



## SAINT JOHN BREBEUF ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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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

Deacon Michael Thibert

Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate ext 217

Debbie Dusanek, Administrative Coordinator ext 210

Eddie Melo, Building Operations ext 220

Kim Graeili, Financial 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.*

*"Missioned to Stewardship, we  
are a community that Lives,  
Loves and serves in Christ."*

### **PARISH CONTACTS**

|                             |                              |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Finance Council:            | Kevin McCulloch/ Peter Smith |
| Parish Pastoral Council:    | Johnston Smith               |
| School Board:               | Elizabeth Matyi              |
| Ministers of the Word:      | Leann Smith                  |
| Ministers of the Eucharist: | Joe Brekelmans               |
| Altar Servers:              | Keith Mathewson              |
| Catechism:                  | Parish Office                |
| Spiritual Journeying:       | Margaret Kingdon             |

**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).

# November 15/16, 2014: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Proverbs 31:10-13, 16-18, 20, 26, 28-31; Psalm 128; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

I commiserate with the so-called “capable wife” in today’s first reading. It sounds like she is a successful real estate agent, entrepreneur, philanthropist, psychologist, and child development specialist. All the while, she maintains her “strong arms” without letting “her lamp go out at night.” Does she ever sleep? Her productive happiness and cheerful achievements seem impossible, like the kind of “having it all” attitude popularized by the magazine *Cosmopolitan*. Women and men alike are simultaneously saddled and liberated by the loosening of gender expectations. Along with the freedom to follow pursuits once deemed appropriate exclusively for one gender or the other comes an anxiety to achieve things outside of our comfort zone. To be clear, I am not advocating for a return to “the good old days”, as if there was ever such a thing. The frenetic pace of life is nothing new, and while at times it feels like it would be easier to hide from our potential than to risk failure, we are certainly tuned to measure our worth by our accomplishments.

It’s no wonder, then, that to our ears Jesus’ parable seems to praise productivity and chastise laziness. My relentless optimism hears this passage say that everyone can make something of what they have, so long as they don’t bury their talents. All this shows is that I grew up watching *Mr. Rogers*. Jesus was aiming to say something more profound, and he hints at this cryptically, “For to all those who have, more will be given... but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.” God entrusts us with his Son—he gives us everything—so we can flourish with abundant hope. The boss has four servants, but only entrusts an eighteenth of his wealth to the last one—that one must have felt worthless from the start. Indeed, the slave calls the master a harsh man, as though resentful of being devalued. Who wouldn’t feel that way?

Without God, we have nothing—what little we have will be taken from us. The good news is that with Jesus, God has entrusted us with all of his wealth. By giving us Jesus, God has already called us good and trustworthy. We can already live as valued children of God. Our worth has come from God, and nothing can take that away from us, so we neither have to protect our significance through concealment, nor achieve it through merit. If there is anything we can boast of, it is that God sent Christ to us, the whole bag of loot, holding nothing back. Since we already have Christ, we can hope in that impossible promise of “having it all.” It’s just that “all” turns out to be much more than we could ever hope to work out on our own.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

St. John Brebeuf School presents:  
**The Only Christmas Pageant in Town**  
**December 17<sup>th</sup>: 1:30pm and**  
**December 18<sup>th</sup>, 7pm**

St. John Brebeuf Church  
Reception to follow each performance, Parish Hall  
All are invited to come and celebrate Jesus’ birth!



## Mark Your Calendar:

### **Advent Reconciliation:**

This year, Advent Reconciliation will be offered **Saturday mornings** in the church on the following dates:

Saturday, December 6: 10am to Noon

Saturday, December 13: 10am to Noon

Saturday, December 20: 10am to Noon

Women’s Inter-Church Council of Winnipeg  
invites you to:

### **Fellowship of the Least Coin Ingathering Service**

Theme: “All God’s Children in God’s World”

Guest Speaker: Sara Toma

(Her mother & brother are refugees in Lebanon, and her sister and brother are still in Syria)

Wednesday, November 26

Portage Avenue Church, 1420 Portage Ave.

Registration: 12:30pm

Service: 1pm

Preparation for World Day of Prayer: 2:15pm

## Christian Outreach: Our Place/Chez Nous

Current needs include:

- **Backpacks & long underwear,**
- **Dark coloured toques, mitts and gloves**
- **Shampoo, deodorant, razors, combs, brushes**
- **Toothbrushes & toothpaste**
- **Ladies’ and Men’s socks**



Winnipeg Harvest There is currently an urgent need for non-perishable food items and baby formula. Top 10 list and donation bins for both organizations at main entrance.



