

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 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

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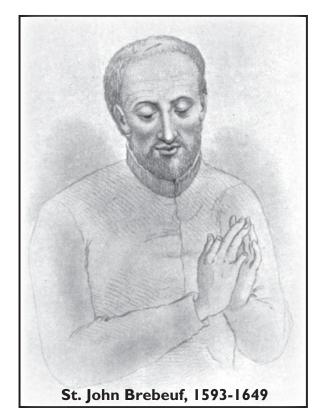
(Sundays, September to May) Ages 3-6: Weekly during the 9:30am Mass

PASTORAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Father Wayne Morrissey, Pastor	ext 213
Father Kaleab Eman Abdella, Associate Pastor	ext 264
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

Please note that office hours are subject to change 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 Wayne (ext 213) at least six months in advance. Marriage preparation and Church attendance is expected and required.

Funerals: Please speak to Fr. Wayne before meeting with the Funeral Home.

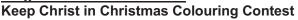
Catholic Women's League: Meets at 12:30pm on the first Sunday of the month (October to May).

Knights of Columbus Council 1107: Meets at 7:30pm on the second Wednesday of the month (September to June).

November 25/26, 2017: Solemnity of Christ the King

Saturday, Nov. 25	Vigil: Solemnity of Christ the King 5pm: Missa Pro Populo
Sunday, Nov. 26	Solemnity of Christ the King 9:30am: +Kevin Scharer 10:30am: K. of C. Pancake Breakfast 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +John Murphy 12:30pm: K. of C. Pancake Breakfast 12:30pm: Confirmation Session (Cancelled) 7pm: Seeds of Friendship Concert
Monday, Nov. 27	Weekday Ferial No Mass 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday, Nov. 28	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Malvina Acheson
Wednesday Nov. 29	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Julie Anne Cushing
Thursday, Nov. 30	Weekday Ferial 7:30am: Parish Finance Council Meeting 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: In Thanksgiving
Friday, Dec. 1	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Ronan Dias 9:45am-Noon: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction
Saturday, Dec. 2	Vigil: 1st Sunday of Advent 3pm: Kathleen Downs & Michael Duke Marriage 5pm: +Jelisaveta Hollo
Sunday, Dec.3	1st Sunday of Advent 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Jim Rodrigues 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting 7pm: Sunday Vespers

Knights of Columbus #1107





Children are invited to submit a hand drawn picture (up to 8 12" x 14") or collage to the Parish Office by the end of December. Contest open to children K-7 and up. Prizes in each category. Please visit the Knights of Columbus table, main church entrance, for more information.

Pancake Breakfast: Please join us following 9:30am or 11:30am, Nov. 26 in the Parish Hall. Free Will Offering.

From Father Wayne:

The New Year is approaching rapidly and some people will have the great happiness of celebrating weddings in 2018. We will present our own marriage preparation program here at St. John Brebeuf in 2018. Those planning to get married here next year should meet with Tom or me sometime soon. Preparing for marriage usually doesn't take a very long time from the point of view of how the Church process goes. But sometimes unexpected issues emerge in early meetings that take time to resolve. Better sooner than later.

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, ext. 217 or tombr@sjbcommunity.ca

Faith Formation: Change of Meeting Date!

The First Reconciliation/First Eucharist Meeting originally scheduled for November 21 at 7pm will now be held **Sunday, January 21, 12:30pm** in the Computer Lab (lower church level adjacent to the elevator). This meeting is for parents only.

Sunday Missals: The 2017-2018 Living with Christ Sunday Missals will be available for your reference in the pews beginning the first weekend of Advent. Those who wish to purchase a personal copy may do so at the Knights of Columbus Table or at the Parish Office for \$5 per copy.



Thank You, Rick!

For many years, our church Christmas décor has been enhanced by the beauty of a magnificent live Christmas Tree. These beautiful trees



have been generously donated by parishioner, Rick St. Croix. Rick offers a home delivery service. If you are considering a live tree this year, please contact him at 204-227-9931 or stcroixgoalie@aol.com.

