



# St. Boniface Martyr

## Roman Catholic Church

Established 1898

Serving the people of God in the communities of  
Sea Cliff ~ Glenwood Landing ~ Glen Head ~ Glen Cove  
“We are a pilgrim people on a journey toward the Kingdom of God.”

Fr. Robert A. Romeo, Pastor



“... rise, pick up your mat and go home .”

Mark 2:1-12

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 19, 2012

## Mass Schedule



Daily Mass	8am
Sunday Masses	Saturday: 5pm Vigil; Sunday: 8am, 10:15am
Holy Day Masses	5pm Vigil; 8am, 7pm

### **7th Sunday in Ordinary Time: February 19**

*Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25; 2 Cor 1:18-22; Mk 2:1-12*

5pm Frank DeRosa  
8am Anne Marie Conti  
10:15am Parishioners

### **Monday, February 20:** Angelo D' Avino

*James 3:13-18; Mark 9:14-29*

Celebrant: Fr. Azubuikie

### **Tuesday, February 21:** Tony Leopardi

*James 4:1-10; Mark 9:30-37*

Celebrant: Fr. Azubuikie

### **Ash Wednesday, February 22:** Deceased members

of the McGowan Family

*Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Matt 6:1-6, 16-18*

Celebrant: Fr. Azubuikie

12pm Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob  
4pm Liturgy of the Word (Fr. Bob)  
7:30pm Liturgy of the Word (Fr. Bob)

### **Thursday, February 23**

*Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25*

Celebrant: Fr. Bob

### **Friday, February 24:** John & Lynn Ryan (living)

*Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15*

Celebrant: Fr. Bob

### **Saturday, February 25** Shaun Brala

*Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32*

## Minister's Schedule

### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ February 19

**5pm Vigil** Fr. Azubuikie  
Lector: Blanche & Eric Tyrkko  
Ministers: Eileen & Paul Bowersock  
Paul Bramfeld, Yvonne Brantuas

**8am** Fr. Bob  
Lector: Mary Doran  
Ministers: Susanne Hippel, Kevin Kelly  
Peggy Niper, Marie Agosta

**10:15am** Fr. Bob  
Lector: Carol Griffin  
Children's Liturgy: Paula Smith  
Ministers: Laureen Feehan, Tom Ryan  
Vita Passalacqua, Joe Vulpis  
Rosemary & John Murello

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "...your sins are forgiven." Indeed forgiving is a divine act of mercy. When we forgive others we are acting in and by God's power. When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and forgiveness into our hearts and into our lives.



Thank you for all your support!  
Furniture and financial donations are always welcome.

*You are too!*

Come join the St. Vincent de Paul Society.  
and be a communal part of your parish.

Call 822-3132.

### Lenten Fast & Abstinence

All Catholics who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain entirely from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.



All Catholics between *the* ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are also bound to observe the law of fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day.

# Shout to the North

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1. Men of faith, rise up and sing of the great and Glo-rious King. You are strong when you feel  
2. Rise up, wo-men of the truth, stand and sing to bro-ken hearts who can know the heal-ing



weak, in your bro - ken - ness com - plete. \_\_\_\_\_ Shout to the north and the south;  
pow'r of our awe - some King of love. \_\_\_\_\_



sing to the east and the west. Je - sus is Sav-ior to all, Lord of heav-en and earth.

## Ash Wednesday Soup Supper

**February 22**



**St. Boniface School Gym  
6pm to 7:15pm**

**After the Soup Supper,  
the distribution of ashes  
will take place in the church  
at 7:30pm**

## St Boniface Martyr Daily 385 Raffle

**Be a Winner!**

Give yourself the opportunity to win each and every day from March 17, 2012 through March 16, 2013 by participating in the eighteenth annual raffle. Not only do you have a chance to win on a daily basis but also there are 19 special drawings with prizes as high as \$750. Purchase a ticket and you have 384 chances to be a winner. Your name is included in each and every drawing, even if you have already won. By now you should have received an information packet which explains the Raffle and includes 4 raffle tickets that we hope you will consider buying or selling. Additional tickets are available at the back of the Church or at our Parish Office. Winners will be announced on our website [www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org) and in our parish bulletin. Can you think of a better way to have fun for an entire year and support your Church at the same time?

