



THE RELATIONS



BREBEUF COLLEGE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – NOVEMBER 2019

PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTIONS

Derek Chen



Is it November already?! Once again, these last two and a half months have been jam-packed with activities and events. Let's take a brief look at what's been happening at Brebeuf!

The Toronto Catholic District School Board is in its second year of its three-year pastoral plan: "Rooted in Christ: We Belong, We Believe, We Become". This year, we focus on the theme "We Believe", providing a time to reflect on what we truly believe as Catholics.

Two current teachers – Mr. Sergio De Miglio and Mr. Michael Da Costa – were the latest inductees to the Order of St. Jean de Brebeuf and were honoured at the event held in mid-October. They, along with Brebeuf

alumnus Claudio Gorrizan ('79), join a very esteemed group of inductees. Congratulations to all!

After many years of service to the TCDSB and Brebeuf College, we would like to wish Mr. Alex Tungcol and Mr. Fred Cristobal well on their retirement. Congratulations to both!

The year started with our annual Grade 9 orientation at Camp Muskoka Woods, which was, once again, a great success. Almost all of our Grade 9s participated, along with student leaders in Grades 10-12.

In October, homeroom classes across all grades prayed the rosary, while our grade retreats continued to enrich students' faith journeys. Our Grade 9 Parent Orientation Night and OSSLT Information Night took place, with parents coming to meet Grade 9 teachers, and others learning more about the literacy test. Our Academic Awards ceremony celebrated the successes of many of our students, and featured guest speaker, Brebeuf alumnus, Michael Rychlewski ('12). The school hosted a Grade 8 Open House that attracted an even larger crowd than last year. And speaking of larger crowds, Student Council hosted its Halloween dance "Shadows", the biggest dance in years! Student Council has been very active, with a fun-filled Spirit Week at the beginning of the year, and numerous activities including a pumpkin carving contest on Hallowe'en.

November also saw our Grade 9 students participating in Take Our Kids to Work Day, and on the same day, Brebeuf hosted over 350 Grades 7 and 8 students from a number of elementary schools for Take Our Kids to Brebeuf Day, the largest number of students we have hosted. Brebeuf held its second annual Post-Secondary Fair, with over thirty post-secondary institutions participating. As well, the school ran its annual charity campaigns including Can-Aid (including Kiss-a-Fish) and

the Used Clothing Drive. Up next is Beuf Boxes – we hope all our Brebeuf families can donate something to the boxes, in order to help those who need it most this Christmas season.

Our athletic teams have been playing fiercely this year. Some highlights include having one Brebeuf tennis player playing at OFSAA, our Junior Football team winning the championship (after only two years of existence!), and the Junior Soccer team and the Senior Volleyball team making it to the finals, and the Senior Football team playing in the semi-finals.

As always, special thanks to our Catholic School Parent Council (CSPC), who work tirelessly to enhance our school. Thanks to Trustee Maria Rizzo for her support.

Finally, please save the date for the first Lessons and Carols for Advent, an event that will be co-hosted by Brebeuf College, St. Joseph Morrow Park, and Blessed Trinity Parish. We look forward to seeing many of you at this service, taking place at Blessed Trinity Parish on Thursday, November 5 at 7 pm.

God Bless.



Brebeuf's Remembrance Day display

The Relations is the official newsletter of

Brebeuf College School

It is named for the letters that St. Jean de Brebeuf and his Jesuit colleagues sent home to France in the 17th Century. Its aim is to share much of the good news coming from the school.

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MEN FOR OTHERS

OPENING MASS



Brebeuf's opening Mass was held on the Feast Day of St. Jean de Brebeuf. Father John O'Brien, S.J. was the Celebrant. It was a special way to celebrate the life and enduring influence of our patron saint and a fitting way to begin the academic year.

