

St. Boniface Martyr

Roman Catholic Church

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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. Kevin Dillon, Pastor



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 26, 2015



Daily Mass: 8am in OLM Chapel (except Sundays) Sundays: Saturdays 5pm; Sundays: 8am, 10:15am Holy Day Masses: 5pm Vigil; 8am & 7pm Special Intentions: 5pm first Saturday of the month

Confession: Saturdays 4pm-4:45pm. **Rosary:** Mondays-Saturdays after 8am Mass

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2 *Kings 4:42-44; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15* The bread, wine, candles and sanctuary lamp were donated in loving memory of **Edward Hoffman**, by Julie Byrne.

Saturday 5pm Intention: Benjamin Zabicki8am Mass Intention: Parishioners10:15am Mass Intention: Annick Bouthemy

<u>Monday, July 27 (Joseph Oddo)</u> Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34; Matthew 13:31-35 8am Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

<u>**Tuesday, July 28**</u> (Lorraine Haase) *Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Matthew 13:31-35* 8am Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

Wednesday, July 29

FEAST OF ST. MARTHA *Exodus 34:29-35 ; John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42* **8am** Celebrant: Fr. Jude

Thursday, July 30 (John Thomann) FEAST OF ST. PETER CHRYSOLOGUS *Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38; Matthew 13:47-53* 8am Celebrant: Fr. Kevin

Friday, July 31 (Daniel G. Ryan) FEAST OF ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA *Lev 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Matthew 13:54-58* **8am** Celebrant: Fr. Kevin

First Saturday, August 1 (Daniel Ryan) FEAST OF ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI *Leviticus 25:1, 8-17; Matthew 14:1-12* **8am** Celebrant: Fr. Jude **5pm Vigil Mass** Intentions: John Rerecich, Raymond Pierce 5pm Vigil Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

Visit www.usccb.org to have the daily readings emailed to you every morning. You may read and/or listen to the readings and watch a brief video reflection.

Minister's Schedule

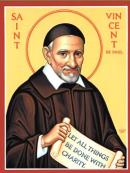
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| 5pm Lector: Ministers: | Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike Kevin Kelly Irma Berkley Bill Berkley Eileen Bowersock Paul Bramfeld |
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| 8am | Celebrant: Fr. Kevin |
| Lector: | John Canning |
| Ministers: | Peggy Niper |
| | Pat Warner |
| | Marie Agosta |
| | Ana Arellano |
| 10:15am | Celebrant: Fr. Kevin |
| Lector: | Irene Harris |
| Ministers: | Susan Castelli, Laureen Feehan |
| | Mary Ann & Paul McDermott |
| | Patty Lizza |

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Camille Miritello.

In the Gospel, Jesus supersedes both the apostles' and the crowds' expectations: with little he feeds many ... Jesus is the sign of God's lavish presence and love. Your donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is indeed a sign of God's extravagant love to the lonely and the poor. This month, through your gifts, the



Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families by providing money for food, utility, rent and other bills. God Bless You!

As you place your gift in the Society of St Vincent de Paul Poor Box or envelopes by the main doors of the church, please say a prayer for the poor who have no one to pray for them.

Furniture donations are always welcome, please call 822-3132. If you wish to join the St. Vincent de Paul Society and be a communal part of your parish, call the Fr. James Donohoe Parish Center at 676-0676 for details.

Thank you for your generosity!

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Please Pray for our Deceased

Please pray for those who have eternal life, especially **John Graef.**

William Anderson Steve Anzalone Keith Dunn Michelle Martone Concetta O'Regan John Orozco Maria Santoli Rhonda Speranza Mary Toto



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



Lieutenant Melissa Buffa & Lieutenant Travis Buffa Lance CPL Matthew B. Christman Second Lieutenant Mario Coronel, US Army Second Lieutenant Matthew Coronel, US Army. Flight Lieutenant Joseph Doyle Jake A. Hoinowski, Sailor E-3, US Navy Lance CPL Gregory Knox Captain Brett Korade, USN Private Vincent S. LaManna, Jr., US Army 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 First Class 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 Cor²:58)

If you have any "plenty", please place it in an envelope marked **"For Special Assistance"** and Fr. Kevin will be sure it is given to help "supply their needs." **PLEASE PRAY** about this and see what Jesus is calling you to do.

