

# 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. Kevin Dillon, Pastor



You are the Christ. (Mark 8:27-35)

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 13, 2015

Mass Schedule

**Daily Mass**: 8am in chapel (not Sundays/Holy Days)

**Sundays:** Saturdays 5pm; Sundays: 8am, 10:15am\* **Holy Day Masses:** 5pm Vigil; 8am & 7pm (in church)

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

#### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time: September 13

Isaiah 50:5-9a; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

Saturday 5pm Mass Intention: Michael Searson 8am Mass Intention: Albert Candela 10:15am Mass Intention: Parishioners

#### Monday, September 14

**Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross** *Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17* **8am Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

Tuesday, September 15 (Bernard Daily) Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows 1 Timothy 3:1-13; John 19:25-27 or Luke 2:33-35 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

Wednesday, September 16 Feast of St. Cornelius 1 Timothy 3:14-16; Luke 7:31-35 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike

Thursday, September 17 (deceased members of the Welch and Woltering families) Feast of St. Robert Bellarmine 1 Timothy 4:12-16; Luke 7:36-50 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Kevin

**Friday, September 18** (George Warner) *1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Luke 8:1-3* 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Kevin

Saturday. September 19 (Raymond D'Agnes) Feast of St. Januarius 1 Timothy 6:13-16; Luke 8:4-15 8am Mass Celebrant: Fr. Kevin 5pm Vigil Mass Intention: Parishioners

#### **Banns of Marriage**

*Michael Nisivoccia, Jr.* and *Suzanne Mullen,* SS Peter and Paul, Hoboken, NJ (Third Banns)

*Eileen Sederholt,* St. Boniface Martyr, and **Matthew Mantione,** St. William the Abbot Seaford, NY (Second Banns)

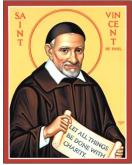
Minister's Schedule

#### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time: September 13

<b>Celebrant: Fr. Kevin</b> Kevin Kelly Irma Berkley Bill Berkley Eileen Bowersock Paul Bramfeld
<b>Celebrant: Fr. Azubuike</b> Mary Doran Peggy Niper Marie Agosta Ana Arellano Ralph Casey
<b>Celebrant: Fr. Kevin</b> Eileen Moran Susan Moran, Lorraine O'Sullivan Rosemary & John Murello Carolyn Rassiger, Jane Serpico.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society

In today's Gospel Jesus says "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and follow in my steps." The cross of Jesus and the crosses of his members can evangelize us: the sick, who bear illness with courage;



the grieving, who hope against hope; the dying, who clearly trust in the resurrection; the suffering of our poor brothers and sisters who are hungry and homeless, but who still trust in God's love. Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!

As you place your gift in the Society of St Vincent de Paul Poor Box or deposit your envelope in the drop box by the stairs near 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.

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## Please Pray for our Deceased

Please pray for those who have eternal life, especially *Frank Melchione*.

Please Pray for our Sick William Anderson, Steve Anzalone, Keith Dunn, Michelle Martone, Concetta O'Regan, John Orozco, Marian Pascucci, Sioban Rack, 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 Cor<sup>2</sup>: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 **\$7974.95** last week. This week there will be a second collection for The American University of America . Next week there will be a second collection for the St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility. *Thank you for your generosity!* 

### **Catholic Daughters of the Americas**

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

#### **Prayer Group**

Mondays at 7:30pm in the chapel. Come, and bring a friend! 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 7 -7:30pm in the chapel.

## **Scripture Study Resumes September 17**

Meets Thursdays from 7:30pm-9pm in the parish center. We use <u>Bringing the Gospel of Luke to Life</u>, <u>Insight and Inspiration</u>, by George Martin. The two disciples who walked with the risen Jesus on the road to Emmaus exclaimed afterward, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on our way and opened the scriptures to us?" (Luke 24:32). We too would like the Scriptures opened to us so that we could understand their meaning. 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 of the month at 9am in the parish center. Call Flora Musico at 656-9375 or Ann Hunt at 676-0330 for details.

## **Men's Ministry Resumes September 26**

Meets on the fourth Saturdays of the month beginning with 8am Mass in the chapel. Contact Rich at qbalwily@optonline.net for more information.