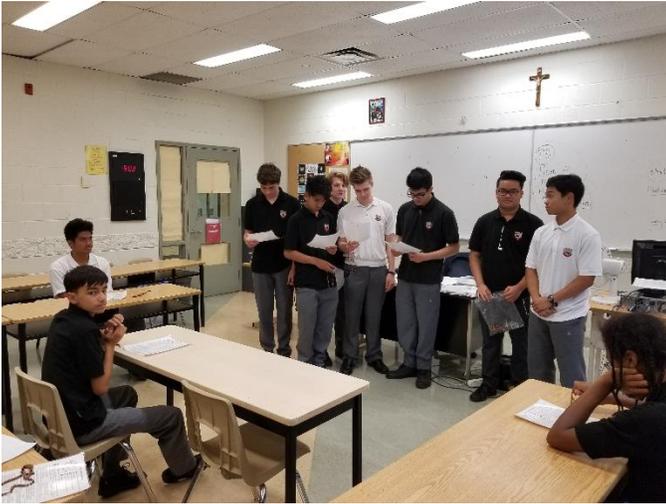
BROTHER MAHER FUND

The entire Brebeuf community continues to show its generosity through donations to the Brother Lawrence Maher Fund for Africa. Named for our former principal, the fund aids the Presentation Brothers' schools in Ghana and Nigeria with assistance for: a feeding

programme; books and supplies; computers; uniforms; among other things.

The primary methods of fundraising are: monthly homeroom collections; library fines; donations from alumni and friends; and a large grant from the Ontario English Catholic Teachers Association.

ROSARY



Throughout October, volunteers from the Youth Ministry visited all homerooms to recite the rosary with their peers and to promote devotion to Our Lady. It was a visible sign of our commitment to Catholic education.

CLOTHING DRIVE



During our annual clothing drive, almost 2500 articles of clothing were donated by the Brebeuf community to assist the less fortunate through

the St. Vincent de Paul Society. It was an impressive number that showed the “Men for Others’ ethos in action.



VIRTUES

Each month, the Brebeuf community promotes a virtue and prays that it will be instilled in all of our students and staff. Students who exhibit the virtue are recognized by their teachers and receive special certificates. We are grateful for all of the good works of these young men.



The virtue of Gratitude (October)

Anthony Pergorer, Brendon Wong, Christian Parinas, Darryl Llanes, Hrag Ayntabli, James Moore, John Cedrick Dizon, Joshua Bengon, Kelvin Wong, Kristien Billon, Nathaniel Badinas, Owen Cacagurin, Paul Bangalan Vitaly Mikhov



The Virtue of Hospitality (September)

Anthony Di Nicolo, Chris Canellos, Cristian J, Cuero-Valencia, Daniel Pacione, David Ferrera, George Edishou, Ivan Mendoza, James Saccutelli, Jimmy Seok, Joshua Johnson, Kyle Ramos, Lenin Elloso, Luke Fowler, Mark Akones, Marl Justin Toledo, Mattia Salvatore, Nedel Ellacer, Shamary Banegas Bowen, Vitaly Mikhov Zion De Morgan

CAN-AID



Since 1984, Brebeufians have been collecting cans of food and funds to support the patrons of the Good Shepherd Centre on Queen Street. This year it was decided to hold it at Thanksgiving instead of Christmas. Over one thousand cans and \$2000 was raised. Well done to all involved in this important charity.



Teachers “kiss a fish” as part of the Can-Aid drive fun



ORDER OF BREBEUF



The highest honour that can be bestowed on a member of the Brebeuf community is the Order of St. Jean de Brebeuf. This year’s inductees were: Claudio Gorizzan '79, Sergio De Miglio (staff) and Michael Da Costa '92 (staff). A special mass and luncheon were held at the school on Sunday, October 20 to recognize the achievements of these men.



The choir and Mr. Cavaiola at the Order of Brebeuf Mass

SCHOOL NEWS

CLUBS FAIR



Brebeuf College believes in the value of co-curricular activities as part of the full development of our young men academically, physically, socially, and spiritually. Dozens of teams and clubs exist for students in which to participate. A Clubs Fair was held to give students an opportunity to sign up for some of our myriad activities, including debating, *The B* Newspaper, ICT SHSM, science club, Youth Ministry and many other sports and clubs. Thanks to Ms. Greco, our CYW, for organizing.



