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#### 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 TEAM**

Father Mark A. Tarrant, Pastor ext 213  
Deacon Michael Thibert  
Deacon Joseph McLellan, Retired  
Laura Carreiro, Principal ext 242  
Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate ext 217  
Genevieve Makinson, Financial Administrator ext 211  
Eddie Melo, Building Operations ext 220  
Debbie Dusanek, Parish Admin. Coordinator ext 210  
Deb Bernier, School Admin. Assistant ext 241

#### **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.

*"Missioned to Stewardship, we  
are a community that Lives,  
Loves and serves in Christ."*

#### **PARISH CONTACTS**

Finance Council: Kevin McCulloch/ Peter Smith  
Parish Pastoral Council: Johnston Smith  
School Board: Elizabeth Matyi  
Ministers of the Word: Leann Smith  
Ministers of the Eucharist: Joe Brekelmans  
Altar Servers: Keith Mathewson  
Catechism: Parish Office  
Spiritual Journeying: Margaret Kingdon

**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 19/20, 2014: The Resurrection of the Lord

**The Resurrection of the Lord:** Acts 10:34,37-43; Psalm 118; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-18

It couldn't get much worse for Mary Magdalene. Her dearest friend and teacher had been tortured, killed, and put in the ground. So to find the stone rolled away from Jesus' tomb seemed to add insult to injury. The violence of the cross had taken Jesus away from her once, now she faced having to grieve for him without knowing his resting place. Not only could Jesus be killed, but his tomb could be desecrated as well. What other horrors might be possible?

Death violates everything we hold dear: it steals away the people we care about and it calls into question the meaning of life itself. What's the point of all this if it's just going to be taken away from us anyways? It's no wonder that many of us try to control or tame death. Assisted-suicide has garnered recent media attention as a way of maintaining a person's dignity by granting them a modicum of choice in their final days. It seems many people feel that having say over how they die lends a type of significance to their death, like having the last word in an argument. The real power of death rests not only in its inevitability, but in the fear it can instill in us while we are still alive. Our real fear might not be so much that we die, but that we don't matter.

Mary was staring down into this abyss of non-meaning. The gaping hole of the tomb threatened to swallow up her Lord, her life, her very sense of centeredness and being. Yet, amid the tears and the sadness, she feels compelled to bend down and look in, just as the other disciples had done. She stoops down to face her deepest fears and, braced to feel even more pain, instead she hears a message, "Why are you crying?" Her worst nightmare turned out to be insubstantial; God revealed the steely shackles of grief to be paper-thin; God hollowed out her very fear. There is nothing in the tomb to cry over. Jesus is not there, but risen! Mary looked below, God told her to look above.

"...seek the things that are above," says Paul's letter to the Colossians, "your life is hidden with Christ in God." The meaning of our life is not to be found in the empty threat of death, but sitting beside our Lord, wrapped in mystery. We can wait with joy for this mystery to be revealed to us because God has already hollowed out death's power. The empty tomb of Easter is our rock-bottom—there is no further down to go; we can only look up.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

## **Knights of Columbus #1107:**

Your purchase of Sobeys Gift Cards can help feed the hungry in our city. Our Knights are selling cards in \$25, \$50 or \$100 denominations following weekend Masses. To donate your gift card to Winnipeg Harvest, indicate this at the time of your purchase and a tax receipt will be issued.

**Each dollar donated allows Harvest to leverage \$20 worth of food.** In 2013, St. John Brebeuf parishioners purchased **\$11,005** in gift cards toward the purchase of much needed baby formula. Our 2014 total to date is **\$1,650**.

## **K of C Garage Sale:**

The Knights of Columbus #1107 will host a garage sale on **Saturday, April 26** from 8:00am to 1:00pm at Columbus Courts, 253 Edgeland Blvd. If you have any items to donate, please contact Jack Blair at (204) 488-2201.

# EMPTY BOWLS COMMUNITY MEAL



Sunday April 27th at St. John Brebeuf  
12:30-2:30 pm  
Soup Kitchen- Parish Hall  
Bowl Display & Silent Auction-School Gymnasium  
Please bring a tin for the bin  
All proceeds to benefit Winnipeg Harvest



## **St. John Brebeuf School:**

**Spring Charity Concert:** St. John Brebeuf School presents "The World is a Village" Spring Charity Concert, Thursday, May 7, 7pm in the church. Free Will offering. Proceeds to support Development and Peace and the Humankind Academy.

**2014-2015 School Registrations:** Spaces are still available in Grades 1, 4, 5, 6 and 8 for the 2014-2015 school year. Please contact Mrs. Laura Carreiro, Principal at 204-489-2115 (Ext. 242).

