

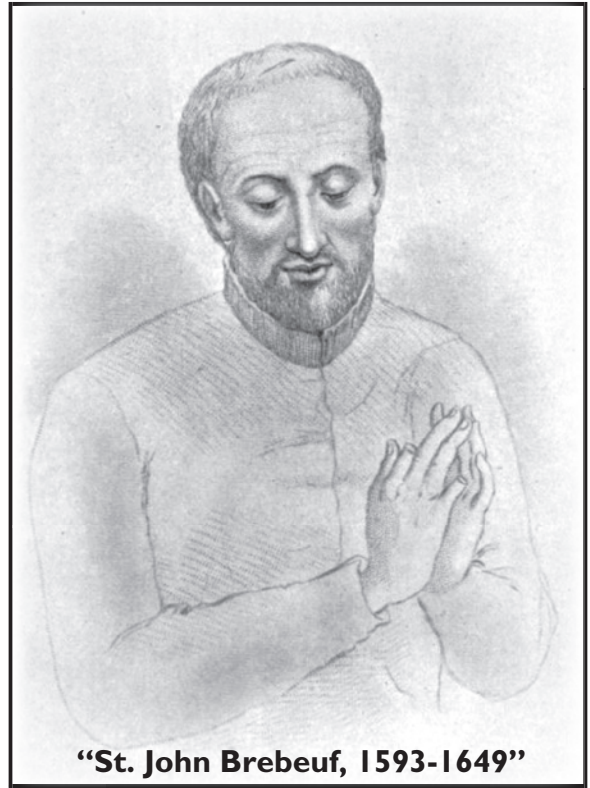


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“St. John Brebeuf, 1593-1649”

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).

November 26/27, 2016: 1st Sunday of Advent

Sunday, Nov. 27	1st Sunday of Advent 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +John Murphy 12:30pm: Confirmation Session
Monday, Nov. 28	Weekday Ferial No Mass 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday, Nov. 29	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Julie Ann Cushing
Wednesday Nov. 30	Feast: St. Andrew, Apostle 7:30am: Parish Finance Meeting 850am: Rosary 9:15am: +Rev. Frank Kosakiewicz, OMI
Thursday, Dec. 1	Weekday Ferial 9:15am: +Herman Dombroski
Friday, Dec. 2	Weekday Ferial 9:15am: +Jim Rodrigues 10am-1pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction
Saturday, Dec. 3	Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Advent 5pm: +Harold Midgley
Sunday, Dec. 4	2nd Sunday of Advent 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +June Mandarino 12:30pm: C.W.L. Meeting 7pm: Seeds of Friendship Concert

**St. John Brebeuf Parish
Christmas Worship Schedule**

Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord
Saturday, December 24th, 2016
5pm Christmas Eve Mass with the Children
7:30pm Christmas Eve Mass
10pm Christmas Eve Mass with incense
(Caroling begins 30 min. prior to Christmas Eve Masses)

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
Sunday, December 25th, 2015
10:03am Christmas Mass

Merry Christmas!

We welcome into the family of God and the Community of St. John Brebeuf

Ayah Mahir
who celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism at St. John Brebeuf Church on November 19.

May God bless you and your family!



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 at 204-488-4467, Extension 217 or tombr@sjbcommunity.ca

Faith Formation: Registration is still being accepted online for our 2016/2017 children's Faith Formation Programs. Share the Word (Ages 3-5), Sunday School (K to 8), First Reconciliation/First Eucharist (Gr. 2), Confirmation (Gr.9). For more information, please visit www.sjbcommunity.ca

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

Sunday Missals: The 2016-2017 Living with Christ Sunday Missals are now available for your reference in the pews. Those wishing to purchase a personal copy can do so at the Knights of Columbus Table at the main church entrance, or at the parish office for \$5.



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

November 19/20, 2016: \$4,094

2017 Offertory envelopes are now available for pick-up at the Lanark entrance. 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, beginning with refugee support.

