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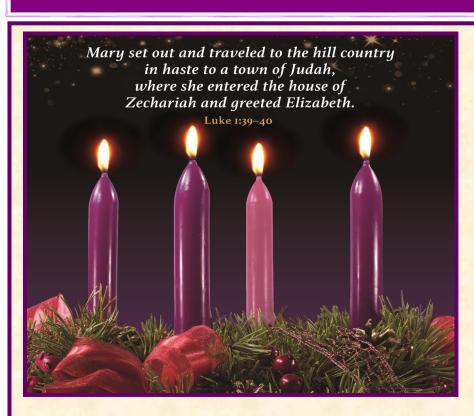
Serving the people of God in Sea Cliff, Glen Head, Glenwood Landing, Glen Cove and surrounding communities.

Reverend Kevin J. Dillon, Pastor

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

Join us!

# Fourth Sunday of Advent: December 19, 2021



#### **Mass Schedule**

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

#### Confession

Saturdays 4pm-4:45pm.

#### **Church Hours**

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

#### **Parish Address**

145 Glen Ave. Sea Cliff, NY 11579 Phone: 516-676-0676; Fax: 516-674-6742 Email: stbonchurch@gmail.com Website: www.saintboniface.org www.facebook.com/ StBonifaceMartyr/

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Mondays-Thursdays: 9am-3pm; Fridays: 9am-1:30pm

#### **Outreach Pantry**

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

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society

If you know parishioners in need, please call Jovanna Lemonda at 676-0676 x124.

## Liturgy Schedule

The Governor of New York State has included houses of worship in her recent directives. Therefore, since the Church does not require parishioners to present proof of vaccination in order to worship God, we ask that all parishioners (two years of age and older) comply with the requirement to wear masks when participating in any activities on parish grounds. This State requirement is currently in effect through January 15, 2022.

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent: December 19

Micah 5:1-4a; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45

Holy Hour: 4pm-4:45pm

The bread, wine, candles and offertory lamp used in this week's celebrations were donated in loving memory of **Thomas Brady** by the Brady family.

**5pm Saturday:** Walderez Diniz Vieira, Michelle Judith Nichols, Tony & Rose Perone

9am Sunday: Thomas Brady

**10:30am Sunday** (also streamed): Parishioners, Christine Varasano; Paul & Lorna Szemerenyi's 25th Wedding Anniversary

**12pm Sunday:** Natale Maruca

**Catholicism Series:** 2:30pm in church (see page 5)

#### Monday, December 20

Isaiah 7:10-14; Luke 1:26-38

8am Mass (also streamed): Joseph D. Ciampa

#### Tuesday, December 21: St. Peter Canisius

Song of Songs 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Luke 1:39-45

8am Mass (also streamed): William Olcott

#### Wednesday, December 22

1 Samuel 1:24-28; Luke 1:46-56

8am Mass (also streamed): Giving Thanks to God

for the Gift of Life

**Holy Hour:** 2pm-3pm in the chapel

#### Thursday, December 23

Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24; Luke 1:57-66 8am Mass (also streamed): Anne Olcott

#### **Christmas Eve: Friday, December 24**

2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Luke 1:67-79

8am Mass (also streamed): Peter Papic

4pm: living & deceased Dillon/Connolly family members

**5:30pm:** Christmas Novena **10pm:** Thomas Brady

#### **Christmas Day: Saturday, December 25**

Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrews 1:1-6; John 1:1-18

**9am:** Christmas Novena **10:30am:** Karen J. Schenck

 $\textbf{12pm:} \ \text{living \& deceased Bertolino family members}$ 

No Confession or 5pm Mass on Christmas Day.

