

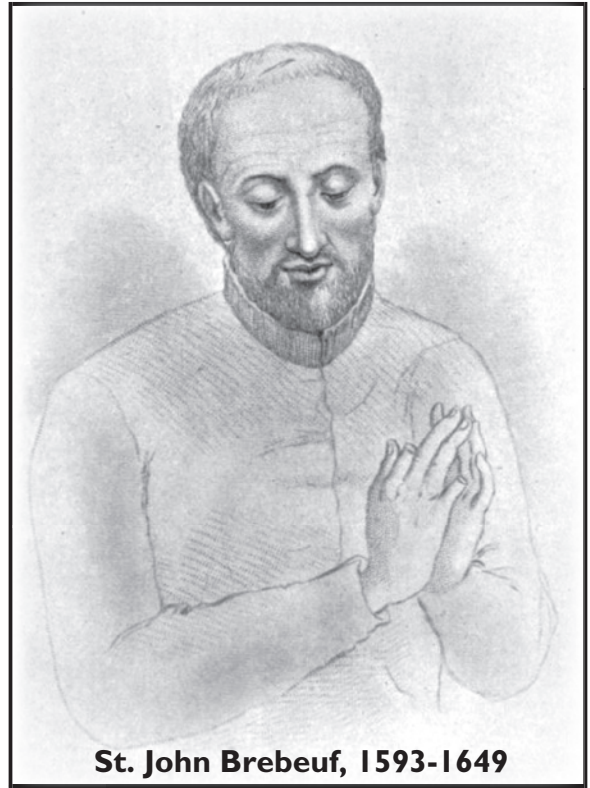


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St. John Brebeuf, 1593-1649

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).

March 4/5, 2017: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, March 5	1st Sunday of Lent 9:30am: +Mario DiFonzo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Harold Midgley 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting
Monday, March 6	Lenten Ferial 9:15am: +Edith Heinrichs 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday, March 7	Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Edward McGivern 7pm: Diocesan Development and Peace Mtg.
Wed. March 8	Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Norah Brinded 7:30pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting
Thursday, March 9	Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Angelita Leith 10:15am: Boulton Bay Mass
Friday, March 10	Lenten Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Cornelio Parado 7pm: Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 11	Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Lent 10am-Noon: Children's Sacrament of Reconciliation 5pm: +Trevor Acheson & +Richard Cadieux
Sunday, March 12	2nd Sunday of Lent 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Hank Verry 12:30pm: Confirmation Session

Lent 2017:

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:

Stations of the Cross, 7pm

Lenten Reflection Books:

Copies of the little black **Lenten Reflection Books** for adults are available at the church entrances.

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, 7pm.....Our 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 Reconciliations will take place on the following days:

Saturday, March 11, 10am-Noon

Saturday, March 18, 10am-Noon

Please contact Tom in the Parish Office to sign up for a 10 minute slot.

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

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.

St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

Regular Offertory

February 25/26, 2017: \$3,944

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.

February 25/26, 2017: \$445

2017 Total to date: \$4,389.50

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Saint John Brebeuf date: Thursday, June 1, 7pm

Archbishop Richard Gagnon, Presider

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 4/5, 2017:

1st Sunday of Lent: *Genesis 2:7-9, 16-18, 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11*

Moments of conversion propel the story of our lives. Things happen to us that change who we are forever. The birth of a child transforms a couple into parents. The death of a spouse turns a wife or a husband into a widow or widower. We are passive to some changes—they happen to us. Then there are moments of self-reflection, where we choose to change who we are. Realization sets in—we aren't living the way we are meant to, so we set about actively seeking to transform who we are. The lively exercise of agency distinguishes this kind of transformation from the type of conversion where an outside force acts upon us. Yet, at the beginning of any conversion, active or passive, is an encounter with the truth about who we are, a moment of revelation that can neither be contrived nor insisted upon. It's a gift from God to have the difference between our behaviour and our values revealed to us through the deepest stirrings of our spirit.

Lent is a time for us to open the door to welcome these moments of revelation, to prepare ourselves for God to change our hearts. We can be impatient when it comes to conversion. How many of us have set out to make a change and have wished for a magic pill to take to bring about the results without all the messiness of going through the transformation? The temptation to short-circuit the process of conversion abounds. In Genesis, the serpent tempts Eve with the promise of becoming like God. The instant transformation brought about by the forbidden fruit carried with it some unintended consequences for the couple. In a flash, they saw that they were not like God at all—they were mere creatures standing naked among the rest. Seeing with the eyes of God brought about shame and confusion. God intended to share the vision of God with humans, but in time, when they were ready. Seeking the result without undergoing the process ruined this plan.

Hungry and alone in the desert, Jesus faces Satan's temptation to once again short circuit the process: relieve your suffering, force yourself into God's embrace, seize the power and the glory and the honour that belong to you. Each temptation forgoes the process of God, one that relies on receiving the gift of God's vision, not insisting on achieving a result. As we set out this Lent to change our hearts back to the Lord, we may be tempted to kick up the stones in our life and demand God make them into bread. Instead, God lifts up our neediness, our weaknesses, and our sins, so that the very things which make us human might become the means of our transformation into the divine life. It's painful and humbling when God reveals these things to us, but we can trust the process of conversion because Christ makes the same walk with us.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

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.



Development and Peace:

Supporting women is a priority for Development and Peace – Caritas Canada. For this year's Share Lent campaign, we invite you to listen to the voices of women who are working to build the world of tomorrow – Women at the heart of change. You will find testimonials from the four corners of the globe in our weekly bulletin inserts. Our first testimonial is from Marta and Silvia, two women from Paraguay who are members of an Indigenous women's farming association supported by Development and Peace – Caritas Canada. "I wish that there was land for everyone, that women were free (and) that they had the freedom to organize and defend their rights," Silvia tells us.



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.



CWL:

On behalf of the Ladies of the St. John Brebeuf CWL, we would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for your tremendous support of the **Respect Life: Welcome the Children, and Giving Thanks for Our Seniors** campaign that was held over the past three weeks.

We are overwhelmed by the generosity of donations we received from our parish for use by Pregnancy & Family Support Services and the residents of Tuxedo Villa Personal Care Home. God bless you and thank you again for your generosity and support.



Knights of Columbus #1107:

Sobeys Cards:

Our Knights are selling Sobeys cards in \$25, \$50 or \$100 denominations following weekend Masses.

To donate your gift card to Winnipeg Harvest, indicate this when purchasing. A tax receipt will be issued. Gift cards can be used at Sobeys **and** Safeway stores! **Each dollar donated allows Harvest to leverage \$20 worth of food. 2017 total to date: \$1,900**



Welcome Fr. Richard Tardif!

Please welcome Fr. Richard Tardif, LC, a member of the Congregation of the Legionaries of Christ, who is visiting Winnipeg from March 3 to 10. The son of St. John Brebeuf parishioners, André and Ginette Tardif, Fr. Richard is presently serving as Assistant Pastor in the Notre Dame Parish in the Archdiocese of Bordeaux France.



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