

St. Boniface Martyr Roman Catholic Church

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



Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 28, 2014

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: 8am (in the chapel except on

Sundays)

Sundays: Saturdays 5pm; Sundays: 8am, 10:15am*
*Sunday/Holy Day Masses in GYM after Dec. 28

Holy Day Masses: 5pm Vigil; 8am & 7pm

Feast of the Holy Family: December 28 (in

Church)

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gen 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Col 3:12-21

or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40

The bread, wine, candles and sanctuary lamp were donated in memory of **Stephen Szemerenyi**,

by his loving family.

Saturday 5pm Mass in Intention: Parishioners

8am Mass Intention: Parishioners

10:15am Mass Intention: *Jim and Dolores Evans*

Monday, December 29 (George Warner)

Feast of St. Thomas Becket 1 John 2:3-11: Luke 2:22-35

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike (chapel)

Tuesday, December 30 (George Warner)

1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike (chapel)

Wednesday, December 31 (Teresa Piropato)

Feast of St. Sylvester I

1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob (chapel) **5pm Vigil** Intention: *Dorthea Acerno* 5pm Vigil Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob (gym)

Thursday, January 1(Parishioners)

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God (Holy Day) Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike (gym) **10:15am Mass** Intention: *Roseann DeMicco* 10:15am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob (gym)

First Friday, January 2 (Bridie McMenas)

Feast of St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob (chapel)

<u>First Saturday</u>, <u>January 3</u> (Vera Pemberton)

Feast of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

1 John 2:29-3:6; John 1:29-34

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bob (chapel)

5pm Mass Intentions: *John & Joseph Cuite, Mae Chrzanowski, Diva & Ed Corbelletta (living)*

Minister's Schedule

Feast of the Holy Family: December 28

5pm Celebrant: Fr. Bob

Lectors: Blanche & Eric Tyrkko

Ministers: Yvonne Brantuas, Ann Dubin

Katherine Miller, Debbie Mink

8am Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

Lector: Donna Holden

Ministers: Peggy Niper, Marie Agosta

Ana Arellano, Ralph Casey

10:15am Celebrant: Fr. Bob

Lector: Carol Griffin

Ministers: Pat Warner, Laureen Feehan

Susan Moran, Carolyn Rassiger Rosemary & John Murello

Capital Campaign

Capital Campaign 2014 Update

Renew & Restore the House of God

"Lord, I love the House in which You dwell" Ps. 76:8

The restoration of the Church is scheduled to begin on December 29! The status of the campaign is as follows:

Pledges to date: \$1,233,917

Balance of pledges pending: \$135,138

Due to your generosity we continue to get closer to our target every day. We encourage everyone to meet their pledge in full so we will meet our goal. If you have not yet participated in the campaign and would like to contribute, we would like to encourage you to do so. To inquire about your balance, or if you have any questions regarding the campaign please send an email to stbonifacefinance@gmail.com, or leave a message at the Parish Office (676-0676).

2014 payments are due on/before the following dates: Monthly payment: December 31

Fourth quarter payment: December 31

Annual/Final Payments are due December 31, 2014.

We are extremely appreciative of your generosity and your continued efforts to satisfy your pledged amount.

Thank you!



Christmas 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

This past year I found myself twice in the Holy Land, first in my role as a member of the Board of Catholic Near East Welfare and second as part of a Pilgrimage of Prayer for Peace by eighteen United States bishops. Both visits brought home to me in a vivid way what all of us see and hear in the media: the land made holy by the birth, life, death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior is anything but a land of peace, joy and fraternal love. If we were to stop there it would be very difficult to be hopeful.

Yet we know that the Feast we celebrate on December 25th is the very reason why the worrisome facts of today's world are not the end of the story. They are the context into which the Lord enters in order to reverse the spiral of violence and death and to found a new order, "the new heaven and the new earth" that are the fruit of the Son of God Who came into the world to reveal God's plan of salvation.

He is the true history of humanity because He alone is the Word through whom the world and human life are created. And that Word, the eternal Son of the Father, becomes flesh so that we might be saved from all the darknesses that lie hidden in human hearts. He is the true light that dispels the darkness. He is the one sure hope of the world. And He comes to become part of the human condition so that He and He alone can reverse the destiny of humankind by giving us a new destiny, life in Him, life in the Spirit which is the gift of God's love.

