numbness. It cuts people off from their feelings, starves them of their tears, and disconnects them from their sorrow and their joy. Crying might be involved in depression, but without the emotion behind it; tears that lack the life-giving quality of releasing feelings.

Mary Magdalene encounters the joy of Easter through eyes red and swollen from crying. What feelings might have been bursting inside her as she found Jesus' tomb empty? Of course there was deep sadness, first at having watched her close friend die, then at discovering his body had disappeared. Perhaps she was also angry—furious at Jesus for dying and leaving his friends before he could show them the way to the Father as he had promised. The missing body, rather than a sign of hope, may have reinforced for Mary the feeling of being abandoned. Sure, the other disciples had come to join her, but they went home shortly after. She did not share whatever meaning they had come to find; she was left alone at the tomb and alone in her grief, abandoned a second time. This might explain her reaction to finding two angels inside Jesus' tomb—rather than amazement or wonder, she was stuck on the fact that Jesus was gone, whisked away somewhere unknown, while she was left behind. Through her tears, she didn't recognize the man standing behind her as the very one she longed to see.

At funerals, we cite the promise made in scripture that God will wipe away every tear from our eyes. From the darkest depth of her grief, Mary Magdalene felt this promise fulfilled as she came to see the risen Christ before her. She tells the disciples that she has seen the Lord, but it is much more than mere sight. She had felt, experienced, the resurrected Christ in her heart. God wiped away the tears from her eyes, so she could not only see, but connect with a new way of life. Grief can be a gift when it leads to these kinds of moments: experiences of being held and comforted and experiences of connection with those we have lost. Mary didn't recognize Jesus in spite of her tears, but because she felt them being cleared away, she came to know his presence. This Easter, we can thank God even for our grief—through the wiping away of our tears, we too come to feel the presence of the risen Christ. We also hold in our hearts a prayer for those who are cut off from their grief by mental illness, those for whom feelings are still an empty tomb waiting for an encounter with the one who has risen.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate






Seeds of Friendship Concert:
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Saturday, April 21, 3pm
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Sunday, April 22, 7pm
St. John Brebeuf Church
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