

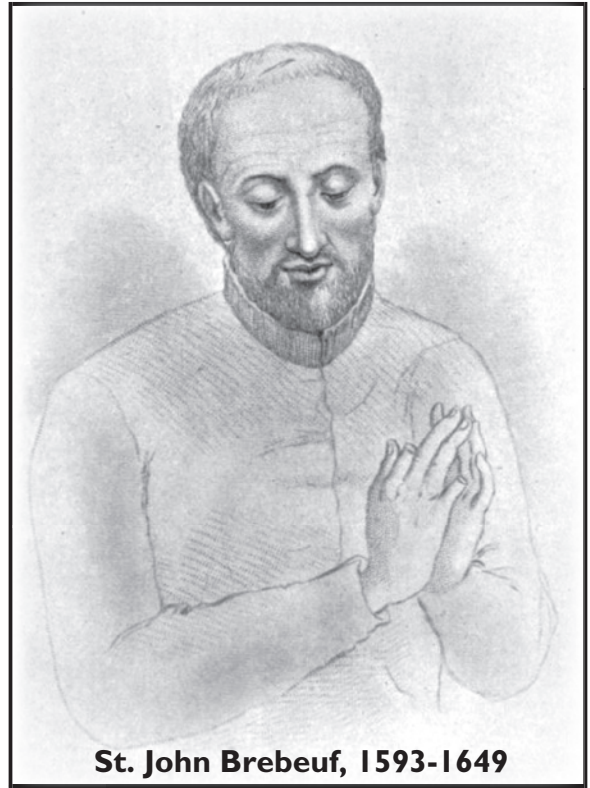


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**St. John Brebeuf, 1593-1649**

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### **Masses on the Lord's Day:**

Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am

### WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday to Friday 9:15am

### CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

*(Sundays, September to May)*

Grades 1-8: Weekly 10:40am in the school

### SHARE THE WORD

*(Sundays, September to May)*

Ages 3-6: Bi-Weekly during the 9:30am Mass

### **PASTORAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

Father Mark A. Tarrant, Pastor ext 213  
Deacon Michael Thibert  
Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate ext 217  
Debbie Dusanek, Administrative Coordinator ext 210  
Eddie Melo, Building Operations ext 220  
Mira Salter, Finance Officer ext 211  
Andie Kim, Finance Assistant ext 225

### **Parish Office Hours**

**Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm**  
**Closed for Lunch 12:00pm to 1:00pm**

*For admittance to the Church or the School Office during office hours, please use the intercom button located at the Renfrew School Entrance, the Courtyard or the Parking Lot door.*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday, 4:00 to 4:30pm or by appointment.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** At home or in the hospital. Please call the Parish Office.

**Baptism of Infants:** Usually celebrated with the Community on the Day of the Lord. We encourage parents to participate in the preparation process as early as possible. Please call the Parish Office.

**Initiation of Adults/ Children:** Please call Parish Office for more information.

**Sacramental Preparation for School-aged Children:** Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation is provided through our Parish Community. Information is available through the parish office, on line or in the bulletin.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Couples planning to get married at St. John Brebeuf must contact Father Mark (ext 213) at least one year in advance. Marriage preparation and Church attendance is expected and required.