This Christmas I greet you all in the light of that love that came into the world that first Christmas in a Bethlehem stable. This Christmas I invite you all to join with me in a pilgrimage of the heart to that very place where Mary brought forth Jesus into a world that so needs the gift of divine life that He is and so yearns for the peace that only He can give.

My prayer for each of you and all of you is that we might let Him transform any of the darknesses that control our lives and endow us with the newness of life that His birth has made possible. May the light of His life shine on us all, without exception. May the example of Mary and Joseph be the model for all our families. And may we be found with the shepherds adoring the Prince of Peace while angels sing and all the world rejoice for *Unto us a Son is given, unto us a child is born and He is Savior, Mighty God, Prince of Peace.*

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Bishop of Rockville Centre

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Saturday February 7th, 2015 From 7pm-11pm At Crescent Beach Club, Bayville

Tickets \$100 Per Person

Includes Dinner, All Beverages & \$100 In Chips If Purchased Before January 1, 2015 • Save 10%

For Tickets Call The Parish Office 676.0676

⁴ Please Pray for our Deceased

Please pray for those who have entered into eternal life.



William Anderson Danny Lane Maria Santoli Rhonda Speranza Marilyn Walthers

Placement of names on the sick list must be requested by an immediate family member through Fr. Bob.



Lieutenant Melissa Buffa & Lieutenant Travis Buffa Lance CPL Matthew B. Christman Second Lieutenant Mario Coronel, US Army Flight Lieutenant Joseph Doyle Jake A. Hojnowski, Sailor E-3, US Navy Lance CPL Gregory Knox Captain Brett Korade, USN Lieutenant Brian McMenamin Lieutenant Ian McMenamin Private First Class Joshua McMillan Lieutenant Junior Grade Michael R. Ragusa, USN Private First Class Cole N. Muttee, USMC Lieutenant Commander Drew Whitting, US Navy Private Luke Whitting, US Army Captain Christina Merrick-Wright Captain Bradley Wright, US Army.

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 ²:58)

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.

Stewardship...a Way of Life

Thank you for your *Financial Stewardship* last week. **Thank you for your continued generosity!**



Catholic Daughters of the Americas

First Monday of the month at 11am in the Parish Center. All women 18 years old and older welcome. Contact Regent Eileen Stanton: 521-9418 or email emtanton@optonline.net

Prayer Group Cancelled December 29

Resumes Monday, January 5,7:30pm in the Chapel. All are welcome. Come, and bring a friend! Call John & Rosemary Murello at 676-2767 for details.

St. Boniface Holy Hour and Benediction

Wednesdays at 2pm in the Chapel.

Prayer Vigil for the Sick

Thursdays 7pm -7:30pm in the Chapel.

Bible Study Will Resume

on Thursday, **January 8th** from 7:30pm-9pm in the Parish Center. Come join us! Bring your Bible. Call Rosemary & John Murello, 676-2767 for details.



Bingo

Fridays 7pm. Knights of Columbus Hall, 83 Sea Cliff Avenue, Glen Cove. All proceeds go to charity, including our St. Boniface Outreach Ministry.

St. Boniface Men's Ministry

Fourth Saturdays at 8am. Meetings begin with 8am Mass in the chapel and subsequent fellowship. Our meetings consist of prayer, scripture and usually some poignant and challenging topical discussions. We are always looking for a few good men to join us. For details contact Rich at qbalwily@optonline.net.

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays after 8am Mass in the Chapel with the veneration of the relic of St. Catherine Labore.

Lay Carmelites of Blessed Titus Brandsma

Third Saturdays 9am in the Parish Center. Call Flora at 656-9375 or Pat at 887-7265 for more information.





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The youth group meets on Sundays from 6pm-8pm in the Parish Center. All 8th-12th graders are invited! For an updated schedule, join Facebook page 'St. Boniface Martyr Youth Group oremail Youth Minister, Chris, at stbonym@gmail.com.