## Let Us Pray

#### For Our Deceased

#### \*For Our Sick: Thomas and Dianne Niper,

Ryan Alexander Aguilar, Margaret Alber, Mattie McEntee-Albin, Lucia Alonso, William Anderson, Brandon Arena, Eileen Bowersock, Richard Brown, Camille Costa, Therese Curry, Hardai Dhandari, Emily Furlong, Daniel Garcia, Marylo Hauser, Cecelia Hernandez, Kim Jordan, Sairah Khan, Albert Kitchen, 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, Kim Occhiogrosso, John Orozco, Dylan Papocchia, Michelle Perone, Danielle Robinson, Tom Ryan, Jr., Abagail Salva, Pat Sawicki, 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, Angela Zaccagnino.

\*Note: The Sick & Military Lists are being updated for 2022. Email stbonbulletin@gmail.com to continue listing your loved one. New requests 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

#### **November Sunday Collections**

Stewardship: \$19,741 (4 weeks)

Maintenance & Repair: \$687; Fuel: \$767

Human Development/Home Missions (DRVC): \$690

This week's second collection is for our *Parish* 

Maintenance & Repair Fund.

#### **November Faith Direct Donations**

Stewardship: \$15,552 (4 weeks)

Maintenance & Repair: \$953; One Time Gifts: \$560

All Saints: \$472; Fuel: \$982;

Human Development/Home Missions (DRVC): \$267

110 families are participating as of 11/24/21

#### Dear Parishioners,

Throughout the Christmas season, people in need right here in our community turn to St. Boniface Martyr for warm meals, comfort, and shelter during the holidays. We must be there for them and share Christ's love.



To do that, we need your help. Your generous online donations are needed now to help sustain Christmas ministries that reflect the promise of God's love. COVID-19 and news of its variants continue to cause upheaval and uncertainty, giving our ministries added importance. Your kindness will help families all around us. We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/NY820.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family. God Bless You!

- Fr. Kevín

### **Planned Giving**

Planning for death is as natural for the Christian as planning for life. As stated in 1 Timothy 5:8 ... "if anyone does not take care of his own, and especially of his household; he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever."

Having a will IS good stewardship. Take care of your family.

## Ministry Meetings

#### **Third Sundays: Bereavement Support Group**

Meets at 3pm in Room 10 on the first floor 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 to be touched by God's love in a weekly evening of praise, prayer, music and scripture. We meet via zoom from 7:30-8:30pm. Call John and Rosemary Murello at 516-676-2767 for details.

#### **Tuesdays: Women of Faith Book Group**

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

#### Third Wednesdays: St. Vincent de Paul Society

Meets monthly at 7:30pm in the church narthex. Call 516-676-0676 x124 for details. Jesus was born during the night of the year when darkness is the longest. The Savior of the world comes for the people in dark places. The real, lasting, and deep joy is that the Light shines there. Through your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, "Light" has shown, bringing real, lasting and deep joy to the hearts of those in need.

#### **Thursdays: Scripture Study**

We meet weekly via zoom from 7:30pm-8:30pm. 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

Meetings are monthly at 8:30 am in Room 10, in the St. Boniface school building. 2022 is going to be an exciting year for the men in our parish and it is going to take a dedicated TEAM of brothers to make it happen. C'MON FELLAS, IT'S TIME TO GET TO WORK...FOR JESUS. JOIN US! 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 516-656-9375 or Ann Hunt at 516-676-0330 for more information.

## Holiday Pantry Needs

The pandemic has prevented the pantry from collecting food for the upcoming holiday gift baskets distributed to our clients. As a result, we are turning to you for help. You have been generous in the past. We have appreciated your response. We hope we can count on you once again.

Here is a list of items to fill Christmas Baskets:

1 lb. canned hams small bags of rice shelf stabilized milk

cranberry sauce turkey gravy stuffing
cans of corn cans of fruit cake icing cans of sweet yams
dinner rolls canned soup salad dressing condensed milk
pumpkin pie filling canned fruit pie filling instant mashed

potatoes cans of green beans

Thank you for your help in providing food to our needy families. Thank you for your great love and care. Thank you for your mercy and grace. Thank you for always supporting us and our mission. Forgive us for when we don't thank you enough, for who you are, for all that you do, for all that you've given. We ask God's blessings on you and your families this holiday season.

