

March 13, 2016



Fifth Sunday  
of

Lent

I put water in the desert  
and rivers in the wasteland  
for my chosen people to drink.

*Isaiah 43:20*

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## St. Boniface Martyr Roman Catholic Church

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*We are a pilgrim people on a journey toward the Kingdom of God.*

Reverend Kevin J. Dillon, Pastor

## Mass Schedule

**Daily Mass:** 8am **IN CHURCH\***

**Sundays:** Saturdays 5pm; Sundays: 8am, 10:15am

**Special Intentions:** 5pm first Saturday of the month

**Confession:** Saturdays 4pm-4:45pm.

**Rosary:** Mondays-Saturdays after 8am Mass

*\*Beginning **March 21** to the **Vigil of Pentecost** the **8am daily mass** will be celebrated in Church.*

### **Fifth Sunday in Lent: March 13**

*Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45*

The bread, wine, candles and sanctuary lamp were donated in memory of **Michael J. Lincks, Jr.**, by the Lincks family.

5pm Intention: Antonio Capobianco

8am Mass Intention: Parishioners

10:15am Mass Intention: Jutta Thornell

### **Monday, March 14** (Ann Boehm)

*Deut 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; John 8:12-20*

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

### **Tuesday, March 15** (Gerald T. Bachner)

*Numbers 21:4-9; John 8:21-30*

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

### **Wednesday, March 16** (Welch/Woltering Families)

*Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; John 8:31-42*

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Kevin

### **Thursday, March 17** (Pete McGowan)

Feast of St. Patrick

*Genesis 17:3-9; John 8:51-59*

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Kevin

### **Friday, March 18**

Feast of St. Cyril of Jerusalem

*Jeremiah 20:10-13; John 10:31-42*

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Kevin

### **✠7:30pm Stations of the Cross in Church**

### **Saturday, March 19** (Frank Heenan)

*2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a*

Feast of St. Joseph

8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Kevin

4pm Confession: Fr. Kevin

## **Stations of the Cross Fridays in Lent** **St. Boniface Church 7:30pm**

*March 19th version written by Pope Francis*

## Please Pray

### **For Our Deceased**

Please pray for those who have entered into eternal life, especially **Sue Anne Dennehy, Edward Dennehy, Benny Fiorenti** and **Dominic Granieri**.

### **For Our Sick**

William Anderson, Irma Berkley, Frank Bocchino, Caesar Cavese, Carol Griffin, Georgia Leim, Michelle Martone, John Orozco, Sioban Rack, Maria Santoli, Kathy Sheridan, Rosemarie Sciarra, Rhonda Speranza, Steven Taibbi, Priscilla Waltz.

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

### **For Our Military**

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. Hojnowski, Sailor E-3, US Navy  
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Lieutenant Junior Grade Michael R. Ragusa, USN  
Corporal 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.

### **Ministers for March 20**

**5pm Lectors:** Blanche & Eric Tyrkko

**Ministers:** Irma & Bill Berkley,  
Paul Bramfeld, Eileen Bowersock

**8am Lector:** Mary Doran

**Ministers:** Andrew DiSalvo, Kevin Kelly,  
Peggy Niper, Marie Agosta

**10:15am Lector:** Irene Harris

**Ministers:** Donna Calamis, Susan Castelli,  
Laureen Feehan, Patty Lizza,  
Camille Miritello, Rosemary Murello.



## Stewardship . . . a Way of Life

Thank you for your financial stewardship of **\$8702** and **\$1828** donation to **Catholic Relief Services** last week. This week there will be a second collection for our **Maintenance and Repair** fund.



## Special Assistance Donation

*"Your surplus at the present time should supply their needs so that their surplus may in turn one day supply your need."* (II Cor <sup>2</sup>:58)

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

## FEAST BY THE SHORE 2016

**Meeting:** The Feast By the Shore kick off meeting is Tuesday, **March 22nd** at 7pm in the school. All are invited!

**Save the Date:** Feast By the Shore May 19 (Thursday) - May 22 (Sunday) at Tappen Beach. *Stay tuned for details . . .*

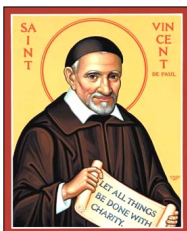


## St. Boniface Easter Egg Hunt

will be on Sunday, **March 27**  
after the 10:15am Mass  
in the parish field.

