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The Epiphany of the Lord: January 8, 2023

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 9am and 4pm

Sunday: 8am and 10:30am

Mondays through Fridays: 8am

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Eve: 4pm; Day: 8am, 7pm

Confession

Saturdays 3pm-3:45pm

Holy Hour

3pm Saturdays (Church)

2pm Wednesdays (Chapel)

Rosary after 8am Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena

after 9am Saturday Mass

Church Hours

Mondays through Fridays: 8am-2:30pm;

Saturdays: 9am-5pm; Sundays: 8am-12pm

Parish Office Hours

Tuesdays - Thursdays: 9am-3pm;

Closed Mondays and Fridays

➤ **Closed December 26 through January 9**

Parish Contact Information

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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

Christmas Office Hours

The Parish Office will be closed
from December 26 through January 9.

Our parish online calendar is now available
to the public! The link is on our website:
www.saintboniface.org

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, January 7

3pm Holy Hour

4pm Mass: Ralph Perone

Sunday, January 8

Isa 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-13; Eph 3:1-6; Matt 2:1-12

8am Mass: Carmela Bertino

10:30am Mass: Kathleen & Luke Harte;
Alan Buckley (living)

Monday, January 9

Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1-9; Mark 1:15; Mark 1:14-20

8am Mass: Seth & Christina Riseman (living)

Tuesday, January 10

Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2-9; 1 Thess 2:13; Mark 1:21-28

8am Mass: Joseph & Jennifer Bello (living)

Wednesday, January 11

Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-9; John 10:27; Mark 1:29-39

8am Mass: James & Katherine Hunter (living)

Holy Hour: 2pm (in the Chapel)

Thursday, January 12

Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Matt 4:23; Mark 1:40-45

8am Mass: John & Dorothy Fanning

Friday, January 13

Heb 4:1-11; Ps 78:3-8; Luke 7:16; Mark 2:1-12

8am Mass

Saturday, January 14

Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-15; Luke 4:18; Mark 2:13-17

9am Mass

Fr. Azubuike Igwegbe has been accepted as a Military Chaplain to the Military Archdiocese and is leaving for boot camp January 17. We will celebrate a Farewell Mass for him on Sunday, **January 15**, at 10:30am, followed by a reception.

Let Us Pray

For Our Deceased

Anne Marie Lucchesi
Dorothy MacMillan
Dominic Vergata

For Our Sick

Patrick Baca

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

For Our Military

Captain Nicholas Cavallone USAF
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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. ✪

Jubilee Corner



To celebrate its Diamond Jubilee, the parish began 1973 with a New Year's Party. A Mass of Thanksgiving was celebrated on June 24, 1973, with Bishop Kellenberg, the first Bishop of Rockville Centre, as the principal celebrant with Fathers James Bradley, George O'Mara, Joseph Canning, Hubert Spinner, Thaddeus Semla and Fr. Fee, pastor, as concelebrants. Fr. O'Mara, associate pastor at St. Boniface from 1935 to 1961, gave the homily. Joe Vulpis was the cantor and Bob Bolger was the Lector.

(Photo by Thomas J. Lilly, Sr.)

Events this Week

Sunday, January 8

Monday, January 9

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group Zoom

Tuesday, January 10

4pm Religious Education Classes

7pm Women of Faith Book Group

Wednesday, January 11

10am Women of Faith Book Group

2pm Holy Hour in the Chapel

4pm Religious Education Classes

7pm Religious Education Classes

Thursday, January 12

7pm Knitting Circle

7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

Friday, January 13

Saturday, January 14

Thank You from Food Pantry Volunteers

The food pantry volunteers want to thank the parishioners of St. Boniface Martyr Church for their support. Your generosity helped us provide the basic nutritional requirements for families in need. We wish all the parishioners a very Blessed Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.

St. Boniface Martyr Outreach Thrift Shop

Please come visit our thrift shop Saturday from 10am to 1pm. There are great bargains on clothing and shoes for the whole family. The housewares department has a wide assortment of dishes, glassware, pictures, linens and toys. All proceeds benefit our food pantry.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. In the spirit of the Magi, please put your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box so that comfort and peace can once again be given to a newborn child.

The St. Boniface St. Vincent de Paul Society meets the third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30pm in the parish center. Please call Jovanna Lemonda at 516-676-0676 x124 to learn how you can help.

Ministry Meetings

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 at 7:30pm for a power hour of praise, prayer, music and Scripture. Call John and Rosemary Murello for more information at 516-676-2767.

