

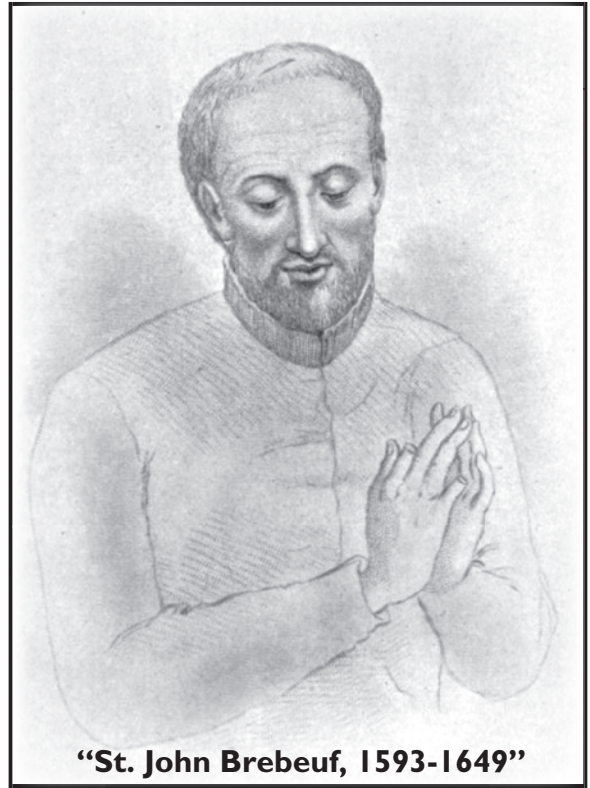


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“St. John Brebeuf, 1593-1649”

### 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
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 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).

## December 10/11, 2016: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Sunday, Dec. 11	<b>3rd Sunday of Advent</b> 9:30am: +Mario DiFonzo 10:30am: K. of C. Breakfast with Santa 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: Missa Pro Populo 12:30pm: Confirmation Session
Monday, Dec. 12	<b>Feast: Our Lady of Guadalupe Patron of the Americas</b> 9:15am: Intentions of Seamus Bell 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday, Dec. 13	<b>Memorial: St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr</b> 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Grace Donald 1:30pm: Portsmouth Mass
Wednesday Dec. 14	<b>Memorial: St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor</b> 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: Deceased Smith Family Members 7:30pm: K. of C. Meeting
Thursday, Dec. 15	<b>Weekday Ferial</b> 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Margaret Edwards
Friday, Dec. 16	<b>Weekday Ferial</b> 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Patrick Verry
Saturday, Dec. 17	<b>Vigil: 4th Sunday of Advent</b> 9am-Noon: Advent Reconciliation 5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday, Dec. 18	<b>Vigil: 4th Sunday of Advent</b> 9:30am: +Donald Mathewson 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Cornelio Parado (Mass with Baptism)

### Archdiocese of Winnipeg

#### Advent Reconciliation Schedule:

**St. John Brebeuf:** Sat., Dec. 17. 9am-Noon

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** Wed., Dec 14, 9:30am-11am

**Holy Rosary:** Thurs., Dec. 15, 10am-Noon and 7-9pm

**St. Ignatius:** Fri., Dec. 16, 4-5pm

Sat., Dec. 17, 9:45am-10:45am, Mon., Dec. 19, 7pm-8:30pm

Tues., Dec 20, 9:30am-10:45am, Fri., Dec 23, 4-5pm

Sat., Dec. 24, 9:45am-10:45am

Sat., Dec. 31, 9:45am-10:45am

**Our Lady of Victory:** Sat., Dec 17, 9am-4pm

**St. Vital Parish:** Sat., Dec. 17, 2-4pm

**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.

**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, Extension 217 or tombr@sjbcommunity.ca

### St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

#### Regular Offertory

**December 3/4, 2016: \$4,215**

2017 Offertory envelopes are now available for pick-up at the Lanark entrance. For the sake of our earth, please consider sharing your gifts through pre-authorized donations.

#### Least Coin Collection:

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

**December 3/4, 2016: \$590**

**Total collected to date: \$42,787.72**

### St. John Brebeuf Parish Christmas Worship Schedule

#### Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord

Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016

5pm Christmas Eve Mass with the Children

7:30pm Christmas Eve Mass

10pm Christmas Eve Mass with incense

*(Caroling begins 30 min. prior to Christmas Eve Masses)*

#### Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015

10am-ish Christmas Mass

**Merry Christmas!**

### Sharing God's Gifts:

**Our Target: \$97,950**

**Current Pledges and Donations: \$62,182.94**

**If you have already donated or pledged pre-authorized donations, thank you!**



Saint John Brebeuf School presents:

### **Christmas Unwrapped**

Tues., Dec. 20, 1:30pm

Wed., Dec. 21, 7pm

St. John Brebeuf Church. Free Will Offering



**Our Place/Chez Nous:** During Advent, we are collecting change and bills for Our Place/Chez Nous. Donation Jars are located at church entrances.

