



## SAINT JOHN BREBEUF ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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#### MASS SCHEDULE

##### **Masses on the Lord's Day:**

Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 10:00am

#### 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**

|  |         |
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| 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).

## September 10/11, 2016: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Sunday, Sept. 11    | <b>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>10am: +John Fulop<br>11am: Catechist Meeting   |
| Monday, Sept. 12    | <b>Weekday Ferial</b><br>No Mass<br>1:30pm: Lectio Divina (Family Room)   |
| Tuesday, Sept. 13   | <b>Memorial: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor</b><br>8:50am: Morning Prayer<br>9:15am: +Matthew Thomas<br>1:30pm: Portsmouth Residence Mass                  |
| Wednesday, Sept. 14 | <b>Feast: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b><br>8:50am: Rosary<br>9:15am: +Mary & +Bill Adair<br>7:30pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting                          |
| Thursday, Sept. 15  | <b>Memorial: Our Lady of Sorrows</b><br>8:50am: Morning Prayer<br>9:15am: +Lucille Peterkin   |
| Friday, Sept. 16    | <b>Memorial: St. Cornelius, Pope and St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs</b><br>8:50am: Rosary<br>9:15am: +Dennis Waroway  |
| Saturday, Sept. 17  | <b>Vigil: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>1pm: Thibert/Fernandez Marriage<br>5pm: +Mimi Trainor   |
| Sunday, Sept. 18    | <b>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br><b>9:30am:</b> Missa Pro Populo<br>10:35am: Children's Catechism<br><b>11:30am:</b> (Mass with Baptism) +Cornelio Parado |

**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:** Please register online for the 2016/2017 children's Faith Formation Programs, resuming fall 2016 at St. John Brebeuf. **Sept 18:** Share the Word (Ages 3-5), Sunday School (K to 8), First Reconciliation/First Eucharist (Gr. 2). **Oct 2:** Confirmation (Gr.9). For more information, please visit [www.sjbcommunity.ca](http://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, beginning September 18.

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

**Regular Offertory**  
**September 3/4, 2016: \$4,009**

**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.

**September 3/4, 2016: \$365**  
**Total collected to date: \$35,621.22**

**St. Paul's College & St. Paul's High School 90th Anniversary Celebration Mass & Reception**

**Saturday, September 17**

**Mass: 1pm, St. Mary's Cathedral**

Archbishop Richard Gagnon Presider

Reception to follow, RBC Convention Centre, York Room, 375 York Ave. No Cost or Registration to attend.

**Rest in Peace: +Mario DiFonzo**  
(Husband of Claudia DiFonzo)

**+Marcella Mathewson**  
(Mother of Keith Mathewson, Donna Cadieux & Barbara Clendenan)

**+Kathleen Dalton**  
(Mother of James Dalton)



**Archdiocese of Winnipeg Synod Listening Sessions:**

Archbishop Richard Gagnon has called a Synod for the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, bringing together clergy, religious and laity of the local church to deliberate on the pastoral needs of the diocese. Sessions include:

**Tuesday, Sept. 13, 7pm:** North Winnipeg Deanery, St. Anthony of Padua Church (WK), 250 Burrin Ave., Wpg, MB

**Wednesday, Sept. 14, 7pm:** Westman Deanery, St. Augustine's Parish, 327 Fourth St., Brandon, MB

**Thursday, Oct. 13, 7pm:** South Winnipeg Deanery, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 4588 Roblin Blvd., Wpg, MB

**Saturday, Oct. 15, 1pm:** Parkland Deanery, St. Viator's Parish, 307 Whitmore Ave. E., Dauphin, MB

**Wednesday, Oct. 19, 7pm:** Central Winnipeg Deanery, St. Paul the Apostle Parish, 2400 Portage Ave., Wpg, MB

**Saturday, Nov. 5, 10am:** Interlake Deanery, Christ the King Parish, 315 2nd St. East, Stonewall, MB

Four additional sessions to be scheduled with Clergy, Youth & Young Adults, First Nations Communities and Ministers, and at Our Place/Chez Nous Drop-In Centre. Details at church bulletin boards and [www.archwinnipeg.ca](http://www.archwinnipeg.ca)



**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, Mario Di Fonzo, 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, Geraldine Walker, Brian Woods

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

# September 10/11, 2016: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Lost and Found

A few years ago an older couple asked me what they could do with their grandson. I asked what they meant by that.

