

St. Boniface Martyr Roman Catholic Church

Established 1898 ~ Sea Cliff, New York

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.

Join us!

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time: August 29, 2021

Mass Schedule

8am Mondays-Saturdays; Sundays: 5pm Saturday; 9am, 10:30am,12pm Rosary after 8am Mass.

Confession Saturdays 4pm-4:45pm.

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

Parish Address

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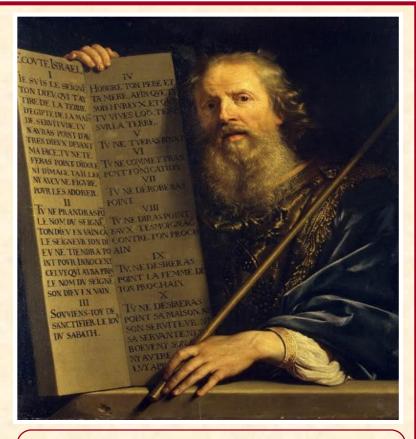
Parish Office Hours Mondays-Thursdays: 9am-3pm Fridays: 9am-1:30pm

St. Vincent de Paul Society

If you know parishioners needing assistance call Jovanna Lemonda at 676-0676 x124.

Outreach Pantry

Saturdays 10am-12pm. Contacts: Jody Fleischmann & David Meagher at 676-0676 x125.



Moses said to the people, "Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and take possession of the land which the Lord, the God of your fathers, is giving you. Deuteronomy 4:1

Liturgy Schedule

All the unvaccinated are required to wear face masks. As of this printing, mask wearing for fully vaccinated people is at one's discretion.



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time: August 29 Deut 4:1-8; Ps 15:1-5; Jas 1:17-27; Jas 1:18; Mk 7:1-23 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass 9am Sunday Mass: Aracelis Almase 10:30am Mass: Larry Graziose, Parishioners 12pm Sunday Mass: Peter Kazolas

Monday, August 30

1 Thess 4:13-18; Ps 96:1-13; Luke 4:18; Luke 4:16-30 8am Mass (streamed): Madan Ramjas

Tuesday, August 31

1 Thess 5:1-11; Ps 27:1-14; Luke 7:16; Luke 4:31-37 **8am Mass** (streamed): Camille Miritello

Wednesday, September 1

Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Luke 4:18; Luke 4:38-44 **8am Mass** (streamed)

Thursday, September 2

Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:1-6; Matt 4:19; Luke 5:1-11 **8am Mass** (streamed)

First Friday, September 3: St. Gregory the Great Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1-5; John 8:12; Luke 5:33-39 8am Mass (streamed)

First Saturday, September 4

Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-8; John 14:6; Luke 6:1-5 **8am Mass** (streamed) **5pm Mass:** Caroline Allario, Susan Hancock

Let Us Pray

For Our Deceased: Anna DiRienzo

For Our Sick

Ryan Alexander Aguilar, Lucia Alonso, William Anderson, Brandon Arena, Bea Bohm, Richard Brown, Camille Costa, Therese Curry, Carmela DelGaudio, Hardai Dhandari, Anna Dirienzo, Emily Furlong, Gina Galante, Daniel Garcia, Gary Gullo, Mary Jo Hauser, Cecelia Hernandez, Sairah Khan, Abby Kolkhorst, Toni Lauria, Georgia Leim, Yvonne Lewis, Maryann McDermott, Bobbi McDonald, Bruce McGhee, Jean McGurn, Janet McKinnon, Horst & Gisela Mahr, Josephine Mamantel, Joseph Marra, Michelle Martone, Kenneth Moore, John Moran, Fr. Daniel Nash, Kim Occhiogrosso, John Orozco, Michelle Perone, Ray & Kathy Peters, Danielle Robinson, Tom Ryan, Jr., Abagail Salva, Linda Santiago, Pat Sawicki, Bill Schiller, Vincenza Scire, Anna Fiora Seda, Karl Sederholt, Teresa Staccone, Anna Stella, Katrina Stern, Steven Taibbi, Steven Tipton, Glenn Van Pelt, Sr., Joe Vulpis, Lisa Vulpis, Scott Warner, Angela Zaccagnino.

