

# 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!

## First Sunday of Lent: March 6, 2022

#### **Mass Schedule**

8am Mondays-Saturdays. (Rosary after Mass Miraculous Medal Novena Saturdays) 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

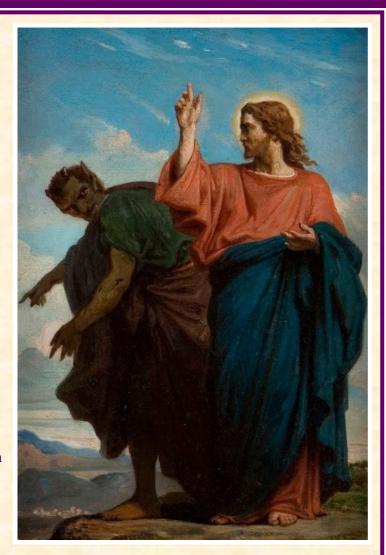
**Parish Office Hours** Mondays-Thursdays: 9am-3pm; Fridays: 9am-1:30pm

#### **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/

**Outreach Pantry & Thrift Shop** Saturdays 10am-1pm. Contacts: Jody Fleischmann and David Meagher at 516-676-0676 x125

**St. Vincent de Paul Society** If you know parishioners in need, please call Jovanna Lemonda at 516-676-0676 x124.



Jesus Tempted in the Wilderness. - James Tissot (1836–1902)

# Liturgy Schedule

#### Daylight Saving Time Starts March 13, 2022

When Local Standard Time is about to reach 2am next Sunday, clocks "Spring Ahead" one hour to 3am to Local Daylight Time instead.

All masses are in person. The 8am Monday through Saturday Masses and 10:30am Sunday Masses are also streamed. To view our streamed masses, see:

facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr Or: saintboniface.org/streaming

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*Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13* **Holy Hour:** 4pm-4:45pm

5pm Saturday Mass: Baby Jaxson Valasquez Sorto

9am Sunday: Ann Brady

**10:30am Sunday** (also streamed): Barbara Koropchak, Sioban Rack

12pm Sunday: Parishioners

Catholicism Series: 2:30pm (see page 6)

Monday, March 7: Saints Perpetua & Felicity Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25:31-46 8am Mass (also streamed): Sally Ann Clancy (living)

**Tuesday, March 8:** St. John of God Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15 **8am Mass** (also streamed): Stephen Clancy

Wednesday, March 9: St. Frances of Rome Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32 8am Mass (also streamed): William Patrick DeVine Holy Hour: 2pm-3pm in the chapel

Thursday, March 10 Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Matthew 7:7-12 8am Mass (also streamed): The Byrne Family

Friday, March 11 Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26 8am Mass (also streamed): Eva Jean Kelly

Saturday, March 12 Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matthew 5:43-48 8am Mass: (also streamed) 5pm Vigil Mass: Joseph Ciampa

# Let Us Pray

## For Our Deceased

Kay Johnson

#### **For Our Sick**

Anna Carella Baby Jaxson Valasquez Sorto Pat Sederholt Marie Agosta Jean McGurn Margaret Moore Alber Martha Meneses John Moran

The Sick List is updated monthly. If you would like your loved one to remain on the list, please call the Parish Office at 516-676-0676. New requests must be made by a family member through Fr. Kevin.

#### **For Our Military**

Jake A. Hojnowski, Sailor E-3, US Navy Christian Pace Laderer, MMN3, US Navy Second Lieutenant Conor Lynch, US Army Lieutenant Brian McMenamin Lieutenant Ian McMenamin Lieutenant Commander Michael R. Ragusa, US Navy Colonel Bryan Schiller, Army Reserve Lieutenant Commander Drew Whitting, US Navy Major Christina Merrick-Wright Major Bradley Wright, US Army. ♀

#### **St. Boniface Spotlight**

Thanks to the photographs submitted by parishioner, **Peggy Cullen**, the good works of our parishioners and their ministries have been highlighted in our bulletin over the past several months. They include Boy Scout Troop 195 renovating our Outreach Thrift Shop through an Eagle Scout Project, our Vincentians in their Annual Walk for the Poor, our Outreach Pantry creating food baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas, our Vincentians with Giving Tree gifts (purchased through your generous gift card donations) and our Altar and Environment Ministers decorating our church for Christmas (Christmas photos by Steve **Dunn**). Last week our Outreach Pantry/Thrift Shop was highlighted again with the Love Your Neighbor Project, Girl Scout Troop 58, and tribute to Rosemary and John Murello (photo by Karyn Van Name). for If you would like to recognize a parishioner and/or ministry in the bulletin, please email stbonbulletin@gmail.com.