**Winnipeg Harvest:** Until there is no longer a need for food banks in our community, we will continue to collect non-perishable food items for Winnipeg Harvest. Please share what you can **each month**. A complete list of most-needed items can be found at the main entrance bulletin board, including canned fish and poultry, pasta, rice, beans, peanut butter, and canned soups, vegetables, fruits and stews, baby food and especially, **baby formula**.

## **2014 Annual Caritas Award Dinner:**

Wednesday, April 30, RBC Convention Centre. This year's recipients: Actionmarguerite (Centre Taché & Foyer Valade), St. Joseph's Residence and Holy Family Home. Tickets \$95: (204) 233-4268 or cfmb@mts.net (Reserved tickets only; not available at door)



Visiting us today? **Welcome!** If you are new to our area, and are seeking a new parish family, we invite you to join us. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin boards at the main entrances. Please complete and drop in the offertory basket, or forward to the Parish Office. [www.sjbcommunity.ca](http://www.sjbcommunity.ca)

# April 19/20, 2014: The Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday, April 20	<b>Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord</b> <i>(Immaculate Conception Stew Day)</i> 9:30am: <b>Easter Sunday Mass</b> 11:30am: <b>Easter Sunday Mass</b>
Monday, April 21	<b>Solemnity: Easter Octave</b> <b>Parish and School Closed</b>
Tuesday, April 22	<b>Solemnity: Easter Octave</b> 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +James Mahon
Wed., April 23	<b>Solemnity: Easter Octave</b> 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Paul Kirouac 10am: Adult Faith Formation
Thursday, April 24	<b>Solemnity: Easter Octave</b> 9am: Mass with the School 7pm: School Board Meeting
Friday, April 25	<b>Solemnity: Easter Octave</b> 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Emilie Toews
Saturday, April 26	<b>Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Easter</b> 5pm: +Margaret O'Connor
Sunday, April 27	<b>2nd Sunday of Easter</b> 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo <i>(Sacraments of Initiation)</i> 9:35am: Share the Word 10:35am: Children's Catechism <i>(Last class for Grades 2-8; Grade 1 class cancelled)</i> 11:30am: +Liam Farrell 12:30pm: Empty Bowls Community Meal 7pm: Confirmation Rehearsal

## Easter Alleluia:

St. Augustine says: "We are Easter people; Alleluia is our song." Alleluia is one of those words that needs to be sung. We'll sing it over and over again this Easter season. What exactly does it mean? Literally, the word is a short form for the sentence: "God's people praise God!" But it's one of those words that defies translation, like "Hooray!" Even the instructions in our liturgical books say that if the Alleluia cannot be sung, it should be omitted. So whether the liturgy is celebrated in a cathedral or a catacomb, "Alleluia" is our song.

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**Alleluia!!!**

## Let us Pray for our Sick and Homebound:

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

Marie A., Don Barnicki, Nick Bencharski, Gisèle Bertalanffy, Jimmy Brechka, David Bruneau, Omer De Wandel, Ben D'Souza, Kathleen Foster, Mario Di Fonzo, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Edith Heinrichs, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, J.D., Therese LaClare, Margaret Lafrenière, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Eric Moscarella, Georgia Poirier, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., Jack Tarnava, Geraldine Walker, Brian Woods

*If someone in your family is ill and requests the prayers of the parish community, please contact the Parish Office. To have names published, we require permission requesting that their name be added or removed from the prayer list.*

## St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

April 12/13: \$5,613

**Baptism:** Are you expecting a child or contemplating Baptism for your child? We have returned to seasonal Baptismal Weekends. For further information, please contact Tom in the Parish Office: 204-488-4467.

**Adult Faith Formation:** Next session: Wednesday, May 14, 2014, 10am in the St. Marie Room.

## First Eucharist:

### **Rehearsal and Friendship Celebration:**

Saturday, May 3, 9:30am

First Eucharist: Sunday, May 4, 9:30am & 11:30am Masses. Please contact Tom Bailey-Robertson to confirm your Mass choice.

## Catechism:

Last class for 2013/2014: Sunday, April 27

## Confirmation:

Confirmation Rehearsal: Sunday, April 27, 7pm

Sacrament of Confirmation with Archbishop Richard Gagnon: Tuesday, April 29, 7:30pm

**Adult Faith Formation:** Next session: **Wednesday, April 23, 2014**, 10am in the St. Marie Room

**Rest in Peace: +Anthony Jaworski**  
(Father of Lisa Shepherd)



## 2014 Mixed Bridge Tournament:

The St. John Brebeuf Ladies Bridge Club would like to thank our members, parishioners and the following sponsors for their support of their recent tournament:

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