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 First Lieutenant Nicholas Cavallone, USAF 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 Second Lieutenant Conor Lynch, US Army Lieutenant Brian McMenamin Lieutenant Ian McMenamin Private First Class Joshua McMillan Lieutenant Michael R. Ragusa, USN SPC Jennifer Sinski, US Army Colonel Bryan Schiller, Army Reserve Petty Officer, 1st Class Corey Tag, US Navy Ensign Joseph Varello, USN Lieutenant Commander Drew Whitting, US Navy Sgt. Luke Whitting, US Army Major Christina Merrick-Wright Major Bradley Wright, US Army. 😳

Stewardship

Month of July Sunday Collections

Stewardship: \$17,198 (4 weeks) Maintenance & Repair: \$477

Month of July Faith Direct Donations

Stewardship: \$14,289 (4 weeks) Maintenance and Repair: \$888 One-Time Gifts: \$290 Faith Stream Ministry: \$75

110 families are now participating as of 7/23/21

Dear Parishioners,

Summer is almost over – have you made the switch to eGiving? It's a great way to support St. Boniface Martyr and grow our ministries that share the Good News of God's love. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and



set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Recuring gifts can streamline your stewardship and sustain our parish in the "dog days" of summer and throughout the year. You'll provide consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct NY820.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

God Bless You!

Fr. Kevín

We welcome two new musicians to our parish, **John and Jane Benstock.**

They will be serving as organist and cantor at the Saturday 5pm mass. We look forward to hearing your music and worshipping with you.

Welcome to St Boniface!

St. Boniface Ministries

Third Sundays: Bereavement Support Group

Meets the third Sunday of the month at 3pm in Room 10 of the St. Boniface Martyr school building, 12 Main Avenue, Sea Cliff. The group is facilitated by two experienced grief counselors, Dr. David Meagher and Linda Rose. There are no fees, but PRE-REGISTRATION is required. For information and registration, contact David Meagher at 516-676-0676 x131 or davidkmeagher@gmail.com or lrosecsw@hotmail.com.

Mondays: Charismatic Prayer Group

Looking for a deeper relationship with God? You are invited you to be touched by God's love in a weekly evening of praise, prayer, music and scripture. We will continue to meet via zoom from 7:30-8:30pm until further notice. Call John and Rosemary Murello at 516-676-2767 for details.

Tuesdays: Women of Faith Book Group

Meets monthly mornings and evenings. New members welcome! For details contact Pat Fox at pattomfox@gmail.com.

Third Wednesdays: St. Vincent de Paul Society

Meets at 7:30pm in the church narthex. To give thanks for all that God has given to you, have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the St. Vincent de Paul Society? Call 516-676-0676 x124 for more information.

Thursdays: Scripture Study

We will continue to meet via zoom from 7:30pm-8:30pm until further notice. We are studying the Gospel of John. Call John and Rosemary Murello at 516-676-2767 for details.

Third Saturdays: St. Boniface Men's Group

Meets third Saturdays after 8am mass. Our next meeting is planned for **September 18** in the school building, first floor, Room 10 (across the hall from the Religious Ed office. Subsequent meetings are also tentatively scheduled there unless otherwise indicated. Stay tuned. Contact: Rich Lucidi at richlucidi40@gmail.com.

Third Saturdays: Lay Carmelites

Lay Carmelites of Blessed Titus Brandsma meets monthly at 9am-12pm in the parish center. Contact Flora at 516-676-9375 or Ann Hunt at 516-676-0330 for information.



St. Vincent dePaul



At the Heart of the Vincentian Ministry is the "home visit" by pairs of Vincentians, not as invasive bureaucrats, but rather caring representatives of Christ's love, through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

There is reciprocity, mutuality, in the service of Vincentians through the home visit that transforms the help from something that may have been humiliating into something that is honorable. The Vincentians performed over 900 hours in service to those neighbors during the last fiscal year.

The Society initially was started at St. Boniface when parishioners formed a conference in 1934. The "home visit", unique to the ministry and character of the Society, provides an opportunity for the deprived to communicate their individual needs with dignity in the comfort of their homes, and for the Vincentian visitors to analyze and respond to those identified needs. The Society respects their privacy and all information is kept confidential.

Sometimes the most appreciated benefit conveyed by the Vincentians is the fact that they cared enough to visit the needy and forgotten, regardless of race or religious belief.

Save the Date: September 25



Time Does Tell

Traditions come and go. The very thing built to withstand the test of time succumbs to time. Leanne, newly married, is preparing Sunday supper when she insists on slicing off each end of the roast before placing it in the pan. When her husband asks why, she admits she's not sure but it's what her mom always did. When they visit Leanne's family, they ask. The mother is just as foggy on the details, having learned the tradition from her own mom. So they ask Grandma. "Why," Granny says, laughing, "there was no real reason at all—except that my roasting pan was too small for the big cuts of meat your grandpa brought home!"

