

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.

The Very Reverend Father Josef Norys, Canon Regular, Pastor

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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: September 4, 2022

Mass Schedule

8am Mondays through Saturdays; Vigil Mass: 5pm Saturdays; Sundays: 8am, 10:30am, 12 noon

Holy Day Mass Schedule Eve: 5pm Vigil; Day: 8am, 7pm

Rosary after 8am Mass; **Miraculous Medal Novena** after 8am Saturday Mass

Holy Hour 4pm Saturdays (Church) 2pm Wednesdays (Chapel)

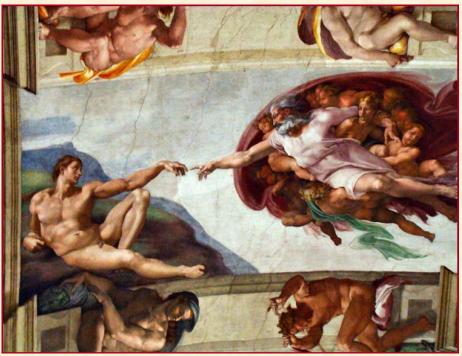
Confession Saturdays 4pm-4:45pm

Church Hours Mondays though Fridays: 8am-2:30pm Saturdays: 8am-6pm Sundays: 9am-1pm

Summer Parish Office Hours Tuesdays - Thursdays: 9am-3pm; Closed Mondays and Fridays

Parish Contact Information

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Hand of God giving life to Adam: "What man can know the intentions of God?" MICHELANGELO BUONARROTI, 1475-1564

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.

Liturgy Schedule

All masses are in person. 8am and 10:30am masses are streamed: **facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr** OR: **saintboniface.org/streaming**

Saturday, September 3 4pm Holy Hour

5pm Vigil Mass

Wisdom 9:13-18b; Phil 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33 Sunday, September 4

9am Sunday Mass: Raffaella Modafferi

10:30am Sunday Mass: John Moran; Dominick, Frances & Donna Stanco

12pm Sunday Mass: Parishioners

Monday, September 5

1 Corinthians 5:1-8; Luke 6:6-11 8am Mass

Tuesday, September 6

1 Corinthians 6:1-11; Luke 6:12-19 8am Mass

Wednesday, September 7 1 Corinthians 7:25-31; Luke 6:20-26 8am Mass: Curtis Costa Holy Hour: 2pm (in the Chapel)

Thursday, September 8

Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Micah 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23 8am Mass

Friday, September 9

Memorial of St. Peter Claver 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27; Luke 6:39-42 8am Mass

Saturday: September 10 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; Luke 6:43-49 8am Mass

Banns of Marriage

SECOND BANNS: **Matthew Gentile** St. Boniface Martyr Church, Sea Cliff, NY and **Victoria DeBenedictus** Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Scarsdale, NY

THIRD BANNS: **Anthony Carella** Our Lady of Sorrows/St. Anthony's Church Hamilton, NY and **Tara Feehan** St. Boniface Martyr Church, Sea Cliff, NY

Let Us Pray

For Our Deceased

For Our Sick

Henry Becker, Nora Harris, Baby Eleanora Peters

Names will remain on the list for six weeks. Please email stbonbulletin@gmail.com or call 516-676-0676 x128 if you would like your listing continued. New requests must be made by an immediate family member.

For Our Military

Captain Nicholas Cavallone USAF Jake A. Hojnowski, Sailor E-3, US Navy Christian Pace Laderer, MMN3, US Navy Second Lieutenant Conor Lynch, US Army 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. 🛇

Faith Direct

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. Recurring 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.

Please sign up today by visiting faith.direct/NY820. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

God Bless You, Fr. Josef

Ministries, Meetings & More

Events this Week

Sunday, September 4

Monday, September 5

Tuesday, September 6 10:30am Women of Faith Book Group 7pm Women of Faith Book Group

Wednesday, September 7 2pm Holy Hour in the Chapel

Thursday, September 8

7pm: Blessed Virgin Mary Birthday Celebration at The Church of St. Rocco

7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

Friday, September 9 6pm Religious Education Parent Meeting

Saturday, September 10

St. Boniface Martyr Outreach & Pantry

Thank you to all who have donated so generously to our Food Pantry! If you are able, please keep the Food Pantry on your shopping list. The following items are still needed:

Pasta Peanut Butter & Jelly Cereal & Kids Treats Canned fruit & Fruit Juice



Food donations may be brought to Sunday Mass or during the Food Pantry hours every Saturday from 10 am to 1 pm. Contacts: Jody Fleischmann and David Meagher at 516-676-0676 x125.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, Jesus lays out the demands of following him, the great cost of discipleship. The Mission Statement of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul states: *"Vincentians witness God's love*

by embracing all works of charity and justice...the Society makes no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ." Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

The St. Boniface St. Vincent de Paul Society meets the third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30pm in the church narthex. Please call Jovanna Lemonda at 516-676-0676 x12 to learn more.