**Funerals:** Please speak to Fr. Mark **before** meeting with the Funeral Home.

**Catholic Women's League:** Meets at 12:30pm on the first Sunday of the month (October to May).

**Knights of Columbus Council 1107:** Meets at 7:30pm on the second Wednesday of the month (September to June).

## April 1/2, 2017: 5th Sunday of Lent

Sunday, April 2	<b>5th Sunday of Lent</b> 9:30am: +Mario DiFonzo 11:30am: Missa Pro Populo 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting
Monday, April 3	<b>Lenten Ferial</b> 9:15am: Intentions of Joan Helms & Family 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday, April 4	<b>Lenten Ferial</b> 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: Special Intention 7pm: 1st Eucharist Parent Meeting 7pm: Lenten Reconciliation St. Vital Parish
Wed. April 5	<b>Lenten Ferial</b> 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Cornelio Parado <b>7pm: Lenten Reconciliation St. John Brebeuf</b>
Thursday, April 6 <i>Mass with the School</i>	<b>Lenten Ferial</b> 9am: +Ettie & +Warren Woods 7pm: Lenten Reconciliation St. Gianna
Friday, April 7	<b>Lenten Ferial</b> 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Harold Midgley 10am– Noon: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction 7pm: Stations of the Cross 7:30pm: Our Lady of Victory Reconciliation
Saturday, April 8	<b>Vigil: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</b> 5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday, April 9 (Masses begin in Gym)	<b>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</b> 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: Missa Pro Populo 12:30pm: Confirmation Session
Monday, April 10	<b>Monday of Holy Week</b> 9:15am: St. John Brebeuf School Stations of the Cross (All are welcome) 7:30pm: Chrism Mass (St. Mary's Cathedral)

**Baptism:** Are you expecting a child or contemplating Baptism for your child? For further information, please contact Tom in the Parish Office at 204-488-4467, Extension 217 or tombr@sjbcommunity.ca

### From Father Mark:

When we introduced the Least Coin Collection it was made clear that for the first year we would put all of the money aside for our Refugee ministry. You responded incredibly, and now we are holding back 25% for Refugee Ministry. The other 75% of the Least Coin Collection is going to our works of charity. At the end of March we will be disbursing a total of \$4000 to the following charities:

**Winnipeg Harvest** is a not-for-profit, community-based organization that is a food distribution & training centre. Their goals are to collect and share surplus food with people who are hungry and to offer training opportunities to help people step up and out of poverty. Their ultimate goal is to eliminate the need for food banks in our community. Our donation is earmarked for infant formula.

**Villa Rosa** is a prenatal and postnatal residence in Winnipeg, MB, offering a wide variety of programs in a safe and nurturing environment. Any single, pregnant woman or new mother in need may access their services. Villa Rosa's mission is to provide support to mothers, babies and their families during and after pregnancy.

**Rossbrook House** serves over 1,000 children and youth ages 6-24 years annually and up to 80 participants on a daily basis. Beyond being a safe place to be, Rossbrook has three alternative school programs, an afterschool homework club, young mom's group, sports and recreational activities, Aboriginal cultural activities, leadership activities, a music program and a healthy kitchen program that provides daily meals to participants while teaching them about healthy eating and cooking.

**Next Step** supports former inmates by assisting them with reintegration and finding their purpose in our community.

**Humankind International** is a Winnipeg group of Somali-born Canadians and their Canadian friends, who built, raise funds for, and oversee our early years school in the world's largest refugee camp in Dadaab Kenya. 150 students from the camp and the local marginalized community of Dadaab learn, play and grow together. Visit [www.humankindint.org](http://www.humankindint.org)

**Chez Nous/ Our Place** strives to provide social/recreational and educational activities for adult mental health consumers within an inclusive, enriching, empowering, safe, respectful environment.

Thank you for your commitment of mercy to our brothers and sisters. I will provide an update at the end of June regarding the disbursement of the Least Coin Collection.

### Save the Date!

With gratitude to God, the Parish Community of Saint John Brebeuf will celebrate with Fr. Mark his 25th Anniversary of Ordination, **Saturday, June 10** with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 5pm, followed by a barbeque supper in the Parish Hall. Tickets on sale April 23.



**Rest in Peace: +Horst Hasselmann**



### 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)*

Marie A., Jan B., Marie M., Don Barnicki, Gisèle Bertalanffy, Stephanie Blair, David Bruneau, Cathy Burke, Kathleen Foster, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, J.D., Carol Kruse, Paul L., Sr. Cathy Laviolette, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, M.M., David M., Debra M., Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Tiago Miranda, Sandra Moore, Eric Moscarella, John Mulhern, Peter, Adeline Schmidt, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., Joan Vadas, W.J., Geraldine Walker, Brian Woods

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

# April 1/2, 2017: 5th Sunday of Lent

**Fifth Sunday of Lent:** *Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45*

Lazarus' death hurt Martha and Mary twice over. First, of course, was the sisters' grief at losing their beloved brother. This would be bad enough, but their faith had compelled them to call upon Jesus for aid, and he had let them down. When Lazarus fell ill, they immediately sent for Jesus. Martha and Mary waited expectantly for Jesus, keeping one eye on the door while they tended to their sick brother. I imagine Martha cracked first: over her brother's feverish moans, she might have muttered something like, "Okay Jesus, anytime now." I see Mary as being more stubborn. Maybe she chided Martha for being impatient. Mary refused to imagine an outcome other than Jesus arriving in time to heal Lazarus. So, when he finally succumbed to his sickness, it hit Mary the hardest.