Stewardship ... a Way of Life

Thank you for your financial stewardship of **\$6133** and **\$1129** donation to our *Maintenance and Repair Fund* last week. Next week there will be a second collection to help defray the cost of the *Air Conditioning*. *Thank you for your generosity!*



Catholic Daughters of the Americas

First Mondays of each month at 11am in the Fr. James Donohoe Parish Center. Women 18 years of age and older are invited to join us and see what we do! Juniors ages 11-18; Juniorettes ages 6-10, (date and place upon request). Contact: Regent Eileen Stanton. http://www.catholicdaughters.org/

Prayer Group

Mondays at 7:30pm in the Our Lady of Mercy Chapel. Come, and bring a friend! Call John & Rosemary Murello at 676-2767 for details.

Holy Hour and Benediction

Wednesdays at 2pm in Our Lady of Mercy Chapel.

Prayer Vigil for the Sick

Thursdays 7 -7:30pm in Our Lady of Mercy Chapel.

Scripture Study Resumes in September

Meets September though June on Thursdays from 7:30pm-9pm in the Fr. James Bonoluse Parish Center. Bring your bible and join us! Call Rosemary and John Murello at 676-2767 for details.

Bingo

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays after 8am Mass in Our Lady of Mercy Chapel with veneration of relic of St. Catherine of Labore.

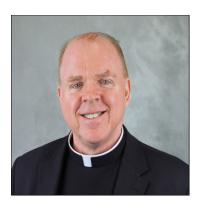
Lay Carmelites of Blessed Titus Brandsma

Third Saturdays of the month at 9am in the Fr. James Donohoe Parish Center. Call Flora Musico at 656-9375 or Ann Hunt at 676-0330 for details.

Men's Ministry Resumes September 26

Meets September through June on the fourth Saturdays of the month beginning with 8am Mass in the Our Lady of Mercy Chapel. Meetings are a testimonial to Catholic brotherhood and unity, with highly topical discussions. Contact Rich at qbalwily@optonline.net for more information.

While driving along Sea Cliff Avenue one morning, I read an interesting bumper sticker attached to the car travelling ahead of me. It read, "**KEEP SEA CLIFF WEIRD.**" I thought to myself that is certainly an interesting statement to make about this charming village by the sea. Although I cannot say for certain, I do believe the owner of the vehicle displayed it with the best of intentions, and I dare say it is a compliment to the eclectic and charming personality of this neighborhood. In fact, it is unlike most towns and villages across Long Island. I suppose one could say it dares to be different.



According to the dictionary, weird can mean strikingly different or

beautiful in an usual or charming way. The Dictionary of Modern Slang de^Dnes weird as awesome or cool. Based on my short time here, this community is strikingly different for the better! I have found the people of both the parish and wider community to be very friendly, and laid back, as well as tolerant and kind. Since my arrival, parishioners have been warm and welcoming offering me assistance in any number of ways to help me settle in and feel very much a part of this faith filled community we call St. Boniface, Martyr. Beyond the parish, I have observed that motorists will allow a pedestrian to cross a street without honking their horn or trying to rush the pedestrian from one side to the other, something which is not as common across the rest of Nassau and Suffolk Counties. In stores and restaurants people seem more relaxed, good natured and easy going. I have relatives in Northern California, and believe it or not, sometimes I feel that Sea Cliff could be a suburb of San Francisco instead of New York. So, Sea Cliff certainly stands out and is different from most if not all of the rest of Long Island.

As Catholics are we different and do we stand out as well? Do we dare to be like the Son of God Himself, Jesus Christ? He certainly stood out and made a difference through his teachings, miracles, life and ultimately his death and resurrection. As baptized Catholic Christians we are different, and much of society probably calls us "weird" as well. But that's okay; because we defend and promote the sanctity of human life; we believe that every human person has dignity and value because he/she is a child of God. We support the preferential option for the poor, and stand up for issues of social justice, and give aid to the "under dog." Our world does not always agree with us and finds much of Jesus' teachings hard to embrace and live and so we might be considered "weird."

We are the Body of Christ here and now in this parish we call St. Boniface, Martyr. We are the hands, feet, eyes, and ears of Jesus Christ to a world that is often not engaged or interested at best in our message, and outright hostile at worst to what we are about, but we find strength and nourishment from the Lord and His Church.

If such a bumper sticker were made about us as Catholic Christians, I do not think it would be meant as complimentary; however, that should and would not affect our behaviors and beliefs, because we have the very words of Our Lord, Himself to comfort us: "Blessed are you when they utter every kind of slander against you all because of me; rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven will be great."

God bless you! Fr. Kevin

Do we really believe this stuff?