St. Vincent de Paul Society:

Today is the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. We hear the words: "The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the

favor of God was upon him." As we remember the poor during this New Year may we also grow in wisdom and have the favor of God upon us. Please remember to support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the coming year so that together we can continue to bring comfort and peace to our brothers and sisters who are suffering. Thank you for your support! Furniture and financial donations are always welcome. You are too! Come join the St. Vincent de Paul Society and become a communal part of your parish. Call 676-0676 for information.

St. Boniface Giving Tree

Dear Parishioners:Thank you so much for your continued support. Your incredible generosity has helped bring cheer to so many this holiday season. Thank you and best wishes for a Merry Christmas. Your friends at SCO/Madonna Heights Services.

Please note holiday bulletin deadlines 🗷





December 20 ~ \$25:Christopher DiElsi, Ridgefield, CT

December 21 \sim \$25: Mandarakas Family, Glen Head

December 22 \sim \$25: Elizabeth & AJ Famiglietti, ENorwich

December 23 ~ \$25: Judy Moran.....Glen Head December 24 ~ \$25: Helen Caliolo, Sea Cliff

December 25 ~ \$25: Ida Zielazny, Glen Head

Christmas Day ~ \$500: Fran Cox, Glen Head

December 26 ~ \$25: Carol Speranza, Sea Cliff

Tickets are in the church vestibule & parish center.

Pastoral Team

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

Parish Center: 145 Glen Avenue, Sea Cliff, NY 11579

(516) 676-0676 / Fax: (516) 674-6742

E-mail: stbonchurch@gmail.com / www.saintboniface.org
Office Hours: 9am-12:30pm & 1:30pm-4:30pm, Monday-Friday

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Bulletin Editor: Julie Byrne. Deadline: Noon Monday. Please email entries to stbonbulletin@gmail.com after approval from Fr. Bob. *Holiday schedule: Dec 21 deadline-noon Dec 9; Dec 28 deadline-noon Dec 15; Jan 4 deadline-noon Dec 19; Jan 11 deadline-noon Jan 2.

Webmaster: Robert Lynch. Website: www.saintboniface.org

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, call Fr. Bob at 676-0676.

Reconciliation (Confession): Saturdays 4pm-4:45pm in church.

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Happy New Year!

ASR is looking forward to another year of building Faith, Foundation and a Future for our Students



ASR Christmas Concert

Students in Grades Kindergarten through 2nd along with the ASR Schola participated in a Christmas Concert led by Ms. Fran Howlett. The ASR band kicked off the evening with Christmas songs. It was a joyful night filled with beautiful music and food. The highlight of the evening was a reenactment of the birth of our Lord. It was wonderful to have Father Elias, Mrs. Fitzgerald and members of the faculty along with Father Marion from St. Hyacinths' be present to show their support.



Registration for the 2014-2015 school year is ongoing.

Contact Carol Filippone in our Registration Office.

Mon. - Fri. 7:30 am to 11:00 am

516 676-0762 ext. 202

You are invited to attend our
Open House Sunday January 25th,
2015 10:15 am - 1:15 pm
as we begin Catholic School's Week

Catholic School's Week



We are preparing for our Catholic School's Week Celebration. This year it will take place on January 25th - January 30th. The

theme for this year is Catholic Schools Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service.

We have many exciting activities and events planned. Schedule of events:

Sunday, January 25th - Open House **Monday, January 26th** - Sports Night for Grades Five – Eight.

Tuesday, January 27th, - Technology Assembly, Teq Solutions will demonstrate the zSpace Station.

Wednesday, January 28th - Student Appreciation Day.

Thursday, January 29th - Dress Up Day and "Eighth Grade Students as Teachers" Activity. **Friday, January 30th** - 11:00 Mass followed by Noon Dismissal. Faculty luncheon sponsored by the FFA.

Take Five for Faith

Sunday, December 28, 2014

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph Immediately after the excitement of a new baby's arrival begins the hard work of being a family. After Jesus' arrival in the most humble of circumstances, his family had to flee to Egypt for his protection. They did what was expected of them as parents, presenting their infant in the temple, but they made mistakes, too—such as leaving their adolescent son behind on return from a trip to Jerusalem. While you do your best as a family, and fall short, it's the working together for one another that counts.