## On Saturday, September 19th, **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** will walk in honor of Our Holy Father's visit to the United States.



We are humbled to share in Pope Francis' mission of helping those in need; therefore, we dedicate the Society's 7th Annual Friends of the Poor® 5K Walk as our day to Walk with Francis. Join us as we continue to help our Long Island neighbors avoid hunger, homelessness, and despair. Walk with us in solidarity with Pope Francis, our

fellow Catholic community, and our neighbors in need.

Please join us at **Bethpage Community Park** on **Saturday, September 19, 2015** and take steps to stamp out poverty. Every dollar you raise will help someone in your local community.

Registration begins at 9am and the Walk begins at 11am.

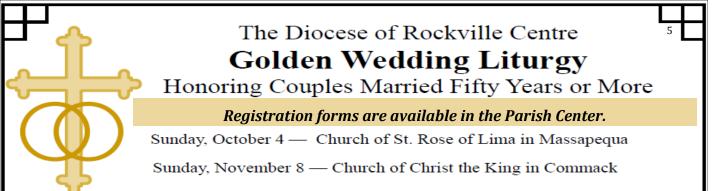
Walk with us. #Walk4thePoor #WalkwithFrancisSVDPLI For more information, visit WWW.SVDPLI.ORG or call us at (516) 822-3132.

"Charity that leaves the poor person as he is, is not sufficient. True mercy, the mercy God gives to us and teaches us, demands justice, it demands that the poor find the way to be poor no longer." -Pope Francis

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

Come See Yourself at Mercy! Our Lady of Mercy Academy Open House Saturday, September 26, 11am-1:30pm Visit www.olma.org to register!

Our Lady of Mercy Academy, Syosset St. Dominic High School Holy Trinity DHS, Hicksville Kellenberg Memorial HS, Uniondale Sacred Heart Academy, Hempstead Chaminade High School, Mineola St. Anthony's HS, South Huntington St. John the Baptist DHS, West Islip St. Mary's High School, Manhasset McGann-Mercy DHS, Riverhead Saturday, September 26 - (11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.)
Saturday, September 26 - (1:00 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.)
Sunday, September 27 - (12 noon - 2:30 p.m.)
Saturday, October 3 - (10 a.m.- 1 p.m.)
Saturday, October 3 - (11 a.m.- 2 p.m.)
Saturday, October 3 - (2 p.m. - 4 p.m.)
Sunday, October 18 - (10:30 a.m-2 p.m.)
Sunday, October 18 - (2 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.)
Saturday, October 24 - (9:00 a.m.- 12 p.m.)



Both liturgies will begin at 2:30 pm / Couples may register for ONE liturgy.

The <u>Diocese</u> must receive registrations by <u>September 18</u> for the October 4th Liturgy.

## **Events Committee Meeting**

Join us for an Events Committee Meeting on Tuesday, **September 15th** in the St. Boniface school building at 7pm to set the calendar for this year's events. Please bring your enthusiasm, friends and fresh ideas. We are open to any and all suggestions for events. Let's continue the great work we have

## Family Mass

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word is in need of volunteers during the 10:15am Mass. If interested, please see Jeff Schneider or Pat Warner.

## St. Boniface Martyr Youth Group 2015 Fall Kickoff Events

Kickoff Teen Mass & Meal with Fr. Kevin Dillon (September 13<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm in the Chapel & Parish Center) Summer Sendoff Barbeque & Games (September 20<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm on the field behind the church) Sundae Sunday & Gym Night (September 27<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm in the Gym) Mini-Mart Fall Fundraiser & the St. Bon-i-Fire (Subber 5<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am on Sea Ciff Ave. & @ 6:00pm at the Rectory)

Chris Mandato, Youth Minister - 516.676.0676 - 145 Glen Avenue Sea Cliff, NY 11579 stbonym@gmail.com - Instagram: 'stbonyg' - Facebook: 'St. Boniface Martyr Youth Group' "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength!" (Phil 4:13)

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### **A PRICELESS TREASURE**

