

The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field . . . Matthew 13:14

## St. Boniface Martyr Roman Catholic Church

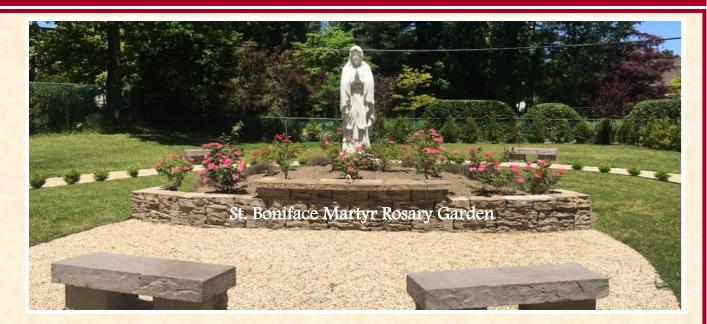
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Reverend Kevin J. Dillon, Pastor

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

### Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: July 26, 2020



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**Office Hours:** 10am-2pm Monday - Friday; 9am-12pm Saturday.

**Church Hours:** 8am-2:30pm Monday - Friday; 8am-6pm Saturday; 9am-1pm Sunday.

Masses: 8am Monday through Saturday. Saturday 5pm; Sunday: 9am, 10:30am;12pm

**Confession:** Saturday 4pm-4:45pm in the Parish Center.

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### Liturgy Schedule

Watch 10:30am Sunday Mass at St. Boniface: www.facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr/ Otherwise, watch Catholic Faith Network: Optimum 29/137, Verizon 296 or CFNtv.org (On Demand).

Please pray for our deceased: Caesar Cavese

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 26, 2020** *1 Kgs 3:5-12; Ps 119:57-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-46* 

**5pm Mass:** Presider: Fr. Kevin. Intention: **Parishioners** 

**9am Mass.** Presider: Fr. Perera Intention: Olga M. Neuhaus

10:30am Mass. Presider: Fr. Kevin. Intentions: Edward Hoffman, Salvatore Miglio

12pm Mass. Presider: Fr. Azubuike

Monday, July 27 Jer 13:1-11; Deut 32:18-21; James 1:18; Matt 13:31-35 8am Mass. Presider: Fr. Azubuike.

Tuesday, July 28

*Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8-13; Matt 13:36-43* **8am Mass.** Presider: Fr. Azubuike

**Wednesday, July 29:** Memorial of St. Martha *Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:1-18; John 15:15; Matt 13:44-46* **8am Mass**. Presider: Fr. Kevin

Thursday, July 30 Memorial of St. Peter Chrysologus Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1-6; Acts 16:14; Matt 13:47-53 8am Mass. Presider: Fr. Kevin

**Friday, July 31:** Memorial of St. Ignatius of Loyola *Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5-14; 1 Pet 1:25; Matt 13:54-58* **8am Mass**. Presider: Fr. Perera

**First Saturday, August 1:** St. Alphonsus Liguori *Jer 26:11-24; Ps 69:15-34; Matt 5:10; Matt 14:1-12* **8am Mass.** Presider: Fr. Perera **Confession** 4pm-4:45pm. Confessor: Fr. Kevin

**Prayer to St. Michael:** Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

### Opening Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy

1. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,
Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee;
Cast - ing down their gold-en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
Though the eye made blind by sin thy glo - ry may not see,
Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
Cher-u-bim and ser - a-phim Fall - ing down be - fore thee,
On - ly thou art ho - ly, there is none be - side thee,
God in three Per - sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty.
Which wert and art, and ev - er-more shall be.
Per - fect in pow'r, in love and pur - i - ty.

