

ST. JOHN BRÉBEUF PARISH

Sunday, December 29, 2019: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Schedule of Masses December 30 – January 5, 2020

30	Monday	9:00 AM	Weekday Mass
31	Tuesday	5:00 PM	New Year's Eve Mass
01	Wednesday	9:30 AM	New Year's Day, St. Peters 11:30 AM
02	Thursday	9:00 AM	Weekday Mass
03	Friday	9:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory
04	Saturday	5:00 PM	Mass for Sunday
05	Sunday	9:30 AM	Epiphany of the Lord

St. Peter's Oustic Sunday 11:30 AM

Friday 7:00 PM First Friday of the Month

Sunday Collection December 21/22

Regular Collection . . . \$2118.75

Christmas Collection . . . \$4335.75

Thank you very much



New Year Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve – St. John Brebéuf 5 pm

New Year's Day – St. John Brebéuf 9:30 am

New Year's Day – St. Peter's 11:30 am

Dear Leaders of Heart and Soul Campaign There will be a short meeting with Father Don Sanvido Tuesday January 7th, 2020 at 7 pm in the parish hall. This is for both St. John and St. Peter leaders. We will look at the Survey Results plus how to proceed with the campaign. Thank you.

Volunteers Needed To Count our Weekly Offertory Contributions

We are looking for a few additional volunteers to help out with counting the money from our weekly offertory. If you are interested, please speak with Fr. Don.

Healthy Relationships Share Common Skills – Come and Learn More!

“Keys to Loving Relationships” is a ten week video-based program that all people (married, dating, or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better “me” in all your relationships! The program is offered in both Kitchener and Hamilton as follows:

In Kitchener: At St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Drive, Kitchener (519-571-9200)

Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. January 28 - March 24, 2020

In Hamilton: At the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King ST. W., Hamilton

Thursday evenings from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. March 26 – June 4, 2020

The cost is \$45.00. For more information or to register, call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 or register at: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Junior Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten at Wellington Catholic...

We have faith in education.

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten at our schools beginning January 6th, 2020.

Kindergarten Eligibility

- must be four years of age on or before December 31, 2020 to attend Junior Kindergarten
- must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2020 to attend Senior Kindergarten

Please bring:

- child's birth certificate
- a parent or child's Baptismal certificate
- custody parents (if applicable)
- proof of address
- proof of tax support for families new to the system (i.e. most recent tax bill)

Please note:

- Students currently attending a Wellington Catholic Junior Kindergarten program are **NOT REQUIRED** to register for Senior Kindergarten. Should you have any questions about registration procedures or requirements, please call your school or visit the Board website www.wellingtoncdsb.ca.

Christmas and Justice

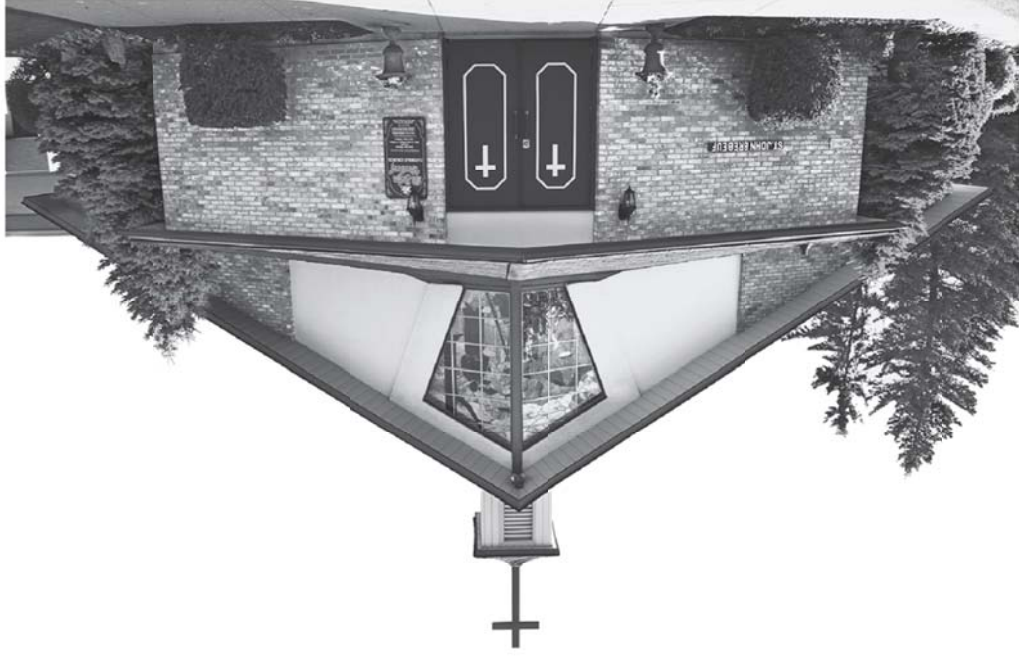
“In the Christmas story, God ...takes the risk of incarnation. The flesh God chooses is not that of a warrior but of a vulnerable baby...I know I'm called to share in the risk of incarnation. Amid the world's dangers, I'm asked to embody my values and beliefs, my identity and integrity, to allow good words to take flesh in me. Constrained by fear, I often fall short — yet I still aspire to incarnate words of life, however imperfectly...We long for words like *love*, *truth*, and *justice* to become flesh and dwell among us. But in our violent world, it's risky business to wrap our frail flesh around words like those, and we don't like the odds.” Parker Palmer