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Please pray for our parishioners who have entered into eternal life, and especially for **Rev. Msgr. Daniel J. Hurley.**



Placement of names on the sick list must be requested by an immediate family member through Fr. Bob. Names will be announced at weekend Masses for 3 weeks and then listed in the bulletin only.

*Christina Bavaro, Judith Bramfeld, Valentina Bravin, Mae Caffney, George Bohn, Lucille Cappiello, Ronald Caputo, Resurreccion and Caesar Cavese, John Cini, William J. Dobrowski, John Duignan, Mara Grayson, Mary Lee Grella, Sandra Haberle, Carol Hartney, Baby Jack, Janine D. Kelly, Ernest Longobucco, Robert Lynch, John McGrath, Larry Martone, James Molloy, Baby Max, Catherine Mortell, Mike Napoli, Maria Santoli, Jean Savitt, Gloria Weis, Carolann White.*

## PRAY FOR OUR ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ MILITARY

Lieutenant Melissa Buffa & Lieutenant Travis Buffa  
Petty Officer Keith Cano USCG  
Lance CPL Matthew B. Christman  
Flight Lieutenant Joseph Doyle  
Pvt. Gregory Knox  
Commander Brett Korade  
Lieutenant (Junior Grade) Brian McMenamin  
Lieutenant (Junior Grade) Ian McMenamin  
Private First Class Joshua McMillan  
Captain Christina Merrick  
Lieutenant Drew Whitting, USN.

### PRAYER GROUP

Mondays 7:30pm in the Chapel.  
All welcome. Come and bring a friend! Call John & Rosemary Murello at 676-2767 for more information.



**ST. BONIFACE HOLY HOUR  
AND BENEDICTION**  
Wednesdays at 2pm in the Chapel

### PRAYER VIGIL FOR THE SICK

Thursdays 7pm -7:30pm in the Chapel



### STEWARDSHIP . . . A WAY OF LIFE

Thank you for your financial Stewardship of \$7414 and \$1743 for our Maintenance and Repair Fund.

**Thank you for your generosity!**

Play BINGO! at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Glen Cove at 7:15pm every Friday night. All proceeds go to charity, including our St. Boniface Outreach Program.

BINGO				
15	28	37	51	73
6	17	32	45	61
9	15	★	60	70
12	26	44	52	66
7	22	34	48	72



### 5% DONATION

*"Your plenty at the present time should supply their needs so that their surplus may in turn one day supply your need."* (II Cor 8:14)

If you have any "plenty" left over, please place it in an envelope marked **"For Special Assistance"** and Fr. Bob will make sure it is given to those "to supply their need." **PLEASE PRAY** about this and see what Jesus is calling you to do.

### ST. BONIFACE BIBLE STUDY

7:30pm Thursdays in the Parish Center.  
*All are welcome.* Call John or Rosemary at 676-2767.



### THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful," from Saint Faustina's diary;

**Fridays at 3pm in the Chapel**

### MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

The Miraculous Medal Novena, with the veneration of the relic of St. Catherine Labore, is prayed **each**

### LAY CARMELITES

of Blessed Titus Brandsma meets every **third Saturday of the month** at 9am in the Parish Center. Call Flora at 656-9375 or Pat at 887-7265 for details.

### ROSARY

Monday-Saturday after 8am Mass in the Chapel.



DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Lent 2012

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The season of Lent is an extraordinary moment of grace the Church is called to live every year in preparation for the Sacred Triduum. These Lenten weeks of prayer and fasting and works of charity are all pointed to the solemn holy days of the Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Friday of His Passion and Death on the Cross and then the exultant moments of proclaiming His Resurrection at the Easter Vigil and Easter Day.

What we will celebrate on those days shapes and informs what we seek to become by conversion, prayer and penance in the Lenten season. At the heart of the Cross of Jesus Christ is forgiveness and reconciliation. In fact the message of the Cross is the message that love, God's love for us, the Son's love in human form, that love is poured forth as the greatest act of forgiveness the world can ever know. God forgives us through His Son's death, a death that brings about the reconciliation of all humankind to God. Praised be Jesus Christ! Hail, O Cross, our only hope!

