

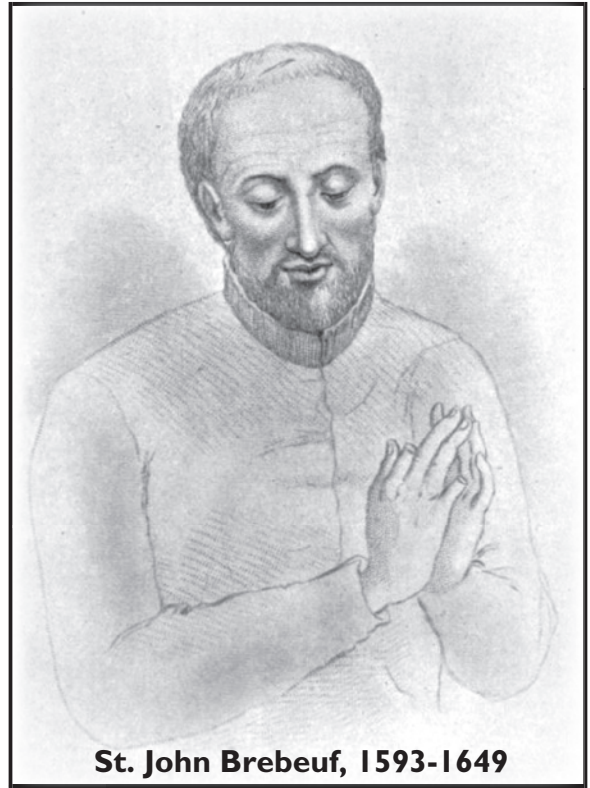


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St. John Brebeuf, 1593-1649

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

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| 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).

March 25/26, 2017: 4th Sunday of Lent

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| Sunday, March 26 | 4th Sunday of Lent 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 11:30am: +Pat & +Al Bean |
| Monday, March 27 | Lenten Ferial 9:15am: +Loreto Yap 1:30pm: Lectio Divina |
| Tuesday, March 28 | Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Charles Fudyk 7pm: Holy Rosary Reconciliation Service |
| Wed. March 29 | Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +John & +Marjorie Romanik 9:30am-11:30am: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Reconciliation Service 7pm: St. Ignatius Reconciliation Service |
| Thursday, March 30 | Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: Int. of Sally McAtamney |
| Friday, March 31 | Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Jim Rodrigues 7pm: Stations of the Cross 7pm: Sacre Coeur Reconciliation Service |
| Saturday, April 1 | Vigil: 5th Sunday of Lent 5pm: +Stephanie Kusiak |
| Sunday, April 2 | 5th Sunday of Lent 9:30am: +Mario DiFonzo 11:30am: Missa Pro Populo 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting |

Lent 2017:

Fast and Abstinence Guidelines:

Fasting: On 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:

Stations of the Cross, 7pm

Lenten Reconciliation Services:

Tuesday, March 28, 7pm.....Holy Rosary
Wed., March 29, 9:30am-11:30am..... Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wednesday, March 29, 7pm.....St. Ignatius
Friday, March 31, 7pm.....Sacre Coeur
Tuesday, April 4, 7pm.....St. Vital
Wednesday, April 5, 7pm.....St. John Brebeuf
Thursday, April 6, 7pm.....St. Gianna
Friday, April 7, 7:30pmOur Lady of Victory

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:

First Eucharist Parent Information Evening:

Tuesday, April 4, 7pm, Parish Hall

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, Celebrant

St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

Regular Offertory

March 18/19, 2017: \$4,279.20

Pre-Authorized Donations for March: \$22,198.50

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.

March 18/19, 2017: \$462

2017 Total to date: \$5,990.50



Save the Date!

With gratitude to God, the Parish Community of Saint John Brebeuf will celebrate with Fr. Mark his 25th Anniversary of Ordination, **Saturday, June 10** with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 5pm, followed by a barbeque supper in the Parish Hall. Tickets on sale April 23.



Easter Flowers: For Easter, parishioners can purchase plants for our worship space in gratitude for their loved ones, living and deceased for only \$10 each from the Parish Office. All purchased plants will be marked with a gift tag honouring your loved one. Please visit the Parish Office during regular office hours: Mon.—Fri., 8:30am-Noon or 1pm-4:30pm.



