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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	
Deacon Joseph McLellan, Emeritus	
Laura Carreiro, Principal	ext 242
Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate	ext 217
Genevieve Makinson, Financial Administrator	ext 211
Eddie Melo, Building Operations	ext 220
Debbie Dusanek, Parish Admin. Coordinator	ext 210
Deb Bernier, School Admin. Assistant	ext 241

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.

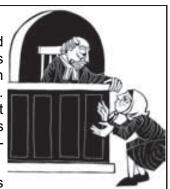
Catholic Women's League: Meets at 12:30pm on the first Sunday of the month (October to May).

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

October 19/20, 2013: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Exodus 17:8-13; Psalm 121; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2; Luke 18:1-8

In 1995, Quebec held a referendum vote to separate from Canada, but I stopped them. As I watched the vote on TV, I prayed that Quebec would stay (My school was French Immersion—maybe I thought I'd be deported if Quebec left). So long as I knelt in front of the coffee table with my face buried in my clasped hands, the "no" side would win. Every time I stopped praying, it seemed like the separatists started to gain votes, so I went back to praying. It felt like I did that for hours. Even though my back hurt and my face was hot, I stuck it out. So today Quebec is still a part of Canada thanks to the prayers of 10-year-old me.



Does prayer actually work this way? In today's first reading it seems to. Moses prayed as the Israelites fought with some nomads on their way out of Egypt. Whenever he bent his hand a certain way in the air, the Israelites started winning the battle; whenever his hand dropped, they began to falter. When Moses got tired, they simply propped up his hands.

In the Gospel, Jesus appears to suggest that if we keep pestering God, we'll eventually get what we want. He tells his disciples a story about a widow seeking after a ruling from a pompous, cranky, and unfair judge. At first he refuses to help her, but she persists and he eventually capitulates. When we hear parables with a king or a judge, we usually swap God into those roles, but that can't be the case with this character. What are we missing here?

Jesus clarifies by telling us outright to listen to the unjust judge, who basically says, "I will do the right thing, for the wrong reasons." It's right for a judge to grant justice; it's wrong to do so simply because he's annoyed. God can work with that. Justice gets done, even though the judge's motives are questionable. Jesus is telling us to pray always, even if our motives aren't perfect. The act of prayer itself shows that God is in control. Even if we set out to sway God to our will, prayer is the only action that is the antidote to this attitude. So we can pray always, even if our reasons are wrong. Ask God to pay back the people who hurt you, make you rich, or give you a promotion. Better we should leave God in charge of things like revenge and honour than for us to seek after them ourselves. *Tom Bailey-Robertson, Pastoral Associate*

Knights of Columbus #1107:

Did you know that your purchase of Sobeys Gift cards can help feed the hungry in our city?

Our Knights are on hand selling cards in \$25, \$50 or \$100 denominations following weekend Masses.

To donate your gift card to **Winnipeg Harvest**, simply indicate this at the time of your purchase and a tax receipt will be issued.

To date, parishioners have purchased <u>\$5465</u> in gift cards toward the purchase of **much needed baby formula**. Thank you for your support!

<u>Pancake Breakfast:</u> The next K. of C. Pancake Breakfast will be **Sunday, October 20** following 9:30am and 11:30am Masses in the Parish Hall. Free will offering.

All ladies of the parish, 16 years or older, are invited to join the CWL in 2014. Positions on the Executive are also available for members at large and new members. For more information, please call Mary-Anne at 204-489-8654.