POST-SECONDARY FAIR



On November 7, over thirty universities, colleges, and trades were represented at Brebeuf at the second annual Post-Secondary Fair. The event gave students the opportunity to see some possible options after Brebeuf and to ask questions. Thanks to Guidance for organizing this important endeavour.

MATH UPDATE

By Brad Ryan (Dept. Head)

Semester One has a Grade 9 Pre-Advanced Placement (Pre-AP) class of twenty-three students, a Grade 11 AP class of 31 students, and a Grade 12 AP Calculus class with 24 students. The current class averages for these classes is in the 84 - 86 Range.

The AP Calculus class has finished all first year university Calculus and is now about to study second year Calculus, including partial derivatives, double and triple integrals, and differential equations.

In Semester Two, the Grade 11 class continues with Mr. Ryan and takes the 12 AP Advanced Functions course, which we will have already finished in the Grade 11 class. Thus we can study AP-Calculus and the students can write the AP-Calculus exam in May.

There will be two grade 10 Pre-AP Enriched Mathematics classes in Semester Two as well. The two Grade 10 pre-AP Mathematics classes of approximately fifty in total, will be fighting for thirty-two spots in the Grade 11/12 AP-Calculus class for the 2020-2021 year.

TAKE YOUR KID TO WORK DAY



Elementary school boys visiting Brebeuf

On November 6, two hundred Grade 9 students visited the workplaces of their parents or other adults to give them the experience of the working world. Many students had never seen their parents at work and it was an important experiential opportunity for all.

Since Brebeuf was one quarter empty that day, it was a perfect time to invite over 350 Grade 7 and 8 students from our feeder schools to come to Brebeuf. Led by Brebeuf leaders, the elementary students attended classes and engaged in fun activities to get a sense of what high school and the Brebeuf experience are like.

BEUF BOXES



Brebeuf's annual collection for Christmas Beuf Boxes will begin on December 9 and run until December 18. For any parents or alumni who are not sure of what this initiative is, Beuf Boxes provide families within our

school community the opportunity to have a happy holiday season. In the past, these boxes have been filled with gifts such as gift cards to retail stores, toiletry items, new clothing, new toys, and Christmas baskets of chocolate, teas, cookies, and other holiday treats. If one wishes to contribute, please contact Ann.chung@tcdsb.org.

AWARDS NIGHT



Brebeuf's official motto is *Studio Gradum Faciant* or "To Succeed through Study". Evidence of this was keenly felt at the annual Academic Awards Night on October 29. Over 500 people were present to witness students being named to the Honour Roll for averages over 80%. Subject awards and other special awards were also presented.

Father Robert Meagher Award for Top Grade 9 Student
Brandon Lau

Ned Harrington Award for Excellence in Grade 9
Sean Smolej & Marino Marchesan

Father Clement Crusoe, S.J. Award
for Top Grade 10 Student
Jacob Knock

Dr. Robert Lato '68 Award for
Most Improved Grade 10 Student
Ethan Acuna

Renaissance Award Distinction
Deven Liscombe

Father Kenneth Casey, S.J. Award for
Top Grade 11 Student
Dennis O'Brien

John Murphy' 81 Award for
Most Improved Grade 11 Student
Mervin Calaor

HALLOWE'EN DANCE



Over 300 students from Brebeuf, St. Joseph Morrow Park, and Loretto Abbey attended the Hallowe'en dance this year. It was a successful and fun night with much greater attendance than the last few dances. Thanks to Student Council and its Moderators for all of their hard work in ensuring that these sorts of co-ed social events continue to happen.

OPEN HOUSE



A large crowd of Grade 8 boys and their parents were present at the annual Open House on October 4. The evening gave them a chance to learn about the Brebeuf academic, spiritual, and co-curricular programmes that the school offers.

MUSKOKA WOODS



Brebeuf's Grade 9 students were welcomed into the school community during the annual orientation camp at Muskoka Woods. Led by senior students and staff, the three-day experience consisted of many athletic, spiritual, and social activities to allow the Grade 9s to get to know one another better and to bond with their older peers. The Brebeuf spirit was present throughout. Thanks to all of the organizers for once again creating such an amazing opportunity for our students.



