

## 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



"Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit ." -John 3:14-21

Fifth Sunday of Lent March 25, 2012



Daily Mass	8am
Sunday Masses	Saturday: 5pm Vigil; Sunday: 8am, 10:15am
Holy Day Masses	5pm Vigil; 8am, 7pm
Special Intentions Mass	5pm First Saturday of month

### Fifth Sunday of Lent: March 25

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

The bread, wine, candles and sanctuary lamp were donated this week in memory of the deceased members of the **Merrick Family**, by Nancy, Patsy and Emily Furlong.

8am Mass Intention: Parishioners 10:15am Mass intention: Frank DeRosa

<u>Monday, March 26</u>: Lena Abore-Tenebruso *Isaiah 7:10-14, 8-10; Hebrews 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38* 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

<u>**Tuesday, March 27**</u>: Annemarie Conti *Numbers 21:4-9; John 8:21-30* 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

Wednesday, March 28: Ann Ryan Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; John 8:31-42 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob

Thursday, March 29: Mary Benvenuto Genesis 17:3-9; John 8:51-59 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob

**Friday, March 30**: Annemarie Conti Jeremiah 20:10-13; John 10:31-42 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob

Saturday, March 31: Todd Heimer

*Ezekiel 37:21-28; John 11:45-56* 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob

5pm Mass Intention: Tom and Ann Gilhooly

Minister's Schedule

### Fifth Sunday of Lent ~ March 25

**5pm Vigil** Lectors: Ministers:

8am Lector:

Ministers:

**Fr. Bob** Theo Krykostas Eileen & Paul Bowersock Paul Bramfeld, Yvonne Brantuas

**Fr. Azubuike** Randa Barrington Andrew DiSalvo, Susanne Hippel Kevin Kelly, Peggy Niper

10:15am Lector: Children's Liturgy: Ministers:

### Fr. Bob

Eileen Moran Deacon Tom Fox Laureen Feehan, Patty Lizza Mary Martone, Camille Miritello Sue Moran, Vito Passalaqua

Join us at our **Easter Pageant** on Palm Sunday, **April 1st** at 12:30pm in the school gymnasium. Please come and see the children re-enact the events of Christ's final journey as we begin Holy Week together.

There will be **Stations of the Cross for Children** on Wednesday, **April 4th** at 4pm in the church for all children in the Parish.

Bring your baskets on Easter Sunday for our annual **Easter Egg Hunt** on the field directly following the 10:15am Family Mass!

## **Capital Campaign Update**

Renew & Restore the House of God "Lord, I love the House in which You dwell" Ps. 76:8

Thank you for your generous pledge. Just as a reminder, all payments can be mailed to the parish office or dropped in the collection basket on Sundays. Payments are due as follows:

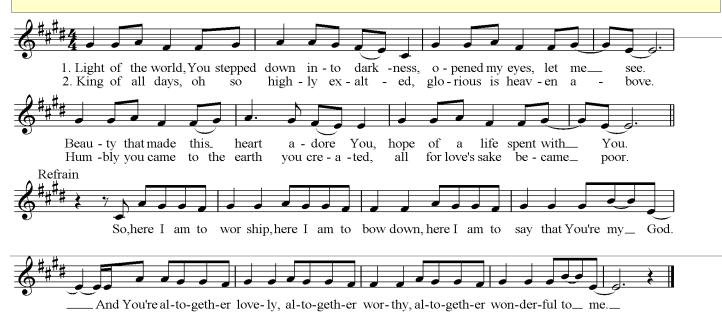
Monthly payments are due on/before the last day of the month. Next monthly payments are due on March 30th.

First Quarterly Payment for 2012 is due on/ before March 30. Credit Cards Payments are processed the last day of each month.

Total Pledges to date: \$1,093,283.00 (payable over 36 months). Total Amount paid to date: \$398,295.00.

If you would like to participate in the Campaign there is still time to enroll!! If you have any questions, please leave your name and contact information at the Parish Office or email stbonifacefinance@gmail.com. CCLI Song #3266032. ©2000 Thankyou Music. For use solely with the SongSelect Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com CCLI License #2928359.

Here I Am to Worship



#### Lenten Reflection on Morality

Marilyn Martone, Moral Theologian 7:30pm in the Chapel

#### Wednesday, March 28th

#### An Application:

Looking at what the church teaches about death and dying and how she came to her decisions. In light of these teachings how should one go about making a conscientious decision on these topics?

## The Knight of Columbus BLOOD DRIVE

will be Tuesday, **April 3**, from 3pm-9pm the K of C Hall, 83 Sea Cliff Ave. Glen Cove. Food/Beverages provided. Bring ID. Minimum weight 110lbs. Ages: 16-76 (age 16 need written parental permission; age 76+ need a doctor's note). Eat well (low fats) and drinks fluids. No tattoos in past 12 months.

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#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Please pray for our parishioners who have entered into eternal life, especially *Rev. Bonaventure Thekkeveetil Rev. Msgr. Edmond J. Trench.* 



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, John McGrath, James Molloy, Baby Max, Catherine Mortell, Mike Napoli, Dr. Stella Reyes, Maria Santoli, Jean Savitt, Priscilla Waltz, Gloria Weis, Carolann White.



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. Captain Bradley Wright, US Army

### 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



#### STEWARDSHIP ... A WAY OF LIFE

Thank you for your financial Stewardship of **\$8056** and **\$1482** for *Catholic Relief Services* last week.

> Thank you for your continued support!

#### 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.

PRAYER VIGIL FOR THE SICK

Thursdays 7pm -7:30pm in the Chapel

### 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

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.

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### MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

The Miraculous Medal Novena, with the veneration of the relic of St. Catherine Labore, is prayed **each Saturday after the 8am Mass** in the Chapel.