On the flipside there have been traditions so important they were written into law—but now languish on the books as silly nostalgia. A Michigan law forbade a woman to cut her hair without the permission of her husband. In New Hampshire it was illegal to sell the clothes you're wearing to pay off a gambling debt. Or consider this quip from the famous Catholic writer G.K. Chesterton: "Tradition means giving votes to the most obscure of all classes, our ancestors. It is the democracy of the dead."

And yet the traditions that speak most deeply to the human condition will always persist. Many of our Christmas and Easter traditions—lights aglow in the dead of winter, eggs to celebrate new life—are in fact refitted from more ancient pre-Christian times. In the same way, it's God's oldest tradition that trumps them all: protecting the most vulnerable among us.

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"Something tells me the party's over."

Take Five for Faith

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: August 29

Many of us who grew up in a moralizing culture were taught to imagine purity as having mainly to do with chastity. In which case, our aim was higher than the almost-but-not-quite perfection you might get from Ivory Soap, which years ago advertised itself as 99 and 44/100 percent pure. We may therefore be astonished that, according to the apostle James, purity in religion has something to do with how we respond to the abandoned in this world. Think charity, not chastity, to bump up your purity percentile.

Monday, August 30

After being baptized with water, Catholics are anointed with oil and these words are said over them, "As Christ was anointed Priest, Prophet, and King, so may you live always as a member of his body . . ." That means we share in those offices of Christ. Those are big roles—how to live up to them? Priests worship and make offerings to God, prophets speak the truth and live the gospel, royalty leads and takes care of others. If you remind yourself regularly of the sacred titles you were given at Baptism, how might that help you fulfill your promise?

Tuesday, August 31

Today, in Poland, it's the Day of Solidarity and Freedom—a modern Independence Day celebration after years of oppressive Soviet rule. In the 1980s, labor activist Lech Walesa helped stoke the flames of democratic social change. But it was Poland's favorite son, Pope John Paul II, who provided the spark. In his 1979 papal visit, John Paul II gave the people an electric hope that change was possible. "Let the Spirit descend and renew the face of the Earth. This Earth," he said. With Labor Day nearly here, remember how solidarity and workers' rights are cornerstones of Social Teaching.

Wednesday, September 1

The annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation celebrated today "offers to individual believers and to the community a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as custodians of creation," says Pope Francis, who elevated this day in 2015 with the publication of his encyclical on the care of creation, Laudato Si'. As we move past August, Water Quality Month, be particularly mindful of your stewardship over the precious resource of clean drinking water. May all of us "come to the water" together as we care for our common home.

Thursday, September 2

In today's gospel Simon Peter is so overcome by his own sinfulness, he tells Jesus to go away from him. What exactly is "sinfulness"? Lots of actions and inactions fall into that category, but the essence of Catholic teaching on sin is that it separates us from God. Selfishness, violence, and other sins drive a wedge between us and God. Peter knew that instinctively. Remove that wedge by asking God for forgiveness, and ponder what you can do to free yourself to reconcile a relationship that has become estranged.

Friday, September 3: St. Gregory the Great *Pope and Doctor of the Church*

It's never easy to find the right balance between sitting quietly and attentively on the sidelines and joining in the scrum of life's adventures. Our life of prayer helps us to discern how best to hold these together and to respond with love for ourselves and the common good. Gregory was a Benedictine monk of the late sixth century and loved his life as a contemplative. Yet, when called upon to take the helm of a church suffering from the fall of Rome and the plague, he stepped up and found his calling expressed in new ways through prayer, caring for those in need, and leading compassionately. Find the right balance between action and contemplation.

Saturday, September 4

It's interesting to note that in the story of Jesus' hungry disciples eating the grain from a farmer's field, the objection raised by the Pharisees is not that they took the grain, but that they did so on the Sabbath. In fact, eating grain or produce from a neighbor's farm while passing through was permitted by Jewish law (Deuteronomy 23:25-26), provided one did not carry off any surplus. It was considered a common courtesy and obligation of charity to share the abundance of creation with one's neighbor. Perhaps we can embrace that same ethic in our own stewardship of the abundance God has entrusted to us.

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Exploring the Word Humbly Welcome the Word

"Words, words, words." So the world-weary Hamlet once dismissed the book he was reading. He had come to know too much about deceit from his troubled family to trust the accumulation of words. Well-spoken words may sound grand, but we learn that the integrity of the person behind the talk is more important than mere syllables strung together. So begins the challenge for every preacher: to practice what we preach. And this becomes the acid test for world leaders as well: If we read their lips, will we know their hearts? And what about the men and women in the pews, who struggle in day-to-day relationships with family and community to say what they mean and mean what they say-to match words with deeds? Are any of us as good as our word, or do we simply multiply words, as Hamlet suspected?