Tuesdays: Women of Faith Book Group

Meets monthly mornings and evenings in person and via zoom. New members welcome! For details about meeting time, location and book selections, please contact Pat at pattomfox@gmail.com.

Thursdays: Knitting Circle

Meets weekly at 7pm in the parish center. Experienced knitters and beginners welcome. Join us! For information, contact Nancy Furlong at 516-759-5869 or brknit@optonline.net.

Thursdays: Scripture Study

Zooms weekly from 7:30pm-8:30pm to deepen and share our appreciation of the Word of God. We are studying the Book of Hebrews. Call John and Rosemary Murello at 516-676-2767 for details.

Last Thursdays: Men's Ministry

Now meets the **LAST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**, in Room 10 on the first floor of the St. Boniface school building at 6:30pm. If a holiday falls on that day, we will meet the following Thursday. Please contact Rich Lucidi if you are coming to any meeting at richlucidi40@gmail.com. **Next meeting: 1/26.**
Hope to see you there!

Third Saturdays: Third Order Lay Carmelites

Meets monthly 10am-12pm in the parish center. Lay Carmelites of St. Titus Brandsma seek God's will and presence in the ordinary circumstances of life in solidarity with others. Call Flora at 516-656-9375 or Ann Hunt at 516-676-0330 to learn more about this ministry.



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STATEMENT

DATE: December 31, 2022

RE: Death of Pope Benedict XVI

**FROM: Most Reverend John O. Barres,
Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre**



This morning, upon hearing of the death of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, we give thanks to God with Our Holy Father Pope Francis for the leadership of a great theologian and pope whose holiness and missionary spirit impacted immensely the 20th and 21st centuries.

Growing up in Nazi Germany and experiencing first hand the bitter fruits of Nazi ideology, Pope Benedict XVI understood that ideas have consequences in history. As a result, throughout his life, as a priest, professor, bishop, cardinal and pope, he championed the Catholic belief in the harmony of Faith and Reason - a principle that is so critical to the unity of Truth and so vital to Catholic identity, missionary activity, harmonious ecumenical and interreligious charity and peace in the world.

The magnitude of the historical influence and significance of Pope Benedict's systematic, liturgical and biblical theology cannot be completely known in the present. But it will be great, and it will grow over time like the influence of the teachings of St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. John Henry Cardinal Newman.

For example, Pope Benedict XVI's biblical theology and spirituality, so beautifully expressed in the three volumes of *Jesus of Nazareth*, his apostolic exhortation *Verbum Domini* and his call to all Catholics to read, study, meditate, pray, contemplate and live the inspired Sacred Scriptures are already key dimensions of the New Evangelization.

Echoing his predecessor, Pope Saint John Paul II, Pope Benedict encouraged a new and more integrated maturity in biblical scholarship - a "comprehensive exegesis" rather than exclusive use of one method alone (*Fides et Ratio* 55 and the Foreword to *Jesus of Nazareth I*). The result is a ferment in biblical scholarship and its application in the pastoral sphere that continues to gain ground and momentum.

Pope Benedict called us to a "sacramental mysticism" that is "social in character" and agape driven (*Deus Caritas Est* 14). Harnessing the power of the Mass, harnessing this "sacramental mysticism," leads the Church to a dynamic Gospel of Life and Social Justice mission in our globalized society.

In his weekly audiences, Pope Benedict XVI engaged in a "catechesis of prayer" in which he explained how authentic spiritual life and spiritual growth have to be founded on the rock of the objective truths of the Catholic faith - the truths of the Creed, the Sacraments, Moral Teaching and Prayer.

During his pontificate, Pope Benedict XVI invited the universal Church to live three special years: a Year of St. Paul (2008), a Year for Priests (2009), and a Year of Faith (2012).

During the Year of St. Paul, he asked every Catholic to rediscover Paul's letters, Paul's Road to Damascus Conversion and his missionary spirit.

During the Year for Priests, Pope Benedict XVI invited priests to deep conversion, deep holiness, deep mission and a devotion to the Patron of all Priests, St. John Vianney, the Cure of Ars.

In this time, as always, the Holy Father echoed the words of the First Letter of Peter in his life and relationship with priests: "I exhort the presbyters among you, as a fellow presbyter and witness to the sufferings of Christ and one who has a share in the glory to be revealed. Tend the flock in your midst..." And he asked all of us to pray and sacrifice for a new harvest of holy and zealous 21st century priests.