# Stewardship

#### **Month of January Church Collections**

Stewardship: \$20,437 (5 weeks) Maintenance & Repair: \$616

Month of February Faith Direct Donations Stewardship: \$13,817 (4 weeks); One time gifts: \$200 Maintenance and Repair: \$893 Church in Need (DRVC): \$279

108 families are participating as of 2/22/22S

Dear Parishioners,

As we begin the Lenten season, I am asking everyone in the St. Boniface Martyr family to prayerfully consider eGiving. I hope you will embrace this new approach to giving. Lent is a meaningful time for



the faithful to think deeply about stewardship. Our Lenten practices of "prayer, fasting, and almsgiving" invite each of us to not only grow in relationship with Christ, but also in our community of faith. During this special time, I invite you to give special thought to starting a recurring gift through Faith Direct, our online giving platform. Signing up is easy, at **membership.faithdirect.net/NY820**.

May God bless you and your loved ones this Lenten season and throughout the year.

In His name,

Fr. Kevín

## First Responder/Essential Worker Mass

Over the past two years we have all experienced difficult times that have tested both our human fortitude and even our faith. However, the virtues of faith, hope and love have prevailed throughout the pandemic, as exemplified by the actions of our front line responders and essential workers. In recognition of and gratitude for their dedication, St. Boniface Martyr Church will be honoring these loyal stewards, especially those in our local community, who served us at great personal risk and who continue to serve us today.

Please join us as we celebrate these brave men and women on Sunday, **April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12 noon Mass**, which will be offered for all the Police Officers, Fire Fighters, EMT Workers, Active Military, Healthcare Workers and all other first responders and essential workers.

# **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, however 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 something to do this Lent? Join with fellow parishioners for a weekly evening of praise, music, prayer and scripture from the comfort of your home. No experience necessary! Zoom sessions are Mondays 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 via zoom. New members welcome! For more information contact Pat Fox at pattomfox@gmail.com.

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

Meets monthly at 7:30pm via zoom. Call 516-676-0676 x124 for details. In today's Gospel, Jesus overcomes the temptations to wealth, power and esteem. As we begin Lent, may we open our hearts to the grace of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.

#### Thursdays: Scripture Study

Meets 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

Meets 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 9am-12pm in the parish center. Call Flora at 516-656-9375 or Ann Hunt at 516-676-0330 for more information.

# Help Wanted

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Sat. April 9 2-5 pm

**Golf Ball Drop Fundraiser: April 9,** on the parish field 2pm-5pm. Numbered golf balls are purchased and then dropped by a fire engine bucket onto the field. Owners of the golf balls closest to the flag win cash prizes. *Volunteers needed*. Please come to a meeting in the parish school building (Religious Ed Office) on Thursday, **March 10** at 7pm if you would like to be on the committee.

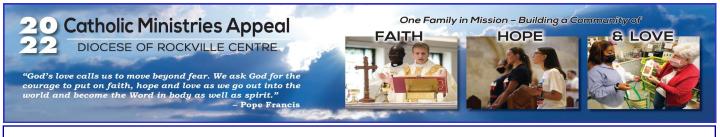
**Easter Egg Hunt: April 10**, on the parish field after 10:30am Mass on Palm Sunday. *Volunteers needed* as are *contributions of candy*. Please deliver candy to the parish center by **April 6**.

## SAVE THE DATES and STAYED TUNED FOR DETAILS...

May 7-11: Parish Mission: Msgr. Robert Hayden and Sr. Joanne Bonoro, SC May 19-22 (tentative): Feast at the Shore

**Sunday, October 23:** Oktoberfest at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Please watch the bulletin for more information and contact Karen Croce at **stbonccd@gmail.com** if you are interested in helping.