### Prayers & Readings

**CONFITEOR:** I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do; through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**GLORIA**: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**THE APOSTLES' CREED:** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of <sup>3</sup> God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

**THE NICENE CREED:** I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**READING 1:** The LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream at night. God said, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." Solomon answered: "O LORD, my God, you have made me, your servant, king to succeed my father David; but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act. I serve you in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a people so vast that it cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong. For who is able to govern this vast people of yours?" The LORD was pleased that Solomon made this request. So God said to him: "Because you have asked for this — not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding so that you may know what is right— I do as you requested. I give you a heart so wise and understanding that there has never been anyone like you up to now, and after you there will come no one to equal you."

#### PSALM RESPONSE: "Lord, I love your commands."

**READING 2:** Brothers and sisters: We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those he predestined he also called; and those he called he also justified; and those he justified he also glorified.

**GOSPEL:** Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind. When it is full they haul it ashore and sit down to put what is good into buckets. What is bad they throw away. Thus it will be at the end of the age. The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. "Do you understand all these things?" They answered, "Yes." And he replied, "Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old."

# Let Us Pray

#### For Our Deceased: Caesar Cavese

#### **For Our Sick**

Lucia Alonso, William Anderson, Brandon Arena, Charlie Brackenridge, Richard Brown, 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, Janet McKinnon, Michelle Martone, Kenneth Moore, John Moran, Fr. Daniel Nash, Kim Occhiogrosso, John Orozco, Michelle Perone, Danielle Robinson, Tom Ryan, Jr., Abagail Salva, Pat Sawicki, Vincenza Scire, Anna Fiora Seda, Katrina Stern, Steven Taibbi, Steven Tipton, Eric Tyrkko, 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.

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

## Stewardship

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#### Thank you for your generosity!

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Thank you again for your generous donations and for considering using Faith Direct to support your church. May God bless you and your loved ones!

In His Name, **Fr. Kevin Dillon, Pastor** 

#### **COVID Rent Relief Program Overview**

The Emergency Rent Relief Act of 2020 signed by Governor Cuomo has made \$100 million available to assist low-income renters in New York impacted by the pandemic through the COVID Rent Relief Program. The COVID RRP will provide eligible households with a one-time rental subsidy that will be sent directly to the household's landlord. Applicants will not need to repay this assistance. The program covers the period between April 1, 2020 and July 31, 2020. Households may apply for assistance for up to four months during this coverage period. The applications will be available only for two weeks in mid-July and will be accessed through the Homes and Community Renewal website. Please see the formal announcement below for more information. *—SVdPLI (Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Long Island)* 



Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor ~ RuthAnne Visnauskas, Commissioner and CEO

#### **COVID Rent Relief Program**

Thank you for participating in our recent webinar introducing the COVID Rent Relief Program. As you may know, Governor Cuomo officially announced the program yesterday and the application period will open on Thursday, July 16.

From the time this legislation was passed on May 28 and signed into law on June 17, HCR has been hard at work building this program from the ground up. Feedback from the online webinars was invaluable and we appreciate your partnership in reaching out to the communities you serve and helping applicants navigate the process.

#### Applications for the program will be available here: www.hcr.ny.gov/RRP

The website also provides a section of Frequently Asked Questions which are available in six languages. There is also a video PSA that will help residents better understand how the program works.

Interested parties can register here to receive an email when the application portal opens.

Later this week, HCR will provide information about our COVID RRP Call Center which will be staffed seven days per week from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Applicants will be able to call during that time and receive personalized support.

We will keep you updated on this initiative and we look forward to addressing any questions or concerns you or your constituents may have.

Thank you again for your support. Together we can help the most vulnerable families and individuals keep their homes during this challenging time.

### News & Notes

*First Banns of Marriage* Lorenz Michael Bracco and Samantha Michelle Henriquez St. Boniface Martyr Church, Sea Cliff



#### **Religious Education Registration 2020-21**

Please visit **www.saintboniface.org** for updated information about the Religious Education Program in light of COVID-19. Registration for online virtual classes is happening now. Please register as soon as possible. Email Karen Croce at stbonccd@gmail.com

**Confessions:** Saturdays 4pm-4:45pm in the Parish Center. Wait on the porch socially distanced. Masks required. Face to Face Confession only, with plexiglass separating priest and penitent.

