

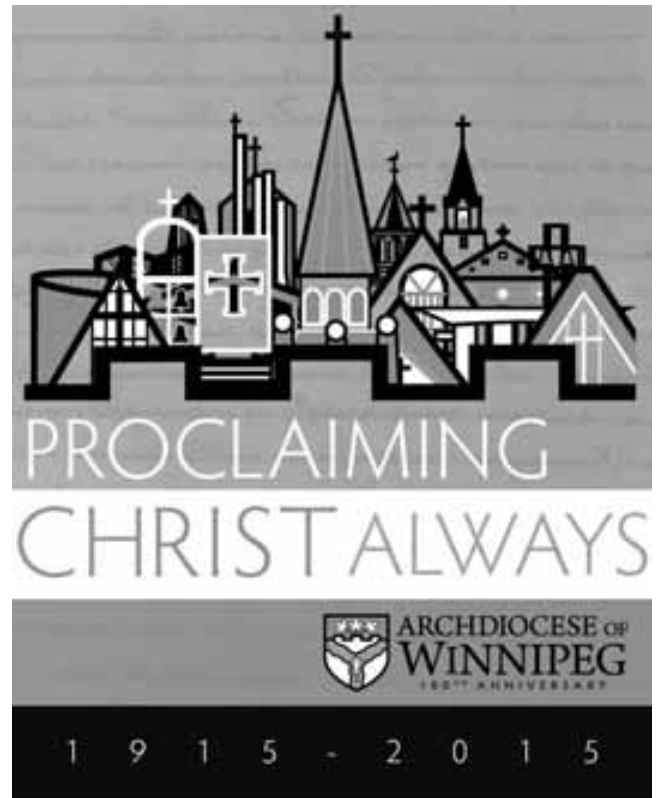


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MASS SCHEDULE

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
Kim Graeili, Financial 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).

January 3/4, 2015: Epiphany of the Lord

See What You've Never Noticed

Paige Byrne Shortal

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Raise your eyes and look about. ... Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow. (Isa 60:4a;5a)

In our house, the Nativity scene appears gradually. On the First Sunday of Advent, just the stable, made out of old barn wood from one of our sheds. Then in a few days, some animals; then Mary and Joseph. It drives the kids nuts that Baby Jesus doesn't appear until December 24, and along with him, the star, an angel, the shepherds and another sheep. Beginning on Christmas Day, after the wrappings are cleared away to be burned in our traditional Christmas bonfire, the magi start their journey from behind the couch and make their way closer and closer until they arrive today at the baby's side.

Our older kids like to joke around with the Nativity characters, and we might find an angel in a lamp or a shepherd in the kindling basket. One year on Epiphany Sunday we awoke to find the stable missing and just the characters in place. It turns out one of the little boys borrowed it for his Lego guys. But without the stable, the characters were more visible, their little painted faces lit up, their delicate beauty more evident.

Twenty years ago my parish was in the midst of a renovation and for nine months we worshiped in the church basement. There were new Mass times to accommodate the crowd, new places to sit and new faces — or old faces we had never noticed. New friendships were formed during those nine months. When our world is disturbed, some may only see what they lost, but if we allow it, we might see what we've never noticed. We might see something that will make us "radiant at what we see" and our "hearts throb."

In the stories, that's what happens to the shepherds and to the wise men. It's what happens to Mary as she takes in all the strange words about her baby boy and stores them in her heart. It's what happens to Joseph as he trusts his dreams and his God.

But it is not what happens to Herod. There are those — and some of them are very powerful — who will not see. There are wise people and innocents and holy families in this world, but there are also Herods who are, in every age, bent on destruction; who will, in order to save themselves, destroy everyone on their path and, ultimately, themselves.

Perhaps it's a good idea to practice seeing beyond our stables. Perhaps it's a good idea to move some stuff around or get rid of it so we can see more clearly what is important. Perhaps it's a good idea to focus on the faces of those we love dearly and those we may not have chosen, but are put on our path to love. Perhaps it's a good idea lest we cooperate in Herod's schemes just so that we might keep our comfortable-but-confining stable walls around us.

Today is Little Christmas in our house. We have one last big family meal, one last present to the children, one last day when we sing the carols and light the tree. Sometime during this coming week we will turn off the Christmas lights, put away the ornaments and the Christmas CDs, movies and books. It's up to us to keep Christmas in our hearts and continue to see what we hold dear. It's up to us to practice gratitude and help our children learn to do so as well. For with a grateful heart, one can see the graces offered to us. And with an ungrateful heart, our eyes are blinded, and we have the potential of becoming a little Herod in our little world. God help us.

Let us Pray for our Sick and Homebound:

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

Marie A., Marie M., 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, Carol Kruse, Margaret Lafrenière,
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William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Evan Morton,
Eric Moscarella, Peter, Georgia Poirier,
Wally Ross, Adeline Schmidt, 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.*

Rest in Peace: +Patrick Verry
(Son of Beatrice Verry)
+Ben D'Souza
(Husband of Julie D'Souza)



Knights of Columbus #1107:

Your purchase of Sobeys Gift Cards can help 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. 2014 total: **\$12,192.40** in gift cards toward baby formula.



CWL: The C.W.L. are holding their membership drive for 2015. You will find envelopes in the pews this weekend. If you wish to become a new member or to renew your membership, please fill out the form with your remittance of \$35 and place in the collection basket.



Pastoral References: All pastoral reference requests for students seeking admission to St. Mary's or St. Paul's High School must be in to Fr. Mark by **January 16, 2015**. Please include a stamped, addressed envelope.



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.sjbccommunity.ca**

January 3/4, 2015: Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, Jan. 4	Solemnity: Epiphany of the Lord 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 11:30am: +Eileen Nash 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting
Monday, Jan. 5	Weekday Ferial No Mass 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday, Jan. 6	Weekday Ferial 9:15am: +June Mandarino
Wednesday Jan. 7	Memorial: St. André Bessette, Religious 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +John (Joao) Carreiro
Thursday, Jan. 8	Weekday Ferial 9am: Mass with the School
Friday, Jan. 9	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Michael Hart
Saturday, Jan. 10	Vigil: Baptism of the Lord 5pm: +Anthony Derrick
Sunday, Jan. 11	Baptism of the Lord 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Ita Egan 12:30pm: Confirmation Session (Hall) 5:30pm: India Community Mass

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

Rebecca Breann Adair McKinnon

who celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism
December 28, 2014

May God bless you and your family!



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 are held Sundays from 10:30-11:30am.

St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

December 20/21, 2014: \$9,934

December 27/28, 2014: \$4,584

2015 Offertory Envelopes are now available for pick-up at the Lanark entrance. Please advise the Parish Office of any errors or omissions.

Sharing God's Gifts: Our Target: \$81,730

Current Pledges & Donations: \$78,063.28

Donation envelopes available at church entrances.



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