As we enter into the season of Lent with our eyes fixed on Jesus, I would like us all to pray for forgiveness of our own sins and pray for the conversion of the hearts and lives of us all so that we may belong more deeply to Christ, to His Church and to one another. As we examine our consciences and as we see ourselves in the light that shines forth from the Cross, I pray we may all receive the forgiveness that only a merciful Father can give us through His Son and through the Church. I pray that we all will seek the healing of our hearts and reconciliation with God that the Church offers through the great sacrament of merciful love, the sacrament of penance and reconciliation.

And I pray that, as we are forgiven by God, we may also forgive one another and be reconciled with one another so that, as the one Body of His Church, we may celebrate the Easter sacraments worthily and with great joy. Sister Mary Hughes, OP, Prioress of the Dominican Sisters of Amityville, wisely shared these thoughts with consecrated women: "Forgiveness never pretends that all was well...Neither does forgiving mean that one does not speak. Make no mistake. It is wrong to have so many fractured relationships in the Church and in our world". She is right! Forgiveness and reconciliation are sorely needed in our Church and in our world. If God forgives us, we too must forgive one another. You know those whom you must forgive. You know those with whom you must be reconciled. Are they in your family? In the Church? In your neighborhood? Near or far away? Now is the time for forgiveness, now is the time for salvation.

On the Cross Jesus cried out to the Father, "Forgive them". That cry was for each and every one of us. This Lent He will whisper that same cry to each one of us: "Forgive them". As He healed a fractured world and a torn humanity making us one with God and one another, I pray we too might help heal any and every fracture in our lives by imitating Him, forgiving one another from a sincere heart, and reconciling ourselves with one another so that His cross might be not only our hope but the hope for all humankind.

Devotedly yours in Christ,

Rockville

Bishop of  
Centre

Last Friday President Obama announced that he had worked out “accommodations” to respond to the legitimate concerns about religious freedom that Catholic bishops and faithful, along with many others, have been raising to the HHS regulations that mandate coverage of artificial contraception, sterilization and abortion inducing drugs in virtually all health plans as of August 2013. Hopeful as always that truth and common sense would prevail, many of us watched his televised announcement with mounting disappointment. Putting aside some of the President’s remarks that reinterpreted what he has actually said to officials of the USCCB (Catholic Bishops Conference), Mr. Obama raised more difficulties than he claimed he had resolved. While there still may be some hope that meetings with Administration officials might clarify some of the issues, the leadership of the US bishops and this Bishop remain disappointed and dissatisfied, determined to continue the effort to protect religious freedom and freedom of conscience not only for Catholics but for all Americans.

Put simply, we Bishops are more convinced than ever that we need rigorous legislative guarantees of religious freedom in the face of this Administration’s continued effort to force coverage of religiously objectionable procedures as part of a universal mandate for all Americans regardless of their religious or conscience reservations. Without ironclad guarantees that to date we have not been given, we will continue to work for the repeal of the mandate.

Sometime this week at least part of the President’s “accommodation” will appear in the Federal Register. At present we are deeply concerned about the inadequacy of what has been proposed to date. What are our reservations?

The Administration continues to insist on an overly narrow definition of what persons and what institutions can exercise the right of conscience or religious belief. This is problematic on two levels: the definition in itself is objectionable because government has no right to determine what religious beliefs or conscience will be afforded the right of free exercise. The Constitution guarantees this freedom to all. Second, the Administration’s narrow definition leaves out untold numbers of persons who would and will be forced to violate their conscience and their beliefs or else be subject to stiff penalties.

It remains unclear how the shift of responsibility to pay for these objectionable products and services from the employer to the insurer will be paid for. The only logical conclusion is that the insurer will pass on the increased costs to the insured and we have the same objection as before; using the force of government to compel insureds to pay indirectly for products and services that violate the tenets of their faith is just as objectionable as compelling them to pay directly for these products and services. It makes sense to offer many women’s health services such as mammograms without co-pay. These help prevent disease. But I have yet to discover how pregnancy can be categorized as a disease. In addition, insurers that now offer plans that do not include these objectionable procedures will, if the HHS mandate stands, have no choice but to offer them. Fidelis Health Care, the largest HMO providing health care coverage for the poor in New York is a Catholic organization that has a corporate membership comprised of the New York Catholic bishops. What happens here?