Science Fair

By Alex Park



Science Fair is an event that is held by schools worldwide and the Brebeuf community has taken the initiative to participate in the Toronto Science Fair. Last year our school had two groups winning the bronze medals. To be prepared for the Science Fair, students take various steps, which are posted on the Google Classroom Brebeuf Science Fair.

Firstly, students design an investigative procedure. In this step, students select their topic and design the entire project according to the checklist they have received from the teacher. Next, students develop the project with a timeline. Having a steady development on the project helps students to have a high quality presentation. By setting their ten-week timeline schedule, students can prepare and improve their projects and make it close to perfection.

Moreover, students analyze, transform, and interpret the results. Just like scientists and technologists, students use graphs to interpret the collected data from their investigations.

Finally, students will present their project in January, 2020. Students will use the Bristol boards to share their presentations with a larger audience for a critical evaluation at the Brebeuf community. It is great to see the diverse topics that students choose which affirms what Ms. Llupo states: "Science projects provide students with the opportunities to serve and have a positive impact in the society and the environment by researching, exploring and developing critical thinking skills."

Hopefully, the science fair at our Brebeuf community this year will be an amazing event that will inspire students to get more involved in science research work.

My Experience at Ryerson University

By Jacob Knock (Gr. 11)



My day at Ryerson University for my Chemistry class field trip was filled with fun and learning experiences. On this trip were two Grade 11 Chemistry courses, directed by Ms. Llupo and Ms. Shannon. We first toured the Li Ka-Shing Knowledge Institute with a student who had graduated with his masters degree in engineering. We were able to see the engineering and science labs while being given an explanation on many of the instruments which were there. We also learned about the details of the project the student had taken on for his masters, which was an experiment he designed in order to test how well he could grow a part of someone's throat for surgical purposes.

We then transferred buildings and entered the lab space where we would conduct a forensic science experiment "Mascot Mystery", guided by other students who were there. The activity was great because it gave us a feel for how a lab would really be applied in a real-life situation, and gave us some experience with some of the materials used in the forensic lab. The purpose of the lab was to differentiate the concentrations of phosphate in different samples. We were unable to finish in time, but it was still lot of learning and fun. After the lab, we went to the cafeteria for lunch, and were dismissed right after, Overall, the trip at Ryerson was very interesting and a great learning experience.

ALUMNI



Father Raymond So '04 (left) and recently ordained transitional deacon, Rev. Mr. Martin Dicuango '06 (right). Brebeuf has a long and proud history of vocations to the priesthood.

SPORTS



By Brad Chin Yu '98

Brebeuf Athletics is off to an excellent start to the 2019-20 season. Thanks to all of our dedicated Community and Teacher Coaches for their commitment and leadership with our student-athletes.



The Junior Football City Champions!

Football IS truly back at Brebeuf! Congrats to Mr Engel and Mr Baronaitis for all of their tireless work with the Junior and Senior programmes. In only their second year, both teams had incredible seasons. The Seniors finished first in their division, only to lose a heartbreaker in the semi-final. The Junior squad went on to win the title, with a 9-0 win over Father Henry Carr at the University of Toronto in the freezing cold. Congratulations to all of the players, managers, coaches, and all others who devoted their time to the program since the last week of August.

Brebeuf's Junior Soccer team had an amazing run finishing undefeated in the regular season. Led by Mr Debicki and Mr Marinic, the boys went on to the TDCAA finals, losing a close match 2-1 in the pouring rain.

The Senior Volleyball Team, coached by Mr Pagnanelli and Ms Dolcetti, had a great regular season, finishing first in their conference. Unfortunately the boys were defeated in the semi-final in 5 close sets.

Congratulations to Mr Breglia and the Cross country team for representing Brebeuf at several events. It was a small team but displayed big heart and surpassed expectations.

Looking forward to our winter sports season, we have Junior and Senior Basketball, Varsity Swimming, Badminton, and Indoor Soccer. Finally, Brebeuf's Table Tennis, and Varsity Hockey teams will seek to defend their 2019 TDCAA titles.

