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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 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
Kim Graeili, Financial 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 4/5, 2015: 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

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.** 2015 total to date: **\$4717.75**



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St. John Brebeuf Ladies Bridge Club Mixed Bridge & Lunch Sat., April 18, St. John Brebeuf Parish Hall



Lunch: 11:30am/Bridge: 1pm
Tickets \$15 (available at the Parish Office)

Proceeds in support of the St. John Brebeuf School Bursary Fund



Visiting us today? **Welcome!** If you would like to join our parish, registrations are available at the church entrance bulletin boards. www.sjbccommunity.ca

Alleluia!!!

St. John Brebeuf School

SPRING CHARITY CONCERT



Sow Much Love

Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 7:00 pm

St. John Brebeuf Parish

(doors open at 6:30 pm)

Free Will Offering – The proceeds from the concert will be equally donated to Development & Peace and Humankind International (refugee school in Kenya).

April 4/5, 2015: The Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday, April 5	Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord 9:30am: Easter Sunday Mass 11:30am: Easter Sunday Mass
Monday, April 6	Solemnity: Easter Octave Parish and School Closed
Tuesday, April 7	Solemnity: Easter Octave 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Marguerite (Peggy) Ashcroft 7pm: Diocesan Development & Peace Mtg.
Wed., April 8	Solemnity: Easter Octave 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Julieta Dias 7:30pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting
Thursday, April 9	Solemnity: Easter Octave 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Anthony Derrick
Friday, April 10	Solemnity: Easter Octave 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Harold Midgley
Saturday, April 11	Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Easter 5pm: +Mimi Trainor
Sunday, April 12	2nd Sunday of Easter 9:30am: +Pasquale Mandarino 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: Missa Pro Populo 12:30pm: Confirmation Session 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting

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.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist:

Friendship Celebration:

Saturday, May 23, 9:30am-1pm

Sacrament of First Eucharist:

Saturday, May 23, 5pm and Sunday, May 24, 10am

Confirmation:

Upcoming Sessions:

12:30pm April 12; 5pm April 26

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Sunday, May 3, 1pm, MTS Centre

Please RSVP the number of tickets your family will need by emailing parishoffice@sjbcommunity.ca

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 in the Parish Office. Sessions are held Sundays from 10:30-11:30am.

Handicap Access Doors:

Those requiring handicap accessible doors when attending Mass or parish events can now enter through the new church courtyard entrance, adjacent to the church stairs.



From the Archdiocese:

A limited number of tickets will be available on a first come, first served basis from the Parish Office for the May 3 Centennial Mass at the MTS Centre. To hold your tickets, please contact Debbie at parishoffice@sjbcommunity.ca or call (204) 488-4467 (Ext. 210). We will do our best to accommodate your request.



The Archdiocese of Winnipeg is celebrating our Centennial at a special Mass at the MTS Centre on May 3, 2015. As part of our outreach and as a sign of our generosity, the Archbishop is asking parishes to take up a collection for "Returning to Spirit" on the weekends of Sunday, April 15 and Sunday, April 26. The Archbishop believes that there should be a good and practical work of charity attached to our Centennial Event. "Returning to Spirit" is a proven method that does bring reconciliation and new hope to all concerned and as we mark our 100th Anniversary we need to reach out to those in need as Pope Francis encourages us. By making this collection a success, we will celebrate our Centennial in a truly significant way by reaching out, towards our neighbour.

The Hospitality and Support Committee of the Centennial Mass Celebration on May 3 at the MTS Centre is looking for at least 300 volunteers. Interested parishioners should be able to attend at least 2 meetings before the event and be available from 9am to 5pm on May 3. If you are able to commit, please register by signing up at one of the church bulletin boards. We will let you know the date and time of the first meeting in April.

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., Marie M., Don Barnicki, Gisèle Bertalanffy, David Bruneau, Kathleen Foster, Mario Di Fonzo, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Edith Heinrichs, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, J.D., Carol Kruse, Margaret Lafrenière, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, Debra M., Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Evan Morton, Eric Moscarella, Peter, Toni P., Georgia Poirier, Wally Ross, Adeline Schmidt, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., WJ, 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.

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