



# St. Boniface Martyr Roman Catholic Church

Established 1898 ~ Sea Cliff, NY

Serving the people of God in Sea Cliff,  
Glen Head, Glenwood Landing, Glen Cove  
and surrounding communities.

Reverend Kevin J. Dillon, Pastor

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

## Fifth Sunday of Easter ~ May 10, 2020

### Parish Information

**Parish Center:** IN ACCORDANCE TO NY STATE REGULATIONS, THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

*All voice mail messages are forwarded and will be returned during regular business hours: (516) 676-0676.*

*All emails are read and will be answered during regular business hours: [stbonchurch@gmail.com](mailto:stbonchurch@gmail.com)*

Website: [www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org); Fax: 674-6742;  
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**Parish Outreach:** Call Jody Fleischmann and David Meagher at (516) 676-0676 x125. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Call Linda Zavaró at (516) 676-0676 x124. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**Bereavement Support Group:** Call David Meagher at (516) 676-0676 x131. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**Webmaster:** Robert Lynch; [www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org); [stbonweb@gmail.com](mailto:stbonweb@gmail.com) or text/call 516-782-7494

**Parish Registration:** We welcome new members to our parish family. Please contact the office.

**Baptism:** Please contact the office to arrange an interview and class. Godparents must have received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation) and live in harmony with the Catholic Church.

**Matrimony:** Engaged couples are to call the parish office before any other arrangements are made. A minimum of six months is needed for marriage preparations.

**CYO:** Kevin Kelly; 516-676-0676 x 122. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** An ongoing process of formation for those interested in becoming Catholic. Email Jane Serpico at [stbonRCIA@gmail.com](mailto:stbonRCIA@gmail.com) or call the parish office at (516) 676-0676 x130. Messages are received and will be returned ASAP.

**The Sisters of Jesus the Savior:** 676-0676 x101

**Diocese of Rockville Centre**

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*Visit [www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org) and the St. Boniface Facebook page for more information.*

# Online Masses

# Happy Mother's Day

**During the health crisis, public Masses remain suspended. However, 9am Masses Wednesdays through Saturdays and 10:30am Sunday Masses are live streamed on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr/](http://www.facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr/)**

## **Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 10, 2020**

*Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-19; 1 Pet 2:4-9;  
John 14:1-12*

**5pm Mass Intentions:** Parishioners, Benjamin Zabicki

## **10:30am Mass Intention:**

### **Mother's Day Novena**

(Names will be added to the list for next week's bulletin. All names have been received and will be included in the Mother's Day Novena of Masses.)

## **Monday, May 11**

*Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-16;  
John 14:21-26*

Mass Intention: Mother's Day Novena;  
Jon & Nan (living)

## **Tuesday, May 12**

St. Nereus & Achilleus, St. Pancras  
*Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-21;  
John 14:27-31*

Mass Intention: Mother's Day Novena

## **Wednesday, May 13**

Feast of Our Lady of Fatima  
*Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; John 15:1-8*

**9am Mass Intention:** Mother's Day Novena

## **Thursday, May 14**

Feast of St. Matthias  
*Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-10; John 10:27*

**9am Mass Intention:** Mother's Day Novena; Anne Wright

## **Friday, May 15**

Memorial of St. Isidore  
*Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-12; Jn 15:12-17*

**9am Mass Intention:** Mother's Day Novena

## **Saturday, May 16**

*Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:15; Col 3:1;  
John 15:18-21*

