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#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Masses on the Lord's Day:

www.sjbschool.ca

Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am

#### **WEEKDAY MASS**

Tuesday to Friday 9:15am

#### **CHILDREN'S CATECHISM**

(Sundays, September to May)
Grades I-8: Weekly 10:40am in the school

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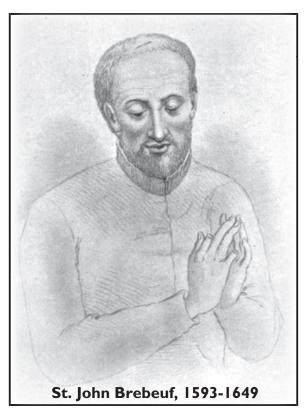
(Sundays, September to May)
Ages 3-6: Bi-Weekly during the 9:30am Mass

#### 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
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# 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 <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).

### February 11/12, 2017: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, Feb. 12	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Jackie Smith (Mass with Baptism) 12:30pm: Confirmation Session
Monday, Feb. 13	Weekday Ferial No Mass 1:30pm: Lectio Divina 7:30pm: Liturgy Committee Meeting
Tuesday, Feb. 14 Mass with the School	Memorial: St. Cyril, Monk, and St. Methodius, Bishop 9am: +Roy Dowling 1:30pm: Portsmouth Residence Mass
Wed. Feb. 15	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Fr. Tom McGivern 10am: Tuxedo Villa Mass
Thursday, Feb. 16	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Allan Hawkins
Friday, Feb. 17	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: Int. of Judy Halgrimson
Saturday, Feb. 18	Vigil: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5pm: +Jim Stappard
Sunday, Feb. 19	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo (Mass with Baptism) 10:35am: Missa Pro Populo 11:30am: +Jim Rodrigues
Monday, Feb.20	Weekday Ferial No Mass Parish Office closed for Louis Riel Day

#### St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

**Regular Offertory** 

February 4/5, 2017: \$4,653.40

A number of 2017 Offertory envelope packets are still awaiting pick-up at the main church entrance. For the sake of the 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.

February 4/5, 2017: \$508 2017 Total to date: \$2969.50

### Prayer for Vocations

O God, who have chosen the apostles to make disciples of all nations and who by Baptism and Confirmation have called all of us to build up your Holy Church. Bless our married couples and help them live out their vocation through Christian family life, a true Domestic Church, always open to your voice. We earnestly implore you to choose from among us, your children, many Priests, Deacons and Religious Brothers and Sisters who will love you with their whole heart and will gladly spend their entire lives to make you known and loved by all.

Amen.

**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

#### **First Reconciliation/First Eucharist:**

Mark Your Calendar!

**Evening of Forgiveness** for registered First Reconciliation candidates

Tuesday, February 28, 4:30pm -7:30pm

Parents lead the candidates around the church and school in reconciliation-themed activities. We will enjoy a delicious pizza supper at 6 p.m. This fun-filled evening is open to the whole family, but is geared towards the candidates.

#### First Eucharist Parent Information Evening:

Tuesday, April 4, 7pm, Parish Hall. We will distribute the preparation books for First Eucharist and review the suggested curriculum with parents. This session focuses on connecting the Sacrament of Eucharist with everyday family life. This event is for parents (but children may attend).

#### Friendship Celebration:

Saturday, May 27, 9:30am

#### **Sacrament of First Eucharist:**

Saturday, May 27 5pm and Sunday, May 28 10am

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation:**

Saint John Brebeuf date: Thursday, June 1, 7pm Archbishop Richard Gagnon, Presider

#### 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., 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, Paul L., Sr. Cathy Laviolette, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, M.M., David M., Debra M., Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Eric Moscarella, John Mulhern, Peter, Adeline Schmidt, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., Joan Vadas, W.J., Geraldine Walker, Brian Woods

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



### February 11/12, 2017: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Corinthians 2:6-10; Matthew 5:17-37

If there's a gospel reading that makes us feel like we'd rather God just left us alone, it's this one. I like my eyeballs where they are, thank you very much. The shocking picture Jesus paints—a person willing to cut off their hand or pluck out their eye to prevent themselves from sinning-stands as a challenge to the live-and-let-live mentality that predominates in the world. We might hope to avoid confronting the deeper truths about ourselves. Pay taxes, go to church, drive the speed limit; generally try to keep a low profile rather than disturb a supposedly angry God. This just isn't enough.