## St. Vincent de Paul Society

Know that your penance during Lent can give the poor the grace of finding the merciful heart of God. Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know also that your donation is multiplied by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.



As you place your gift in the poor box located by the stairs near the main doors of the church, please say a prayer for those who have no one to pray for them. Furniture donations are also always welcome; please call 822-3132 for details. If you wish to join the St. Vincent de Paul Society and be a communal part of your parish, please call the parish center at 676-0676 for information.

*Thank you!*



Our next meeting is **March 13** from 6-8pm in the youth center. Some of our biggest events are approaching: Good Friday Stations of the Cross and Lock-In: 3/25. Midnight Run; 4/23; Weekend Retreat: May TBD; Catholic Heart Workcamp: 7/10-16. If you are interested in participating, please contact Chris at [stbony@gmail.com](mailto:stbony@gmail.com), or follow the Youth Group on Instagram, username: 'stbonyg' or on Face-

## Catholic Daughters

First Mondays of the month at 11am in the parish center for women age 18 and older. Juniors ages 11-18; Juniorettes ages 6 -10 (date/place on request). Contact: Eileen Stanton [www.catholicdaughters.org](http://www.catholicdaughters.org).

## Prayer Group

Mondays at 7:30pm in the chapel. Join us! Call John and Rosemary Murello at 676-2767 for details.

## Holy Hour and Benediction

Wednesdays at 2pm in the chapel.

## Prayer Vigil for the Sick

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

## Scripture Study Postponed

Please join us when we resume on Thursday, **March 31** from 7:30-9pm in the parish center. 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 the chapel with veneration of the relic of St. Catherine of Labore.

## Lay Carmelites of Blessed Titus Brandsma

Third Saturdays at 9am in the parish center.

## Men's Ministry Meeting Postponed

Our next meeting will be **April 2** and the subsequent meeting will be Saturday, April 30. For more information, contact Rich Lucidi at [qbalwily@optonline.net](mailto:qbalwily@optonline.net).

## THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

### *Examining Your Conscience*

The spiritual exercise of examining our conscience is something that every Christian should do on a regular basis. The habit of reviewing our actions or behaviors each day to see how our life is, or is not, in accord with the way God asks us to live can be a wonderful opportunity for spiritual discernment and growth.

Of course, as the Rite of Penance reminds us, “the inner examination of heart and the outward accusation must be made in the light of God’s mercy.” (6) In other words, the way for us to begin to examine our conscience and to uncover the areas of sin in our life that need to be healed by God’s forgiveness is to start with God’s love. God has created each and every one of us, redeemed us through the death and resurrection of His Son Jesus, and has given us all that we need to live a good and moral life. In the light of God’s goodness and mercy, we should never be afraid to be brutally honest with ourselves about what our sins are.

When going to the Sacrament of Penance, it is important to spend time examining our conscience before we go to Confession. It’s not helpful to think about our sins for the first time only while we are waiting on line, for example.

If examining our conscience is a regular part of our prayer life, this preparation for the sacrament will come easy. In examining our conscience, we should look at our relationships both with God and with

other people. We should ask ourselves if we are really growing to be a better, more loving, and less self-centered person, and if we are growing closer to God. We should pray to the Holy Spirit for the Spirit’s guidance to see those areas of our life where sin has damaged our relationship with God and with others.

Sometimes we will discover that our sins are quite specific and have to do with concrete actions; other times we will discover that our sinfulness is related to a general pattern of behavior or attitude. To help us in discerning what our sins are, the Ten Commandments are a great place to start, as are the Beatitudes, as found in Matthew 5:1-12, for example. There are also many guides to examining one’s conscience that can be found in spiritual reading and in other Catholic resources. For example, the Bishops of the United States have provided some guides for the examination of conscience on their website: <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-andworship/sacraments-and sacramentals/penance/examinations-ofconscience.cfm>.