**Our Jubilee Year:** 2023 marks the 125th Anniversary of St. Boniface Martyr Church! Several events are being planned. Please join us for a meeting on Tuesday, **May 17** at 7pm in Room 10 of the parish school building.



On March 19 & 20, 2022, we will have a special Catholic Ministries Appeal video presentation. This video offers testimony from individuals who are served by some of the ministries supported by the annual Appeal that you made possible.

You will see and hear their stories and learn what CMA means to a newly ordained priest, whose faith was strengthened by Campus ministry; youths who attended Quo Vadis, a camp designed to empower our youth to evangelize the faith; the director of an outreach that reminds us that the parish social ministry is more than a source of food but a place where people can be welcomed and energized to become strong, independent people; a client of that outreach that was embraced and provided with the tools needed to eventually become a donor of outreach needs; and the Director of Catholic Charities Regina Residence Case Management who discusses how services to pregnant and parenting moms have evolved to be able to reach out to the needs of the community and remaining relevant to their clients.

We are counting on you, members of our Parish family, to participate in this important campaign for the ministries and programs of our church and for all who depend on them. That's more than 600,000 people each year, many in our own community. If you have not yet had the opportunity to give this year, we ask that you prayerfully consider a gift to the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our support is needed now more than ever with so many still struggling. If everyone in our Parish family contributed, we would make our goal and receive 20% back to the Parish – that would mean \$11,260 that we can put back into our operating budget. We can't do it without you!

Please remember 100% of every dollar raised is restricted to fund the objectives, programs, and mission supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal. To learn more about the ministries supported by the appeal, visit our new website: **catholicministriesappeal.org**/



Lent 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Lent is a journey from the desert of death to the springs of new life. We follow Jesus into the wilderness of the desert to renew our baptismal covenant with the Father. During this sacred time, we die to sin, and washed clean from our self-centeredness and attachment to the world, rise to divine grace and love. As we enter this privileged season, let us reflect once more on the three means we employ during this forty-day journey of penance and conversion: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

**Prayer.** Prayer is most simply a conversation with God, and St. Paul reminds us that this conversation must be continual. The Apostle to the Gentiles enjoins us to "pray at all times" (Eph 6:18), "pray without ceasing" (1 Thess 5:17), and "be constant in prayer" (Rom 12:12). To pray this way requires effort. It demands silence, artful listening, and remaining in the presence of God. This Lent we remember two powerful ways we enter into this holy conversation: by sitting in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and through *lectio divina*, a prayerful reading of Sacred Scripture.

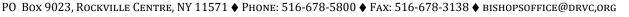
*Fasting.* The Church Fathers speak extensively on the power of fasting to break sin and open our hearts to the grace of God. Saint Peter Chrysologus writes: "Fasting is the soul of prayer, mercy is the lifeblood of fasting, So if you pray, fast; if you fast, show mercy; if you want your petition to be heard, hear the petition of others. If you do not close your ear to others, you open God's ear to yourself" (*Sermo* 43: PL 52, 320, 322). Let us remember, too, that bodily fasting is useless unless it is joined with spiritual fasting, that is, fasting from our passions.

*Almsgiving.* Scripture brings the three marks of our Lenten journey together and puts the emphasis on the last: "Prayer and fasting are good, but better than either is almsgiving accompanied by righteousness... It is better to give alms than to store up gold; for almsgiving saves one from death and expiates every sin. Those who regularly give alms shall enjoy a full life" (Tob 12:8-9). Almsgiving is better because it points to charity. We remember we are not only to give materially to those in need but also give of ourselves as we love God and neighbor.

Last October, Pope Francis invited the Church into a synod on synodality. The Holy Father wants the Church to journey together in a multi-year process listening to each other, hearing the Word and celebrating the Eucharist. As we journey towards Easter, let us be united in mind and spirit. May the spiritual exercises of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving prepare us for Easter and an experience of the power of God, which "dispels wickedness, washes faults away, restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to mourners, drives out hatred, fosters concord, and brings down the mighty" *(The Easter Proclamation - Exsultet)*. Then, alive in Christ, we can go forward evangelizing, as Pope Francis would want, with parrhesia: "Boldness, enthusiasm, the freedom to speak out, [and] apostolic fervor" (*Gaudete et Exsultate* 129).

