

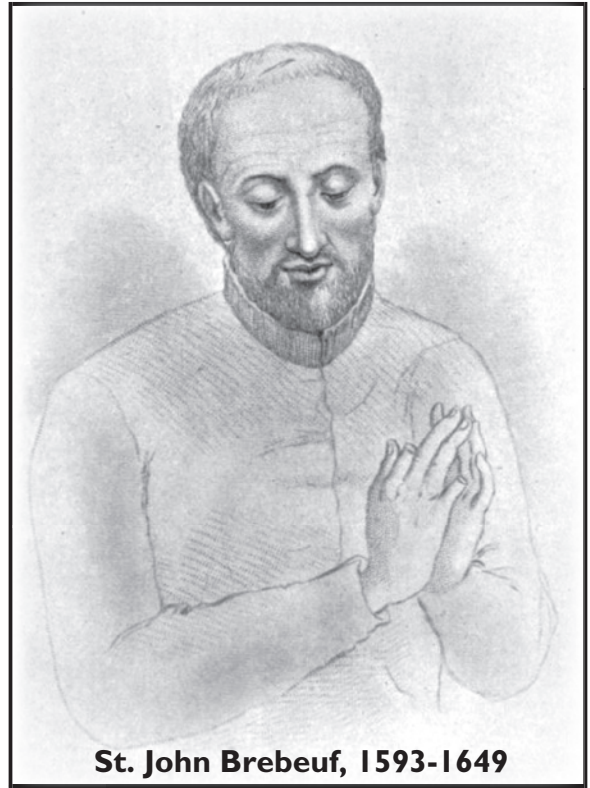


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St. John Brebeuf, 1593-1649

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).

January 7/8, 2017: Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, Jan. 8	Solemnity: Epiphany of the Lord 9:30am: +Marcella Mathewson 11:30am: +Jim Mahon 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting
Monday, Jan. 9	Feast: Baptism of the Lord 9:15am: Intentions of John & Mona Mulhern
Tuesday, Jan. 10	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Phyllis Lippmann 1:30pm: Portsmouth Residence Mass 7pm: School Board Meeting 7pm: Diocesan Development & Peace Mtg.
Wednesday Jan. 11	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Wayne Vandenberghe 7:30pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting
Thursday, Jan. 12	Memorial: St. Marguerite Bourgeoys 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Harold Midgley 10:15am: Boulton Bay Mass
Friday, Jan. 13	Weekday Ferial 9am: Mass with the School– Intentions of Sylvia Hood
Saturday, Jan. 14	Vigil: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 5pm: +Eva Holz
Sunday, Jan. 15	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Ronan Dias 12:30pm: Confirmation Session

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

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.

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.

St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

Regular Offertory

Pre-Authorized Donations for December: \$21,845.50

December 17/18, 2016: \$14,330

December 24/25, 2016: \$38,332.75

December 31, 2016/January 1, 2017: \$8,877

Bonus for Brebeuf: \$2,700

2017 Offertory envelopes are now available for pick-up at the main church 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 17/18, 2016: \$647.50

December 24/25, 2016: \$2,576.12

December 31, 2016/January 1, 2017: \$466

2016 Total: \$48,987.34

Sharing God's Gifts:

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

Current Pledges and Donations: **\$86,827.94**



Our Place/Chez Nous:

Spare Change (and Bills) for the Poor

During Advent, **\$82.60** was collected for the work of Our Place/Chez Nous. Thank you.



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.

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January 7/8, 2017: Epiphany of the Lord

Epiphany of the Lord: *Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12*

The magi and Herod are a study in contrasts. Herod, the insecure ruler, learns of the location of God's anointed one, but opts to remain in his palace. He calls the three travellers from afar to a secret meeting where he plots to uncover the would-be usurper. "Go and search diligently," he tells them, "so that I may also go and pay him homage." The two-faced king lied easily; he sought to assuage his growing fear. A braver king might have joined the search, but Herod sat back down on the couch. Maybe he called for some food and wine to distract himself from his crippling anxiety.

The magi, on the other hand, were quintessential seekers—they left behind the security of home to head out into the unknown. They single-mindedly followed the path before them. They watched and listened for signs along the way, and when they were lost, they stopped to ask for directions—wise men indeed! They carried precious treasure that they laid down when they arrived, so they travelled home with a lighter load and uplifted spirits. God purified their hearts, so they could seek the Son with courage.

Our own search for God is a mix: part magi, part Herod. Like Herod, we might prefer some truths in our lives to remain secret and hidden. It's scary to live as though God were in charge—we'd rather maintain the illusion of our own control. God can go ahead and deliver the needy, but I'll take care of my own needs, thanks! We might have ourselves convinced of our own goodness, importance, or cleverness, even in the face of evidence to the contrary. It feels like we're unstoppable, but we're all one dead car battery away from being stuck. It's then in our powerlessness that God purifies our hearts, so we can find the courage to look to our Lord, not to ourselves.

It's not a comfortable process. It means leaving behind the palace couch and setting off on the road laden with the things we think we can rely on: our wealth, our beauty, our reputation, our pride and joy. It stings a bit to open up our treasure chests and offer those once-precious things to God's Son. Our knees creak when we bend down in worship before the true Lord of our lives—like an old athlete picking up a lost sport, the muscles get rusty when we don't use them. It's a journey we must make, for none of the things in this world can hold our reverence forever if they are not from God. When those boxes we carry turn out to be burdens, God purifies our hearts so we can once again place our trust in the Son—the Lord.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

CWL:

The C.W.L. are holding their membership drive for 2017. You will find envelopes in the pews the weekend of January 14/15. If you wish to become a new member or to renew your membership, please fill out the form with your remittance of \$30 and place in the collection basket.



Membership Brunch: All C.W.L. members and ladies of the parish are invited to a membership brunch Sunday, January 15, 1pm at Aalto's Canad Inns Polo Park. For more information, and to RSVP, please contact Jane at 204-487-3258.

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