Remember that not all sin is equally serious. Sin might be serious enough such that I have broken off my relationship with God (mortal sin), or it might be less serious and only damage my relationship with God (venial sin). Whichever it is, we should never hesitate to confess all our sins openly. Our celebration of the Sacrament of Penance will be all the more fruitful and beneficial to the degree we have done the work ahead of time in examining our conscience. ♥

### DOORS OF MERCY

Bishop Murphy has chosen to open a Door of Mercy at the diocesan Cathedral, the **Cathedral of Saint Agnes**, Rockville Centre. He has designated three additional sites: **The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception**, Huntington; **The Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary**; Southampton; **The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island**, Eastport. These doors, analogous to the Holy Doors of the Papal Basilicas in Rome, will permit people who cannot travel to Rome to make a Jubilee pilgrimage. One can obtain the Jubilee indulgence by making a pilgrimage to one of the four Jubilee Churches and fulfilling the other necessary conditions: the Sacrament of Reconciliation, receiving the Holy Eucharist, making a profession of faith, praying for the pope and for his intentions. It is suggested that pilgrims recite the prayer of Pope Francis for the Jubilee, and that they conclude the time of prayer with an invocation to the merciful Lord Jesus (for example, “Merciful Jesus, I trust in You”). See [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org).

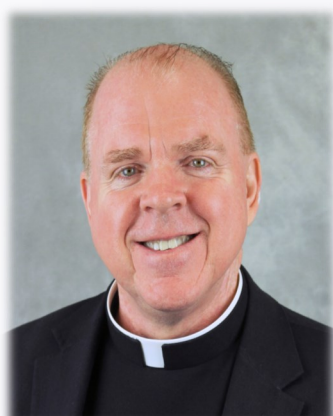
### *Catholicism Series Continues . . .*

Join us in the parish center on Sundays from 1pm-2:30pm as follows:

- ✠ **>March 13:** Episode 7: Word Made Flesh, True Bread From Heaven (Liturgy and Sacraments)
- ✠ **March 20:** Episode 8: The Vast Company of Witnesses: The Communion of Saints
- ✠ **March 27 (EASTER SUNDAY):** No Episode
- ✠ **April 3:** Episode 9: The Fire of His Love: Prayer and Life in the Spirit
- ✠ **April 10:** Episode 10: The Last Things: Hell, Purgatory and Heaven.

***No RSVP necessary. All Welcome.***

## SOMETHING IS DIFFERENT THIS WEEK



This weekend we **SPRING FORWARD** and lose one hour's sleep, but the benefit is that our evenings will now be light for an extra hour. This is a sure and certain sign that spring is just about here. We can begin to look forward to longer days and warmer temperatures. Soon the trees will begin to bud leaves and plants will begin to bloom. Easter is only two weeks away, and although it's early this year, it is also a powerful reminder that spring is upon us!

While we will notice **the difference in daylight during the late afternoons and evenings**, we also notice **something different in our Church**. The statues and crucifix are covered in purple cloths. The covering of the cross and statues during the last two weeks of Lent, traditionally known as **Passiontide**, is a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church, and some other Christian

churches as well. After Vatican II, this ancient practice became **optional**. It was never suppressed like Minor Orders were. In recent years, the practice of covering statues and crucifixes has made a comeback.

In conversations with many Catholics and some parishioners of St. Boniface, Martyr this was and continues to be a much loved tradition. In recent years it is once again becoming more popular and so here at St. Boniface, Martyr our crucifix and statues will be covered for the remainder of Lent.

According to the Roman Missal, *the practice of covering crosses and images may be observed, if the Episcopal conference decides*. The crosses are to be covered until **the end of the celebration of the Lord's passion and death on Good Friday. Images are to remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday.**

In 1988 The Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship issued a new document on the Easter feasts. According to that document, *it is fitting and appropriate that any crosses be covered with a red or purple veil, unless already veiled on the Saturday before the Fifth Sunday of Lent*. This leaves the decision to cover crucifixes in the church up to the local Pastors, but this tradition is strongly encouraged.