Third Sundays: Bereavement Support Group

Meets monthly at 3pm in Room 10, first floor of the St. Boniface school building, 12 Main Ave., Sea Cliff. The group is facilitated by two experienced grief counselors, Dr. David Meagher and Linda Rose. No fee PRE-REGISTRATION is required. For details and registration, contact David Meagher at davidmeagher@gmail.com, 516-676-0676 x131 or lrosecsw@hotmail.com.

Mondays: Charismatic Prayer Group

Zooms weekly (not holy days or holidays) at 7:30pm for a power hour of praise, prayer, music and Scripture. Members intercede in prayer for our parishioners, our church and our world. 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 about meeting times, location and book selections, please contact Pat at pattomfox@gmail.com.

Thursdays: Scripture Study

Zooms weekly from 7:30pm–8:30pm to deepen and share our appreciation of the Word of God. We are currently studying the Book of Hebrews, using *Threshold Bible Study*, by Stephen J. Binz. Call John and Rosemary Murello at 516-676-2767 for details.

Third Saturdays: Third Order Lay Carmelites

Meets monthly 9am-12pm in the parish center. Lay Carmelites of St. Titus Brandsma seek God's will in the ordinary circumstances of life and His presence in all circumstances in solidarity with others. Call Flora at 516-656-9375 or Ann Hunt at 516-676-0330 to learn more about this ministry.

Third Saturdays: St. Boniface Men's Group BREAKFAST, PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP Monthly mostings at 9:20am in Boom 10

Monthly meetings at 8:30am in Room 10, at the St. Boniface school building. *JOIN US*!

"Do not pray for easy lives, pray to be stronger men... Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers, pray for powers equal to your tasks." (Phillips Brooks).

Contact Rich Lucidi at richlucidi40@gmail.com



"The Journey of Hope..."

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul invites you to join us to walk or make a donation to help.

Saturday, September 24th Cedar Creek Park, Seaford Check-In: 8:30 AM Walk Start: 10 AM

Scan the QR Code or visit http://support.svdpli.org/goto/StBonifaceMartyr





Unable to join us? You may also participate by mailing your donation to:

SVdP at St. Boniface Martyr Church 145 Glen Avenue Sea Cliff, NY 11579

Mass Times II

I want to thank everyone for all the feedback I have received on this topic, both in person and via email. I believe that I have now heard enough voices to confidently say that the overwhelming majority of the Parish is in favor of the proposed changes to our Sunday Mass Schedule. We have also discussed this at our Pastoral Council meeting and their support was unanimous.

To those of you who have concerns about these changes, I want you to know that I share your concerns, but I do believe that these changes will be for the good of the Parish and will allow us to begin re-building a strong community life here at St Boniface. I ask you to give it a chance.

Beginning Saturday, **October 1**, our Weekend Mass Schedule will be as follows:

9:00 am Mass 3:00 pm Holy Hour & Confessions 4:00 pm Mass 8:00 am Mass 10:30 am Mass

Let's give this a try and if it doesn't produce the results we're hoping for, we can always revisit the topic at a later date.

Sunday:

God Bless, Fr. Josef

St. Boniface Martyr Collaborative Meeting

On Thursday, August 18, the members of the Board of Trustees, the Finance Committee and the Pastoral Council met to discuss the roles of these groups and how they will operate.

Here are the highlights:

Saturday:

1. Fr. Josef expressed admiration for the remarkable level of involvement of parishioners at St. Boniface, the number of ministries and activities they support and his desire to foster them and those aspects of parish life which have suffered in recent times due to Covid and other factors.

2. Because the Pastoral Council hasn't met recently, and clarification is needed as to its membership, Fr. Josef suggested that the members of all three groups be considered members of the Pastoral Council along with other individuals who wish to become or are invited as members. All present agreed.

3. Other items discussed:

- ♦ Return of the Family Religious Education program on Sundays
- ♦ Adjusting the Sunday Mass schedule
- ♦ Celebrating Baptisms once a month at the 10:30 am Mass.
- ♦ Reconstituting the Activities Committee and planning for our 125th Anniversary.
- ◊ New Online Parish Calendar
- ◇ Need for a Youth Minister

Since that meeting, most of those invited have agreed to serve on the Pastoral council, with a few taking the opportunity to withdraw.