After Lazarus died, Mary locked herself in the house. A full week after they had sent for Jesus, the sisters received the news that he was finally on his way. Martha rushed out to meet him, while Mary stayed behind. "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." The words were as much a statement of faith as they were a lamentation. Martha knew that Jesus was capable of bringing healing, even now in her grief. She clung to the possibility that her brother could be restored to life, though she didn't envision it happening right away. Jesus stretches her imagination when he tells her who he really is, "I am the resurrection and the life." Martha believed in him. The hoped for resurrection was here standing before her! Mary, however, was still stuck at home, clinging to her grief, her disappointment, and her hurt.

Even their guests shared Mary's disappointment that Jesus had not arrived in time to save Lazarus. They knew he had opened the eyes of the blind man, but bringing someone back from the dead was not on their minds. A few might have seen someone recuperate from an illness or revive even after a few hours of being thought dead, but after four days, the body already starts to stench. No one could come back from that. Lazarus was truly dead, and neither Mary nor any of the guests imagined Jesus would be able to do anything about it. So, they stayed home.

We know people who are stuck too, hanging on to their hurt and disappointment like Mary. Hope let them down once already, so why risk ever hoping again? It's an understandable protection from being let down again. Jesus raised Martha's faith and sent her to her sister. Christ sends us too, to bring a word of good news to those who have rolled a stone over their hearts to cover their loss. "Take away the stone," he commands. Jesus may have brought Lazarus back from the dead, but he raised up the faith of everyone there. Christ rallies us all to new life, so we can dare to roll away the stone from the cave to our grief and unbind the cloths that wrap our pain. "The Teacher is here and is calling for you."

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

## **St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:**

### **Regular Offertory**

**March 18/19, 2017: \$4,042**

For the sake of our earth, please consider sharing your gifts through pre-authorized donations.

### **Least Coin Collection:**

A 2nd collection of pocket change taken immediately after the offertory. Used for our ongoing ministry of outreach.

**March 25/26, 2017: \$458**

**2017 Total to date: \$5,986.50**

## **Development and Peace:**

Solidarity Sunday! Thank you for your generosity! Each donation is



used to help our sisters and brothers all over the world—from Paraguay to Syria, to Indonesia and beyond! We conclude this Share Lent with the words of Pope Francis, offered on the occasion of the Jubilee of Mercy: "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Thank you for helping us create a future filled with hope!

## **Immaculate Conception Drop-In Centre:**

**On Easter Sunday, April 16**

Immaculate Conception Drop-In Centre is counting on St. John Brebeuf to provide a hot meal for over 250 of our city's poorest children, women and men. Your help is needed to prepare a batch (or more) of stew. Meat is provided by the parish and an easy stew recipe is available. Prepared stew should be dropped off at the church on Easter Sunday morning. Call Jane at (204) 488-0893 to offer your help.



## **Easter Flowers:**

For Easter, parishioners can purchase plants for our worship space in gratitude for their loved ones, living and deceased for only \$10 each from the Parish Office. All purchased plants will be marked with a gift tag honouring your loved one. Please visit the Parish Office during regular office hours. (Weekdays 8:30-Noon, 1:30-4:30)



**Seeds of Friendship Concert:**  
**Joie de Vivre Choir & Plain Salt Celtic Band**  
Sunday, April 23, 7pm  
St. John Brebeuf Church  
1707 John Brebeuf Place

**Free Will Offering:**  
Food, Clothing\* and Money in support of Our Place/Chez Nous, a daytime drop-in centre for our city's most vulnerable people.

\*Especially Men's Jeans, Running Shoes and Hoodies



Visiting us today? **Welcome!** If you wish to join us, registration forms can be found on the main entrance bulletin boards or at [www.sjbccommunity.ca](http://www.sjbccommunity.ca). Please return completed form via offertory collection or forward to Parish Office.

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