- David, Jody and all the outreach volunteers



## A Special Request from our St. Vincent de Paul Society

A young adult male neighbor in need requires a bicycle to get to and from work. Please call Susan Winslow at 516-671-7058 if you are able to help.

# ST. BONIFACE CYO Girls Travel Volleyball Grades 5-8

Sign Up Online at: Stbonifacecyo.org

Registration Fees: \$275.00

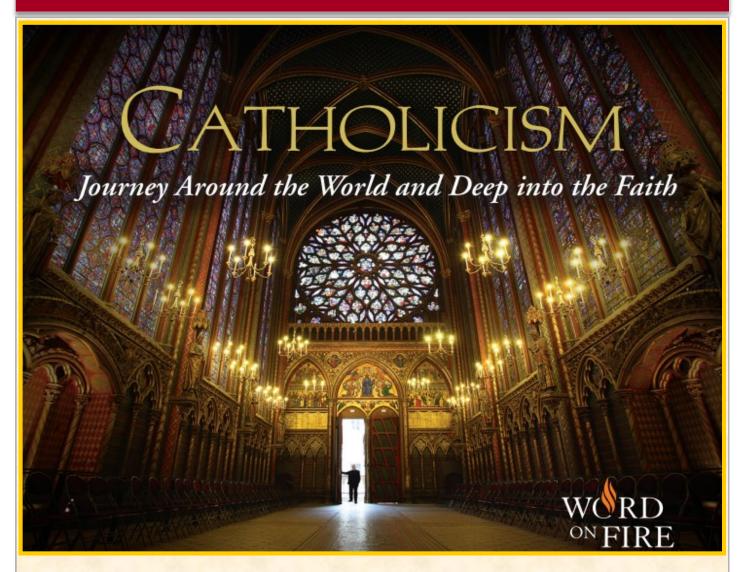
The last day for registration is January 1, 2022

The season starts the middle of February and ends in April Practices are during the week with games during the weekend

Any questions? Please email <a href="mailto:stbonifacevball@gmail.com">stbonifacevball@gmail.com</a>



# Catholicism: The Journey of a Lifetime



**Deacon Tom** is the moderator of the presentation of this acclaimed series by author, speaker and theologian, Bishop Robert Barron. It is a stimulating and compelling exploration of the spiritual, moral and intellectual treasures of our Catholic Faith presented in a clear and understandable manner, using locations, scripture, art and literature.

We will watch a 55-minute episode on Sunday afternoons (at 2:30pm), followed by a short discussion. It will be a nice way to reconnect with our Catholic Faith after the pandemic.

Come to any or all of the ten sessions, which will be held in the Church so people may spread out and feel more comfortable.

Teens and adults are invited to join us on Sundays from 2:30pm to 4pm.

**Next presentation: Sunday, December 19 at 2:30pm in the church.** Refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP to stbondcntom@gmail.com, or by calling the parish center at 516-676-0676 to allow for sufficient hand-outs.

Episode 2: December 19: Happy Are We: The Teachings of Jesus

## Take Five for Faith

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 19, 2021

Family trees are an endless source of fascination. Whether you've explored yours through DNA tests or old photo albums and family stories, you know that a ragtag line of other people's chances and choices contribute to who you are. The Advent Jesse Tree teaches children about many risk-takers and seekers throughout biblical history who contributed to the arrival of Jesus. Folks like Jesse himself, the father of David who contributed to the lineage of the kings of Israel and, without suspecting it, the future King of the Universe. What might your legacy be, and how do you claim your place in the great story?

#### Monday, December 20

Today's Great Antiphon—the fourth of seven ancient prayers said during Advent vespers leading up to Christmas Eve—is "O Key of David, come and free us!" Each Antiphon is a call to Christ using a messianic title from prophecy, and today's reminds us that we are captives liberated by God's grace. The answer to our cries is embedded in the titles themselves. The seven titles in Latin—Sapientia, Adonai, Radix Jesse, Clavis David, Oriens, Rex Gentium, and Emmanuel—in reverse order form the acrostic ERO CRAS, which means "I am coming soon."