**9am Mass Intention:** Mother's Day Novena

## **Mother's Day Novena 2020**

Marie Agosta, Anastasia Banach,  
Randa Barrington, Mary Bartell, Eileen Boris,  
Ann Brady, Mae Brantuas, Grace Brennan,  
Dina Byrne, Karen Byrne, Amelia Castellano,  
Antionette Churillo, Rose Coco,  
Cecilia Palettella Drowica, Theresa Evans,  
Grace Fanning, Anna Ferguson, Nellie Furlong,  
Mary Louise Graziose, Grace Greenwood,  
Margaret Gregson, Barbara Ann Grella,  
Anna Herring, Veronica Hoffman, Irene Hsu,  
Linda Izzo, Agnes Kim, Joanna Kim,  
Estelle Kostynick, Mrs. Lorraine Kutch,  
Nicole Lipp, Ingrid Lund, Elizabeth Murphy  
McDonald, Kathleen Martin, Lina Martin,  
Maria Martin, Marylouise Martin,  
Patricia Merrick, Ann Micucci, Helen Miller,  
Katherine Miller, Stephanie Miller,  
Camille Miritello, Regina Miritello,  
Mirsanico Moctkas, Maureen Murphy,  
Mary Nadurak, Mary Nolan,  
Carol Ann O'Keefe, Mary E. O'Shea,  
Catherine Pidal, Ellen Quinn,  
Anna Dooley Rannou,  
Adelaide Kathleen Reed, Mary Sasso,  
Maryanne Shannon, Jennifer Sheridan,  
Kathy Sheridan, Mary Serpico, Alycia Skedgell,  
Bertha Skedgell, Anne Sobieski, Sheila Webster,  
Katherine Weinstein, Lee White, Eileen Woods;  
Ruth, Irene, Kim; Dunlop, D'Emic, Lydon  
and Freedland family Mothers.

## Please Pray

### An Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.*

### For Our Deceased

Christine Sica

### For Our Sick

John Moran

Lucia Alonso, William Anderson, Brandon Arena, Charlie Brackenridge, Richard Brown, Caesar Cavese, Camille Costa, Therese Curry, Carmela DelGaudio, Daniel Garcia, Gary Gullo, Mary Jo Hauser, Cecelia Hernandez, Sairah Khan, Abby Kolkhorst, Toni Lauria, Georgia Leim, Bruce McGhee, Bobbi McDonald, Anna MacHormell, Janet McKinnon, Michelle Martone, Kenneth Moore, Kim Occhiogrosso, John Orozco, Danielle Robinson, Tom Ryan, Jr., Abigail Salva, Pat Sawicki, Vincenza Scire, Anna Fiora Seda, Katrina Stern, Steven Taibbi, Steven Tipton, Glenn Van Pelt, Sr., Joe Vulpis, Lisa Vulpis, Scott Warner. *Requests for inclusion on the sick list must be made 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  
US Marine Lance CPO Philip W. Grella, III  
Jake A. Hojnowski, Sailor E-3, US Navy  
Lance CPL Gregory Knox  
Sgt. Christian Lada, US Army  
Christian Pace Laderer, MMN3, US Navy  
Private First Class Ignazio LaManna, US Army  
Private First Class Vincent S. LaManna, Jr., US Army  
Lieutenant Brian McMenamin  
Lieutenant Ian McMenamin  
Private First Class Joshua McMillan  
Lieutenant Michael R. Ragusa, USN  
SPC Jennifer Sinski, US Army  
Ensign Joseph Varello, USN  
Lieutenant Commander Drew Whitting, US Navy  
Sgt. Luke Whitting, US Army  
Captain Christina Merrick-Wright  
Captain Bradley Wright, US Army.

### “Drive By” Blessings

Blessings will be given in front of the Church from 9:45am to 10:15am and again from 12 noon until 12:20pm every Sunday. Please read the following directions if you wish to participate: The blessings will be done as a “drive by.” Simply slow down and Father will sprinkle Holy Water and make the sign of the cross. **Please do not stop or exit your vehicle. If people get out of their vehicles or walk up to the church, all blessings will stop.** Please be respectful of others and our clergy. If all goes well, the blessings will continue every Sunday, weather permitting. Many thanks to Fr. Kevin, Fr. Perera and Fr. Azubuiké!

### Monday Rosary in May

The Rosary will be prayed at 5pm every Monday in May (10:30am Memorial Day), on Zoom and Facebook Live. Please join us and increase the power of our prayers! For those using Zoom, the ID number is **921-737-0728**.