FROM THE BOARD

OCSTA Student Video Contest

OCSTA is pleased to announce the call for submissions for the Association's 2019 short-video contest for students in grades 4 through 12 at Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools. This year's theme is: In Pope Francis' post-synodal exhortation – *Christus Vivi* – the Holy Father states: "**Christ is alive! He is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life.**" Students are invited to prepare a 2-minute video that shows how Catholic schools are places where young people encounter the Holy Spirit and ignite hope through the love of Christ. The video should be uploaded to YouTube where it can be viewed and evaluated for the contest. The submission deadline is **December 10, 2019**. The submission form can be downloaded from the OCSTA website (<https://www.ocsta.on.ca/about-ocsta/2019-short-video-contest/>).

Community Living: Together We're Better Contest

Classes and individual elementary students ages 4 – 14 are invited to send a video, story or poem that demonstrates how students with an intellectual disability are included, why everyone benefits from this, and why your class is better because everyone is learning together. **Deadline for submissions is Tuesday January 28, 2020.**

Call for Submissions for Pastoral Plan Initiative Rooted in Christ, we Believe

Students and schools are reminded to share what they are doing locally to celebrate our year of "we Believe" by using the hashtag #TCDSBelieves on Twitter, and by emailing your stories and ideas on how you are bringing our faith to life to ncc.team@tcdsb.org. We will be compiling your ideas and sharing them through the website throughout the school year.

Suggested Activity for the Year: Consider who inspires you, who nurtures your faith, who acts as a mentor and role model of Catholic living. Is it your school chaplain? A parent or other family member? Your pastor or other member of your parish? A teacher or other staff at your school? A colleague or friend? Why not sit down to have a chat with them, and interview them about their

experiences of living their faith. Write an article or create a video of your interview. Write a short story, a poem, or create a piece of artwork, music or video that pays tribute to those who guide you on your own journey of faith. Send your submissions to ncc.team@tcdsb.org

Events and Observances

November's Virtue is Peacemaking
<https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/NurturingOurCatholicCommunity/VirtueoftheMonth/Pages/Default.aspx>
<https://t.e2ma.net/click/1h6bwb/pkw0ine/xqqaup>
November 17-23 Bullying Prevention and Awareness Week
<https://www.tcdsb.org/ProgramsServices/SafeSchools/BullyingAwarenessAndPrevention/Pages/Bullying-Awareness-and-Prevention.aspx>
November 26 Memorial Mass to remember students and staff who have passed away in the past year, 7 pm at the Catholic Education Centre

Meetings

Special Education Advisory Committee November 20
Regular Board November 21
Caucus November 28

For more information about these and other events, including athletics, visit www.tcdsb.org. Follow us on Twitter @TCDSB to get all the news and information as it happens. Not on Twitter? No problem. Sign up for Enews and receive a weekly email highlighting important news and information <https://web1.tcdsb.org/InterestSubscription/subscription.aspx>

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HONOUR ROLL 2018-2019

Grade 9

Adamyán, Vahe
Arjomandi, Sam
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Caubang, Eldon
Costales, Patrick
Cuero-Valencia, Cristian
Dam, Kardin
De Souza, Joshua
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Palmares, Adrian Josh
Parra Quevedo, Lucas
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Rosales, Keith Xandreí
Sabado, Kyle
Salewski, Jonathan
Salewski, Joshua
Sanchez Blanco, Enrique
Smolej, Sean
Sopoco, Kendrick
Tavas, Joemart
Tunstill, Phillip
Ventura, Vince Russel
Walker, Michael
Wong, Brendan
Xue, Jared

Grade 10

Abdalla, Philip
Acance, Mikhael Christien
Acosta, Alfonso
Acuna, Ethan
Alberico, Daniel
Aliling, Gabe
Alvarado, Kevin