Open Rehearsal: The Joie de Vivre Choir will hold an Open Free Rehearsal Saturday, November 29, 10am in the church. All are welcome! Contact John at [eviejohnt@shaw.ca](mailto:eviejohnt@shaw.ca) for details.



Friday, Nov. 28, 7:30pm  
Saturday, Nov. 29, 7:30pm  
Sunday, Nov. 30, 2pm  
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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](http://www.sjbcommunity.ca)

## November 15/16, 2014: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Sunday,<br>Nov. 16   | <b>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>9:30am: Deceased SJB Bridge Club members<br>10:30am: K. of C. Pancake Breakfast<br>10:35am: Children's Catechism<br>11:30am: For the People<br>12:30pm: K. of C. Pancake Breakfast<br>12:30pm: Confirmation Session (School) |
| Monday,<br>Nov. 17   | <b>Memorial: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</b><br>No Mass<br>1:30pm: Lectio Divina  |
| Tuesday,<br>Nov. 18  | <b>Weekday Ferial</b><br>8:50am: Morning Prayer<br>9:15am: +Mary & Bill Adair<br>7pm: School Board Meeting  |
| Wednesday<br>Nov. 19 | <b>Weekday Ferial</b><br>8:50am: Rosary<br>9:15am: Int. of Veronica & Brian McKinnon<br>10am: Tuxedo Villa Mass<br>10am: Serra Club Meeting   |
| Thursday,<br>Nov. 20 | <b>Weekday Ferial</b><br>9am: Mass with the School  |
| Friday,<br>Nov. 21   | <b>Memorial: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b><br>8:50am: Rosary<br>9:15am: +Carmela & Pasquale Guzzo   |
| Saturday,<br>Nov. 22 | <b>Vigil: 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>5pm: +Ed McKinley   |
| Sunday,<br>Nov. 23   | <b>34th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>9:30am: +Michael Garlinski Sr.<br>10:35am: Children's Catechism<br>11:30am: Missa Pro Populo   |

**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.

**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 at 204-488-4467 ext. 217. Sessions will be held Sundays from 10:30-11:30am.

**Faith Formation:** Registration is still being accepted for the 2014/2015 children's Faith Formation Programs at St. John Brebeuf: Share the Word (Ages 3-5), Sunday School (K to 8), First Reconciliation/First Eucharist (Gr. 2), and Confirmation (Gr. 9). Orange Family Faith Formation forms are available at the main church entrance, or in the Faith Formation section of the parish web site: [www.sjbcommunity.ca](http://www.sjbcommunity.ca). Please return to the Parish Office in the offertory basket, or see front bulletin cover for fax, email and mailing address information.

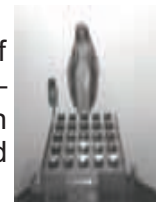
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**Praying for the Dead:** Catholics believe that after you die you might go to heaven, hell or purgatory. Because of this, we believe that people who have died can be helped by our prayers and we have a strong tradition of praying for the dead. As well as regularly praying for the dead, and especially those we have loved, we often particularly remember the deceased on the anniversary of their death. November is a month when we remember all the dead. You are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the "Book of the Names of the Dead", which will be in a prominent place during the month of November.



**Some Enlightening News:**

Did you know...That since the first day of Advent 2013, we have lit 4,424 candles—an average of 12 candles per day in prayers and intercessions to our Blessed Mother.



**Immaculate Conception**

**Drop-In Centre:**

On **Sunday, November 23**

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 Sunday morning. **Many hands are needed.** Call Jane at 204-488-0893 to lend yours.



**St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:**

**November 8/9, 2014: \$4,216**

**Sharing God's Gifts: Our Target: \$81,730**

**Current Pledges & Donations: \$35,040**



**Let us Pray for our Sick and Homebound:**

*Therefore...pray for one another, so that you may be healed (James 5:15)*

- Marie A., Don Barnicki, Nick Bencharski, Gisèle Bertalanffy, David Bruneau, Ben D'Souza, Kathleen Foster, Mario Di Fonzo, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Edith Heinrichs, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, J.D., Matt Jones, Carol Kruse, Margaret Lafrenière, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, Debra M., Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Eric Moscarella, Georgia Poirier, Wally Ross, Adeline Schmidt, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., Jack Tarnava, Geraldine Walker, Brian Woods

*If someone in your family is ill and requests the prayers of the parish community, please contact the Parish Office. To have names published, we require permission requesting that their name be added or removed from the prayer list.*



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