Finally, during the Year of Faith, Pope Benedict XVI asked us to open our minds, hearts and souls to an expansion of the gift of faith in the Digital Age.

Today, we pray for the soul of this great pope and give thanks for how the Holy Spirit led him and inspired us.

My Sadness, My Gratitude and My Joy

My Sadness

It is with mixed feelings that I write this letter of my sadness, of my joy and of my gratitude to you my beloved parishioners of St. Boniface Martyr Church, Sea Cliff, NY. For a good 11 years, I have shared my life and ministry with you. I have so bonded and connected with you that separation is not easy. I have enjoyed so much love and support from all of you. I have enjoyed the beautiful terrain and neighborhood of Sea Cliff with its unique architecture, safe and quiet roads, beautiful beaches, hills and trees that motivated me to always walk or jog around the village and beyond. Missing all these is sad for me.



My Gratitude

I therefore give thanks to God who has been with me all these years. I thank my local bishop, Most Rev. Paulinus Ezeokafor who sent me here. I thank Bishop Murphy who received me in this diocese and Bishop Barres his successor for the great opportunity they granted me to exercise ministry in this diocese.

I would like to appreciate all the pastors I worked with beginning from Fr. Robert Romeo, Fr. Kevin Dillon and presently Fr. Josef Norys. They all took me as their own brother, showed me so much love, supported me and have helped me to become a better version of me. I appreciate also the pastoral council and the staff of our parish. I am grateful to all the members of different committees and ministries in the parish. I thank all the volunteers of our parish. You do an amazing job.

I thank in a special way all the wonderful parishioners of St. Boniface Martyr Church. I have for these 11 years enjoyed so much love and support from you all. I have enjoyed your kindness and generosity. I have shared in your joys and sorrows. You made me just like all the pastors that have worked here, to always see here as their home. St. Boniface is my home and will always be my home.

I won't end this letter without remembering so many wonderful parishioners I met when I came to the parish, who touched my life in many different special ways who are no longer here. May God grant them peace and rest in His kingdom. Amen.

Therefore am leaving home to go and serve as a chaplain to the US Army. My spirit will always be here. Here will always be my home. I love you all and will continue to love you.

My Joy

"Caritas Christi urget nos" (2 Cor 5:14). "The love of Christ impels us." In his love is our joy. It is joyful to serve. For like Christ, "Non ministrari, sed ministrare" (Mathew 20:28) "Not to be served, but to serve." This is my joy, that I am called to a different ministry where there is very high need for Catholic priests. Yes it will be different, and challenging and demanding, but those souls, young and old, need the services of a priest. My joy is in the giving of myself for the spiritual good of our soldiers.

US Military chaplaincy is a totally different life style, new challenges, new people of different faiths, and new environments. So concerning this new ministry, I will be leaving on January 17, 2023 for Fort Jackson, South Carolina for my Chaplain Basic Officer Leadership Course (CHBOLC). This intensive training will last for 95 days. After that, I am posted to Fort Sill in Oklahoma where I am expected to report on or before May 12, 2023.

Thank you so much my great people of St. Boniface Martyr Church. Keep being good. Keep loving your priests. Keep loving the church and keep loving Christ. I will really miss you all.

Keep me in your prayers as I promise to keep you in mine.

God bless you all.

Fr. Azubuike Igwegbe

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Archdiocese for Military Services (DRVC): \$778
Next week there will be a second collection for our parish
Maintenance & Repair fund,. *Thank you for your support!*

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Holy Family Corner

This is a space for our young families to come and collect books to bring back to their pews to keep the kiddoes engaged during Mass. You may spend a few minutes here with your child to "cool down", do a coloring page or read a book.

Please DO NOT bring crayons back into the church or pews. Your children should never be left here unattended.

We want you to be comfortable back here, but please remember, voices carry.

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

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Joseph Giordano, Noel Griffin, Kevin Kelly,
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Mass Stream Ministry: 8am, 9am; Sunday 10:30am,
Holy Day Masses are streamed via facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr
or saintboniface.org/streaming;
email stbonstreaming@gmail.com

Baptism: Fourth Sunday of the month at 11:30am.
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): 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
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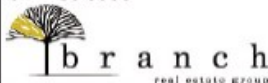
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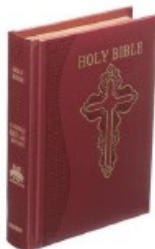
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