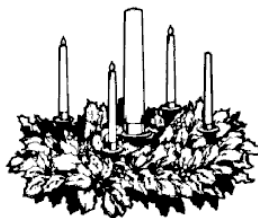


ST. JOHN BRÉBEUF PARISH

Sunday, December 13, 2020: Third Sunday of Advent

Schedule of Masses December 7 - 13

14	Monday	9:15 AM	Rest of the Soul of Ed Kloeble
15	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Special Intention Lucie Pearce
16	Wednesday	9:15 AM	Weekday Mass
17	Thursday	7:00 PM	Rest of the Soul of Bjarne Nielsen
18	Friday	9:15 AM	Weekday Mass
19	Saturday	5:00 PM	Mass for Sunday
20	Sunday	8:00 AM	Fourth Sunday of Advent
		9:30 AM	



St. Peter's Oustic Sunday 11:30 AM
 Friday 7:00 PM First Friday of the Month
 Collection for December 5/6
 Regular Collection . . . \$1404.00
Thank you very much

Christmas Midnight Mass – Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass from the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. The Midnight Mass will be preceded by a Carol Service beginning at 11:30 p.m. Both the Carol Service and the Midnight Mass will be broadcast on Salt+Light Media and shared with CHCH-TV. The Mass will be repeated on CHCH-TV at 8:00 a.m. on Christmas morning.

Due to COVID restrictions, all seating for Midnight Mass has already been reserved. Join us for the broadcast and share in the joy of this Christmas feast!

ADVENT CONFESSIONS PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS

ST. JOHN BREBEUF

Saturday December 19 th	3:30 AM - 3:45 PM
	Following 5:00 PM MASS
Monday December 21 st	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Tuesday December 22 nd	11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Thursday December 24 th	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

ST. PETERS OUSTIC

Sunday December 20 th Following	11:30 AM MASS
Wednesday December 23 rd	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

MESSAGE TO OUR PEOPLE

The limited amount of space that we can use in St. John Breb uf church is 30 percent capacity. We now require **registration** for a seating place during Christmas regrettably some may not be able to enter the church if they just show up for mass. If this is the case come to a weekday mass as a substitute, you may call the rectory Wednesday December 23rd from 10am to 2pm to check if there are any available places in the church. These difficult and unusual times require from all of us a heart to love and to grow in patience. Theologically, it was not Bethlehem where Christ was born, he was born into our humanity. It is our choice to let him in so that a true heavenly peace may be experienced. May God's will be done. Peace to all of you during this holy season. Father Don



WISE MEN WEAR MASKS! So do good shepherds! This year's Christmas Crib at the Chancery has a COVID-19 pandemic addition. The Magi and the shepherds, who are not part of the Holy Family "bubble" are wearing masks! Since they cannot follow the social distancing protocol, the masks are mandatory! Thanks to the Christmas decorators for reminding us of our responsibility to care for one another especially during these dangerous times! *Bishop Crosby*

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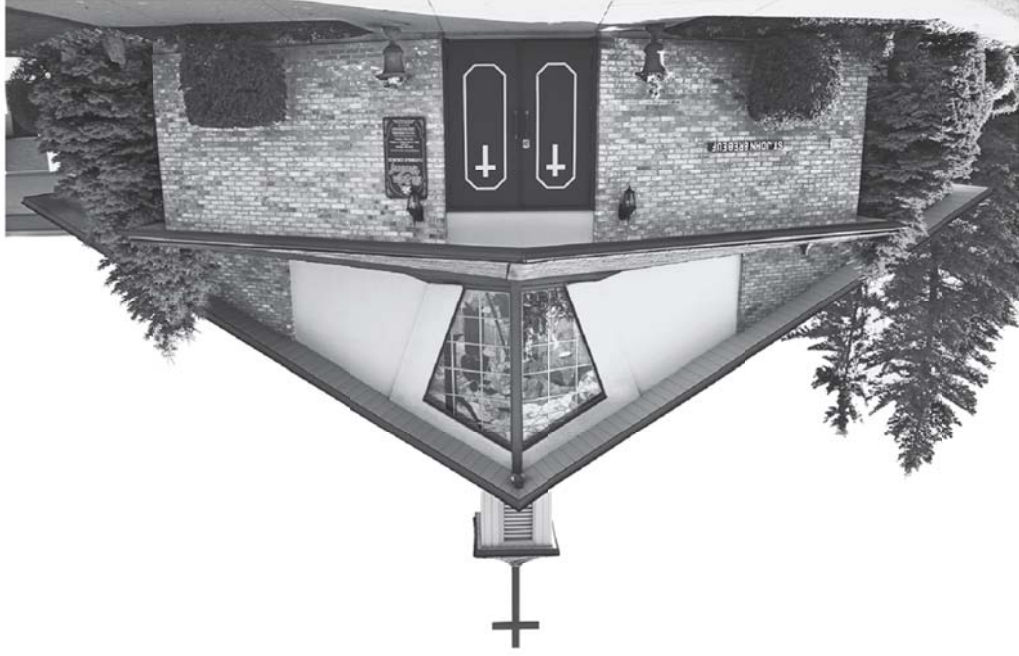
Today's reading from Isaiah is one that Jesus uses as his "mission statement" in the Gospel of Luke. It prompts us to ask, "How am I called to live this call to bring Good News to the poor, release to the captives ... to let the oppressed go free? On which side do I stand? If I am standing with the poor and oppressed, what am I doing to break the chains of oppression – even if the price is a loss of prestige, privilege, or wealth? Am I content with the status quo and so do nothing?" There is much to reflect on in this time of preparation for the One who brings Good News!

Readings for Next Sunday, December 20, 2020

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16; Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27; Gospel: Luke 1:26-38; Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 89): **"For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord."**

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.