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#### PARISH CONTACTS

Finance Council:	Kevin McCulloch/ Peter Smith
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School Board:	Mariella Di Santo & John Osler
Ministers of the Word:	Leann Smith
Ministers of the Eucharist:	Joe Brekelmans
Altar Servers:	Keith Mathewson
Catechism:	Parish Office
Spiritual Journeying:	Margaret Kingdon

#### 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, October to May)*

Grades 1-6: Weekly 10:40am in the school  
Grades 7-8: Bi-weekly 10:40am in the school

#### SHARE THE WORD

*(Sundays, October 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.*

**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 7/8: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Wisdom 9:13-18

Philemon 9b-10, 12-17

Luke 14:25-33

How are your New Year's resolutions coming along? Often our plans fall to the wayside—after all, we're only human—and our focus shifts to the next project. Meanwhile, the exercise bike or the "learn-a-language" software languishes in the corner or on the shelf. "For the reasoning of mortals is worthless, and our designs are likely to fail," chides today's first reading. God's plans, on the other hand, have the power to save us. The Holy Spirit pulls us out of our ruts and sets us on the path to freedom. We live in a world full of wrinkles and creases, no matter how hard we might try to smooth things out. Jesus breaks into this world announcing a reversal of fortunes, a Kingdom where the captives are set free and the hills and valleys are levelled.



Luke's Gospel shows this in action when Jesus addresses a large crowd described as "travelling" alongside him. Some are perhaps attracted by his message of hope for the hopeless, others might merely be curious about this bizarre preacher. But Jesus is after more than just tourists and observers; he wants active participants in his mission. He wants them to stop travelling, get behind him, and start following him. Nothing else comes first, not our families, and not even life itself. The requirement of discipleship is to carry the cross and follow Christ. But we need empty hands to pick up the cross. Jesus pulls us out of our limitations and makes it possible for us to carry the cross.

To do this, Jesus uses the strongest word he can to make his point: "hate". This should make us uncomfortable, because our families matter a great deal to us. It's also very liberating. While the world cares very much who our parents are, where we were born, or what school we went to, these things don't matter to God. God wants disciples with empty résumés. Jesus has already carried the cross for us, so now we can pick it up, too, and follow him into the Kingdom of freedom.

This Kingdom is marked by a radical reordering of relationships. In the second reading, Paul asks Philemon to receive his servant Onesimus "no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother." It remains highly problematic that Paul never outright condemns slavery as a social sin and that he counsels Onesimus to return to his master. Christians must take a stand against such human trafficking. Paul expected Jesus' imminent return, so he recommended people remain in whatever state when they were called as Christians: married, single, or slaves (1 Cor 7:20-21). Nonetheless, the Christian community welcomed everyone, slaves included, into God's family as sisters and brothers. In this way, disciples who "hate" their relatives are free to extend familial lines beyond their blood relatives. *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 **\$4620** in gift cards toward the purchase of **much needed baby formula**. Thank you for your support!

**K of C Garage Sale:** The Knights of Columbus #1107 will host a garage sale **Saturday, September 14 from 8:00am to 1:00pm, Columbus Courts, 253 Edgeland Blvd.** If you have any items to donate, please contact Jack Blair at (204) 488-2201 or email [jbclair@shaw.ca](mailto:jbclair@shaw.ca)



**Winnipeg Harvest is in need of the following items to fill the shelves for our city's hungry:**

1. Canned fish and poultry— tuna or salmon (packed in water) chicken or turkey
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3. Canned stew, chili, brown beans
4. Peanut Butter
5. Whole Grain/Whole Wheat Pasta
6. Baby Food— jars of chicken, beef, vegetables or fruit, infant cereal such as oatmeal, barley or rice, **Formula with added iron**
7. Rice— brown, converted or par-boiled
8. Canned spaghetti sauce or tomatoes
9. Cereal— high fibre, non-sugar coated
10. Canned Soup— lentil, pea, vegetable

Cash/Sobeys card donations also greatly accepted. Each dollar allows Harvest to leverage \$20 worth of food. *(Sobeys cards available through the K. of C.)*



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](http://www.sjbcommunity.ca)

# September 7/8: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, Sept. 8	<b>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 10am: +John Fulop 11am: Catechist Meeting
Monday, Sept. 9	<b>Weekday Ferial</b> No Mass
Tuesday, Sept. 10	<b>Weekday Ferial</b> 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Tom & Jean Hrechosky
Wed., Sept. 11	<b>Weekday Ferial</b> 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Pasquale & Rosina Mandarino 10am: Adult Faith Formation 7pm: Mass with K of C 7:30pm: K of C Meeting
Thursday, Sept. 12	<b>Weekday Ferial</b> 8:50am: Morning Prayer 9:15am: +Joe Verduzco
Friday, Sept. 13	<b>Memorial: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor</b> 8:50am: Rosary 9:15am: +Dan Hoorne
Saturday, Sept. 14	<b>Vigil: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 5pm: +Mary & Bill Adair
Sunday, Sept. 15	<b>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 9:30am: Missa Pro Populo 9:35am: Share the Word 10:35am: Catechism 11:30am: +Bernard & Ita Egan 12:30pm: RCIA Meeting

### Reminder!

Next weekend, September 14/15, we return to our **Regular Mass Schedule:**

**Saturday: 5pm**  
**Sunday: 9:30am & 11:30am**



**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 will meet on **Sept. 15 following 11:30 a.m. mass** in the St. Marie Room for discussion of the process. A delicious lunch will be provided. Contact Tom in the Parish Office at 204-488-4467 ext. 217 to sign up.

**Baptism:** Are you expecting a child or contemplating Baptism for your child? We have returned to seasonal Baptismal Weekends. Our next Baptism Weekend will be **September 28/29, 2013**. For information, please contact Tom in the Parish Office.

**Faith Formation:** Registration is now being accepted for the 2013/2014 children's Faith Formation Programs at St. John Brebeuf: Share the Word (Ages 3-5), Sunday School (K to 8), First Reconciliation/First Eucharist (Gr. 2), and Confirmation (Gr. 9). Orange Family Faith Formation forms are available at the main church entrance, or in the Faith Formation section of the parish web site: [www.sjbcommunity.ca](http://www.sjbcommunity.ca). Please return to the Parish Office in the offertory basket, or see front bulletin cover for fax, email and mailing address information.

### St. John Brebeuf Parish Weekly Offerings:

**August 31/September 1: \$4742**

Please consider making your weekly Church donations by pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account, credit card or through post-dated cheques.

### Sharing God's Gifts:

Our Target: **\$68,530**

Current Pledges & Donations: **\$26,314**

Thank you for your support.



### Rest in Peace:

**+Zachary McLellan**

(Brother of Rev. Joe McLellan)

**+Helen Borody**

(Mother of Carol-Ann Borody Siemens)



### Please mark your calendar:

#### **Adult Faith Formation:**

Wednesday, Sept. 11, 10am, St. Marie Room

#### The first day of **Share the Word:**

September 15, during 9:30am Mass

#### The first day of **Sunday School:**

September 15, 10:35 am—11:20 am in the school

#### **Confirmation Parent/Candidate Meeting:**

Sunday, September 22, 7pm-9pm, Parish Hall

#### **First Reconciliation Parent Meeting:**

Tuesday, October 29, 7pm, Parish Hall

For details, please visit [www.sjbcommunity.ca](http://www.sjbcommunity.ca)

### 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, Allison Filmon Carvey, 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, Catherine McLeod, William Mendes, Monica Midgley, Eric Moscarella, 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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