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#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

www.sjbschool.ca

#### 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

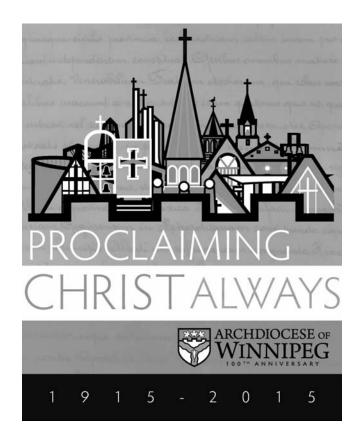
(Sundays, September to May)
Ages 3-6: Bi-Weekly during the 9:30am Mass

#### 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 <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).

## October 3/4, 2015: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 11	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30am: +June Mandarino 11:30am: +Mimi Trainor (Mass with Baptism)	
Monday, October 12	Weekday Ferial No Mass Parish closed for Thanksgiving	
Tuesday, October 13	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Jean Tarnowski 1:30pm: Portsmouth Residence Mass	
Wednesday October 14	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Matt Jones 7:30pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting	
Thursday, October 15	Memorial: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: Int. of Romulo & Leah Magsino	
Friday, October 16	Memorial: St. Marguerite D'Youville, Religious 9am: Mass with the School +Malachy Mahon	
Saturday, October 17	Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5pm: +Roman Buchok	
Sunday, October 18	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 10:30am: RCIA 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Ruth Waters 12:30pm: Confirmation Session 5pm: Fall Pasta Supper	

# World Mission Sunday: October 18, 2015 United in Love... Let us go to serve!

The Church is essentially missionary; it is animated by the Spirit. Inhabited by the

breath and dynamism of life, it sends out her apostles to the ends of the earth. The Lord calls us and sends us to share with others the blessings that we have received, starting with the gift of faith, which cannot be considered as a private privilege, but must be seen as a gift to be shared with those who have not yet received it. Today, let us unite through Love and let us show solidarity with the poorest churches in Africa, Asia, Oceania, Europe and South America. Thank you for your generosity. This week I will take time to prepare my donation. Envelopes are included in your offertory packets and at both church entrances.

Congratulations and Blessings on:

#### Christopher Schnaider & Karen Serrano Married on October 2, 2015

Married in the Lord



**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.

<u>Faith Formation:</u> Please register online for the 2015/2016 children's Faith Formation Programs, resuming Sept. 20 at St. John Brebeuf: Children's Catechism (K to 8), 1st Reconciliation/1st Eucharist (Gr. 2), and Confirmation (Gr. 9). **www.sjbcommunity.ca**.

#### **Never Alone Christmas Dinner:**

Deacon Mike Thibert invites those who are interested in helping to plan the 2nd annual Never Alone Christmas Dinner to a meeting Thursday, October 22, 7:30pm in the St. Marie Room. For more information, please call Deacon Mike at 204-688-4145.

# <u>Tour of the Centenary Icon of the Holy Family:</u>

On **October 10-11**, the Centenary Icon of the Holy Family will be on display at Saint John Brebeuf Church. The icon was designed



and written by Andre J. Prevost around the Archdiocese of Winnipeg's centenary theme, *Proclaiming Christ Always*, including the Holy Family with emphasis on St. Joseph as the patron of the archdiocese. The icon was unveiled at the Centennial Mass, May 3, 2015 at the MTS Centre. More info available at main church entrance.

#### St. John Brebeuf Parish Offerings:

Regular Weekly Offertory: October 3/4, 2015: \$4,512

#### **Least Coin Collection**

Each weekend, a second collection of pocket change will be taken immediately following the offertory. These funds will be used for our ongoing ministry of charity, beginning with support of refugees.

October 3/4, 2015: \$634.57

#### **Sharing God's Gifts:**

Our Target: **\$83,720** 

Current Pledges and Donations: \$30,005



#### 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., Marie M., Don Barnicki, Gisèle Bertalanffy, David Bruneau, Kathleen Foster, Mario Di Fonzo, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Edith Heinrichs, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, J.D., Carol Kruse, Paul L., Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, Debra M., Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Eric Moscarella, Amparo Pagtakhan, Peter, Wally Ross, Adeline Schmidt, Kevin Scharer, Beatrice Sheridan, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., Geraldine Walker, Brian Woods

If someone in your family is ill and requests the prayers of the parish community, please contact the Parish Office.