There are instances in which a religious organization is both employer and insurer. It seems that, notwithstanding President Obama’s announced “accommodation”, these religiously based institutions, as well as student health plans in Catholic colleges, would have to offer this objectionable coverage. One such self-insured religious body is the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

A whole other category of countless persons who would be forced into violating their consciences would be Catholics and others who operate in the secular sphere or work for secular employers. Catholics who own businesses or those who work in businesses who share our moral objections to such products and procedures as abortifacients are forced by government into compliance without any consideration for their religious convictions or their conscientious objections.

When these regulations were presented on January 20, we were informed that the churches and religious organizations which would be exempt in the narrow definition of the mandate would be given a “grace period” of one year until August 2013 to find out how we must comply. The President of our Bishops Conference, Cardinal-designate Dolan, referred to this as a year to learn how to violate our consciences. That “grace period” now seems to have been changed to a year long “process” to determine what religious organizations or individuals may or may not qualify for the new “accommodation.” This is a grave concern for us Bishops. It reduces a God given right, protected by the First Amendment, to a “privilege” to be negotiated with an Administration that swore to uphold the Constitution of the United States. The HHS mandate and its support by the Administration are deleterious to the life and liberty of citizens who should be able to live secure in the conviction that their right to religious freedom is not being undermined. Indeed, our right to religious freedom must be re-affirmed as soon as possible by all those in our government who have caused this grave situation to surface. The clear assertion of religious liberty is a matter of justice this Administration owes to all Americans.

For all these reasons, I am convinced that we need to pass the Restoration of Religious Freedom Act being sponsored in the United States Senate by Senators Rubio and Blunt and many others. While I await the counsel of those who are far more expert than I, it would not surprise me if we will have to have recourse to the Courts because of the Administration’s intransigence. The First Amendment, conscience protection and the right to religious freedom and its exercise are too valuable, too inalienable, too God-given, too essential for human freedom and dignity for us to let this mandate become the law of the land.

st. boniface parish

# st. patrick's day supper



## Tickets:

\$25 Adults

\$15 Children

Call 516-782-7494

☻ Corned Beef and Cabbage and more!

☻ Irish stepdancers and pipers!

☻ Games, raffles and tons of fun!

St. Boniface  
Gym

## Saturday, March 17 6-10pm





Thank you to everyone who has been so generous during our Midnight Run collections! Please continue to pray for the youth as they make their trip to serve the homeless of NYC this weekend.

There will be NO high school youth group this weekend. The next High School Youth Group will be meeting on Sunday, **February 26th** from 6pm-8pm in the youth center. All are welcome!

For an updated schedule of youth group events please join our Facebook page 'St. Boniface Martyr Youth Group' or email the youth minister, Chris, at [stbonym@gmail.com](mailto:stbonym@gmail.com)."

*384 Winners*

**February 11 ~ \$25.00**  
Helen M. Senesky, Sea Cliff

**February 12 ~ \$25.00**  
Kathleen & Donald McDougal, Sea Cliff

**February 13 ~ \$25.00**  
Katie Swiezbin, Glen Head

**February 14 ~ \$25.00**  
Yvette Rannou, Sea Cliff

**February 15 ~ \$25.00**  
The Kenny Girls, Sea Cliff

**February 16 ~ \$25.00**  
Tina Miller-Silverman, Glen Head

**February 17 ~ \$25.00**  
Christine Marzlock, Glen Head

*Tickets are available at the back of the Church and at the Parish Office.*

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**Parish Registration:** We welcome all new members of our parish family. We ask all parishioners to welcome and invite new neighbors and their families to become a part of St. Boniface Martyr Parish. Parish registration (census) forms available by the main doors of the church and in the parish office for new members. Please return completed forms to the parish office.

**Baptism:** Parents wishing to present a child for Baptism should be registered members of St. Boniface Martyr Parish. Parents are required to have a Baptism Preparation Interview and attend a Baptism class. Baptisms are celebrated on the last Sunday of the month. Godparents must be fully initiated members of the Catholic Church (having received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), and provide a sponsor certificate. Please call 676-0676 to pre-arrange.

**Marriage:** Couples wishing to be married should call the parish office before any other arrangements are made. A minimum of six months is needed for marriage preparations.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** An ongoing process of formation for those who ever wonder if they should become "Catholic". If interested, please call Fr. Bob at 676-0676.

**Reconciliation (Confession):** Saturdays from 4pm to 4:30pm in the church unless otherwise indicated. ❖