**Mass:** 8am Mondays through Saturdays. Seating in side pews and first two center pews on the left. **Sunday:** 5pm Saturday; 9am10:30am,12pm Sunday.

**Church Entry** via main doors. Masks Required.

#### **Bathrooms closed.**

**Communion:** Communicants are to come forward masked, ungloved and socially distanced. After you say Amen, step aside and consume the host. You may receive on the tongue by kneeling and removing your mask.

**The Diocese** strongly encourages the sick or vulnerable due to age or health conditions to remain at home and view Mass on TV or on line. *Sunday Mass dispensation is effect indefinitely per DRVC.* 

**The 10:30am Sunday Mass is live on Facebook.** Otherwise watch Catholic Faith Network: CFNtv.org (*On Demand*), Optimum 29/137, Verizon 296.

### Prepare the Word

#### Do You Know How Much it is Worth?

On Public Television there is a program called *Antiques Roadshow*. People bring items to be appraised by professionals and experts with the hope that their vase or painting or chair might be a valuable antique. The fun of the program lies in the description of the item given by the appraiser and the growing anticipation of the value that will be placed on it.

While occasionally an item is judged to be ordinary or counterfeit, more often than not the owner, who does not have a clue to its worth, is shocked at the auction price value of something that has been lying around unprotected in his or her attic or garage. Sadly, though, for every 30 or so people they show on the program, countless others go home disappointed.

By virtue of our Baptism, we have been given the gift of the kingdom of God in our faith. Even if that faith may not be perfect, and even if it is a little nicked or scratched, it is still valuable beyond measure. The appraiser is Jesus. And he is telling us that our faith is a priceless gift. That should bring us all great joy and comfort. *- Fr. Dominic Grassi* 

#### **Got What I Wanted**

Many years ago Bill sat with Shirley on her family's front porch talking late into the evening. It was their third date, and they were falling in love. He talked about how he wanted to own a big company and have lots of people around who admired him. She wanted to be a writer whose published stories and poems would touch people's hearts. When they talked about it together, these dreams seemed almost a sure thing.

It didn't turn out quite the way they imagined it. Bill did work for himself, but his business never grew. He was a soft touch for every down-and-out person. He hired a number of them—some of whom went on to great success of their own but most of whom just kept body and soul together. As for Shirley, a few of her poems got put in the parish bulletin, but with kids and now grandkids to tend to, she didn't have much time for creative writing.

Now, on their 50th wedding anniversary, Bill and Shirley renewed their marriage vows. The church was packed that day with men and women grateful for the second and third chances Bill gave them, and with countless friends and family members who had stashes of Shirley's inspiring letters, cards, and notes tucked away for safe keeping. Sometimes dreams do come true.

The model of genuine faith that our parents lived remains deeply ingrained in us. The rules are important and will ever aid us in making moral decisions. But that night, Jane was following a law of love for her friend, a new law if you will. Today's gospel reminds us that a faithful disciple knows how to preserve and integrate a vibrant and genuine faith, "bringing from his storeroom both the new and the old." - *Tom McGrath* 

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#### **Final Profession Journal**

St. Boniface Martyr Church is honoring

**Sr. Edith Elvis Obodo, SJS,** as she prepares for her Final Religious Profession in Nigeria on October 10, 2020.

Parishioners may congratulate her by placing

an ad in her Final Profession Journal by **August 31**.

Prices are; \$60 for a full page, \$30 for a half page; \$15 for a quarter page. Checks may be made payable to "Sisters of Jesus the Saviour" and mailed along with your message to:

Sr. Elvis c/o St. Boniface Church 145 Glen Avenue, Sea Cliff, NY 11579

If you have any questions, please email Sister at adaobodo17@gmail.com.

God Bless you!