#### October 3/4, 2015: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Wisdom 7:7-11; Hebrews 4:12-13; Mark 10:17-30

Winnipeg experiences dark winter months, but nothing like Inuvik, Northwest Territories; it sits a few degrees of latitude north of the Arctic Circle. Every December, the sun goes on a month-long hiatus. People there celebrate the return of the sun in January with a huge festival. A few days before the sun rises, the town crackles with anticipation. It's difficult to imagine such a long time without any sunlight. Here we can take it for granted that, at least for a few hours each day, our world will light up, even if it's only through a dreary overcast winter sky. While we're likely to complain about it being dark come January, people further north than us treat sunlight like a luxury. In a similar vein, today's readings speak to the ways God carefully sifts out essentials so we can celebrate simplicity.

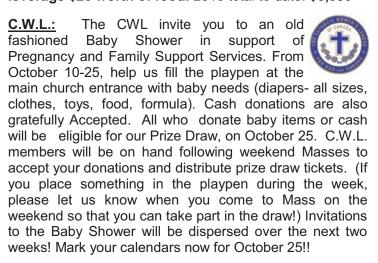
The first reading describes the feeling of growing in God's Wisdom. In comparison to Holy Wisdom, "gold is but a little sand" and "silver will be accounted as clay before Her." She is preferred over beauty and health. Light itself is considered superfluous to Her. Living in God's Wisdom is the only essential there is. In the Gospel, Jesus challenges an upright man to go even further in his pursuit of eternal life by selling his possessions. The man left grieving, for he was wealthy. Yet, already in posing the question, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" the man recognized there must have been more to life than keeping the rules and collecting stuff. He wasn't satisfied with being rich—he sought to dwell in God's Wisdom. He knew there was something he lacked. Jesus' answer still shocked him though, as though cutting his stuff loose would be too hard a sacrifice to make. I wonder if the man grieved at the thought of losing his stuff, or at the prospect that he might not be willing to part with his excess in order to make room for what is truly essential.

God is a master at sifting out the excess of our lives to salvage what's needed for eternal life. The second reading speaks of God's word, active and alive, that cuts through the excess like a double-edged sword. It's no coincidence that the scalpel God wields to separate us from our baggage is the Divine Word. Human language limits our imaginations and constrains reality, so that it might provide a handle for us to wrap our heads around. One such example is the discomfort many of us will feel from reading the previous paragraph with "Her" capitalized to recognize the divine referent. God transcends gender, yet our language surrounding God, using mostly masculine pronouns for God, already limits the ways we imagine the Divine. God's language, the Holy Word, is different—it does not simply describe reality, but creates, sustains, and transforms. The sword of the Spirit, the word of God, cuts through the limitations of human language. So Jesus can say leaving behind all manner of comforts paradoxically brings about abundance. The last will be first and that those who wish to saves their lives must lose them. Our richness with words can be the wealth that needs to be sold off before we can pass through the eye of the needle. Nothing is off-limits to God. The good news is that even when we lack wealth, health, beauty, even sunlight, God's wisdom has that much more room to grow in our lives.

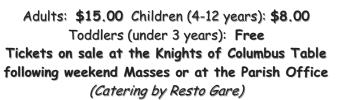
~Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate

#### **Knights of Columbus #1107:**

Your purchase of Sobeys Gift Cards can help feed 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. Each dollar donated allows Harvest to leverage \$20 worth of food. 2015 total to date: \$8,330



2015 Feast of St. John Brebeuf Fall Pasta Supper Sunday, October 18, 5:00 pm St. John Brebeuf Parish Hall 1707 John Brebeuf Place



Serra Club Annual Dinner Thursday, October 15, 2015 Centro Caboto Centre 1055 Wilkes Ave.

Guest speaker: Fr. Leonard Altilia, S.J. Tickets \$85: Guy Coughlin, 204-953-4600 Proceeds in support of Vocations

#### Winnipeg Harvest:

This Thanksgiving season, share your thanks with Manitobans in need. Non perishable food and baby formula urgently needed.







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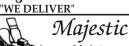
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