### St. Boniface Rosary Garden

Open for private prayer Tuesdays and Wednesdays 8am - 2pm; Saturdays and Sundays 12pm- 6pm.

### Important Announcement

After much prayer and deliberation, it has been decided that our Parish will not be hosting or participating in any of the public social gatherings we are usually involved in. These include the Feast by the Shore, St. Boniface Feast Day activities, Sea Cliff Garage Sale Day, St. Boniface Fall Yard Sale, Mini-Mart and all such similar activities. We feel this is in the best interest of our parish and the health and safety of the wider community. Thank you for your understanding.

### Helping Neighbors in Need

#### ST. BONIFACE OUTREACH PANTRY

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the Outreach/Pantry functioning on a need-to-assist basis. We are asking your assistance by providing us with the names and addresses of parishioners you know who need food but can't shop. Please call the parish office at 516-676-0676 ext. 125 with the person's name, address and phone number. We will have food delivered to them safely.

#### ST. BONIFACE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

If you know of any parishioners needing assistance and without access to the internet or knowledge about how to reach the St. Vincent dePaul Society, please have them call 676-0676, ext. 124 and leave a message. A member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will contact them as soon as possible. We pray that this crisis will be short term and that we will be able to return to our normal operations soon.



# Take Five for Faith

## **Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 10, 2020**

There's some disagreement between those who consider prayer the number-one obligation for believers and those convinced that actions speak louder than words. Monastic leader Benedict of Clairvaux wrote his Rule to ensure his monks understood that *ora et labora*—prayer and labor—are partner activities in reaching spiritual maturity. Some people are clearly called to devote themselves primarily to spiritual matters in full-time religious vocations. Others can better serve elbow-deep in more worldly arenas. Try to balance the mix between spiritual rejuvenation and gritty action in your life.

## **Monday, May 11, 2020**

Jesus promised to send his followers an advocate—the Holy Spirit—to come to our aid, to strengthen and plead our Christian cause and defend us from evil. (We can use all the help we can get in these trying times!) As part of our church's social teaching, Catholics are to be advocates for the poor. Add your voice to those urging policymakers to take action on critical issues from malnutrition to forced migration. [catholic.org](http://www.catholic.org) is a good place to start.

## **Tuesday, May 12, 2020**

### MEMORIAL OF ST. PANCRAS, MARTYR

Not much is known about Saint Pancras—other than he was martyred, like many Christians, by the Roman Emperor Diocletian around the year 303. Historic churches and a famous train station in London bear his name because Augustine of Canterbury brought devotion to Pancras with him to northern Europe. A truly defining characteristic of Pancras, though, is that he was only 14 when he was tortured and beheaded, putting him in the same “child saint” category as martyrs Maria Goretti, Agnes of Rome, and José Luis Sánchez del Río. How can your own faith benefit from a childlike trust?

## **Wednesday, May 13, 2020**

### MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Beginning May 13, 1917 and continuing through that fall, three children (Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta) of Fatima, Portugal reported several Marian apparitions.

Much has been written about the message of Our Lady of Fatima, whose feast was added to the church calendar in 2002. The document on Fatima comes from the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. In sum: The apparitions did not predict the future or announce the end of the world. They did “exhort” us to pray, because “prayer is the salvation for souls.” Good advice in any guise!

## **Thursday, May 14, 2020**

### FEAST OF ST. MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

Not much is known about Matthias except that he replaced Judas as one of the 12 apostles. Tradition has it that he preached in the areas around Judea and possibly farther afield and was persecuted and martyred, but details are few and unreliable. Today's first reading tells us he stepped in when needed and agreed to join the apostles following Jesus' death and Resurrection. Like most Christians, he lived a life of quiet faithfulness without much glory. Be ready to step in to serve others. Never mind the glory.