September 23, 1970 was a very hot and humid day, and it dawned like any other late September day when students and teachers were still getting acclimated and accustomed to one another. I was a student in the fourth grade at St. Aidan's in Williston Park, and in those days if you lived close enough to school you could walk home for lunch. That's exactly what I did that day, but that's when the day became unlike any other day for my father and my whole family, including me. At lunch, I noticed my mom crying on the phone and talking about getting a black dress for her and a black tie for my father. I asked her who died, but at first she did not want to tell me because I was very close to my



grandmother and I was going to return for the afternoon session of school. Needless to say, I did not go back to school that afternoon, as my mother had to break the news to me. I cried very hard, and was very sad for quite some time. I was, indeed, fortunate enough to still have my maternal grandfather alive and he lived well into his eighties, and when he died in 1986, I was 25. I have many fond memories of my grandparents and they were models of faith and inspiration to me by the way they lived their lives.

A woman by the name of Catherine Willey founded the Grandparents Association, and proclaimed that a day is to be set aside to honor the contributions of grandparents to their families, and here in the United States we celebrate that on the second Sunday of September. Today many grandparents continue to play a significant role in the lives of their grandchildren, and I hope you have the same affections and feelings for your grandparents that I had for mine, and I hope that grandparents of today feel closely connected, needed and loved by their grandchildren. Grandparents and the elderly in general can teach us a lot about life and our faith. They have often accumulated years of experience and have learned much, and more often than not, they are very willing to share their successes and failings with the younger members of their family. Are we always willing to listen, or do we just dismiss them as outdated and out of touch with modern life in the 21st century? Recently, at a Charismatic Conference in Rome, Pope Francis described the elderly as the "Church's Wisdom."

The late humorist, Sam Levinson once described the special connection between grandparents and grandchildren. Mr. Levinson described this relationship by saying, "the reason grandparents and grandchildren get along so well is because they share a common enemy." I remember fondly the relationship between my grandmother and me, and my grandmother was always quick to defend me (even perhaps when I did not deserve to be defended), so I always knew I had an ally in her. My paternal grandfather and maternal grandmother were people of great faith who went to Mass regularly, even when it was inconvenient for them as they aged. Michael LaCorte, United States Director of the Grandparents Association acknowledges grandparents as "the pre-eminent collaborators of parents in the education of good children, and consequently the vocation of grandparents is to pass on the faith instilled by God."

If you are still fortunate enough to have your grandparents alive, include them in your life; let them know what you are doing. They love you and are genuinely interested in you. Talk to them, and seek their advice and counsel, and if God has blessed you with one grandchild or many consider yourself lucky, and take an interest in their lives. Ask them about school; talk to them about their extracurricular activities; pray with them, and finally be non-judgmental with them. Finally whether they are still with you here on earth, or with God in eternity, pray for them!

#### HAPPY GRANDPARENTS' DAY!

Fr. Kevin

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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

**September 13** is the Fall Kickoff Event! See the flyer on page 5 for details.

## **Religious Education**



This years Religious Education Program will begin the week of **September 20** with the Family Program. All after-school and evening classes will begin that week on September 22, 23 and 24.

All families that have not yet registered may do so by obtaining a Religious Education registration form from the vestibule in the church after any of the masses, OR from the Parish Center. Please fill it out as soon as possible. Classes are filling up very quickly! Return it to the Parish Center either by dropping it off or mailing it in. All forms must be received no later than **September 10th**.

St. Boniface Martyr Religious Education Back to School Night is on Tuesday **September 22** at 7 pm in the St. Boniface gym. Please attend this important meeting.

Catechists (Teachers) are needed for all grades, especially Kindergarten through grade 5, in both afternoon sessions and on Sunday morning for the Family Program. The success of the program lies in your assistance in volunteering. Please consider participating. Team teaching is encouraged, training and on going assistance is provided for all volunteers.

If you have any questions about the Religious Education program please contact Mrs. Croce at 671-0418 or by e-mail at stbonccd@gmail.com.

#### **Parish Directory**

Pastor: Fr. Kevin Dillon Email: stbonpastor@gmail.com

In Residence: Fr. Azubuike

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Business & Finance: Eileen Krieb E-mail: stbonfinance@gmail.com

Administration: Joan Schiller (Mondays through Thursdays) Margaret Evans (Fridays). E-mail: stbonchurch@gmail.com \* New Hours: Thursdays 1:30pm-8:30pm starts September 10.