The practice of veiling images and crosses during the last two weeks of Lent hails from the former liturgical calendar in which the Passion was read on the Fifth Sunday in Lent (hence known as **Passion Sunday**) as well as on Palm Sunday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week and Good Friday. It is for this reason that the period following the Fifth Sunday of Lent was called Passiontide. The readings we hear tell us Christ was mocked with purple robes symbolizing royalty, but we now see the color as symbolizing repentance and sorrow. Red is the color of His blood, and traditionally recalls the death of anyone who died for the faith. So the tradition of covering the crucifix and statues in purple and red helps us focus more clearly on the essentials of Christ's work of Redemption during these most sacred days of our Church year and avoid distractions as we recall the suffering and death of Our Lord.

Special thanks to our Friday Quilters, especially Pat Fox, Cathy Bailey and Cathy Sackett who painstakingly sowed and prepared the veils to be hung over the various statues and images in our Church. Your talents and gifts are very much appreciated by all at St. Boniface, Martyr!





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## ✠ Holy Week Schedule

### Passion (Palm) Sunday, March 19-20

5pm Mass Saturday; 8am & 10:15am Mass Sunday

### Penance Day, Monday, March 21

3pm – 9pm (Individual Confessions)

### Holy Thursday, March 24

9am Morning Prayer

7:30pm Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration at Repository, Night Prayer at 10:45pm

### Good Friday, March 25

9am Morning Prayer

12pm Children's Station of the Cross

3pm Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

4:15pm – 5:30pm Confessions

7:30pm Solemn Stations of the Cross

### Holy Saturday, March 26

9am Morning Prayer

11am – 12pm Confession

7:30pm Easter Vigil

### Easter Sunday, March 27

Masses: 8am, 10:15am & 12noon



## Thank You!

**The St. Boniface Mardi Gras** was a very enjoyable evening and a great success thanks to all of you who attended and those who worked hard to make the event so special.

**Our Committee:** Joanne Altmann, Donna & John Calamis, Jody Fleischman, Maryellen Kerr, Eileen Krieb, Celeste Marra, Gloria Schaefer, Marianne Sujecki, Melinda Toner, Elena Villafane

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A very special thank you with sincere appreciation to **The Chateau Briand in Westbury**, especially **Victor Scotto**, for his continued gracious generosity and support of our parish events, enabling them to be such successful fundraisers.

**Thank you,  
Victor Scotto!**

## St. Boniface Martyr Parish Directory

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9am -12:30pm; 1:30pm - 4:30pm: Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri; Thursdays 12:30pm - 6:30pm (no morning hours).

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**Parish Outreach:** Jerry Moran & Kevin O'Shea; Parish Center; Wednesdays & Saturdays. 10 am-1pm

**Webmaster:** Robert Lynch. Website: [www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org)

**Bulletin Editor:** Julie Byrne. **March 27 deadline is March 14** due to Easter holy days. Email submissions to [stbonbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:stbonbulletin@gmail.com) after approval from Fr. Kevin.

### All Saints Regional Catholic School (ASR)

Headmaster: The Very Reverend Dom Elias Carr, Can. Reg.; 12 Pearsall Ave., Glen Cove, NY 11542; (516) 676-0762; [www.asrcatholic.org](http://www.asrcatholic.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 parish center. Please return forms to the parish center.

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

**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 (516) 676-0676 to pre-arrange.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** An ongoing process of formation for those interested in becoming Catholic. Call the parish center at 676-0676 for more information.

**Diocese of Rockville Centre:** 50 North Park Ave. Rockville Centre, NY 11571-9023; (516) 678-5800 or [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org)

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You can drop your ticket(s) into the collection basket, drop them off at the parish office or mail them in. If you need additional tickets, they are available at the back of the Church and at the parish office. Tickets will still be on sale after **March 17, 2016**, but why miss one of the 14 chances to win \$500?

### Ministry to the Homebound

If you know of a homebound person who would like to receive Communion in their home, please contact Maureen Maddock at 759-9421 or the Parish Center at 676-0676.



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memorialized? Call the parish office for details.



Pat McDonough, who helped direct our Lenten Retreat this past week, preached at last Sunday's Masses.



A student from our parish school, All Saints, spoke with us after Mass last week about her studies there.



A scene of "The Journey, Cross & Crucifixion" performed at our Parish on March 6, 2016



all, and apostolic because it comes from and continues the teachings of the apostles. May this ancient living

tradition, this unity in faith and worship, fortify you as you look forward to the “life of the world to come.”

