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SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE (May 19/20 to Sept. 29/30*) Masses on the Lord's Day:

Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday to Friday 9:15am
*Dates and Times subject to changes. Regular schedule resumes Oct. 6.

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

(Sundays, October to May)
Grades 1-6: Weekly 10:40am in the school
Grades 7-8: Bi-weekly 10:40am in the school

SHARE THE WORD

(Sundays, October to May)
Ages 3-6: Bi-Weekly during the 9:30am Mass

PASTORAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Father Mark A. Tarrant, Pastor	ext 213
Deacon Joseph McLellan	
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. Assistant	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 Mariella Di Santo & John Osler School Board: 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, 4:15 to 4:45pm (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 <u>before</u> meeting with the Funeral Home.

Catholic Women's League: Meets at 2:00pm on the third Sunday of the month (September to June).

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

Grand Knight - Mike Garlinski 255-5195

AUGUST 25/26, 2012: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday,	Vigil: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 25	5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday,	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 26	10am: +Mary Keelan
Monday,	Memorial: St. Monica
August 27	No Mass
Tuesday, August 28	Memorial: St. Augustine, Bishop, Dr. 9:15am: +Ron Dalmyn
Wed., August 29	Memorial: The Passion of St. John the Baptist 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Nancy Dombroski
Thursday,	Weekday Ferial
August 30	9:15am: +Helen Custer
Friday, August 31	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Dennis & Fernando Luis Duarte
Saturday,	Vigil: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sept. 1	5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday,	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sept. 1	10am: +Cornelio Parado
Monday,	No Mass
Sept. 2	Labour Day: Office Closed

Why bread and wine?

Bread is a basic food item. It nourishes and strengthens us. Wine is a sign of joy. It is part of the banquet which we celebrate. Christ comes to us as bread and wine to nourish us and bring us his joy. The consecrated bread and wine become part of us as we become part of Christ's Body. This shows the intimate connection we have with Christ in communion.

<u>Mass Intentions:</u> Mass Intentions are offered for the intentions of another person, or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. If you wish to offer a Mass in the coming months, please note that the next available dates are in December. Call Debbie at 488-4467 for further information.

Note to Liturgical Ministers: Please check in at the Sacristy prior to summer Masses to see if your help is needed to fill in for those who may be away. Thanks!

We welcome into the family of God and the Community of St. John Brebeuf

Zachary Thomas Haney

who celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism at St. John Brebeuf Church on August 19, 2012

May God bless you and your family!

<u>Baptism:</u> Are you expecting a child or contemplating Baptism for your child? We are returning to seasonal Baptismal Weekends. Our next Baptismal Preparation Session will be in the fall leading to the September 29/30 Baptism Weekend. For information, please contact Tom Bailey-Robertson at 488-4467 (Ext. 217).

St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

August 18/19: \$3883.05

Pre-Authorized Donations: As you take a well deserved summer break, remember that our operation costs continue while you're away. Please consider making your weekly Church donations by Pre-Authorized Withdrawal from your bank account, credit card, or through post-dated cheques. Call Genevieve at 488-4467 (Ext. 211) for further details.

Message from Fr. Glofcheski:

Many of you have heard me say that "If the Good Lord wants me to work for Him, He will take care of me." Recently God has allowed me a near fatal warning to change my ways, but you, good friends, have come through with your power of prayer and so God gave me another chance. I wish to thank everyone for your prayers and I shall pray for you at all my Masses. Thank you and God Bless, Fr. R. A. Glofcheski

Notes from the Parish Office: Staff members are in and out of the Office due to the nature of their responsibilities, or may be away on vacation. Please call before you come to ensure that the person you need to see will be available to assist you, and you won't have made a wasted trip! We are closed for lunch weekdays 12pm to 1pm.

Construction Update:

During construction, all parishioners visiting the Parish Office are asked to enter through the temporary parking lot entrance through the garage. Weekday Mass access is through the Lanark and John Brebeuf Place doors.

