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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

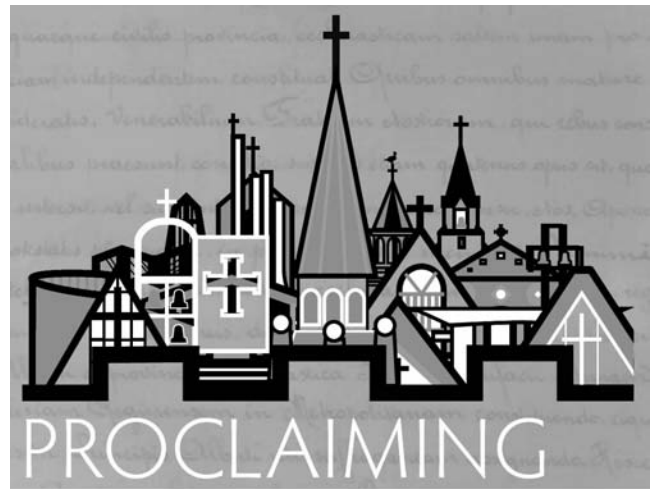
PASTORAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Father Mark A. Tarrant, Pastor ext 213
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Debbie Dusanek, Administrative Coordinator ext 210
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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.



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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).

May 9/10, 2015: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sixth Sunday of Easter: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

There's often a good story behind a person's hobby—like asking a married couple how they first met. Sometimes it's a torrid love affair that doesn't last. When I was young, I saw tap dancing on Sesame Street and was completely enthralled. I told the DJ at my uncle's wedding to clear the dance floor I so could show off my moves. He wasn't as convinced as my five-year-old self that I was a tap guru. Other pastimes grow out of adversity. Years of growing up with horrible home cooking can be just as likely to incite a passion for food as someone raised on Michelin star-rated cuisine. It's a mystery how some pursuits capture our imagination, while others never make a connection.

Faith sometimes feels like it works the same way. Some folks are just naturally more interested in religion than others. It seems arbitrary that some people grow up curious about faith, while others couldn't give church a second thought. If you're reading this, chances are you, or someone close to you, is part of the former group. We care about faith and have a stake in seeing it grow. Some days, belonging to church feels like being club members for an obscure sport that was once popular, but is now in decline. It might be tempting, as a church, to turn our focus on drumming up interest in faith, to market our religion as a hip lifestyle choice or a fascinating pastime: *Discipleship, it's an adventure!*TM Church, however, is not some club for religious people. The heart of our faith is not mastery of some skill or knowledge base, but a relationship with a person. That person is Christ, the eternal Word of God who became a human; who taught virtue and love through compassionate example; who selflessly poured out his life for our sake; who rose again to open up the way for us to new life.

In today's Gospel Jesus calls this relationship a friendship. Our stance as disciples is not inwards towards our religious group, but outwards to the world. In his book, *The Four Loves*, C.S. Lewis said, "Lovers are normally face to face, absorbed in each other; friends, side by side, absorbed in some common interest." Christ stands beside us, as a friend, facing the world. So, we can take on seemingly insurmountable challenges knowing that God has picked us to be on Christ's team. We never struggle alone, but alongside someone who has won the biggest battle of all time. Friendship with Christ is not an exclusive relationship; here there is no room for jealousy, no time for petty differences to get in the way of our working together for the greater good. In the first reading, Peter's entourage was astounded to encounter Gentiles filled with the Holy Spirit. It must have stretched their imaginations to watch God fill unclean people with the Spirit. We too can treat the least likely people to walk through our doors as friends, because God already stands beside us to welcome them.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

Knights of Columbus #1107:

Your purchase of Sobeys Gift Cards can help feed the hungry in our city. Our Knights are selling cards in \$25, \$50 or \$100 denominations following weekend Masses. To donate your gift card to Winnipeg Harvest, 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.** 2015 total to date: **\$2350**



Information Session on the Law Regarding Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide in Canada:

On **Monday, May 11, 7pm-8:30pm**, St. John Brebeuf Parish Hall, Professor Mary J. Shariff, Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba, will explain the recent Supreme Court of Canada decision regarding Physician Assisted Death and the way in which Canada compares to other countries that have passed similar laws and possible legal implications for Canadians. The talk will be followed by a question and answer session. All are invited to attend.

CWL:

The C.W.L. will be attending 10am Mass on Sunday, May 31 followed by a meeting in the St. Marie Room. We will then proceed to the Assiniboine Hotel, 1975 Portage Ave. for brunch sponsored by the Associates of the Child Jesus. Proceeds to Christians in the Holy City. All are welcome to attend. For tickets, please contact Carol Maynard.



