

# SAINT JOHN BREBEUF ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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# ST.JOHN BREBEUF CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Kindergarten to Grade 8 605 Renfrew Street Winnipeg, Manitoba R3N IJ8 Phone: (204) 489-2115 Fax: (204) 928-7455 Email: schooloffice@sjbcommunity.ca



MASS SCHEDULE

Masses on the Lord's Day: Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am

<u>WEEKDAY MASS</u> 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	
Laura Carreiro, Principal	ext 242
Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate	ext 217
Genevieve Makinson, Financial Administrator	
Eddie Melo, Building Operations	ext 220
Debbie Dusanek, Parish Admin. Coordinator	ext 210

## 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 <u>before</u> 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 30/31, 2014: Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Jeremiah 20:7-9; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

"Cross-carrying" conjures up a kind of stoic, suffering-in-silence mentality. At its worst, this has been used to prompt people in abusive situations not to resist their abusers. The most sorrowful parts of church history were the times when the gospel was used to justify and gloss over oppression like slavery, colonization, and domestic abuse. It's no small irony that the very symbol of our victory over death has been distorted by some to carry out atrocities. Certainly for those of us whose lives are comfortable, picking up a cross doesn't sound too appealing-there is a natural tendency to lean towards a "keep calm and carry on" interpretation of this cross business. The real kicker is that we're supposed to attract other people to church, and our selling point is... what exactly? Jesus died on a cross, so come join us and you can carry one too! Jesus may have called Simon Peter a stumbling block, but Paul was right to call the cross one too. The cross is not a selling point for our Jesus-club. It's a symbol of God's mysterious power over death, so it's expected we're going to get tripped up by it.

The good news is that Jesus knows the way from death to life, and he leads us on it so we can have our pain transformed by the cross once more. This does not mean remaining passive in the face of oppression. Jesus goes willingly to his oppressors and forces them to make a choice: either he is the Son of God and they should bow down and worship him, or else he is an imposter and they should destroy him. Following human logic, the elders, scribes, chief priests, and the Roman imperial government chose the latter. In doing so, they unwittingly revealed the paradoxical logic of God's Kingdom: that power is perfected by weakness, that the last will be first, and that life is gained by giving it away. Not in the next life or in some far of distant future, but here and now in the present God reigns-death and evil do not.

It's in this vein that the image of taking up your cross is at its best. It rallies one's resilience in the face of adversity, to resist the power of evil by neither backing down nor giving in to fear, but by acting as though God were in complete control. I think of certain hospital patients I've met over the years who underwent tremendous physical suffering, yet found a sense of peace in knowing their Saviour shares in their pain. More than holding a stiff upper lip, these patients found their misery transformed into hope. Even the very real threat of death was not enough to quell their assurance in God's promise of life. Jesus knows the way and has already gone through it for us, so we don't have to be afraid to pick up the cross too.

~Tom Bailey Robertson, Pastoral Associate

### Winnipeg Inter-Deanery Celebration:

To honour the completion of the ten-year pastoral plan, "Building a Church of Communion", clergy, religious and lay faithful from the parishes of the North,



Central and South Winnipeg deaneries will gather on Thursday evening, October 16, 2014 at St. Paul the Apostle Church, 2400 Portage Ave. Our inter-deanery gathering begins with celebration of the Eucharist at 7:30pm, presided by Archbishop Richard Gagnon, followed by a reception featuring a pictorial reflection of experiences in our parishes over the past ten years. Tom Denton of Hospitality House will speak on our Archdiocesan efforts to welcome refugees to Canada. More information is available at the Lanark bulletin board. or visit www.archwinnipeg.ca

#### Emergency/Reconstruction Projects in the Middle East Sponsored by Canadian Catholic Agencies:

Emergency appeals have been launched by Canadian Catholic Agencies in response to the humanitarian crises in Syria, Gaza and Iraq. To donate, please contact: AED Canada (Aid to the Church in Need): http://www.acn-aed-ca.org

Development and Peace: http://www.devp.org CNEWA Canada (Catholic Near East Welfare Assoc.) www.cnewa.ca