Our Place/Chez Nous (A.K.A. "The Cross"): You may have heard about Our Place/Chez Nous, a drop-in centre on the corner of Higgins and Main that provides free snacks, clothing and showers, as well as a haven of rest, three mornings per week, to anyone who happens by. You may have donated food, clothing and money to OP/CN; you may have prayed for us, both for those who give and for those who receive. For this we are grateful: the flow of food, clothing and money is often abundant. What OP/CN really needs now are more volunteers to serve regularly on site, even for a short period of time. We need "Martha's": people to prepare food; people to clean up; people to sort and distribute clothes. We also need "Mary's": people who are willing and able to interact positively, respectfully and wisely with the enormous range of unfortunate souls who visit us. Ideally, you would serve both as Mary and Martha simultaneously (some of us are better at it than others, and we are all learning). OP/CN is open for service from 9am to 11:45am Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from September to June. Do you feel called to serve at OP/CN, or do you know someone who might be? Call 204-956-1359, drop by 676 Main St. during service hours, or email us at opcn1@shaw.ca anytime. You might be glad you did.



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**

October 19/20, 2013: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 20	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time World Mission Sunday 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 9:35am: Share the Word 10:30am: K. of C. Pancake Breakfast 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Frank Ashcroft 12:30pm: K. of C. Pancake Breakfast 7pm: Confirmation Session
Monday, October 21	Weekday Ferial No Mass 1:30pm: Lectio Divina
Tuesday October 22	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Anne O'Cleirigh
Wed., October 23	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Elizabeth Lafontaisie 10am: Adult Faith Formation
Thursday, October 24	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Florence McDougall 10:30am: +Robert Gladding Funeral Mass
Friday, October 25	Weekday Ferial 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Omer Van Walleghem
Saturday, October 26	Vigil: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5pm: +Florence Spencler
Sunday, October 27	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptism Weekend 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 9:35am: Share the Word 10:35am: Children's Catechism 11:30am: +Ita Egan 5pm: Feast of St. John Brebeuf Fall Pasta Supper

The 2013 Feast of St. John Brebeuf Fall Pasta Supper

(Prepared by Resto Gare)

Sunday, October 27, 5:00 pm St. John Brebeuf Parish Hall

Adults: \$15, Children (4 to 12) \$8

Toddlers (under 3) Free

Tickets on sale at the Knights of Columbus table following

weekend Masses, and at the Parish Office.



<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.

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). Inquirers meet Sundays, twice monthly, following 11:30am Mass in the St. Marie Room. Contact Tom in the Parish Office at 204-488-4467 ext. 217 for more information.

Adult Faith Formation:

Next session: Wednesday, November 13, 10am in the St. Marie Room

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist:

Parent Meeting: Tuesday, Oct. 29, 7pm, Parish Hall

World Mission Sunday:

Today is World Mission Sunday. We, along with Catholics throughout the world, are called to offer our prayers and generous financial support through the Propogation of the Faith, for the worldwide mission of Jesus. Your gift on World Mission Sunday helps:

- People in remote villages, towns and cities through the witness and work of missionaries and local priests.
- Children, the elderly, refugees, the sick, and orphans through the service of Religious Sisters and Brothers
- To bring the Gospel to the poorest of our human family
- Catechists proclaim the message of hope and peace that only Christ can give.

Please offer prayer for the work of the Church today in the Missions of Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and the remote regions of Latin America. Also, please be as generous as you can today, World Mission Sunday.

Sharing God's Gifts:

Our Target: \$68,530

Current Pledges & Donations: \$29,864



St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

October 12/13: \$5152

Pre-Authorized Donations for October:

Let us Pray for our Sick and Homebound:

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

Don Barnicki, Nick Bencharski, Gisèle Bertalanffy, David Bruneau, Eduardo De Medeiros, Omer De Wandel, Kathleen Foster, Mario Di Fonzo, Irene Glass, Janice Harvey, Leslie Hiebert, Kay Hunt, Therese LaClare, Marvin Lavitt, Robert Lee, Kelly M., Romulo Magsino, Trisha Magnus, Jim Mahon, Doreen Mazur, Paul Mazur, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Eric Moscarella, Georgia Poirier, Louise Soubry, Brenda T., Jack Tarnava, Bill Thiessen, Suzanne Thille, 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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