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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 I-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 TEAM

Father Mark A. Tarrant, Pastor	ext 213
Deacon Michael Thibert	
Laura Carreiro, Principal	ext 242
Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate	ext 217
Genevieve Makinson, Financial Administrator	
Kim Graeili, Finance Assistant	ext 225
Eddie Melo, Building Operations	ext 220
Gail Gel, School Admin. Assistant	ext 260

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 Leann Smith Ministers of the Word: Ministers of the Eucharist: loe 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 <u>before</u> 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 1/2, 2014: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Lamentations 3:17-26; Psalm 103; 1 Corinthians 15:51-57; Matthew 11:25-30

There's a certain awkwardness and frustration that comes with encountering someone who is in pain. It's hard to know what to say to someone who suffers. There's a moment of tension where it feels like the person is waiting for you to string together the right combination of words that will somehow explain the meaning behind their hurt and bring them some sort of resolution. Trauma has a tendency to shock and anaesthetize, to leave us speechless. The temptation is to collapse that silence with words, to fill the emptiness with meaning, to shout back at the void. God created by speaking a word to the darkness and filling it with light. Perhaps we try to mimic God by using words to push back the gloom.

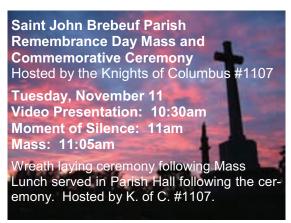
There are all kinds of words we can use, too. We have the language of politics to speak of security, freedom, power, and justice. The language of belief kicks in with talk of hope, transcendence, and life after death. Therapeutic terms can also enter into the mix; it offers words like closure, recovery, and mindfulness. Coming face-to-face with the threat of non-being, there are all kinds of dialects we can employ to assure ourselves of our intelligence, our wisdom, and ultimately our existence. Yet, God doesn't always meet us in the wordiness of politicians or spiritual leaders, no matter how eloquent or articulate they might be. Jesus thanks his Father in today's Gospel for hiding "these things" from the wise and intelligent, revealing them instead to infants. In this part of Matthew, Jesus laments the stubbornness of heart he encountered. Despite performing powerful deeds for his people, many remained unconvinced of Jesus' message. Moreover, these were the places that were waiting in expectation for the messiah. Their own clever agendas got in the way of them recognizing their Lord in their midst.

That's the danger in rushing to chase away the uncomfortable silence with discourse. There is a holiness to waiting quietly for a word from the Lord. After the crucifixion, Jesus was laid down and sealed in a tomb. It took three days for God to speak to the disciples, "He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said." Imagine if Mary, instead of returning to the tomb, went off to discuss strategy with her friends, to plot how they could spin this turn of events to further their movement. No, before action plans and debates, Mary returned to the stillness of the tomb. The burden of facing trauma is to wait in the quiet shadows for God's light without settling for the first torch we find. God lights the darkness of our emptiness with nothing less than a dazzling sun.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

C.W.L. Luncheon:

The C.W.L. Luncheon for Vocations was a huge success! Thanks to all who participated, we raised over \$1000 for vocations. Congratulations to the prize winners of the Silent Auction. Congratulations also to Elizabeth Willcock and Paula Kerr, who received their 50 year pins for service in the C.W.L., and to the 6 ladies who received their 25 year pins. A special thank you to all C.W.L. members who donated food, and to those who worked hard to make our celebration such a success.



Dedication of the Lateran Basilica:

Origin of the Feast: One of the first recorded public dedications of a Christian church building happened in the fourth century when on November 9, 324, Pope St. Sylvester consecrated a basilica built on the grounds of the Lateran palace that had belonged to Emperor Constantine's wife Fausta. After Constantine's conversion the palace was donated to the pope for his private residence and a church was built there. Quickly this basilica became the mother church for Rome and for all of Western Christendom. It was named the Basilica of Our Savior, but in the twelfth century it came to be called the Basilica of St. John Lateran because of the adjoining baptistry that had been named after St. John the Baptist. Because it is the cathedral church of Rome, many church councils have been held there. Since it is Rome's cathedral and this is our mother diocese, even Christians outside Rome may enjoy the privilege of being baptized. married, or buried from this cathedral.

When the dedication date of a church is known, this day is always celebrated locally as a solemnity (in a parish, the dedication of the diocesan cathedral is celebrated with the rank of feast). The dedication of St. John Lateran is on the General Roman Calendar because of its status as the cathedral church of the pope.

Knights of Columbus #1107: Your purchase of Sobeys Gift Cards can help 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. To date in 2014, St. John Brebeuf parishioners have purchased \$9,257 in gift cards toward the purchase of much needed baby formula.



November 1/2, 2014: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

Sunday, Nov. 2	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: Missa Pro Populo 12:30pm: Confirmation Session (Hall) 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting (St. Marie Rm)
Monday, Nov. 3	Weekday Ferial No Mass 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday, Nov. 4	Memorial: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Alberto Vargas
Wednesday Nov. 5	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: Intentions of Nina Masi
Thursday, Nov. 6	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: Int. Of Mario & Cathy Dinella
Friday, Nov. 7	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Ann Carriere
Saturday, Nov. 8	Vigil: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday, Nov. 9	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 9:30am: +Cornelio Parado 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Helen Luy 5:30pm: India Community Mass

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:

October 25/26: \$3,727

Sharing God's Gifts: Our Target: \$81,730 Current Pledges & Donations: \$34,700



<u>Baptism</u>: 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. Please return to the Parish Office in the offertory basket, or see front bulletin cover for fax, email and mailing address information.

For details, please visit www.sjbcommunity.ca

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.

Holy Names House of Peace 10th Anniversary Welcome Home Dinner Monday, November 10 Winnipeg Convention Centre, 375 York Ave.

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Gerry Price

Tickets \$50 (Call 204-942-5535 or Denev @ 204-837-5666)

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Proceeds will benefit Holy Names House of Peace, an intercultural life affirming women's community that welcomes all!

Let us Pray for our Sick and Homebound:

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

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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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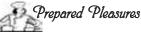
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