<u>St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:</u> November 18/19: \$3,485.92 <u>Least Coin Collection</u>:

November 18/19: \$366 2017 Total to date: \$18,925.44

Sharing God's Gifts:



Our Target: **\$56,290** Donations received to date: **\$45,880**

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., Shelby Brekelmans, Marie M., Don Barnicki, Gisèle Bertalanffy, Stephanie Blair, David Bruneau, Cathy Burke, Kathleen Foster, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Kay Hunt, J.D., Sr. Cathy Laviolette, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Tiago Miranda, Eric Moscarella, Peter, Adeline Schmidt, Leonard Schmidt, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., Brian Woods, D. 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.

November 25/26, 2017: Solemnity of Christ the King

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe:

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalm 23; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

Today's readings give us two diverging actions from God. First, God acts as a shepherd gathering a flock of sheep together. God rescues the lost sheep from the gloomy places they have wandered off to, diligently tending after their needs and showing immense care to the weakest among them. Then, in the Gospel, we see the Son of Man sitting on a glorious throne before all nations. The king separates the people into two groups—one is welcomed into eternal life, while the other is cast aside. For any of us who struggle with insecurities, I imagine this second scene raises our anxiety to new heights. We get two different images of God: a tender shepherd full of mercy and a dispassionate judge who suffers no partiality. Which type will we face in our time?

This dual personality of God, the perfect pairing of justice and mercy, doesn't compute for us simple humans. In order to dispense justice, we have to draw the line with mercy somewhere. We can't have our cake and let it get away with its mistakes at the same time. From our limited perspective as creatures, we hear the Gospel today and it sounds like the time is up for the sheep and the goats. The day of reckoning is at hand and the goats have to go face the music. Hopefully we clothed enough naked people in our time to make the cut as sheep. This kind of logic makes sense to us. It fits our way of getting things done. We work towards a goal with fixed expectations and when the deadline hits we can measure how we did. God has expectations for us too, a calling if you will. Yet this mission is paired with an eternal timeline, one that extends beyond our understanding and past our earthly lives. This is unlike any human management style; it could only be carried out by someone with the title, "King of the Universe."

This lofty title is also extremely personal. Christ is Lord of all things, yes; but Christ is also *our* Lord. God chose us to be servants of this holy mission to bring good news to the poor, the downtrodden, the weak, and the marginalized, even as we ourselves stand in absolute spiritual poverty compared to the one who calls us. The sheep join the shepherd in the search for more lost sheep. Christ rescues us while we are still weak so we unite together to help others in need. We tend to our neighbours, not out of our abundance, but out of our absolute powerlessness as creatures. We all stand together before one God, who subjects all authority under one divine rule. The Lord recognizes us as God's own people because he rescued us from death and darkness even while we were helpless. No power on earth can touch the sheep God has rescued. Despair, death, sin, anxiety, and selfishness—these are all goats in God's eyes, they stand for nothing; but the sheep are everything to God, and not a single one will be left behind.

CWL:

Following Mass the first two weekends of Advent (Dec 2/3, 9/10), the CWL will once again sell Mary's Angels for \$5 each, in support of the Marian Hour Centre.

<u>Christmas Plants:</u> Each Christmas season, our parish purchases many poinsettias to decorate our worship space. Parishioners can sponsor plants in gratitude for their loved ones, living and deceased, for only



\$10 each from the Parish Office. All sponsored plants will be marked with a gift tag honouring your loved one. See Debbie in the Parish Office to purchase your tags.

Shut-Ins Plant Deliveries: Help will be needed to deliver Plants to our shut-ins Dec. 14-15. Please call the parish office if you can help.

MASS ETIQUETTE- 20 THINGS TO DO AND NOT DO IN MASS:

8. Please do not sit on the edge of the pew if you sit down before others. Rather, sit in the middle so others don't have to climb over you. On occasions where the church is filled to capacity, please make room for those who may have difficulty standing (i.e. elderly or disabled people, expectant mothers, or parents with young children). Source: www.aggiecatholicblog.org





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

