

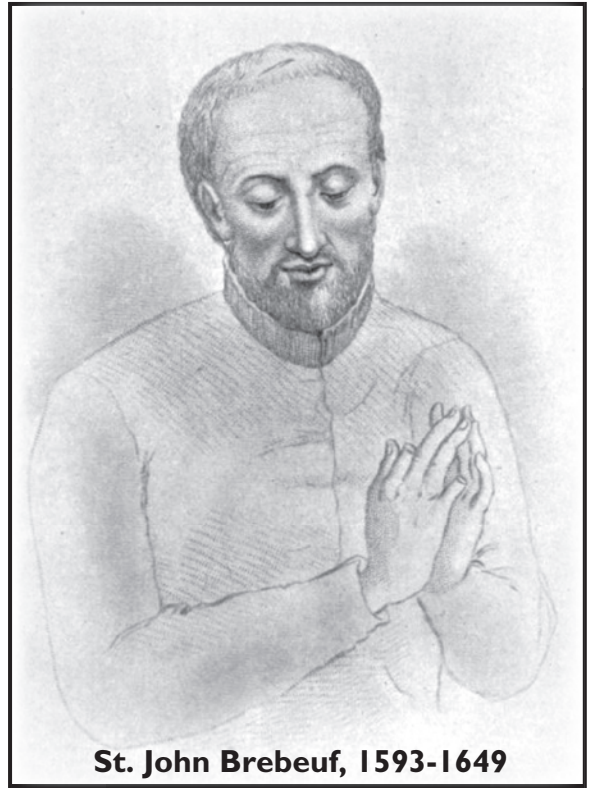


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St. John Brebeuf, 1593-1649

MASS SCHEDULE

Masses on the Lord's Day:

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 10:00am

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 Wayne Morrissey, 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 Wayne (ext 213) at least one year in advance. Marriage preparation and Church attendance is expected and required.

Funerals: Please speak to Fr. Wayne **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).

August 19/20, 2017: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 19	Vigil: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday, August 20	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10am: +Helen Martin
Monday, August 21	Memorial: St. Pius X, Pope No Mass
Tuesday, August 22	Memorial: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:50am: Morning prayer 9:15am: +Joan Vadas
Wednesday August 23	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: Int. of Fr. Mark Tarrant
Thursday, August 24	Feast: St. Bartholomew, Apostle 8:50am: Morning prayer 9:15am: +Joan Dumontet 1:30pm: Shaftesbury Residence Mass
Friday, August 25	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Thomas Callaghan 6pm: Benjamin Downs & Carmen McInnes Marriage
Saturday, August 26	Vigil: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday, August 27	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 10am: +Mario DiFonzo

Welcome Fr. Kaleab!

Please welcome Fr. Kaleab Eman Abdella, who joins us as Half Time Associate Pastor of St. John Brebeuf Parish. Fr. Kaleab comes to us from Eritrea and serves as the Priest Chaplain of the Ge'ez Rite Community that gathers to celebrate at St. Paul the Apostle Church. Working with Fr. Wayne Morrissey, he will be with us for at least the coming year.

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, ext. 217 or tomb@sjbcommunity.ca

Faith Formation: Please register online for the 2017/2018 children's Faith Formation Programs, resuming fall 2017 at St. John Brebeuf.

Sept 17: First day for Share the Word (Ages 3-5, during 9:30am Mass), and Sunday School (K to 8, following 9:30am Mass)

Oct. 1: Parent Candidate Confirmation Meeting, (Gr. 9), 12:30pm, Parish Hall

Nov. 21: First Reconciliation/First Eucharist Parent Meeting (Gr. 2) 7pm, Parish Hall

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:

August 12/13: \$2,242.80

For the sake of our earth, please consider sharing your gifts through pre-authorized donations. For more information, please call 204-488-4467.

Least Coin Collection:

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

August 12/13 : \$236

2017 Total to date: \$14,127.39

Sharing God's Gifts:

Our Target: **\$56,290**

Donations received to date: **\$25,025**

In this transitional year, please consider making a donation or pledge to ensure that we are able to fulfill our share of supporting the pastoral work of the Archdiocese.



St. John Brebeuf School:

St. John Brebeuf School will be offering 2 full day Kindergarten classes for the upcoming school year (2017-2018). Space is still available if you or someone you know is interested. Application forms are available for download at www.sjbschool.ca Please contact the school office on or after August 24 for further information about the application process.



Knights of Columbus #1107:

Sobeys Cards: Our Knights are selling Sobeys cards in \$25, \$50 or \$100 denominations following weekend Masses. To donate your gift card to Winnipeg Harvest, indicate this when purchasing. A tax receipt will be issued. Gift cards can be used at Sobeys and Safeway stores!