Antonyrajeswaran, Abishan
Archer, Gregory
Arzumanyan, Sergey
Asuncion, Jaylord
Ayntabli, Arad
Bae, Brandon
Bangalan, Paul
Barnabe, Jesse
Barnes, Donte
Benemerito, Francis
Bolante, Jaden
Brooks, Alexander
Bumanglag, Iverson
Cacayurin, Owen
Catapusan, Bel Christian
Chow, Tanner
Colannay, Anthony
Corpuz, Ralph Matthew
Dandan, Emanuel
Dang, Nam
Datinguinoo, Tyrone James
Datu, Martin Lorenzo
De Morgan, Zion
Dela Cruz, AshtianTristan Keith
Domingo, Daniel
Esquida, Mark
Francis, Alexander
Garcia Lopez, Sergio
Giron, Gian
Iannantuono, Matthew
Jordan, Andre Ken
Kaseb, Andrew
Kim, Alexander
Kischuk, William
Knock, Jacob
Kwon, Youngbeen
Lam, Seamus
Laurel, Ralph Louis
Lauro, Juan Diego Jose
Levillard, Marcus
Liscombe, Deven
Llanes, Darryl
Lopez, Bryan Ebert
Loresto, Carl Angelo
Lyczywek, Philip
Macale, Kelvin
Maillet, Jacob
Marra, Matteo
Martinez Fajardo, Tommy
Mejia, Christopher
Mejia, Glean Christian
Mondonedo, Karl
Moolecherry, Matthew
Moon, Hayden
Mourillon, Ethan
Nader, Jad
Nazar, Joshua
Nkemka, Chibueze
Odorico, Alexander
Pannozzo, Gianluca

Park, Alex
Park, Paul
Paul, Jerrell
Racadio, Ian
Rapirap, Isiah Russel
Saccutelli, James
Sampana, Klayton
Sanchez-Ma, Luis
Sinka, Luke
Solidum, JD
Soro, Davin
Sosa, Vince
Soto Lage, Jeray
Stoikos, Luka
Tsakanikas, Paul
Turiano, Joseph
Valdez, AJ
Velykyi, Daniil
Yambao, John Alex
Yip, Michael
Yu, Jihun

Grade 11

Aguilar Munoz, Joshua
Albisor, Arjay
Ardio-Candelario, Jacob
Arevalo, Miguel
Bagguatan, Mark Joshua
Baria, Tristan
Bejarano, Matthew
Benzon, Joshua
Boyle, Connor
Cabacungan, Lance Marion
Cabeling, Kyle Elijah
Calaor, Mervin
Canellos, Christopher
Cayari, Kelvin
Chen, Christopher
Colantonio, Michael
Colendres, Francis Lloyd
Contestable, Rogex Lord
Crisostomo, Drielle
Dassa, Anthony
Davies, Alexander
De Urioste Terrazas, Imanol
Dela Cruz, David Charles
Deleanu, Tony
Di Nicolo, Anthony
Dungo, Aljay
Ebreo, Nathan
Emmanuelpillai, Roshan
Finez, Joshua Louise
Gacad, Rovi Regene
Galario, Clenard
Garcia, Kerwin
Graellos, Troy Vincent
Granada, Kaliel
Green, William
Haddad, Noah
Jeong, Matthew
Johnson, Joshua
Katana, Matthew
Kelsey, Charles Christian
Khacheekian, Harout
Kim, Sungsik
Laurent, Lawrence Danielle
Lazaro, John
Le Febvre, Christopher
Ledesma, Enrico Gabriel
Lee, Eddrick
Lee, Jimmy
Li, Joey
Liang, Haoqiu
Lim, Taewan
Linezo, Jeremiah Noel
Luczón, Joshua
Lustado, Jan Darryl
Mamino, Luis
Mangilit, Myco Gabriel
McGivney, Sean
Molina Morales, Juan Pablo
Montealto, Ferdinand
Murcia, Juan-Felipe
Nanette, Thierry
Nikoukar Shahir, Parsa
O'Brien, Dennis
Packiyathar, Rexasan
Parasteh, Ali Aj
Pascua, Jamal Ursen
Perez, Anthony
Pontoh, Justin
Rabang, Brandon James
Ramirez, Judhell
Rathinthra, Joshua
Rocha Ramirez, Alejandro
Said, David
Santos, Julian
Sarmiento, Ross Cedric
Simmons, Andrew
Sliwa, Pawel
Smolej, Christopher
Sorío, Dustine David
Suvendrakumar, Jordan
Taburno, Ken
Tahmasian, Arthur
Tismo, Rolando JR
Trotter, Martin
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