Church is a place where we say a lot of incredible stuff. We say God is Three-in-One. That Jesus is just like God and just like us. That a crucified man rose from the dead—and that after we die, we won't stay dead either. We say Mary is a Virgin and a Mother. That sins are forgiven, no matter how terrible they are and no matter how unworthy we are. That the day is coming when the poor will be rich and the rich will be sorry. We say the queue we're standing in will reverse directions: the last wind up first and the first last. We say that feeding a hungry person, any hungry person, is the same as making a sandwich for God. And we say that when we eat and drink at Mass, we're eating and drinking the life of Jesus—and not only that, but that we leave Mass as the living Christ for the sake of the world!

We say a lot of fantastical things in church. So the question is: How many of them do we believe? Really? We all know the right answer; it's harder to give the honest answer. An honest answer might be that most of want to believe these things. We're like the father in a gospel story who wants his son to be healed, but when asked by Jesus if he believes it's possible, says frankly: "Lord, I believe! Help my unbelief!"

We want to believe what our faith teaches, what the gospel has to say, because it's a great message, a wonderful vision, a more hopeful future than the world is heading for or seems to deserve. We look hopefully to the Lord, as today's psalm says, for all of our heart's desires. But many of us also harbor doubts, deep doubts. Because we just can't see from here how all of that can possibly be. We're like the prophet Elisha's servant in the first reading, who sees 20 small barley loaves on the table and a hundred famished people coming for supper and says: "It's not enough." Faith is one thing; math is another. The figures don't add up. The accountant in all of us dismisses this equation as unwieldy, to say the least.

How much more does the accountant spirit in Andrew and Peter balk at five loaves, two fish, and 5,000 guests for dinner? Yet it turns out to be enough, and more than enough. No wonder the crowds want to crown Jesus king of the Jews then and there! It's easy to put your trust in God after the miracle. Faith requires front-loading your trust: in forgiveness, in resurrection, in divine rescue across the board.

by Alice Camille.

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The Inner Word: What's in your heart? 5

This week's Letter to the Ephesians, though probably not composed by Paul, captures his spirit and his consistent call for unity: One body, spirit, hope, faith, baptism, and God of all. But, Paul warns, true Christian unity can only be achieved by living the threefold virtues of faith, hope, and love with humility, gentleness, and patience. How well do you live out this trinity of Christ-like values? Examine your strengths and weaknesses. What can you do to share your spiritual and material gifts with others so that they and you are satisfied?

In Other Words: Gospel in Everyday English

Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee. A huge crowd followed him, attracted by the miracles they had seen him do among the sick. When he got to the other side, he climbed a hill and sat down, surrounded by his disciples. It was nearly time for the Feast of Passover.

When Jesus looked out and saw that a large crowd had arrived, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy bread to feed these people?" He said this to stretch Philip's faith. He already knew what he was going to do.

Philip answered, "Two hundred silver pieces wouldn't be enough to buy bread for each person to get a piece."

One of the disciples said, "There's a little boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But that's a drop in the bucket for a crowd like this."

Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." They sat down, about 5,000 of them. Then Jesus took the bread and, having given thanks, gave it to those who were seated. He did the same with the fish. All ate as much as they wanted.

When the people had eaten their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the leftovers so nothing is wasted." They went to work and filled 12 large baskets with leftovers from the five barley loaves.

The people realized that God was at work among them in what Jesus had just done. They said, "This is the Prophet for sure, God's Prophet right here in Galilee!" Jesus saw that in their enthusiasm, they were about to grab him and make him king, so he slipped off and went back up the mountain to be by himself (from John 6).

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• **Take Five for Faith**

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The crowd could not leave him. They had witnessed his miracles as he healed the sick, and they seemed to forget whatever else they had to do in order to be near him. This was risky business in a desert culture where food could be scarce to come by. But compassionate beyond measure, Jesus fed them. The meal that day on the grassy plain near the Sea of Galilee was its own kind of eucharistic celebration, an event that foreshadowed those that now are the "source and summit of our faith" as the <u>Catechism of the Catholic Church puts it</u>. Then and now, Jesus satisfies the hungry. Give thanks for the gift of being fed.

<u>Monday, July 27</u>

One of the cardinal rules of good storytelling is not to "tell" at all, but to "show." Jesus had that technique down pat, and he often used parables so his teachings would be more understandable. He related lessons to everyday things like mustard seeds and yeast, good Samaritans and prodigal sons. His stories evoke the senses and emotions, making them come alive and hit home. The "show, don't tell" rule applies to the way you live your life as well. Heed Saint Francis of Assisi's good advice: "Preach the gospel always. If necessary, use words."