Statutes, Decrees, and Commandments

As an instrument of God's favor, Moses stood up for the nation against Pharaoh; led the people out of Egypt; represented the Israelites before God in countless petitions for water, bread, meat, and assistance; judged the citizens who queued in long lines for his council: and otherwise forked over most of his adult life to serve God and community. But arguably the most significant thing Moses did involved words and their transmission, from God to nation and back again like a human telephone. The Hebrew word for "word," dabar, contains a hint of the revelatory about it. We know what's inside a person in large part because of what they say. When God chooses to speak a word to humanity, the word becomes the revelation of divine will as far as we can understand it. If God did not speak-neither in the first words that engendered creation nor in the many encounters with leaders and prophets-then how would we know who God is or what God wants?

Moses' role of mediation between God and Israel is largely a matter of words. Some of them are written in stone, contrary to the popular contemporary disclaimer, but most involve oral teaching. Moses exhorts the populace to "hear" his teaching, not to read it or to take notes. Not every former slave was literate, and photocopiers were unavailable to dash off copies of the text anyway—presuming Moses had a text from which he taught, which is a historically big if. The word of God that Moses routinely brought to the people was spoken, committed to the heart and to habit if conditions were optimum. Unhappily, we know conditions were rarely optimum. Nor are they greatly improved in the present generation.

A Living Word

The living word is not necessarily the one most often repeated. If it were, folk wisdom and bumper sticker epithets would easily win the struggle for minds and hearts. But the most effective word turns out to be the one that lives within us and has "legs" to put it in motion. James calls it the "planted word," an organic entity rooted in the soil of our being and sharing its life with us. This "word of truth" makes us "firstfruits"—the cream of the crop as the created order goes. Because this is a saving word and we are the beneficiaries of its power, we welcome this word with all due humility. It's not that we deserve the revelation; we get it because we need it. But the revealing word of God can be stillborn in us if we hear it and do not act on it. James says we must be "doers" of the word, incarnators of the revelation that comes to us. It's not enough to say "God is love"—how are we prepared to demonstrate that love for others? We can speak of God's mercy and justice, but if those concepts remain "words, words" and don't become incarnate in our deeds, then it might be better not to speak them.

Lip Service

We Christians are accustomed to dismissing the Law of Moses as much ado about nothing: what to wear, how to prepare food, when to wash. But what Greek translators rendered as "law" in the Hebrew Bible is actually "teaching," which has a softer and more lifefriendly feel to it. Teaching and learning are two organic processes that never end until we do. What Moses taught—or at least, what is attributed to Moses as his accumulated wisdom—helped people avoid potentially life-threatening situations and seek better ones.

Applying the Word ~ Fresh Air, New Life

God speaks new life and new possibility into every hour, including (and especially) this one. Because the hour of our Eucharist offers a word made flesh that seeks a dwelling place in us—not just to be consumed by us but to take root in and to consume us so that "it is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me." This is not a word intended to be written down and filed for future reference or studied piously or ritually adored and otherwise neglected. The word of God comes to us in terms of life, in flesh and blood, and is meant to be lived by those united with it. This word belongs to the open road and the open heart.

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Mass Stream News

Thanks to your generosity the Faith Stream Ministry has been able

to upgrade our streaming capabilities! With this improvement, we are able to stream more Masses seamlessly and now stream Mass every day! In addition to the 10:30am Sunday mass, the 8am Mass on Mondays through Saturdays are streamed for those unable to attend mass in person. We also stream other special liturgies, and families may arrange for the streaming of weddings and funerals by emailing stbonstreaming@gmail.com.

Facebook Live does have some audio issues which we can not resolve. We have noticed that these audio issues do not occur on the SaintBoniface.org website. Feel free to use that site to avoid the audio issues you may be experiencing on the Facebook platform.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr/

Without Facebook: https://www.saintboniface.org/streaming/

To follow along with the daily readings, go here: https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading



Thank you for your continued support and generosity! A huge thank you to the dedicated team of volunteers who helped keep our parish connected during the pandemic and continue to improve the streaming experience for our parishioners.

Parish Information

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

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Bulletin Editor: Julie Byrne x128. Deadline:10am Mondays. September 5 deadline: August 27. Intentions requested after deadline will not appear in the bulletin. Email stbonbulletin@gmail.com after approval from Fr. Kevin. Submissions may be edited for content, clarity and/or size.

Baptism: Last Sunday of the month at 1pm. 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):

A process of formation to become a Catholic. Contact Jane Serpico at stbonRCIA@gmail.com or call 516-676-0676 x130.

Bereavement Support: David Meagher at 516-676-0676 x131.

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