Winnipeg Harvest:

Approximately 45% of Winnipeg Harvest's clients are children, and Manitoba is consistently the #1 province for food bank use. Winnipeg Harvest feeds nearly 27,000 children each month. Your donations of non-perishable food items are urgently needed. Please share what you can **every** month.



Development and Peace:

The world has heard, with deep concern, the news of the terrible earthquake, 7.8 on the Richter scale, that hit Nepal during the night of April 24. The epicenter of the quake was only 80 km from the capital, Katmandou, causing widespread destruction. Over 4,000 people have died and even more injured. The number of victims is expected to increase significantly in the following days. Nepal is one of the poorest countries in the world. Its infrastructure simply cannot withstand an earthquake of this magnitude.

Development and Peace has been in constant communication with the Caritas Internationalis and has launched an appeal for donations to help in this humanitarian emergency. To make a donation, visit **www.devp.org** and click the *Nepal Emergency* banner, or call the emergency appeal line at **1-888-664-3387**.



CANADIAN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR
**Development
and Peace**

May 9/10, 2015: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 10	6th Sunday of Easter 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 11:30am: +Richard Nash
Monday, May 11	Easter Ferial No Mass 1:30pm: Lectio Divina 7pm: Information Session on the Law Regarding Euthanasia & Assisted Suicide
Tuesday, May 12 Mass with the School	Easter Ferial 9am: +Matt Jones 1:30pm: Portsmouth Residence Mass 7pm: Liturgy Committee Meeting
Wed., May 13	Easter Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Robert Nemeth 7:30pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting
Thursday, May 14	Feast: St. Matthias, Apostle 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Peter Preyma
Friday, May 15	Easter Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Mimi Trainor
Saturday, May 16	Vigil: Ascension of the Lord (Mass with Baptisms) 5pm: +Harold Midgley
Sunday, May 17	Ascension of the Lord (Mass with Baptism) 10am: Missa Pro Populo
Monday, May 18	Easter Ferial Victoria Day: Parish and School Closed

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.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist:

Friendship Celebration:

Saturday, May 23, 9:30am-1pm

Sacrament of First Eucharist:

Saturday, May 23, 5pm and Sunday, May 24, 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 in the Parish Office. Sessions are held Sundays from 10:30-11:30am.

Life's Vision Respect Life Week: May 10-17, 2015

This week has been set aside as a time to reflect on the value of human life. In our society which now tolerates abortion without qualification, the need for a continuing strong voice on behalf of babies in the womb is more important than ever. At the same time, years of killing pre-born babies has set the stage for the next assault on human life— euthanasia. Next week you will find Respect Life Week offering envelopes in your bulletin. Your donation will help pro-life education.

In support of Respect for Life & Family week, we are collecting baby items for **Pregnancy & Family Support Services** throughout the month of May. Most needed items include:



- + **Diapers (especially Newborn and Size 1)**
- + **Bibs & Face Cloths**
- + **3 & 6 month Sleepers and Onesies**
- + **Yarn for the Layette Program**

Please drop off your donations in the bin at the main church entrance. If you can donate your time knitting for the centre, please call (204) 772-9091.

Summer Mass Schedule: Mark your calendar!
A reminder that **our summer Mass schedule begins next Sunday, May 17:**



Masses on the Lord's Day:

Saturday: 5pm Sunday: 10am

Weekday Masses: Tues. to Fri. 9:15am

Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works:

A disastrous flood or earthquake strikes a nation at the other end of the world. Immediately many countries rush in food, medicine, blankets, money, and trained people. Prominent among such aid is the financial help offered by the Holy Father to people in need. The annual Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works makes these funds available for distribution. In the name of Catholics everywhere, he displays Christ's love and compassion for those who suffer. The collection will take place next weekend, May 16/17. Envelopes at church entrances and in your offertory envelope packets. To request an auto donation, please call 204-488-4467.



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., Marie M., Don Barnicki, Gisèle Bertalanffy, David Bruneau, Kathleen Foster, Mario Di Fonzo, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Edith Heinrichs, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, J.D., Carol Kruse, Margaret Lafrenière, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, Debra M., Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Evan Morton, Eric Moscarella, Amparo Pagtakhan, Peter, Wally Ross, Adeline Schmidt, Kevin Sharer, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., WJ, Geraldine Walker, Brian Woods

If someone in your family is ill and requests the prayers of the parish community, please contact the Parish Office. Permission is required to publish/remove names.



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.sjbcommunity.ca

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