Let us Pray for our Sick and Homebound:

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

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Christian Outreach:

Winnipeg Harvest has issued an urgent plea for food donations. Their most important need is for nutritious, high-protein items including canned fish and poultry, canned fruit and vegetables, peanut butter, rice, pasta and cereal. Winnipeg Harvest feeds 55,000 Manitobans each month. Half of those receiving food are children. Donations are accepted at the main church entrance.



Tools for School:

Tools for School is Winnipeg Harvest's annual School Supply Drive, established to help ensure that Winnipeg school children receive the educational supplies they need to achieve success in the classroom. This year, 3900 requests have been received. Most needed items include: Pencils, Pens, Notebooks/Exercise Books/Scribblers, Crayons, Pencil Crayons, Scissors, Erasers, Non-Toxic Markers and Highlighters, Geometry Sets, Ruled Looseleaf Paper/Lined Paper, Rulers, Calculators, Glue Sticks, Binders, Duo-tangs, Pencil Cases, Backpacks. Donations accepted at the main church entrance. For more information, visit: http://winnipegharvest.org/tools-for-school

Knights of Columbus #1107:

Purchase Sobeys Gift Cards, (\$25, \$50 or \$10) after weekend Masses. Cash, cheque, debit, Visa and MC accepted. Redeemable at Sobeys, IGA and Price Choppers. Help the Knights to help our church, school and community, or indicate that you would like to donate your gift card to Winnipeg Harvest and they will issue you a tax receipt.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time "Back to Basics" Fr. James Smith

The disciples walked away from Jesus. And many people are now leaving the church. But there was and still is a hunger for God. People are searching for an experience of God, a taste of the divine. Some of them want to feel God because they have tried everything else and been left empty. Others want to experience God because they simply enjoy experience and so want to give God a whirl.

But on these God-quests the disciples and we often approach God incorrectly. We look for God in all the wrong places, we live on the surface of life and we are far too familiar with God.

One might think that religion is a likely place to run into God. But it has to be a Gospel religion. God's own Son embraced the human condition instead of running away from it. His humanity was the expression of his divinity, not the contradiction of it. God put us on earth so we could find God here. God gave us life so we could experience God in the thick of it.

But we have to live life in a godly way. Instead, we flit from this job to that, from this toy to that, from this diversion to that. Afraid of missing out on anything in life, we race through life as through a fun fair or museum, getting no more than a taste of the current experience. If we taste only the froth of a beverage, we can barely tell beer from champagne. Only when we drink deeply can we detect the faint aftertaste in the bubbles. So with life: only when we engage it deeply can we feel its reverberations in everyday events.

And that is also how we experience God: in the deepest recesses of our humanity. Of course, God is always with us, even in the most frivolous activities. But only in a frivolous way. When we get more serious and think of whether to change jobs or fall in love or have a baby, God pays more attention. And when we get more serious and wonder about the meaning of life and whether it ends at death, God sits up straight. But God really comes to attention when we slip to the end of our rope, run out of answers, get deathly weary of life.

Just where nothing works or matters is where God is at God's best. God is not the answer to our problems but a resolution beyond answers. God does not give us meaning but hope beyond reason. God does not give us someone to love but the capacity to love. God is simply Mystery. But in that Mystery is our fulfillment.

We tend to be too familiar with Mystery. We call it God, then figure it out as a Trinity of persons, then we give God's Son both a divine and human nature; we give him a virgin birth, a sinless mother; we fill in the outline of his life and believe he rose from the dead. We know so much about God that we forget that we know next to nothing.

We believe so many words about God that we lose faith in God's real identity. We create a God in our minds but leave God out of our activities. We compartmentalize God in a religious box, and then try to bring God back into everyday existence. But God gets lost in transit.

Let's get back to basics. We have built-in thirst for God, but God is nothing like us, like anything we can imagine. God is absolutely other than us, total mystery. We cannot domesticate God. Karen Johnson Reprinted with permission from Celebration



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