

SAINT JOHN BREBEUF **ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH**

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ST.JOHN BREBEUF CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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www.sjbschool.ca

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).

Sunday, May 7	4th Sunday of Easter 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism (Last class) 11:30am: +Richard Nash 12:30pm: Confirmation Session (Rehearsal) 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting
Monday, May 8	Easter Ferial No Mass 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday, May 9	Easter Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Harold Midgley 1:30pm: Portsmouth Residence Mass
Wed. May 10	Easter Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Cornelio Parado 7:30pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting
Thursday, May 11	Easter Ferial 9am Mass with the School: +Jim Stewart 10:15am: Boulton Bay Residence Mass
Friday, May 12	Easter Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Nancy and +Herman Dombroski
Saturday, May 13	Vigil: 5th Sunday of Easter 5pm: +Ed McKinley
Sunday, May 14	5th Sunday of Easter 9:30am: +Donald Mathewson 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: Missa Pro Populo

St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings: April 29/30: \$ 4857.00

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 charity.

April 29/30 \$ 510.50 2017 Total to date: \$ 9963.00

March for Life, May 11, 2017:

You are invited to attend Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral May 11 at 10:30am, then gather at the Manitoba Legislative Building at 11:30. The walk begins at noon and is followed by speakers and closing remarks.

Take a stand! Be a voice! (home made signs focused on the value of life without graphics or negative content are encouraged.

Father Mark's 25th Anniversary:

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 following weekend Masses, main church entrance: Adults \$35 (age 13+), \$20 (age 6-12); Free (age 5 & under).

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:

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

<u>RCIA:</u> 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.

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 <u>and</u> Safeway stores! Each dollar donated allows Harvest to leverage \$20 worth of food. 2017 total to date: \$3,515

<u>Summer Mass Schedule:</u> Mark your calendar! A reminder that <u>our summer Mass schedule</u> <u>begins Sunday, May 21:</u>



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

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.

May 6/7, 2017: 4th Sunday of Easter

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20-25; John 10:1-10

Scripture envisions paradise as a garden, Eden. We might imagine a sunny place teeming with lush plants and clear springs of water. Rolling lawns dot the land amid stands of sturdy trees, while a meandering path cuts from one verdant meadow to the next. Yet, this kind of idyllic scene does not have the defining characteristic of a garden: an enclosure. A garden was above all, a secure, protected space, defined and set apart from the rest of the landscape. The palace grounds at Versailles, the Taj Mahal, and even our own church courtyard garden, are all in some way defined by a boundary. Each also has a way in—through a gate.

A gate controls the transition between the unruly outside and the ordered space of the garden. They can be open and welcoming, or towering and forbidding. A city is conquered by overcoming its defenses, by breaching its gates. The Israelites marched in procession with the Ark of the Covenant through the gates of Jerusalem, triumphantly singing Psalm 24, "Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in." The entrance to Eden was barred after the humans banished themselves from its sanctuary. That entrance to paradise was reopened by Christ, when he descended to the dead and broke the locks on the gate. Icons of the resurrection-anastasis-depict Christ standing over the opened tombs of Adam and Eve, lifting them out of the grave, while Satan lies vanquished at his feet. Christ's resurrection at Easter marks the restoration of our way back to eternal life.

Although the way is open to us, we are still very much standing at the threshold of the gate between the reign of God and between the reign of death. We strain to hear the Shepherd's call over competing voices. There's a voice of self-doubt that tries to convince us that we aren't good enough for God to bother with. This voice preys on our insecurities and tries to have us settle for less--since paradise is closed to us anyways, why bother living with integrity, honesty, or mercy? We could have power, pride, and pleasure for ourselves. Life is short, after all. Against this voice we hear the call of the Shepherd, who tells us otherwise. Christ, who cleared the way for us to abundant life, holds the gate open and encourages us through. We can dare to turn and follow Christ on the path to new life. We need not fear that the way is closed off to us, nor worry that there won't be enough for us when we get there. So, we can be generous with our lives, because Christ has cleared the way for us to a life that will never run out.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

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Support Our Annual Appeal Today!



Our target: **\$56,290** Donations and Pledges to date:

<u>Centenary of Our Lady of Fátima Apparitions:</u> Immaculate Conception Parish, 181 Austin St, invites all to rejoice in the Centenary of Our Lady of Fatima Apparitions with two days of Celebration: Friday, May 12: Rosary 7pm, Mass 8pm, Candlelight Procession 9pm Saturday, May 13: Mass 10am, Procession and Farewell 11am

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