#### Tuesday, December 21: St. Peter Canisius

The Protestant Reformation was an age of strife and contestation, especially in Germany, ground zero of the upheaval in 1517. Into the morass stepped a learned Jesuit scholar, amazing preacher, and gifted writer—Peter Canisius, whose rational arguments in support of Catholicism proved quite persuasive. Peter's three written catechisms were so effective, German-born Pope Benedict XVI told a papal audience in 2011, that later generations of Germans simply referred to them as "the Canisius." On what's the longest night of the year for many, tap the faith of Peter Canisius to reflect upon the ways that Jesus is our Radiant Dawn.

#### Wednesday, December 22

God acts in ways we least expect. The long-awaited Messiah was expected to be a military leader who would lead his people, Israel, to victory and out of oppression.

Instead, he was born in a stable to a young woman of the village and a carpenter who would be his foster father. Today that young woman makes a bold proclamation, "He has thrown down the rulers from their thrones but lifted up the lowly." As we come closer to Christmas, ask God to help you look for him in the unexpected so that he might refashion you. After all, history is full of unexpected saints—why not you?

#### Thursday, December 23

What is more poignant than an expression of heartfelt longing? Today anyone taking part in the longstanding tradition of Evening Prayer, or vespers, sings, "O Emmanuel, come to redeem us!" It's a plea of yearning. For centuries on this day near Christmas, Catholics have opened their hearts and prayed for a savior. Let this vulnerable prayer of hope and desire for all that Christmas represents—light, life, salvation—be a kind of mantra as you go about your day.

#### Friday, December 24

For many Catholics, Christmas Eve is brimming with meal preparation, cleaning, wrapping lastminute stocking stuffers, and Midnight Mass. It can also be a difficult day for those missing loved ones. In whatever situation you find yourself, take a moment and join the church in praying the Canticle of Zechariah, also known as the Benedictus. As he awaited the birth of his son John (later known as the Baptist), Zechariah sang a canticle of gratitude to God for setting us free from all that binds. May this prayer bring freedom and joy to us all!

#### Saturday, December 25: Nativity of the Lord

The efforts of people of goodwill everywhere in the quest for peace and justice continue, and our leader is born anew today! Spiritual author and priest Henri Nouwen put it well: "The world is not whole. . . . But it is into this broken world that a child is born, who is called Son of the Most High, Prince of Peace, Savior. I look at him and pray, "Thank you, Lord, that you came. . . . Your heart is greater than mine." Our hope and our hearts increase today. Rejoice!

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## The Inner Word

#### What's in Your Heart?

The celebration of the birth of the Lord is hours away. This Fourth Sunday of Advent gives you the chance to recollect yourself, take a breath, and enter the Christmas mystery. Let the Lord shepherd you. Allow his peace to fill you.

With Mary, you and the whole church have been on a pilgrimage to the hour of the savior's birth.

The one who from the time of old has been waiting to be born is about to take flesh. Hebrews says that when Christ came into the world, he prayed, "I come to do your will, O God."

At this time, recommit yourself to seeking and doing the will of God.



# Mass Streaming

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 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. 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 and that do not occur on the SaintBoniface.org website.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr/Without Facebook: https://

www.saintboniface.org/streaming/

To follow along with the daily readings, go here: <a href="https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading">https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading</a>

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

## Parish Information

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

**CYO:** Call Kevin Kelly at 516~676~0676 x 122.

**Webmaster:** Robert Lynch; www.saintboniface.org; stbonweb@gmail.com; text/call 516~782~7494

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**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):

Interested in becoming a Catholic? Need to receive Communion or Confirmation? 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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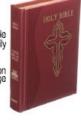


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