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, Tiago Miranda, Sandra Moore, 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.

March 25/26, 2017: 4th Sunday of Lent

Fourth Sunday of Lent: 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

Leaders are responsible for guiding and directing. They are said to have vision. They see the immediate situation always with an eye towards a greater goal. They discern the direction things are headed and implement course changes so that their sights remain on target. It sounds like a straightforward process, but we know how difficult it is to lead in practice. There are many viable choices that compete for our consideration. Which goal do we head for? The way is rarely direct—the path to a goal usually winds and twists. Does the path we're on really lead to our objective or does it lead to a dead end? Even worse, does it wander forever in circles, spiralling further and further away from our desired destination? If our spiritual lives are a journey, the stakes are very high that we stay on course. Getting lost in life, we run the risk not only of losing our life, but losing our very selves.

So, when it comes to eternal life, best not to take any chances. Find out who has the plan and stick to it. Someone has worked out the way there, so why would we bother looking around at anything else? Just stick to the rules of the road, obey the laws, and don't ask too many questions—it might throw us off course. With this mentality in mind, it's understandable that the Pharisees in the Gospel behave as they do. They don't know about Jesus. They have Moses and the law—it's what they know God gave them to follow. The blind man's encounter with Christ doesn't fit the framework they have. They don't see healing; they see violation of the Sabbath. They don't see an invitation to a deeper faith; they see a threat to their beliefs. So intent were the Pharisees to uncover sin, they missed their chance witness restoration to wholeness. Their certitude crushed their faith.

We who populate church pews are susceptible to a similar pitfall. We can be willing to trade our shaky vision of God's kingdom, present but not yet fully realized, for the solid assurance of conformity. We twist the virtue of obedience when we are spiritually obstinate, when we abandon a living faith for a stagnant predictability. It's a refusal to exercise our spiritual imagination. We can spurn the possibility to look and see God for ourselves, out of fear that we might not see, that we might not have faith after all. Jesus asks the man born blind, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" The man has the courage to wonder who Jesus might mean, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." God restores our sight, so we, too, can have the courage to use that vision to look for Christ. We, too, can dare to imagine that Christ leads us to seek for the Kingdom of God in the world. When we think we can already see perfectly, that we need not climb higher to get a better look, God spurs us on with a vision of more. We can dare to ask, "Where are you, God?" because Christ gives us the vision we need to see our Lord for ourselves.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

**30th Annual
Public Way of the Cross
Living Peace
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Friday, April 14, 2017, 9:30am
St. Mary's Academy,
550 Wellington Cres.**

Begins and ends at Alumnae Hall entrance
Everyone welcome to this prayerful experience
For more information, email: pwtc@sma.mb.ca



Development and Peace:



This week, open your heart to the reality of women living in a country at war. Listen to the voice of Hannan, a Syrian woman who tells us how our partner's training centres are helping to change the female workforce and the financial autonomy of women in her region. "Through the training course, I personally evolved a lot as a person. Today, I dream of teaching sewing and running a learning centre." Thanks to your support during Share Lent this year, 280 Syrians will have access to an 11-week training course in sewing and psychosocial services. Next week is Solidarity Sunday and the Share Lent collection.

Immaculate Conception Drop-In Centre: On Easter Sunday, April 16



Immaculate Conception Drop-In Centre is counting on St. John Brebeuf to provide a hot meal for over 250 of our city's poorest children, women and men. Your help is needed to prepare a batch (or more) of stew. Meat is provided by the parish and an easy stew recipe is available. Prepared stew should be dropped off at the church on Easter Sunday morning. Call Jane at (204) 488-0893 to offer your help.

Winnipeg Harvest:

On average, **1,600 infants per month** require emergency baby formula from Winnipeg Harvest.



Seeds of Friendship Concert:
**Joie de Vivre Choir &
Plain Salt Celtic Band**
Sunday, April 23, 7pm
St. John Brebeuf Church
1707 John Brebeuf Place

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Food, Clothing* and
Money in support of
Our Place/Chez Nous, a
daytime drop-in centre for our city's

*Especially Men's Jeans, Running Shoes and Hoodies



Visiting us today? **Welcome!** If you wish to join us, registration forms can be found on the main entrance bulletin boards or at www.sjbccommunity.ca. Please return completed form via offertory collection or forward to Parish Office.

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