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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 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 ext 211
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).

March 1/2, 2014: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8th Sunday Ordinary Time: *Isaiah 49:14-15; Ps 62; 1 Cor 4:1-5; Matt 6:24-34*

The worst part about being poor, even above the lack of food, clothing, and shelter, is the sense of powerlessness. This is not some vague feeling that comes from not being able to afford decent stuff—some wistful longing, “Gee, I wish I could buy a new pair of jeans.” Imagine being in a hole so deep that you can’t see the top any more, and everything you do to climb out seems to backfire. TV reviewer Dustin Rowles describes the situations that seem to follow you around when you grow up destitute. Finally get a call for an interview? Oops, the water came out of the tap brown today and ruined your only set of clothes in the wash. Just got hired at a new job? Guess whose car decides not to start. Now you have to walk to the grocery store, too. Good luck with that—it’s so cold out that the plastic bag snaps on the way home, ruining the food in the slush. You’re too tired from the ordeal to be able to sell your plasma this week at the blood bank, so you’re going to be short on rent this month, too. Think the landlord will give you a break? Think again. People like him—people in control of their lives—have bills to pay, and they can’t pay them if they hire someone who shows up dressed unpresentably. The landlord and owners are just trying to avoid delinquency too—they can’t allow for your setbacks.

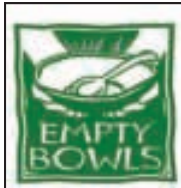
This is bad luck, but it’s the kind of bad luck that happens to people who are already down and out. Things out of your control keep holding you back, no matter what you do. Whether you escape the cycle of poverty, or not, is not up to you, but in the hands of a capricious universe. That realization is what stings the most: knowing that your actions are ineffective, that your choices don’t matter, and that ultimately you don’t seem to count.

Jesus understood this kind of poverty and despair all too well. He grew up a refugee in Egypt and later in an impoverished province under imperial oppression. Although an innocent man, he was arrested for his message of God’s radical love, and he was executed at the whim of the Roman governor. His life was shaped by human forces beyond his control; bad luck seems to follow him around. Despite all evidence to the contrary, he clung to his identity as God’s chosen one. The words we hear today from the prophet Isaiah apply to Jesus, “I will not forget you.” In the face of feeling forgotten and abandoned, God does remember him. Against all odds, and even common sense, the disciples find the tomb on Easter Sunday empty. We matter to God too, and he will never forget us. Even if life sometimes seems stacked against us sometimes, God has the final say in our lives, and he has unequivocally chosen to be on our side.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

The Empty Bowls Project:

On March 9 and 16, children in our Sunday School and Share the Word will be making clay bowls in the parish hall as part of the Empty Bowls Project. This campaign raises awareness about hunger in our community and supports Winnipeg Harvest. The bowls will be displayed on April 27 in our school gym at the Empty Bowls community meal (12:30 p.m.) as a powerful and tangible sign of the pervasiveness of hunger in the world. A silent auction that day will feature bowls signed by some of our favourite Winnipeg Jets and Blue Bombers, with all proceeds going to Winnipeg Harvest.



Knights of Columbus #1107:

Your purchase of Sobeys Gift Cards can help feed the hungry in our city? Our Knights are on hand selling cards in \$25, \$50 or \$100 denominations following weekend Masses.



To donate your gift card to Winnipeg Harvest, simply 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. In 2013, St. John Brebeuf parishioners purchased **\$11,005** in gift cards toward the purchase of much needed baby formula. Our 2014 total to date is **\$250**.



World Day of Prayer:

All women of the parish are invited to the 2014 Women’s Interchurch Council of Winnipeg World Day of Prayer worship service, “Streams in the Desert.” The service was written by the women of Egypt, and will take place Friday, March 7, 2pm, at Harrow United Church, 955 Mulvey Ave (at Harrow).



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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

March 1/2, 2014: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, March 2	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30am: +John Fulop 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: Missa Pro Populo 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting
Monday, March 3	Weekday Ferial No Mass 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday March 4	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Frank Szabo 7pm: Diocesan Development & Peace Mtg.
Wed., March 5	Ash Wednesday 9am: Mass with the Parish and School 10am: Adult Faith Formation 7:30pm: Mass
Thursday, March 6	Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Jack & Ann O'Connor
Friday, March 7	Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Mary (Mimi) Trainor 9:45am-Noon: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction 7pm: Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 8	Vigil: 1st Sunday of Lent 10am-Noon: First Reconciliation 5pm: +Edward Halipchuk
Sunday, March 9	1st Sunday of Lent 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Cornelio Parado

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.

Adult Faith Formation: Next session: **Wednesday, March 5, 2014**, 10am in the St. Marie Room

Confirmation:
Next session: Sunday, March 9, 7pm
Sacrament of Confirmation: **Tuesday, April 29, 7:30pm**

First Reconciliation:
First Reconciliations will take place on the following days:
Saturday, March 8, 10am-Noon
Saturday, March 15, 10am-Noon
Saturday, March 22, 10am-Noon
Please contact Tom in the Parish Office if you have not already done so to sign up for a 10 minute slot.

Lent 2014:



Ash Wednesday Masses

Wednesday, March 5:
9:00am (Mass with the School)
7:30pm

Fast and Abstinence Guidelines:

Fasting: On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, those aged 18 to 59 should only have one full meal. Two smaller meals, as needed, but eating solid foods between meals should be avoided.

Abstinence from Meat: Those who are 14 years or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Fridays during Lent (starting March 7):

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 9:45am to Noon, followed by **Benediction**.

Stations of the Cross begins at 7pm

Lenten Reflection Books:

Copies of the **Lenten Reflection Books** for adults and children are available at the church entrances.

Rest in Peace:

+Genevieve Benoit
(Mother of Byrnes Benoit)



St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

February 22/23: \$3,869

<p>St. John Brebeuf Ladies Bridge Club Mixed Bridge & Lunch April 5, St. John Brebeuf Parish Hall Lunch: 11:30am/Bridge: 1pm Tickets \$15: Mona @ 204-832-5248 Also available at the Parish Office</p> <p><i>Proceeds in support of the St. John Brebeuf School Bursary Fund</i></p>	
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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, Jimmy Brechka, David Bruneau, Maria Colatruglio, 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, Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Eric Moscarella, Georgia Poirier, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., Jack Tarnava, Suzanne Thille, Geraldine Walker, W.J., 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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