### Winnipeg Harvest:

#### Top 10 most wanted food items:

- 1. Canned fish and poultry- tuna or salmon (packed in water) chicken or turkey
- 2. Canned fruit and vegetables (packed in own juice)
- 3. Canned stew, chili, brown beans
- 4. Peanut Butter
- 5. Whole Grain/Whole Wheat Pasta
- 6. Baby Food- jars of chicken, beef, vegetables or fruit, infant cereal such as oatmeal, barley or rice, Formula with added iron
- 7. Rice-brown, converted or par-boiled
- 8. Canned spaghetti sauce or tomatoes
- 9. Cereal-high fibre, non-sugar coated
- 10. Canned Soup-lentil, pea, vegetable

Monetary donations also gratefully accepted. Each loonie allows Harvest to leverage \$20 in food. Your purchase of gift cards from our Knights can also be donated.

Tools for School: For low income families, preparing for back-to-school is a budgeting nightmare; especially for those struggling to feed their children. The school supply allowance for those on public assistance does not cover costs. Without the proper tools, children can find it difficult to complete the school work that will shape their education. You can help by purchasing needed supplies.



*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

# August 30/31, 2014: Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday,	<b>22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
August 31	10am: +Frank Cielen
Monday, Sept. 1	<b>Weekday Ferial</b> No Mass Labour Day: Parish Office Closed
Tuesday,	<b>Weekday Ferial</b>
Sept. 2	9:15am: +Cornelio Parado
Wednesday Sept. 3	Memorial: St. Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Ed McKinley
Thursday,	<b>Weekday Ferial</b>
Sept. 4	9:15am: +Jean Hurtubise
Friday, Sept. 5	<b>Weekday Ferial</b> 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Doris & Arthur Fraser
Saturday,	<b>Vigil: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
Sept. 6	5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday, Sept. 7	<b>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 10am: +John Fulop 11am: C.W.L. Meeting

#### Knights of Columbus #1107: Your purchase of Sobeys Gift Cards can help

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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. 2014 total to date is \$1,650.

#### **Church Bulletin Advertising:**

Looking for an inexpensive, effective way to promote your

business or service? For a nominal fee, you can advertise in our church bulletin. Your ad will be viewed by an average readership of 600 per week, and supports the publication of our bulletin. **Spaces are still available for the current year.** Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call 1-800-268-2637.

#### <u>St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:</u> August 23/24: \$2,181



#### <u>Sharing God's Gifts:</u> Our Target: \$81,730 Current Pledges & Donations: \$28,600



**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.

**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 at 204-488-4467 ext. 217. Sessions will be held Sundays from 10:30-11:30am.

**Faith Formation:** Registration is now being accepted for the 2014/2015 children's Faith Formation Programs at St. John Brebeuf: Share the Word (Ages 3-5), Sunday School (K to 8), First Reconciliation/First Eucharist (Gr. 2), and Confirmation (Gr. 9). Orange Family Faith Formation forms are available at the main church entrance, or in the Faith Formation section of the parish web site: www.sjbcommunity.ca. Please return to the Parish Office in the offertory basket, or see front bulletin cover for fax, email and mailing address information.

#### Please mark your calendar: Adult Faith Formation:

Wednesday, Sept. 10, 10am, Parish Residence

The first day of **Share the Word:** Sunday, September 21 during 9:30am Mass

The first day of **Sunday School:** Sunday, Sept. 21, 10:35am-11:20am in the school

**Confirmation Parent/Candidate Meeting:** Sunday, Sept. 21, 12:30pm—2:00pm, Parish Hall

**First Reconciliation Parent Meeting:** Tuesday, October 28, 7pm, Parish Hall

For details, please visit www.sjbcommunity.ca

Summer Mass Schedule Masses on the Lord's Day: Saturday: 5pm Sunday: 10am Weekday Masses: Tues. to Fri. 9:15am



Regular schedule resumes Sept. 14/15, 2014. Mass times subject to change.

# 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, David Bruneau, Ben D'Souza, Kathleen Foster, Mario Di Fonzo, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Edith Heinrichs, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, J.D.,

Matt Jones, Therese LaClare, Margaret Lafrenière, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, Debra M., 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. Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 (800) 268-2637



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