"I the LORD your God am a jealous God," says the book of Exodus. It's no wonder then that Jesus tells us that following the rules isn't enough to get by in the Kingdom of Heaven. We can point to a clean criminal record, to a lifetime of spotless tax returns, or to timely oil changes, but mere responsibility won't impress God. Construction "to code" is simply the bare minimum required to safely build, but to lay down a foundation that will stand for eternity demands so much more. God shapes us to be part of an everlasting kingdom.

This is why the standards God sets for us seem unreasonably high. We might prefer a domesticated God with a straightforward list of tasks to complete before we achieve a place in the Kingdom. That the standards are unreasonable provides a clue for how we are to enter that Kingdom—if anyone makes it to heaven, it won't be by their own talent or virtue, but by the work of the Holy Spirit. Choosing to work with the Spirit is costly; there are many missing hands and torn out eyes among the ranks of the Saints. We too can choose life over death, good over evil, because the Holy Spirit excises the obstacles in our way, like a surgeon removing a tumour. It's a clear path, but a difficult one to walk down nonetheless. Although it is a challenging, even scary, walk to make, we can follow the Spirit joyfully, because Christ has already gone before us to show us the way. Nothing in heaven or on earth will stand in our way. Whatever isn't needed can be cast aside. For evil to stand in the way, all it takes is for us to grow complacent, willing to settle for the bare minimum. God insists we seek the highest good possible, even at great personal cost. Christ, who rushes to greet us on the way, understands this all too well; the hands that embrace us bear the wounds from the cross, the price paid to choose the greatest good. When Christ's eyes meet our own, the gaze will be familiar—we will have seen them in those whom we showed mercy. Then the cost of even a limb will seem too light a thing.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

#### St. John Brebeuf School:

John Brebeuf School is still accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year in Kindergarten and Grade 8. For more information, please call 204-489-2115.

#### **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! Each dollar donated allows Harvest to leverage \$20 worth of food. 2017

total to date: \$1.125



Sunday, February 26 following 9:30am and 11:30am Winnipeg Harvest has a critical need for 5 of Masses in the Parish Hall. Free Will Offering.

#### **Columbus Courts:**

Columbus Courts is a 55+ residence that provides affordable housing to those who require rental assistance under the direction of the Knights of Columbus. Monthly rent is determined by a resident's ability to pay. Amenities include close proximity to shopping and transit, activities like bingo and exercise classes, and on-site Masses with Msgr. Stan Jaworski in its main floor chapel. For more information, Please help Winnipeg Harvest feed the hungry in our please contact Henny at 204-982-2010.

### **Around the Archdiocese and Beyond:**

- Lord, Help Me to Pray, Winter Retreat for Women, Men and Youth: Sat., Feb. 18, 9 am to 3 pm (doors open at 8:30 am). St. Charles Church, 320 St. Charles Street. Cost \$20: includes lunch, snacks and beverages. Presenters are Deacon Ted Wood & Nancy Wood, Spiritual Directors and Retreat Leaders. For info and registration: Anna 204-895-2420 or Fran 204-889-7348
- Marriage: For Giving or For getting? Sat., March 4, St. Charles Retreat Centre, 323 Charles St. Give your spouse a post-Valentine's present - a day of marriage enrichment to look at the deepest meaning of love. Time: 9am to 7pm (lunch and supper included). Offered by the Cana mission of Chemin Neuf Community. Cost: Free will donation. Please register by Feb. 24 at 204-885-2260 or stcharlesretreat@hotmail.com.

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