## **Friday, May 15, 2020**

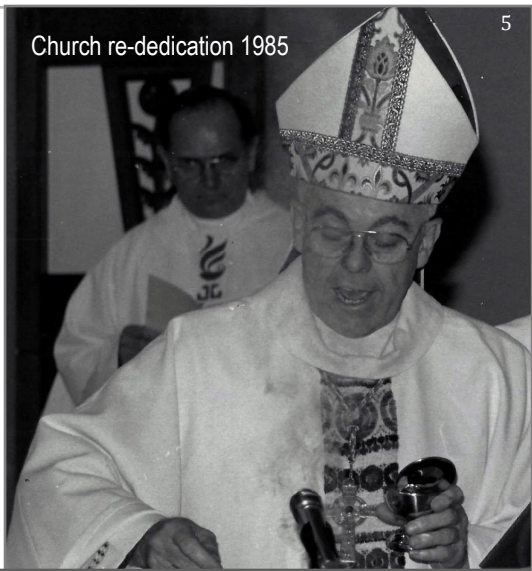
The call to unity is woven throughout our Catholic faith. In *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis writes that we share with our ancestors in faith the conviction “that everything is interconnected, and that genuine care for our own lives and our relationships with nature is inseparable from fraternity, justice, and faithfulness to others.” Recent events bring this truth home in forceful ways. Today let's commemorate International Day of Families and Endangered Species Day, both of which are ways to help nurture our essential connectedness with each other and the world.

## **Saturday, May 16, 2020**

Religious persecution was commonplace in the story of the Early Church. Two thousand years later, persecution of Christians continues. In a 2019 trip to the Catacombs of Priscilla in Rome, Pope Francis remarked, “Still today Christians are persecuted—even more than in the first centuries.” Play your part in stopping all religious persecution by expressing zero tolerance for it in your own backyard.

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**St. Boniface Martyr Parish** continued to prosper and to grow after the Diamond Jubilee in 1973, and as one observer from outside the parish noted, Fr. Fee played “a dignified and important role in Sea Cliff,” as well as in the St. Boniface community. He was honored by the North Shore Kiwanis Club as “Citizen of the Year” in **1980** and when he reached the age of obligatory retirement, continued to reside at the parish as Pastor Emeritus. It was then that Fr. Donald Diederich was installed as pastor. In the Fall of **1982** the priests moved to the newly renovated Parish Center, a building that since 1928 had been the convent for the Sisters of Mercy, and the former rectory was rented to the Sisters of St. Joseph. On **May 15, 1983**, Fr. Diederich was honored at a mass and reception to celebrate his 25th anniversary as a priest. Fr. Fee’s sudden death from a heart attack on **November 19, 1983**, came as a great shock. The funeral mass for the Pastor Emeritus was celebrated with Bishop John McGann as the principal celebrant.



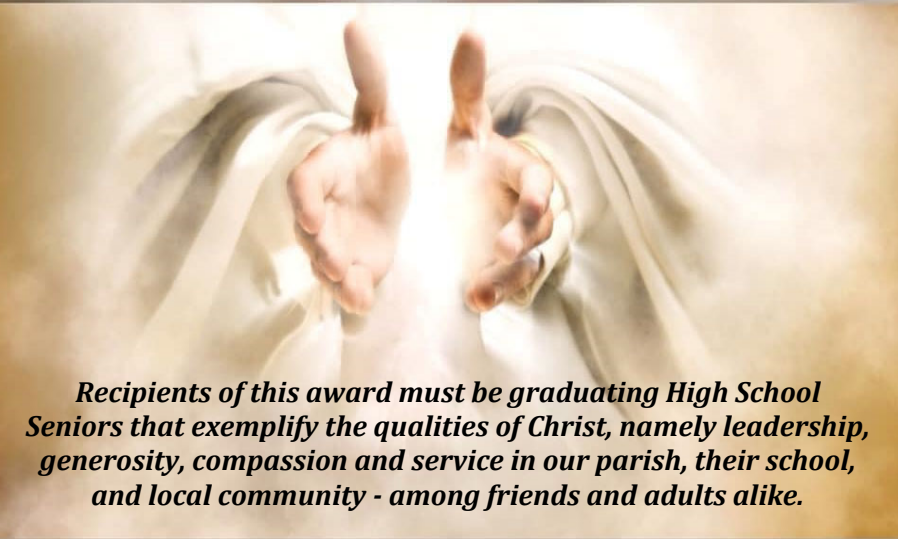
The renovated church, re-dedicated on **March 24, 1985**, by Bishop McGann, gave St. Boniface a stronger sense of active participation in the liturgy. Changes in the church itself included removal of the altar rail, creation of a permanent altar facing the people, addition of a wide but shallow sanctuary and a re-positioning of the pews to bring the congregation and celebrant closer together. The original baptismal font was relocated to the sanctuary and the tabernacle was repositioned to a place of prominence in the sanctuary. Architectural history was preserved by refashioning the original marble altars into a single permanent altar, a substantial base for the tabernacle, and the eye-catching face of the ambo. Original oakleaf fretwork from the communion rail adorned the wall above the tabernacle.