Our Pastoral Council now consists of:

Vincent Agosta, Kevin Burke, Julie Byrne, Donna Calamis, John Canning, Karen Croce, Joseph Giordano, Noel Griffin, Kevin Kelly, Mary Ellen Kerr, Eileen Krieb, Jovanna Lemonda, Rich Lucidi, Robert Lynch, Carolyn Rassiger, Bill Schiller, Jeff Schneider, Jane Serpico, Frank Sujecki and Christine Whited.



Come Celebrate The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Thursday Evening, September 8th at THE CHURCH OF ST. ROCCO, GLEN COVE

7 PM

Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary led by The Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist

7:30 PM

Holy Mass followed by a short procession Music provided by Theresa & Ben Volpe with guest trumpet player

Everyone is invited to celebrate the birthday of Our Blessed Mother Refreshments will be served in St. Rocco's Parish Hall



Sunday Scripture Reflections

Knowledge Beyond Us (Wisdom 9:13-18b)

As painful as it is sometimes to know the truth, not knowing is worse. If someone we love is rushed to the hospital, the greatest agony comes from not knowing what is wrong. Is it serious? How extensive are the injuries? Are they life threatening? Will they cause further suffering? Not knowing the answers is very painful.

Once we know, even if it is bad news, the situation is easier to accept. We can start to make adjustments, to deal with the truth. But when truth is unknown, chaos reigns. It terrifies us. There are things we do not know. You can be the smartest kid in your class, the expert in your field, the parent who knows the habits of your children better than they do, but there are still things you do not know.

Only with difficulty, the Book of Wisdom says, do we understand the things of this world. "But when things are in heaven, who can search them out?" As hard as it is to understand the things of earth, it is impossible to grasp the mystery of God. The closer we come to God, the more awesome is the mystery. The more we understand about God, the more we realize we do not know. Some people quit their relationship with God in despair of ever learning the truth. Others go into that mysterious relationship, deeper and deeper.

Runaway Slave (Philemon 9-10, 12-17)

The shortest book of the Bible is Paul's Letter to Philemon. It is only one chapter long. Paul became friends with Philemon, probably on a missionary journey. Paul probably stayed with Philemon, where he got to know a young fellow named Onesimus. Onesimus was one of Philemon's slaves.

Some time after they said farewell, Paul was arrested and landed in prison. There he continued his ministry of evangelization. He wrote letters to the communities and individuals he had met along the way.

One day Paul received a visitor to his prison cell. It was Onesimus! He had run away from Philemon! Paul continued to instruct the young man and probably baptized him. In prison, Paul had become the "father" of Onesimus.

But Onesimus had to go back. So Paul pulled out pen and paper and wrote a letter to Philemon on behalf of the runaway. "Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while," Paul wrote, "that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave, but more than a slave, a brother."

Paul signed the letter — a handwritten, autographed, original copy of one of the books of the Bible — and passed it through the bars of his prison into the humble hands of a runaway slave, who brought it home.

It is the shortest book in the Bible. But it has a big theme. If you can free someone else by writing a letter, do it.

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Stewardship

July Church Collections

Stewardship: \$20,616 (5 weeks) Maintenance and Repair: \$1,031

July Faith Direct Donations

Stewardship: \$15,378 (5 weeks) One Time Gifts: \$100 Maintenance and Repair: \$878 105 families are participating as of 7/30/22

There will be a second collection on **September 11** for *The Catholic University of America*.

Thank you for your continued and generous support!

Help for Ukraine

As per the **Ukrainian Catholic Monastery of St. Josephat,** there is an urgent need for the following to be sent to the Ukrainian people (*new unopened items, please*):

+ Medical Supplies (first aid kits, Advil, Tylenol, aspirin, etc.)

- + Thermal Clothing
- **†** Military style clothing
- **+ Boots** (dark colors)
- Empty boxes / Packing tape

Volunteers are needed to assist in this humanitarian drive.

There is a collection box in church. Thank you for your prayers. Call Andrew DiSalvo at 516-759-3370 with any questions.

Parish Information

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Director of Music & Liturgy: Jeffrey Schneider; 676-0676 x105; stbonmusic@gmail.com

The Sisters of Jesus the Saviour: 676-0676 x101

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): Are you or someone you know curious about the Catholic faith? We welcome those who are not baptized, those baptized in another Christian tradition and those baptized Catholics who have not received First Communion and/or Confirmation to join our inquiry class. Classes begin in September. Contact Jane Serpico at 516-676-0676 x130 or stbonRCIA@gmail.com for more information.

Baptism: Fourth Sunday of the month at 10:30am Mass. 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. **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.

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

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

Bereavement Support: David Meagher 516-676-0676 x131

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