Readings for Next Sunday, January 5, 2020

First Reading: Isaiah 60.1-6; Second Reading: Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6; Gospel: Matthew 2.1-12; Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 72): **“LORD, EVERY NATION ON EARTH WILL ADORE YOU.”**

St. John Brebeuf Parish

Erin, Ontario



*“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied.”*
Matthew 5:6

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Our parish is named for Jesuit Father Jean de Brebeuf, the Patron Saint of Canada. He was born in 1593 and came to Canada from France as a missionary in 1625, working with people of the Wendat (Huron) Confederacy. He learned their languages and spread the message of Christ for more than 20 years. He composed the Huron Carol, Canada's oldest Christmas song, written about 1642 with aboriginal lyrics. He helped establish the mission near Midland, Ontario, now the site of the Sainte-Marie among the Hurons shrine, which honours the Canadian Martyrs. At that time, the Wendat were at war with the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) Confederacy. Father Brebeuf and a fellow Jesuit were captured by the Haudenosaunee in a raid on a Wendat village in 1649, then tortured and killed. St. Jean de Brebeuf was beatified in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, and canonized in 1930. His feast day is September 26.

A Catholic parish was established in 1873 for the Townships of Erin and Eramosa. In 1959, Bishop Ryan asked the Jesuits to establish a mission in Erin. Masses were said at the Legion Hall until the church was opened in 1965, with Jesuit Father Frederick Elliott serving as the pastor until 1981. Since then the parish has had the following pastors: Father Edward Grace OSA, 1981-1986; Father Charles Lagan SFM, 1986 to 1990; Father Gus Arthurs CSSp, 1990-2001; Father Joe Kelly CSSp, 2001-2015; Father Ralph Diodati, 2015-2017; and our current pastor, Father Don Sanvido.



MASS TIMES

Saturday evening at 5 pm and Sunday morning at 9:30 am.

For weekday Masses, see the schedule inside the bulletin.

Father Don also celebrates Mass at 11:30 am Sunday at St. Peter's Church, Oustic. Go west 18 km from Erin on County Road 124 to Bruceedale. Turn north on Fifth line and go 7.8 km to Oustic.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm.

For information on Baptism, Marriage, Mass Intentions and other parish business, please call the parish office at 519-833-9738. Marriage arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance. Please contact Fr. Sanvido if anyone is ill or in hospital and would like to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Parish Secretary: Hilda Atkinson, 519-278-0125. **Office hours:** Wednesday and Friday, 10 am to 3 pm.

Parish Contacts: Ministers of the Eucharist and Baptism Preparation – Tammy Barnhart, 519-833-7131.

Ministers of the Word – Fran Archambault, 519-833-2552. **Children's Liturgy –** Joanne Henkie, 519-855-4570.

Altar Servers - Laurie Condo, 519-855-6339. **Social Justice –** Heidi Matthews, 519-855-9516.

Catechetical Correspondence Courses – Please contact office, 519-278-0125.

Music Ministry – Jean Gravelle, 519-833-9552. **Bulletin –** Norma Pokocky, 519-833-2909.