*Photos and history courtesy of our parish webmaster, Robert Lynch. See the newly updated history pages for a stroll down memory lane, beginning with our parish during COVID-19, at [www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org).*





# Hands of Christ Award



*Recipients of this award must be graduating High School Seniors that exemplify the qualities of Christ, namely leadership, generosity, compassion and service in our parish, their school, and local community - among friends and adults alike.*

High School Seniors: The deadline is **May 22** to apply for the 2020 *Hands of Christ Award*. Email Belinda Basaca Zeitlin for details and an application/nomination at [stbonym@gmail.com](mailto:stbonym@gmail.com).



**Drive by Blessings (see page 2)**



# Stewardship ... a Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parishioner,

During this time of social distancing, St. Boniface Martyr depends on online donations to continue our ministries.

I prayerfully invite you to consider joining many of your fellow parishioners at St. Boniface in making your generous gifts through Faith Direct.

This request is critical as churches nationwide are temporarily closed due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

To keep the work of our church going, we are currently depending on the incoming monies from those using eGiving. Faith Direct is a convenient and secure electronic giving (eGiving) program that will enable you to continue giving to St. Boniface from your home.

Through Faith Direct you can make all of your contributions to St. Boniface automatically from your checking account or credit card – just as you may do now with your mortgage, household bills, and other monthly payments. This is a great way to simplify your giving – and it's the most cost-effective, environmentally-friendly way for us to receive your gifts. You can sign up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

You can review the enrollment process by clicking on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/0j1njMIUxEQ>. It gives you a quick look at how easy it is to enroll and manage your account.

I highly recommend the Faith Direct program. Please take a minute to enroll right now. You can use their simple, secure online enrollment form.

For details, you can also visit the Faith Direct website, [faith.direct/NY820](https://faith.direct/NY820), email [info@faithdirect.net](mailto:info@faithdirect.net), or call the toll-free number, **866-507-8757**, to speak with someone.

Thank you so much for considering eGiving to support our parish, and may God bless you and your loved ones!

In His Name,  
Fr. Kevin Dillon, Pastor

***St. Boniface Martyr Church is sustained by the generosity of parishioners through time, talent and treasure. For all that you do, thank you!***

## **Sunday Donations**

Thank you for your **Stewardship donations**.

## **Month of April Faith Direct Donations**

Stewardship - \$14,255

Easter - \$5,753

Maintenance and Repair - \$923

One Time Gifts - \$2,035

Holy Land (DRVC) - \$444

95 participating families (\$3,238 per week)

## **Special Assistance**

*"Your surplus at the present time should supply their needs so that their surplus may in turn one day supply your need."* (II Cor 8:14).

Stewardship also provides assistance for the less fortunate. Please place your "surplus" in an envelope marked Special Assistance. Fr. Kevin will see it helps "supply their needs." Please pray about what Jesus is asking you to do.

***Teach us to give and not to count the cost.***

– St. Ignatius of Loyola

## **Staff Directory**

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