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MASS SCHEDULE

Masses on the Lord's Day:

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 10:00am

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 TEAM

Father Mark A. Tarrant, Pastor ext 213
Deacon Michael Thibert
Deacon Joseph McLellan, Retired
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
Deb Bernier, School Admin. Assistant ext 241

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 **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).

June 21/22, 2014: Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (*Corpus Christi*): Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16; Psalm 147; 1 Cor 10:16-17; John 6:51-59

Suffering is a mysterious part of life. There's no escape from suffering, it comes with being a human and being a body. Bodies are susceptible to illness and injury. Bodies are acted on by outside forces. Bodies can be shot, crushed, starved, and killed. As if to add insult to injury, these vulnerable bodies are also souls who aspire to be like God: free from harm and worry, whole and complete, nourished and fulfilled, and never knowing death. At the heart of our humanity is a stunning contradiction between promise and reality: we have a craving for eternity, yet are stuck wandering in uncertainty.

The ancient Israelites experienced opposition in the desert, what the first reading calls "the long way". Along that "long way" they went through hunger and thirst, dodged fiery serpents, and survived on strange foods. They weren't lost though; they were led there. God supplied them with heavenly food to lead them through the long way. For the Israelites, this experience would shape their understanding of their relationship with God for generations. Living through hardship was not the result of being cut off from God, but a struggle that was won or lost with God at their side. The suffering part still hurt just as much. Instead of it being experienced as divine punishment, it was seen as a test to endure.

Feeling that God tests us still doesn't collapse the mystery of suffering. Job starts off being tested by God, but his friends all try to explain away his suffering. Job finally asks God "why" and God's answer back is a resounding "who are you to ask?" That God sounds snarky is a bit of biblical humor, but it holds some profound wisdom too. Suffering raises that question once again of who we truly are. Testing is just a way to get at the truth; sometimes suffering can feel like a test to bring out our true selves. "When the chips are down..." is when we find out who we really are. There is nothing else to point to that can explain who we are, other than ourselves. "Sure, Job is faithful," says the Satan, "but take away his family, fortune, and friends, then see we'll see what he's really like." There's only one way to find out.

Likewise, Jesus has nothing outside himself to account for his faithfulness. All he has is his very self, his body and his blood, and he gives it willingly. Jesus takes the long way, which for him leads to Jerusalem, the cross, and the tomb. Yet, taking this path reveals his true self to his followers: in his very flesh and blood is the true food from heaven. Once again God supplies us with bread for the long way, so we can get through it. ~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

On Mealtime as Prayer:

Eating together as family, with friends or in community is as old a human expression as history can recall. The very word "companion" means "the one you share your bread with." Sharing food is just as nourishing to the soul as eating is nourishing for the body. How is it that in recent years the family meal has suffered such disintegration? All day we graze and nibble and by dinner time, we are no longer hungry. We are so busy, that we cannot cook, or cannot sit together over food and drink to share the events of the day and the issues that burn in our hearts. The average American family eats dinner in about five minutes!

Beyond the meal shared which we call the "last supper," we hear that the risen Jesus shared his bread at the end of a long walk with his grieving disciples on the road to Emmaus. He broke bread with them and "they knew him in the breaking of the bread." Every meal that we share is an occasion to "know him"—to recognize Christ in the heart of the persons with whom we share our meal. We also hear the story of a fish fry that the risen Jesus prepared for his friends after a night of fishing. How concrete. How physical. How human. How loving. Ghosts don't cook for us. But the bodily presence of a risen Lord knows our bodily hungers and provides for us in material ways. To share what we have with another is to "know him." To break bread with a blessing is to help us remember that every meal looks concretely to the meal. And it isn't possible to comprehend the eucharistic meal if we don't understand the sacramentality of the daily meal.

Collect blessings for your table. Offer a variety of words and songs so that your prayers do not become routine or unimaginative. Take time to enjoy your meal and to enjoy one another. If you live alone, invite others in to share your bread.

I saw a stranger today
I put food for him in the eating place
And drink in the drinking place.
In the Holy Name of the Trinity
He blessed myself and my house
My goods and my family.
And the lark said in her warble
Often, often, often
Goes Christ in the stranger's guise
O, oft and oft and oft,
Goes Christ in the stranger's guise.

—An Irish rune of hospitality



June 21/22, 2014: Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Sunday, June 22	Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ 10am: Missa Pro Populo 4pm: St. John Brebeuf School Graduation Mass and Awards (All are welcome)
Monday, June 23	Weekday Ferial No Mass
Tuesday, June 24	Solemnity: Nativity of Saint John the Baptist 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Ilona Szidorov
Wed., June 25	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Kay Cox
Thursday, June 26	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Danilo Sanggalang 1:30pm: Shaftesbury Residence Mass
Friday, June 27	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Ruth Waters
Saturday, June 28	Vigil: Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul 5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday, June 29	Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul 10am: +Donald Mathewson 5:15pm: India Community Mass
Monday, June 30	No Mass Parish Office Closed
Tuesday, July 1	No Mass Parish Office Closed



St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

June 14/15: \$3,767

Pre-Authorized Donations for June: \$22,561.50

Call the Parish Office to learn more about pre-authorized donation options at Saint John Brebeuf Parish.

Save a Family Plan is an international NGO based in Canada and India that provides poor families with financial assistance to help begin and maintain an income generating livelihood, and build eventual self-reliance. **100% of your donation reaches the poor.** For more information, pick up a brochure at one of the church entrances.



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.

Your help is needed to fill the Playpen for Pregnancy & Family Support Services.



Most needed items include:

- + Diapers (especially Newborn and Size 1)
- + Wet Wipes
- + 3 & 6 month Sleepers and Onesies
- + Bibs, Face Cloths, Hooded Towels
- + Baby Shampoo, Soap, Oil & Lotion

Please drop off your donations in the playpen at the main church entrance.

Financial Statements:

2013 St. John Brebeuf Parish Financial Statements are available at the Parish Office.

Winnipeg Harvest:

Fact: Nearly **half** of the food bank users in Manitoba are children. There is currently an urgent need for **non-perishable food items** and **baby formula**. Donation bin and top 10 most-needed list are located at the main church entrance.



2014 Living Flag Challenge:

Join thousands of Winnipeggers by wearing red and white to form a living flag, Tuesday, July 1 at the Forks (in front of the Canadian Museum for Human Rights). T-shirt distribution 9am, Scotiabank Stage. Photo will be taken at 11am in front of the museum (by the Scotiabank stage). Come celebrate Canada's 147th Birthday and help set the record for the nation's biggest living flag! www.downtownwinnipegbiz.com



Rest in Peace: +Stanley Wolfe

Father of Diana Wolfe

+Rick Supeene

Husband of Yvonne Supeene (Sierhuis)



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, Omer De Wandel, Ben D'Souza, Kathleen Foster, Mario Di Fonzo, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Edith Heinrichs, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, J.D., 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.

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