

SAINT JOHN BREBEUF **ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH**

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ST. JOHN BREBEUF CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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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

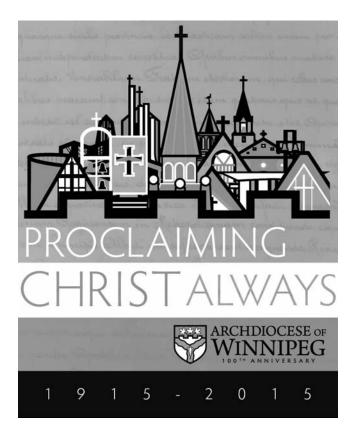
(Sundays, September to May) Ages 3-6: Bi-Weekly during the 9:30am Mass

PASTORAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE 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

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).

The Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11; Ephesian 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20

I am often asked during baptismal prep sessions with parents why we don't use the small basin font in the front of the church anymore. It's a very beautiful font and has made many a memorable scene for many people who, over the years, have brought their children to this church for baptism. The size of the font invokes a cozy quaintness that young parents find appealing. There's comfort in doing with our children the things we remember—or imagine—our parents did with us. While this font is integrated with our church's design, the new font sits wedged in front of the earlier, as out of place with the rest of the building as a squatter setting up a tent in a hotel lobby. It's deep and dark, to the point that it's scary to let little kids get too close to its edge. At my last prep session, the parents were nervous about holding their baby over the water; they asked me how far down the water went. The font is shaped like a well, so it's easy to imagine the water reaching down past the floor into the crawlspace below, maybe even further. So why don't we use the friendly little basin to baptize babies anymore?

The Gospel of Mark ends abruptly when Mary Magdalene, Mary James' mother, and Salome find Jesus' tomb empty. They run off too afraid to tell anyone what they had seen. Full stop. It's a jarring end to an equally powerful, albeit somewhat roughly-written, account of Jesus' life. It's no wonder that the symbol of Mark the Evangelist is a lion. Today's gospel reading is a "p.s." to Mark's Gospel. Some early Christians struggled to believe without a record of the disciples encountering the risen Lord, so this addition makes the gospel more palatable. While the language is out of place, the message is as powerful as the rest of Mark's gospel. Jesus is angry with the disciples for their lack of faith and their stubbornness. He commands them to go to the world and share the good news. He dispels their fears with a formidable promise: in his name the disciples will cast out demons, speak in new ways, pick up deadly snakes, even drink poison, and they will not be harmed. The disciples don't have to be afraid, because nothing in this world can do them any harm. Then Jesus ascends to heaven, "far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come." The Ascension of the Lord is about freedom from fear-of harm, of embarrassment, of illness, of death. At our baptism, we died to all the fears of this world. God drowned our fears in the water, so we can leave them behind in the empty tomb and follow the risen Lord to new life free from any worldly authority. What might we be capable of as a church, as a people who have no fear? Our church's font is deep, dark, and scary, because it's where God sank our fears and raised us to new life with Christ.

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 HARVEST. time of your purchase and a tax receipt will be issued. Each dollar donated allows Harvest to JODEY/ leverage \$20 worth of food. 2015 total to date: \$2350

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 and again May 12. The epicenter of the quake was only 80 km from the capital, Katmandou, causing widespread destruction. Over 4,000 people have sponsored by the Associates of the Child Jesus. died and even more injured. The number of victims is ex- Proceeds to Christians in the Holy City. All are welcome pected 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.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

St. John Brebeuf Community BBQ:

Come and join the St. John Brebeuf community Wednesday, May 20, 5-8 pm on the St. John Brebeuf grounds for a BBQ and Carnival. There's tasty BBQ and carnival



treats, with vegetarian options available. Bouncers, balloon artist, circus performers and a DJ round out the fun entertainment. All inclusive wristbands available in the school office: \$14 in advance, \$15 at the gate. Rain date: Thursday, May 28.

CWL:

NADIAN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR Development

and Peace

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 to attend. For tickets, please contact Carol Maynard.

Winnipeg Harvest:

Winnipeg Harvest provides emergency food assistance to over 60,000+ people per month across Manitoba. Therefore, Winnipeg Harvest clients are Manitoba's second largest city. Your donations of non -perishable food items are urgently needed. Please share what you can every month. Bin located at main entrance.



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May 16/17, 2015: Ascension of the Lord

Sunday, May 17	Ascension of the Lord (Mass with Baptism) <u>10am</u> : Missa Pro Populo	Baptism: Are you expecting a child Baptism for your child? We have retu Baptismal Weekends. For further inf contact Tom in the Parish Office: 204-48
Monday, May 18	Easter Ferial Victoria Day: Parish and School Closed	
Tuesday, May 19	Easter Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: Deceased Pemberton Family members 7pm: School Board Meeting	First Reconciliation/First Eucharist: Friendship Celebration: Saturday, May 23, 9:30am-1pm
Wed., May 20	Easter Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Lisa Stephens 10am: Tuxedo Villa Mass 10am: Serra Club Meeting 5pm: St. John Brebeuf Community BBQ	 Sacrament of First Eucharist: Saturday, May 23, 5pm and Sunday, Ma <u>RCIA:</u> This is the time to deepen your God. If you are considering being ba Catholic, or if you just want to learn more the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Tom in the Parish Office. Sessions a from 10:30-11:30am. <u>Life's Vision Respect Life Week: May</u> This week has been set aside as a time value of human life. In our society wh abortion without qualification, the need strong voice on behalf of babies in th important than ever. At the same time pre-born babies has set the stage for th human life– euthanasia. Today, you w Life Week offering envelope in your donation will help pro-life education. In support of Respect for Life & Fam week, we are collecting baby items for
Thursday, May 21	Easter Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Peter Preyma	
Friday, May 22	Easter Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Peggy Ashcroft	
Saturday, May 23	Vigil: Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday (Mass with Sacrament of First Eucharist) 9:30am: Friendship Celebration 5pm: +Grace M. Donald	
Sunday, May 24	Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday (Mass with Sacrament of First Eucharist) <u>10am</u> : Missa Pro Populo	

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 this weekend, May 16/17. Envelopes at church entrances and in your offertory envelope packets. To request an auto donation, please call 204-488-4467.

+Olive Macphail Rest in Peace:



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10-17, 2015

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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: Masses on the Lord's Day: Saturday: 5pm Sunday: 10am Weekday Masses: Tues. to Fri. 9:15am



Regular Schedule resumes September 20, 2015. Mass times subject to change.

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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