They told me they were at their wits' end trying to help him. His parents had given up on him. So, the grandparents were doing what they could. But their finances were being depleted and they were frustrated.

It seems that their grandson, we'll call him James, had written bad checks. He had been arrested and convicted more than once. James had repeatedly spent time in the county jail, and the rest of his time he was on parole or probation, and getting into trouble again.

There seemed to be no end to this situation. The grandparents were not willing to give up on James, though. After some counseling, they realized that they could not put out any more money to cover James' bad checks. He would have to go "cold turkey" on paying his own restitution.

At long last, James came to his senses and began to open a new chapter in his life. He stayed out of trouble, got a job and began to meet his financial obligations. All along, his grandparents were there for him with love and encouragement.

From Jesus' stories in today's Gospel, the grandparents were mirroring the love and mercy of God in their love and care for their grandson. God's merciful love for James was coming through his grandparents. And I imagine that God was working in James' parents, too, encouraging them to find a place in their hearts for mercy toward their son. Of course, they were free to accept or reject God's grace. It took a while. It was long after James had turned the corner that his parents welcomed him back.

I believe that God was also working within James and in the court and jail staff as well. How else could James, like the wayward son in the Gospel story, finally find himself and return to his family and to God?

There are surely times in each of our lives when we are off the mark and need to find our way back. It might be in relationships, in honesty, in our prayer life. Jesus' story tells us that God is always looking for us, waiting for our return. God never tires of standing by the road watching, ready to embrace us.

In the First Letter to Timothy, Paul acknowledges that he was mercifully treated by God, though he was "once a blasphemer and a persecutor and arrogant." Paul's assessment was that he "acted out of ignorance in unbelief." In that respect, Paul was like the lost sheep in the first parable in today's Gospel. God was patient and sought out Paul in his violent ignorance and arrogance. "Jesus came into the world to save sinners," Paul would later write, and he saw himself as among "the foremost sinners."

There is hope for all of us! No matter whether we are willful or ignorant sinners, God's mercy is not lacking. God will watch for us and embrace us the moment we turn to him.

There are also times in our lives when you and I must be the visible face of our loving and merciful God. We become the longing of God for the return of those who are lost. As disciples of Jesus, we bring the mercy and love of God to life.

Where are we in the "lost and found" of life today? The lost will be found because God will keep looking for them, sometimes through us. When they are found, there is going to be a great and lavish party to celebrate. Be ready to join in!  
~Deacon Ross Beaudoin

**Knights of Columbus #1107:** Our Knights are selling Sobeys cards in \$25, \$50 or \$100 denominations following weekend Masses. To donate your gift card to Winnipeg Harvest, indicate this when purchasing. A tax receipt will be issued. Gift cards can be used at Sobeys and Safeway stores! **Each dollar donated allows Harvest to leverage \$20 worth of food.** 2016 total to date: \$ 7,630.



## Our Place/Chez Nous:

Our Place/Chez Nous is a drop-in centre located at 676 Main St. in Winnipeg and serves the homeless, the addicted, the mentally ill, the marginalized and the disadvantaged in the Main and Higgins area of our city. Donations of new or gently used men's jeans (size 32 and up), hoodies, and running shoes. Please drop off your donations at main church entrance bin.

**Winnipeg Harvest:** Winnipeg Harvest has a **critical need for 5 of its top 10 foods**, crucial to the food kits that get sent out to nearly 64,000 Manitobans each month.



Urgent items include: **Canned Meat**  
**Canned Beans**  
**Canned Soups**  
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Please help Winnipeg Harvest feed the hungry in our midst by sharing what you can **every** month.

**Winnipeg Harvest Tools for School:** For low income families, preparing for back-to-school is a budgeting nightmare; especially for those struggling to feed their children. The school supply allowance on public assistance does not cover costs. You can help by purchasing needed school supplies. Complete list at main church entrance.



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 your form and drop in the offertory basket, or forward to the Parish Office. For more information about Saint John Brebeuf Parish and School please visit: [www.sjbcommunity.ca](http://www.sjbcommunity.ca)



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