Religious Education: Karen Croce Phone: (516) 671-0418; E-mail: stbonccd@gmail.com

Youth Ministry: Chris Mandato Email: stbonym@gmail.com

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Fr. James Donohoe 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; 1:30-4:30pm, Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri \*Starting September 10: Thursdays 1:30-8:30pm (no am hours)

All Saints Regional Catholic School (ASR) Headmaster: The Very Reverend Dom Elias Carr, Can. Reg. 12 Pearsall Avenue, Glen Cove, NY 11542 (516) 676-0762. Website: 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.

**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 parish center at 676-0676 for more information.

## Take Five for Faith

#### <u>Sunday, September 13, 2015</u> Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

What the Letter of James lacks in length, it makes up for in content. At only five chapters long, the Letter, presumed to have been written by James the Just, an early leader of the church in Jerusalem and martyr, is one of the earliest guides to the moral aspects of discipleship. In no uncertain terms, it declares that faith is something to be lived out. Christian witness is embodied in behavior. Just as God is generous, so should we be. No one is perfect, but James reminds us to keep trying. Love your neighbors, give your all, and let your works speak louder than words.

#### Monday, September 14

#### Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The cross of Christ is represented in every way imaginable. It's wooden, iron, bejeweled, or composed of stained glass. Burdened with the weight of an anguished Lord or abandoned by the Risen One. Mounted by the Great High Priest or enthroning the King of the Universe. Bearing a dying man writhing with the pain of the world's sin. Or soberly displaying a still and silent corpse. In all of its aspects, we raise that precious cross as a sign of God's deep love for our world. Meditate before the cross today.

#### <u>Tuesday. September 15</u> Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

Mary has been held up as a model of courage since the earliest centuries. Saint Ambrose in the fourth century sees Mary as a powerful witness at the foot of the cross, refusing to abandon her son even when most of his disciples fled. Imagine the pain of seeing your own child brutally executed. At so many moments in her life Mary displayed this remarkable courage—only the deepest faith could have sustained her. When you face your most difficult moments, think of Mary, recall her courage in the face of sorrow, and call upon that same faith to see you through.

#### Wednesday, September 16

#### Feast of St. Cornelius

The third-century life of Saint Cyprian, the bishop of Carthage, might have given rise to the comedy tag line: "It's always something," but his troubles and those of the church were anything but funny. If it wasn't a heresy, it was bitter controversy over whether someone who had renounced the faith might be reconciled with the church; or it was exile, or the plague, or schism. Cyprian's response was always generosity. During a terrible plague, for example, he himself cared for the sick and buried the dead—Christians and non-Christians alike exemplifying his own words: "Love is the foundation of all the virtues." How can love calm the troubles of your own life today?

#### <u>Thursday. September 17</u> Feast of St. Robert Bellarmine

As a respected scholar and church historian, Jesuit Robert Bellarmine was made a cardinal and given apartments in the Vatican in the late 1500s in honor of his great learning. He didn't let it go to his head. Instead, like another Jesuit who currently occupies the chair of Peter, Bellarmine lived a simple life and focused on the needs of the poor. He is said to have used the elaborate hangings that draped his walls to clothe poor people in winter, remarking "the walls won't catch cold." Look around your home today for something you *don't need* that could help someone *in need*.

#### Friday, September 18

We are too often bombarded by digital images, violent and sexual, that we'd rather not, or perhaps shouldn't, see. Because when you look upon something, you can't later "unsee" it. You might forget it, but it affects you, maybe tempts you, maybe desensitizes you. So exercise what's called, in the Catholic tradition, "custody of the eyes"—that is, be careful what you choose to look at, think about your intention when you choose to look at things, and avoid letting your gaze linger where it could do you harm.

#### <u>Saturday. September 19</u> Feast of St. Januarius

Italians refer to Januarius as San Gennaro, and in his patron city of Naples, as well as in a number of Italian-American communities, today will be celebrated with that quintessential food from Naples—pizza! Though the details about the life and martyrdom of our fourth-century saint are sketchy, we can take the opportunity to honor all who died for their faith by sharing a meal with those who nurtured our faith. Today is Saturday, a great day to gather the folks, order (or make!) a pizza, and share some stories of faith as you break bread together.

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