<u>Tuesday, July 28</u>

Fire is a powerful force. It destroys and creates simultaneously, refining what's good and eliminating what is unnecessary. God's love has the power to do that in our lives with the same mesmerizing effect. But how do you know that fire's burning? God makes smoke signals. Where you resist, the holy smoke of change emerges—a sign that God is here and working. Like smoldering incense, the Burning Bush where Moses encountered the divine, or the Pillar of Cloud that guided the Israelites during the Exodus, smoke signals God's presence in our midst. Remember: Where there's smoke, there's fire—the fire of God in you!

Wednesday, July 29: Feast of St. Martha

Women and power: never an easy relationship. If women are strong and bold at wielding authority, they're called demeaning names. If they're soft and compassionate, it's used as proof-positive they're not qualified for leadership roles. Martha, the older of two sisters, was a take-charge woman willing to face down Jesus a time or two. Of course, men must make choices regarding power too: to be aggressive or collaborative with it. Jesus admires Martha's spirit and agrees with her assertions enough to restore her brother to life. Shared authority works!

<u>Thursday, July 30:</u> Feast of St. Peter Chrysologus, bishop, Doctor of the church

Keep an antidote in your wallet or on the bathroom mirror for those hang-dog days when you can't face the world. We all have those days: *I lost the job, the relationship blew up in my face, I wish I hadn't said/ did that, I really screwed up this time.* Here's the antidote, courtesy of Saint Peter Chrysologus: "Why then, are you so worthless in your own eyes and yet so precious to God?" The creation *and* the redemption of the world are twin gifts God lays at our feet. Believe it!

<u>Friday, July 31:</u> Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola, priest

The life of Ignatius of Loyola, the mid-16th-century Spaniard who founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), is something akin to a soap opera. One can imagine the details, but the point is that Ignatius learned to pay attention to the presence of God in his life each and every day—and to seek God's will in all things. Now the church has a Jesuit pope, Francis, who encourages the faithful to recognize the presence of God in the world and who speaks of finding God everywhere, especially in the poor and vulnerable. On this Ignatian feast, be mindful of the presence of God in the events of your day.

<u>Saturday, August 1:</u> Feast of St. Alphonsus Liguori, bishop, Doctor of the church

Many Catholics have been subscribers to *The Ligourian*, a popular magazine known for its concrete advice to readers seeking answers about how to live as good Christians. But remember that a question phrased as, "What am I supposed to do?" can imply that there exists a definitive "supposed to" answer, and that often leads to narrow, doctrinaire opinions, whereas Alphonse had "an optimistic view of the human person." Better to ask, "What kind of compassionate and responsible follower of Christ am I in this situation?" Is there room in you for grace, generosity, and mercy, or do you tend to be rigid and absolute? If the latter, there is plenty of room for you to sit often at the feet of Jesus and ask for his Spirit.

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The youth group meets on Sundays from 6pm-8pm in the Fr. James Donohoe Parish Center. All 8th-12th graders are invited! Follow us on instagram, username: stbonyg, join our facebook page 'St. Boniface Martyr Youth Group', or email Youth Minister, Chris, at stbonym@gmail.com

Religious Education

Registration has begun for the 2015-16 school year is ongoing throughout the summer. Applications are available in the parish office.



Please submit a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate with the registration form. Tuition is \$125 for the first child and \$75 for each additional child. Class placement is first come first served, so please register early. Call 671-0418 or email stbonccd@gmail.com with questions.

The schedule is as follows:

- K-5 Tuesday or Wednesday 4pm-5:10pm
- 6-8 Wednesday or Thursday 7pm-8:15pm
- K-8 Sunday Family Program 9am-10:10am

Teachers (catechists) and other volunteers are needed. Please consider volunteering in this most rewarding ministry!

Lucky Boni-Buck & Raffle

The Lucky Boni-Buck\$ winner for July is **John Canning.** The next drawing will be August 1. Don't forget to participate in the Lucky Boni Buck\$ Raffle. Only one \$25 ticket (or 5 for \$100) gives you 14 chances to win \$500. The drawing is the first day of each month with 2 bonus drawings on St. Patrick's Day and the Feast of St. Boniface. All proceeds go to support St. Boniface Martyr Parish. Tickets are available by the main doors of the church and in the parish center.

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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 Fr. James Donohoe Parish Center. Please return completed forms to the parish center.

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 Fr. James Donohoe Parish Center 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 interested in becoming Catholic. Call the Fr. James Donohoe Parish Center at 676-0676 for more information.

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