### 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)*

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***If someone in your family is ill and requests the prayers of the parish community, please contact the Parish Office.***

# December 10/11, 2016: 3rd Sunday of Advent

## Third Sunday of Advent: Songs of hope and liberation

Singing in a choir, I feel a little sorry for the Easter season. Yes, it has its music, same as any other part of the church year. But once Pentecost arrives, we forget the hymns of Easter and don't really miss them. Few people enjoy Easter music in their homes or play it on their iPods. The songs of Advent and Christmas, however, are different. Not only do we sing them in church and play them willingly in our homes: They follow us around the mall and are featured in seasonal movies and television specials. Bands of roving singers show up on our doorsteps, in our hospital rooms, or mysteriously burst forth in pre-arranged "flash mob" concerts intended to surprise and delight. The music of this season is so beloved, many people choose it as the soundtrack of December and beyond.

On Gaudete Sunday, we can be forgiven if our mood gets rosy. By this point in the season, the apocalyptic tones of early Advent give way to singing and dancing. It's the lame who dance, by the way, and the mute who sing. What Sister Pam Smith calls "Almost" Sunday is described by prophecy in mystical terms: It's a party where the marginalized members of society take center stage and teach us all how to celebrate. Moreover, in their restored wholeness they demonstrate why we celebrate.

The mute are ready to sing and the lame to dance: Are we? When John wonders aloud if it's time to celebrate, Jesus gives him a long list of prophetic signs to consider. What was lost is found. What has been missing is restored. Where there was sadness, now there's nothing but joy. Where hope had evaporated, new life rejuvenates it.

It would be hard, therefore, to separate the singing from this season. Happy people whistle, and people in love burst into song, at least according to the musicals. Music is the sound of celebration, which is why every party has a soundtrack and every wedding reception includes dancing. Of course, there are Scrooges and Grinches in each season who resist the invitation to celebrate. Some of us also endure personal circumstances out of which joy may be difficult to muster. That was true of the communities Isaiah and Jesus were addressing. The kind of joy Gaudete Sunday expresses is not merely about happy feelings and good times—which some of us have this season, and some of us may not. "Almost" Sunday reminds us that God knows the restoration we all seek and need, every broken and unfinished aspect of our lives and our world. That kingdom, the reign of wholeness and hope, is on its way.

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### **Seed of Friendship Concert:**

Our thanks to John Tanner and the Joie de Vivre Choir and musical guests for an enjoyable evening of music and song, held December 4 in support of our Syrian Refugee Fund. The event raised over \$2000- enough money to cover a month in rent and utilities for our family!

**Winnipeg Harvest:** Winnipeg Harvest has a **critical need for 5 of its top 10 foods**, crucial to the food kits that get sent out to nearly 64,000 Manitobans each month.



Urgent items include: **Canned Meat**  
**Canned Beans**  
**Canned Soups**  
**Canned Fruit**  
**Rice & Pasta**

Please help Winnipeg Harvest feed the hungry in our midst by sharing what you can **every** month.

**Christmas Plants:** Each Christmas season, our parish purchases many poinsettias to decorate our worship space. Parishioners can purchase plants in gratitude for their loved ones, living and deceased, for only \$10 each from the Parish Office. All purchased plants will be marked with a gift tag honouring your loved one. See Debbie in the Parish Office to purchase your tags.



### **Special Donation for Haiti:**



Development and Peace has launched an appeal to raise funds for the poorest and most vulnerable impacted by Hurricane Matthew. An estimated 1.4 million people require aid, of which 40% are children. Each Sunday, Saint John Brebeuf Parish takes up a Least Coin Collection, which is used for our ongoing ministry of charity. We will be sending a cheque in the amount of \$500 from this fund to support the important work of Development and Peace in Haiti.

**Knights of Columbus #1107:** 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! **Each dollar donated allows Harvest to leverage \$20 worth of food.** 2016 total to date: **\$11,730.**



### **K. of C. Breakfast with Santa:**

Sunday, December 11 following 9:30am Mass in the Parish Hall

### **2016 Keep Christ in Christmas Colouring Contest:**

Children are invited to submit a hand drawn picture (up to 8:12" x 14") or collage to the Parish Office by the end of December. Contest open to children K-7 and up. Prizes in each category. Details: [www.kofcwinnipeg.org](http://www.kofcwinnipeg.org)



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



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