# **Cluster Parishes of**

# St. John de Brebeuf

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Sunday 11:00 a.m.

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# CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS St. Anthony of Padua

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# CHRISTMAS/NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE at both St. Anthony's & St. John's

Monday, December 24th ~ 5pm & 9pm.

Tuesday, Christmas Day ~ Dec. 25th-10am

New Year's Eve ~ Dec. 31-5pm

New Year's Day ~ 10:00am

\*NOTE-SAME SCHEDULE FOR BOTH PARISHES\*



#### **ALTAR SERVERS**

Have you every thought of becoming an Altar Server, please contact Betty at the parish office @519-733-6591 or by email bhompoth@dol.ca. Training will begin in January 2013.

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

As you know, ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament has been held at St. John's the second Wednesday of the month for some time now. It was begun with the understanding that 3-5 people would be present throughout the duration of the Adoration period (3pm to 6:45pm). Over the past months the number has been declining steadily. Today, as I write this, there are a total of 4 people who have signed up for Adoration. We cannot expect 4 individuals to cover the full period and we cannot anticipate the other time slots to be filled by those who just show up. As I have said, this has been an ongoing issue and I am getting the sense that this devotion is being held for a few people.

December 12/12 will be the last of Adoration for the year and depending on the attendance, it may well be the final one. When I was asked to offer this devotion I was told many people were requesting it-that no longer seems to be the desire. If Adoration is to resume, it will not be until February. The sign up sheets are put out in the office foyer close to 3 weeks prior. If it is not sufficiently covered, it will be cancelled.



I want to take this opportunity to express my thanks and appreciation to all those who have remembered me and our supportive staff for your Christmas wishes by way of gifts, cards and verbal greetings. Also, a heartfelt thank you to

those who financially support our parish cluster by your weekly offerings and through the service of the ministry you provide. Your monetary assistance, prayers and service are appreciated and depended upon for the life and growth of our parishes. May God bless you and your loved ones and know that you are remembered in my Christmas and New Year's Masses.

Fr. Rick



#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

#### 4th Sunday of Advent-Luke 1:39-45

Many artists have painted this moving scene described by Luke in today's Gospel. Mary has made a difficult journey through the hill country to be with her relative Elizabeth, who is several months pregnant. The young woman, bearing in her body the Saviour, and the older woman, carrying John the Baptist, embrace each other with tears and laughter, Elizabeth recognizes Mary's true identity as "the mother of my Lord." She calls Mary "blessed" three times. Mary is blessed because she trusted that the Lord's words to her would come true.

Discussion Questions: Mary went to help Elizabeth. Mary then had a happy and joyful experience and was blessed by her cousin. Think of a time when you helped someone. How were you blessed?

#### To everything there is a season.....

A time to die......Maria Gloria Da Ponte May she rest in peace

A time to be born.....through the waters of Baptism at St. John de Brebeuf, Camden

Fleming, son of Wesley & Jennifer,

Welcome to our Catholic family

#### CONFIRMATION

Our deadline for registration is Friday, January 11, 2013. Forms are available at The back of both churches, at the office, and on our website: www.johnanthony.dol.ca Registration will only take place through the church. Classes for children who attend St. Anthony of Padua will be held Tuesday evenings beginning on January 15, 2013 at 7pm. Classes for children who attend St. John de Brebeuf will be held on Wednesday evenings beginning on January 16, 2013 at 7pm. For more information, call Betty @733-6591.

#### CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS

Catechists needed for **St. Anthony of Padua** (classes in the parish hall) **Tuesday evenings** at 7pm beginning on Jan. 15 (22,29 & Feb. 5) and at St. John de Brebeuf (in the parish hall) Wednesday evenings at 7pm beginning Jan. 16(23,30 & Feb. 6)

Your participation in our Community Service and Rehearsal would be appreciated as well. An outline of the program will be provided.

Please contact Betty if you have any questions @519-733-6591 or e-mail her at bhompoth@dol.ca.

#### GOSPEL REFLECTION

#### Christmas -John 1:1-5,9-14

The prologue, or opening section, of John's Gospel is a beautiful description of Jesus as the Word of God. He is identified as the source of life and light for all who believe in Him. Sadly, many in the world did not, and do not, recognize Jesus. But to us, whom He calls His own, Jesus gave the power of becoming daughters and sons of the Most High God. The closing words of today's Gospel tell us why we have good reason to rejoice on this Christmas

Discussion Questions: To appreciate light, sometimes we have to experience darkness. Think about any "darkness" in your life. Ask Jesus to come into that darkness. Ask Him to shine His light upon it.

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

St. Anthony of Padua Monday, Jan. 7, 2013-Meeting 1pm

\*Thanks to all who baked for our successful sale.\*

Dear Parishioners: As another year draws to a close, for many it is a time to look back over the past year and reflect on where we were a year ago and where we are now. God has given us many grace filled moments, perhaps at the moment of a challenge we couldn't see how God's work was being done, but hindsight is always a wonderful thing. We are all on a journey with Christ. Advent has enabled us to enter more deeply into the mystery of our destination by celebrating the Christ who strengthens our steps: as we remember the events leading up to His first coming into the world; as we ask him to come into our lives today through his powerful Spirit; as we long for his coming in glory at the end of time bringing the fullness of the Kingdom promised to us.

From the staff, we are blessed to have so many parishioners who love and care for their parish; working tirelessly to volunteer for the many programs and ministries we have. We thank you. Without you, our churches would not be what they are today.

We wish you all a very Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Holy New Year!

### Betty

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thes. 5:16-18

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your continuing love, support and prayers. We are also grateful for the gifts, cards and heart felt greetings we have received.

I am so proud to say I'm the deacon in this wonderful parish cluster! May your hearts and homes be filled with the peace and promise of that holy night. Love, Peace & Joy! Deacon Dennis & Nita



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