Monday, December 29

Feast of St. Thomas Becket

Thomas Becket, archbishop of Canterbury, was murdered in his cathedral on this day in 1170. Becket was appointed by King Henry II, who then wanted Thomas to turn control of the church over to him. Thomas almost gave Henry what he wanted but ultimately resisted, leading to his death. In T.S. Eliot's *Murder in the Cathedral*, Becket faces a final temptation to seek martyrdom for earthly glory and revenge. Thomas at one point in the play says, "The last temptation is the greatest treason: To do the right deed for the wrong reason." The next time you find yourself thinking, "I'll show you . . ." pause to consider if you are about to do the right thing for the wrong reason.

Tuesday, December 30

Earthly wisdom says that everything you need is just a purchase away—beauty, peace, and even happiness. The truth, though, is that God's Word is the only thing that lasts forever. No purchase can fill the space created in you for and by God, a space laid claim to by the Word of God made human in Jesus Christ. Just as Jesus lived out unconditional love through union with others, so you're called to live. The return for such self-giving? A gift without price: a life rooted in God, filled with beauty, peace, and, ultimately, happiness.

Wednesday, December 31

Feast of St. Sylvester I

Great leaders are often thought of as forceful and authoritarian, with big personalities and egos to match—someone such as Emperor Constantine, for example, whose qualities enabled him to achieve stupendous things. But there are other kinds of leaders, too—ones who have the quiet wisdom to shepherd dynamic people and times. Such a leader

was Pope Sylvester I, who presided over the church during the momentous events of Constantine's reign, including the Council of Nicaea and the building of Rome's most famous basilicas. Very little is known about Sylvester, except that he is an example of how to foster change with humility.

Thursday, January 1, 2015

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
The birth of a much-awaited child is a joyous
occasion. Such was the case when the shepherds
found that Mary had given birth to a baby, one who
was to change the world! The shepherds were the
bearers of the exciting news, sharing it with people
far and wide. Meanwhile for Mary, the birth was
another step in a very personal journey with God.
She was the bearer of God's Word, entrusted with
nurturing the new life in the world. As we move
into the New Year, how will we, like the shepherds
and Mary, be bearers of the Good News in our
world?

Friday, January 2

Feast of St. Basil the Great

When Athanasius died in the year 373, the mantle of defender of the faith at a time of division and heresy fell upon Basil. He strove to unite his fellow Catholics, and for his troubles he was misunderstood, misrepresented, and accused of heresy and ambition. "For my sins," he once wrote, "I seem to be unsuccessful in everything." Some 72 years after his death, however, the Council of Chalcedon described him as "the great Basil, minister of grace who has expounded the truth to the whole earth." Stay the course with your own efforts to do good, even in the face of opposition—history will be the final judge.

Saturday, January 3

Feast of the Most Holy Name of Jesus Jesus has many titles, and at Christmastime, we're reminded that Jesus is called by yet another name: Emmanuel, which means "God with us." Eight days after his birth, he was circumcised and named Jesus, which means "God saves" and was the name an angel told Mary and Joseph to give him. This name itself, heavenly selected, is an object of Catholic devotion, a name to be venerated throughout the year.

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Christmas Service Projects

During this Christmas season, we are reminded of our many blessings and the task assigned to us by Jesus, namely that we are to "Love one Another." In keeping with our mission and Catholic



traditions, our student council led several Christmas Service Projects in which the entire student body participated.

Students sponsored a toy drive for the Toys for Tots program. Student collected unwrapped presents for children less fortunate then ourselves.

A coat drive, collecting coats of all sizes along with fleeces, sweatshirts, gloves hats. and scarf's to help spread the warmth.

Students wrote letters to Santa as part of the Macy's "Believe" Program. For each letter written, Macy's donates to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Christmas cards, pictures and letters were sent to the Red Cross Holiday Mail for Heroes so that we could brighten the Christmas Season for our troops severing both hear and overseas.

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ASR students decorate their classrooms for Christmas.

Students and teachers put aside one afternoon to decorate their classrooms and the school. Christmas music was played throughout the building while students decorated and enjoyed Christmas treats.



Join Us for Open House Sunday, January 25, 2015 10:15 am - 1:15 pm