### **Thursday, March 17**

#### **Feast of St. Patrick, bishop, missionary**

How would you explain the Holy Trinity to someone who has never heard of the concept? How do you explain three divine beings who are really one, united yet distinctive? Saint Patrick of Ireland had many legends associated with him. Some are quite fantastic (such as the claim he chased all the snakes out of Ireland), but one is so practical it is quite possibly true. It is said that Patrick taught the Irish about the Holy Trinity with the help of a shamrock, the legendary three-leafed plant. The shamrock has since become a central symbol for St. Patrick's Day and for all of Ireland. God can be found in all of nature—where do you see the evidence?

*Today's readings: Genesis 17:3-9; John 8:51-59*

### **Friday, March 18**

#### **Feast of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop, Doctor of the Church**

For Catholics who are vegan, the Lenten meat sacrifice is a moot point. Those who go to AA know well what it means to “just say no” to something for a long time or a lifetime. Church father Cyril reflected on self-denial as a process aimed not at abhorring food or drink but at seeking something finer: “Having scorned things of the senses, we may enjoy a spiritual and intellectual feast. Having sown now in tears we may reap in joy in the world to come.” Say no now and enjoy a deeper yes.

### **Saturday, March 19**

#### **Feast of St. Joseph, husband of Mary**

Our age-old veneration of Mary has—unintentionally—kept Joseph, the so-called “forgotten saint,” in the background. While Mary's Annunciation is one of the most popular subjects in art, Joseph *also* had an Annunciation from an angel and was utterly obedient. Matthew's infancy narrative focuses not on Mary but on Joseph and his Davidic ancestry. He is instructed to name his child, an act that makes Joseph Jesus' legal father and confirms that Jesus is a “Son of David.” Saint John Paul II said Joseph takes his place in history “with simplicity and humility which reveal the man's spiritual depth.” What are your instructions from God?

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### **Fifth Sunday of Lent: March 13, 2016**

Theologian John Shea has written that “In two words the full theology of incarnation is revealed: ‘Jesus wept.’” Jesus knew the desolation and pain of grief. Today the elect—those training to be initiated into the church—say “Amen” to the priest's prayer calling for the Father of life to “Free these elect from the death-dealing power of the spirit of evil, so that they may bear witness to their new life in the risen Christ.” Our role as Christians is to give witness to Jesus' proclamation that death is not the end. Eternal life is promised to all who believe. Today, give thanks for the life of a loved one who has died and now lives in your heart and among God's saints.

### **Monday, March 14**

“Testify! Testify!” In some evangelical churches, those words ring out as an affirmation when someone speaks their inner truth. It takes one person to speak the truth and another to hear and verify it. In a court of law, testimony means providing witness or evidence; in faith matters, it means declaring the truth or witnessing to the faithfulness of another. For those in an RCIA program, training to join the church, sponsors testify to a candidate's intent to grow in faith. Testimony is given in word and deed, and ultimately it is our lives that testify to God's life in the world.

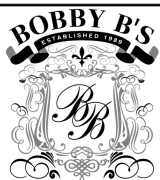
### **Tuesday, March 15**

Christians have rendered the basic shape of the cross in many different ways in order to convey various aspects of this central symbol of our faith. Perhaps you have a favorite: The Celtic cross? The Franciscan Tau? The ankh? The anchor? The fleur de lys? Whatever the form, simple or ornate, with Christ's body or without, the diverse expressions of the cross are prompts not only to venerate, not only to meditate on Christ's sacrifice and victory, but also to heed the personal call to take up a cross of your own.

### **Wednesday, March 16**

When we recite the Nicene Creed at Mass, we profess our belief in “one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church.” These Four Marks of the Church, as they are known, are its essential, distinguishing features. Christians are one body in Christ, a holy body because it belongs to Christ, catholic (which means “universal”) because it is open to





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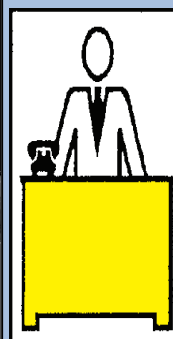
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