Rest in Peace: +Malvina Acheson

Mother of Wayne Acheson



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., Shelby Brekermans, 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, Sr. Cathy Laviolette, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, 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., Geraldine Walker, Brian Woods, D. 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.

August 19/20, 2017: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time: *Isaiah 56:1,6-7; Romans 11:13-15, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28*

The last time this Gospel reading showed up in the cycle was three years ago. At that time, all eyes were on the town of Ferguson, Missouri. The police shooting of 18-year-old Michael Brown incited a protest against discriminatory practices by local law enforcement. Last week, a violent group of neo-Nazis and white supremacists descended on the city of Charlottesville, Virginia, ostensibly to protest the removal of Confederate Civil War monuments. Make no mistake, they were there to hurt that community. The images to come out of Charlottesville last weekend were disturbing and surreal. A group of Nazis beat a black man with wooden boards, while men brandishing assault rifles stood watch to stop anyone from intervening. A young white supremacist drove his car into a group of citizens opposing the protests, killing a 32-year-old woman, Heather Heyer, and sending 19 more to the hospital. Ms. Heyer was a paralegal who believed strongly in equality and justice. Groups of young men carried torches and screamed hateful things about Jews and black people. One of the more touching images to see was of a group of clergy from many different denominations, linking arms and standing across from armed Nazis.

After an exhausting week of hearing these heart-breaking stories, we come together to hear a word of Good News from scripture--something hopeful and positive. Instead, we hear Jesus call a Canaanite woman a dog. It's not quite the resounding call to unite people together despite our differences we might have hoped for. It's tempting to explain away Jesus' overt discrimination here. If we imagine Jesus wryly smiling at the woman, then we could say, "See, he's not really racist--he's just being sarcastic." While this might make the scene more comfortable for us, those details don't exist in the text. Taken on its own, this is a tough reading to face. We're used to seeing Jesus wisely get the upper-hand against those he argues with. Before this encounter, Jesus had just finished taking the scribes and Pharisees to task for their hypocrisy. Now we see him being stingy with the Kingdom of God. The Canaanite woman gets the better of Jesus in this exchange, revealing herself to have a deep, unrelenting faith, and a sharp wit to boot. Rather than argue with the epithet leveled against her, she embraces it and turns it from an insult into a sign of great faith. "Dog" was a contemptuous Jewish term for gentile, meant to invoke the image of a spiritual mooch. The woman takes this characteristic of begging and uses it to amplify her request--if only Jesus would deign to offer her a scrap from the table, it would be enough to heal her daughter. For this, Jesus extols her faith and proclaims her daughter's healing. Through faith, the woman found a way forward through discrimination to healing.

Our faith demands that we face unsavoury realities in our midst when we would rather look away. The Kingdom of God will not come about through lounging around and hoping for the best. Faith gives us a way to connect with people and heal hurt relationships. It gives us the means to, "Observe what is right" and "do what is just" (Isaiah 56:1). What happened in Virginia has happened before, right here in our own community, under many guises. Evil can reveal itself anywhere--no place is immune. It's tragic to see divisiveness and hatred seduce so many bright, young people. We all waste our potential when we choose to do what is so obviously wrong instead of pursuing the good. Today, the Canaanite woman tells us that all it takes is a scrap, the tiniest crumb from the table, for God to work healing in our hearts. We can dare to face evil down knowing that somewhere there's a sliver of light ready to break through like the dawn.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

Healing Ministry:

"Are you called to the Healing Ministry?" Formation for Healing Ministry will be starting an abbreviated program this October. The 6 month program is a study of Healing in all its aspects including emotional, relational, spiritual and physical. The purpose of the course is to prepare people to pray in teams with those who want healing. We invite mature Christians to an information session on Wednesday, September 6th at 1 pm in the St Ignatius Adult Education Centre, 925 Jessie Avenue. For more information call Michele Synnott at 204 663-6727.

Winnipeg Harvest:

Winnipeg Harvest has a critical need for 5 of it's top 10 most needed items. Please see the list at the main church entrance.



St. John Brebeuf & St. Paul the Apostle Joint Refugee Sponsorship Syrian Family Update:

It's a Girl!!


Alaa and Bilal, along with their children, Mohammad, Abdulatif and Jana are very excited to welcome their newest family member, Ekram!

Your help is needed to outfit her with much-needed baby items, including:

- Diapers
- Sleepers and Baby clothing (new and gently worn)
- Crib bedding and other basic baby care items

As we are mindful of the need to follow health and safety codes, we will be purchasing a new crib and car seat for the family. Please drop off your donations in the designated bin at the main church entrance. Thank you for your generous donations to our Least Coin Collection.



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

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