May the loving presence of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who remained faithful to her son at the foot of the cross, protect and sustain us in our Lenten journey.

Sincerely Yours in Christ, **+** *Bishop John O Barres* Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre





# Lent, Holy Week and Easter

Stations of the Cross: 6:30pm Fridays March 11, 18, 25; April 8

**Confessions: 4pm Saturdays** March 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9 (no Confessions on April 16)

Journey, Cross & Crucifixion: 8pm April 1

Palm Sunday: April 9Masses: Saturday 5pm; Sunday: 9am, 10:30am, 12pm

**Reconciliation Monday: April 11** Individual Confessions 2pm to 4pm and 6pm to 9pm.

**Spy Wednesday: April 13 at 4pm** Stations of the Cross for Children

Holy Thursday: April 14 9am Morning Prayer 7:30pm Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper Adoration at Repository Concludes with 10: 30pm Night Prayer

**Good Friday: April 15** 9am Morning Prayer 3pm Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion Private veneration concluding with 7pm Night Prayer

Holy Saturday: April 16 9am Morning Prayer 12pm Blessing of the Food *No Confessions on Holy Saturday* 7:30pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday: April 17 9am, 10:30am, 12pm

## Lenten Day of Prayer at the Seminary

Seminary of the Immaculate Conception 440 West Neck Road, Huntington

### **Reconciliation: An Encounter of Love**

Sunday, **March 20** from 9:30am—3:30pm The day includes Presentation, Lunch, Confession, Mass Presenter: by Rev. Patrick Griffin, CM

\$50 per guest (for non-member Friends of the Seminary)

For additional information and reservations, please contact the Seminary Development Office at 631-423-0483 x102 bmalone@icseminary.edu; www.icseminary.edu

RSVP by March 11

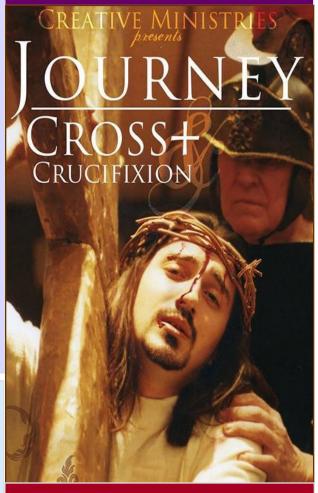


Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence from meat for Catholics.

The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members from age 14 onwards.

Good Friday is an obligatory day of abstinence and fasting.

The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. -USCCB



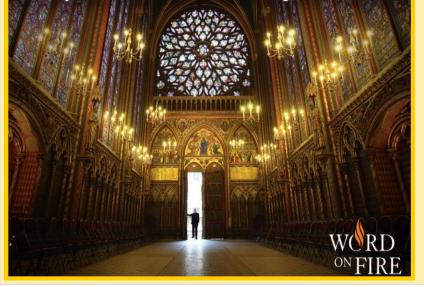
## The Journey, Cross & Crucifixion

is a live dramatic presentation of the Stations of the Cross. Join us in the Church on Friday, April 1 at 8pm as we experience the trial of Jesus, His journey through the streets of Jerusalem, and final moments on the cross.

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# CATHOLICISM

Journey Around the World and Deep into the Faith



**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 followed by a short discussion. It will be a nice way to reconnect with our Catholic Faith after the pandemic. Come to any 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 in the church.

#### Next presentation: March 6.

Episode 9: The Fire of His Love.

Last Episode: March 13.

## **Parish Information**

**Pastor:** Rev. Kevin J. Dillon; stbonpastor@gmail.com **In Residence:** Fr. Azubuike Igwegbe, Chaplain. frazubuike@yahoo.com

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The Sisters of Jesus the Saviour: 676-0676 x101

Project Faith Stream Ministry: Online masses; email stbonstreaming@gmail.com.

**Director of Religious Education (DRE)**: Karen Croce 516-671-0418 or email stbonccd@gmail.com.

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

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

**Virtus Coordinator:** Christine Whited stbonvirtus@gmail.com; 516 676-0676 x132

Office Administration: Karen Croce: Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays; Joan Schiller: Tuesdays, Wednesdays **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:** Fourth 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.

#### Diocese of Rockville Centre

50 North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY 11571 516-678-5800; or www.drvc.org