I have asked the Lord for one thing. One thing only do I want, to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. Psalm 27:4



### **Parish Information**

#### 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.

#### 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 or call the parish office at 516-676-0676 x130.

#### Bereavement Support Group

Call David Meagher at 516-676-0676 x131.

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Call Kevin Kelly at 516-676-0676 x 122.

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### Take Five for Faith

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow a day at a time.

#### Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 26

Happy Parents' Day! Children are the treasure in every society. For a viable future, we have to invest deeply in their upbringing. Golden-mouthed saint John Chrysostom offered tips on child-rearing: Let the saints enter your home through the naming of your children. Teach your kids Bible stories. Raise them singing psalms and hymns. Encourage in them a bold, not timid, spirit. Disciplined selfpossession will benefit them all their lives. Show them actions have consequences, now and in eternity. Finally, give more care to your children than you do for your job, home, wealth, and possessions.

#### Monday, July 27

Jesus used a lot of parables to teach his followers so many that his disciples asked him why. So that the "mysteries of the kingdom of heaven are revealed to you," he answered. Parables offer a relatable way to understand an abstract spiritual lesson. Most of us know what it is like to plant, cook, eat, manage money, run a business, deal with relationship conflict. What Christian truths would you like your own simple life story to reveal to others? How that parable unfolds is up to you.

#### **Tuesday, July 28**

Blessed Stanley Rother, a missionary and the first U.S. priest to be declared a martyr, died this day in 1981. Not only did he love and serve his flock of indigenous Guatemalans, he helped build a medical clinic, school, and radio station. But it was his upbringing as an Oklahoma farm boy that endeared him even more to his modest agricultural community—a priest who preached but also plowed their fields. As a farmer, he understood the parables of Jesus more than most: how seeds must die, how flocks need a shepherd, how the harvest requires extra help—our help. Play your part.

#### Wednesday, July 29

#### MEMORIAL OF ST. MARTHA

We remember today a friend of Jesus who with her brother, Lazarus, and her sister, Mary, provided a home of friendship that was a place of respite for the Lord. She could prepare a meal and manage the many details of hosting a gathering of friends. She could speak her mind honestly and trust that she would be heard. She recognized that Jesus was the Messiah. She was human enough to be crabby yet faithful enough to believe that Jesus was able to bring life out of death. Saint Martha, in these challenging days, pray for us.

#### Thursday, July 30

The United Nations has declared today "World Day Against Trafficking in Persons." Church leaders have been outspoken on this global issue that targets poor and marginalized people, robbing them of their God-given dignity. In today's gospel Jesus envisions the kingdom of heaven as devoid of wickedness. Today is a good moment to oppose the wickedness of trafficking by adding your voice to the many who are committed to raising awareness and rooting out this evil.

#### Friday, July 31

MEMORIAL OF ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA Saint Ignatius of Loyola died in 1566 of Roman fever, a type of malaria. During a time of pandemic, it seems appropriate to call on the aid of a saint known for his survival instincts and spiritual prowess. After all, most thought Ignatius, a Castilian soldier, would die from injuries sustained in battle at age 30, but instead he lived another 35 years. During his time of convalescence, he experienced a spiritual conversion that led to the development of his popular Spiritual Exercises and the founding of the Jesuit order that has as its motto "For the greater glory of God." What can you do today, following Ignatius' example, to give God glory despite times of confinement and uncertainty?

#### Saturday, August 1

MEMORIAL OF ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI Alphonsus was a bright and gifted youth, earning doctorates in both civil and canon law in Naples at 16. He was so small at the time of his graduation, he later wrote, that his doctoral robes swallowed him up, causing spectators to erupt in laughter. But faith was no laughing matter to the young man, who in short order left the legal profession and dedicated his life to the church to serve those on the margins. This brilliant doctor of the church believed in plain speech. "I have never preached a sermon which the poorest old woman in the congregation could not understand," he said. Let your own witness be simple and direct.

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