November 19/20, 2016: \$592

Total collected to date: \$41,635.22

Sharing God's Gifts:

Our Target: **\$97,950**

Current Pledges and Donations: **\$56,592.94**

If you have already donated or pledged pre-authorized donations, thank you!



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, Edith Heinrichs, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, J.D., Carol Kruse, Paul L., Sr. Cathy Laviolette, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, M.M., Debra M., Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Eric Moscarella, 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.

November 26/27, 2016: 1st Sunday of Advent

First Sunday of Advent: *Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44*

Jesus compares the coming of the Son of Man to the great flood that Noah faced: both were unexpected. When we imagine the ark from the story, we might envision a massive wooden boat with thick and sturdy timbers supporting level after level of stables and cages for all the animals. However, there's a line in the book of Wisdom that paints us a different picture, "When the earth was flooded because of him [Cain, the unrighteous man], wisdom again saved it, steering the righteous man by a paltry piece of wood" (Wisdom 10:4). Before the magnificent glory of God, the ark is a measly chunk of wood. Yet this flimsy ark was enough to see Noah and his family through the great flood. For us, the ark of our salvation is the wood of the Cross—a mere tree through which God inaugurates the Kingdom of Heaven here on earth. Just as the flood was unexpected, and the ark was an unlikely means to persevere the storm, God's reign shows up in unpredictable ways.

It might seem unfair then, that Jesus announces we must be prepared for this unexpected arrival. How can we prepare for that which is unknown? The good news is that because the Kingdom of God shows up unexpectedly, we can face all the unknowns in our life with hope. Every question yet to be answered in our lives remains charged with the possibility of God showing up. During Advent, we wait in hopeful expectation that God will break into our lives once more. So, all of our waiting carries that same possibility. Whether we wait for test results from the doctor, news about our scholarship application, or to hear from a long lost friend, we can wait with the hope that God will be there in whatever outcome we face.

When the results don't go our way, it might seem like the flood waters are rising and we can feel overwhelmed. In those moments we might wish for some big and dramatic sign that God has our back—a massive ark to climb aboard and whisk us away from this mess. Yet God's ways are unpredictable. That which seems fragile and tenuous to us might very well be God's means of directing our rescue. Every day, the light gets a little brighter. What seemed like a paltry piece of wood from afar turns out to be the cross on which hangs the hope of the world—our hope. We can rush to face the unknown with the confidence and faith that God is coming to meet us.

~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

Christmas Cake:

Gourmet fruitcakes in support of Campaign Life Coalition Canada will be sold following Masses November 26/27 and December 3/4 at the main church entrance: \$16 (Loaf cake), \$20 (Boxed cake).



CWL:

During Advent, the CWL are once again selling Mary's Angels for \$5 each, in support of the Marian Hour Centre.



St. John Brebeuf & St. Paul the Apostle Joint Refugee Sponsorship Syrian Family Update:

TRAVEL DATE ANNOUNCED!!

After a brief delay, our refugee family will arrive on Winnipeg **November 29!** We will continue to collect household items, and volunteers are still needed; especially drivers. Please take donations of household goods to St. Paul the Apostle Parish, 2400 Portage Ave. (204-832-6122). For a list of needed items, and further information, please visit : www.sjbcommunity.ca



The Joie de Vivre Choir presents:

The Seeds of Friendship Concert

A Fundraiser to benefit Syrian refugees

Sunday, December 4, 2016, 7:00pm

Saint John Brebeuf Church, 1707 John Brebeuf Place

With John Tanner & Coralie Bryant, Conductors

Featuring Charmaine Bacon on Flute and

Colin Mehmel on Clarinet

Tickets: \$20 (children 12 and under free)

Contact: Omer 204-261-8256 or John 204-488-4076

The Huron Carole

Wednesday, December 7 / 7:30pm

Saint John Brebeuf Church / 1707 John Brebeuf Place

100% of proceeds will support Winnipeg Harvest

A meet-and greet reception will follow the concert.

Tickets \$40: www.sjbcommunity.ca

Donations of non-perishable food & formula are appreciated.



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 Parish Office.

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