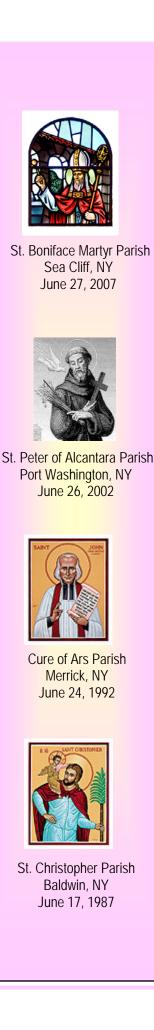
### LAY CARMELITES

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.

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The Parishioners of St. Boniface Martyr Church, Sea Cliff joyfully invite you to a celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Ordination to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ of their Pastor,

Father Bob Romeo

on the Fourth Sunday of Easter, the 29th of April, 2012. Celebration of the Eucharist at 10:15 a.m.

Parish Reception Immediately Following

Ticketed luncheon at the North Shore Country Club following the Parish Reception at 12:30pm. Tickets are \$20.00 per adult. Limited seating. For tickets call 671-8946 or email stbonfinance @gmail.com

#### Dear Parishioners,

#### He went off to a lonely in the desert; there He was absorbed in prayer. 'In 1:35

I think many of us would love, at least in theory, to go off to a deserted place as a way to really reconnect with Jesus. The thought of it seems so idyllic. But in rarely many of us might begin to go "stir crazy." I have a friend who, whenever we go anywhere to rest and relax, he just begins to get so restless. He tries to enter into the routine of just being, but it is very difficult for him. He is not a bad person, but like many he has never been taught to just be. Part of the difficulty is that time away to the quiet demands introspection. When time is not filled with noise and action it usually precipitates a looking at self. If that is not part of one's training and practice it can be uncomfortable.

Introspection must be part of the Christian life. We see the example today of Our Lord, who again needs that time alone to deepen His relationship with the Father. He needs to go off by Himself so that He can be recharged to continue His ministry. Lent is our time of retreat. Maybe not to go "off by ourselves" but certainly to reconnect with Jesus. These 40 days are a gift of the Church to each of us. The Scriptures for Sunday and each day, encourage us to look at our hearts and to *leave behind our past* 'as St. Paul points out. Our sins and past mistakes can hold us hostage and keep us from *lunning the race to receive the prize* 'of eternal life that Jesus offers us. As Jesus heals St. Peter's mother-in-law in today's Gospel, that same hand is extended to us in our lives. We need that time of silence to face those moments that keep us from journeying to Jesus. Never let anything or anyone keep you from approaching Jesus as friend, healer and brother. He offers the release from sin and a new path where the past is laid to rest. Remember, you are loved. That is why Jesus died. Come to confession this Lent and feel that awesome power! There is nothing that stops you...except yourself!

There are a few issues I would like to address. The beautiful flowering pear trees in front of the Church are very large. I had them trimmed 2 years ago and they have grown back even bigger. I had someone look at them to hear their professional opinion. The root system is starting to be a problem. They can compromise the foundation of the Church and the brick walkway. The trees also block the front of the church and while not only covering the bricks, they keep the sun from drying the bricks out. I asked about the cost of moving the trees and it is very expensive. I think they will have to be removed. Please let me know of any ideas you may have.

You may have noticed that the old gas lamps that were in front of our property on Carpenter Avenue have been removed. **Kevin Kerr**, as part of his Eagle Scout project, is refurbishing them and having them wired for electricity. I would like to put them in front of the Church so that we can all enjoy these beautiful pieces of our past as well as bring more light to the front doors. One of the places they can be placed is where the pear trees stand now. I would like to hear your thoughts.

The Parish Center has some rot that will be replaced. I would like to make the outside brighter and more welcoming. If you have any ideas of colors please let me know. The Rectory porch will also be replaced. I have a list of volunteers who would like to donate their time to assist in this project. If you would like to volunteer, please call the parish center.

My plan and desire is to officially name the parish center Chapel, "**Our Lady of Mercy Chapel.**" This will honor the **Sisters of Mercy** who lived for many years in our former convent. In the same vein I would like to dedicate the Parish Center to our founding pastor **Fr. James Donohoe**, whose vision laid the foundation for our parish today. If we are in agreement, I will invite **Bishop Murphy** to dedicate both the Chapel and the Parish Center. Again, please let me know your thoughts.

I big thank you to all who assisted in the many aspects of our 110th **St. Patrick's Day Supper.** It was a wonderful night—and I won a pizza maker!

In Jesus our Crucified Lord, Fr. Bob

# S. BONEFACE MADITUR YOUTTH GROUP

The next High School Youth Group will be meeting on Sunday, **March 25th** from **6:30pm-8:30pm** 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.

## **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.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society



In the Gospel today, Jesus says, "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be.

The Father will honor whoever serves me." When we help the poor we are truly followers of Jesus. This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring the mercy of Jesus to the poor by providing food and money for utility and rent bills.

#### 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

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March 17: Mr. & Mrs. John Vogt, Southold **St. Patrick's Day: \$500 - Frank Scarangella, Sea Cliff** March 18: Thomas MacMillan, Glen Head March 19: Timothy O. Berkley, aginaw, MI March 20: Megan & Matthew Pemberton, Glen Cove March 21: Alexander Torra, Sea Cliff March 22: Kathleen Vitale, Sea Cliff March 23: Chanelle Rackwitz, Glen Head

Tickets are available in the church and parish center.

## Pastoral Team

Pastor: Fr. Robert A. Romeo E-mail: stbonpastor@gmail.com

In Residence: Fr. Azubuike

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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. ◆