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The Very Reverend Dom Josef Norys, Can. Reg., Pastor

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Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: October 15, 2023

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 9am, 4pm;
Sunday: 8am, 10:30am
Mondays - Fridays: 8am

Holy Day Masses:

8am, 7pm

Confession

Saturdays 3pm-3:45pm

Holy Hour

3pm Saturdays (Church)
2pm Wednesdays (Chapel)

Rosary after 8am Mass

Mondays -Fridays
8:30am Saturdays

Miraculous Medal Novena

after 9am Saturday Mass

Church Hours

Mondays -Fridays: 8am-2:30pm
Saturdays: 9am-5pm;
Sundays: 8am-12pm

Parish Office Hours

Tuesdays -Thursdays:
9am-12pm; 12:30-3pm

Parish Contact Information

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www.facebook.com/StBonifaceMartyr/



Parable of the Wedding Feast, by Andrey Mironov (2014)

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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

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, October 14

3pm Confession

3pm Holy Hour

4pm Mass: Horst Mahr

Sunday, October 15

8am Mass

10:30am Mass: Peggy McGowan Ahrens,
John Moran

Monday, October 16

8am Mass: Jody Fleischmann

Tuesday, October 17

Memorial of St. Ignatius of Antioch

8am Mass

Wednesday, October 18

Feast of St. Luke

8am Mass

2pm Holy Hour in the Chapel

Thursday, October 19

*Memorial of Ss. John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues and
Companions*

8am Mass: Joseph and Mary Toto

Friday, September 20

8am Mass: Henry and Irma Becker

Saturday, October 21

9am Mass: Sister Clare

Let Us Pray

For Our Deceased

Voya Cimbalo, Larry Kaslow, Katherine Santosus

For Our Sick

Eddie Bohm, Louis DeLouker, Eddie Hoffman,
James J. Kelly, Margaret Lilly, Mary Jo Lilly,
Robert Norys

*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.*

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound

If you know someone who is homebound and would
like to have someone bring them Holy Communion,
please call Jovanna Lemonda at 516-676-0676 x124.

For Our Military

Lieutenant Commander Melissa Buffa, US Navy
Captain Nicholas Cavallone USAF
Fr. Azubuike Igwegbe, Chaplain, US Army
Jake A. Hojnowski, Sailor E-3, US Navy
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Lieutenant Commander Drew Whitting, US Navy
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Major Bradley Wright, US Army.

Baptisms

Please welcome to the newest members of our
St. Boniface Martyr Parish Family. *God Bless You!*

Please keep the following recently baptized children
and their families in your prayers:

Isla Capo

Julian DiPasquale

Theo Santos Ghandforoush

Aria Gonzalez

Emma Grossjung

Oliver LoPiccolo

Lia Noel Morra

Maeve Tinnerello

Pictured at left: Deacon Tom Fox baptizing his
granddaughter, Emma Grossjung, as parents
Nick and Meaghan look on.



Events this Week

Sunday, October 15

9am Handbell Rehearsal
3pm Bereavement Group

Monday, October 16

6:30pm Youth Group
7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday, October 18

10am Women of Faith Book Group
7:30pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

Thursday, October 19

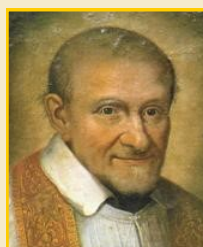
7pm Knitting Circle
7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

Saturday, October 21

10am Lay Carmelites Meeting

Food Pantry: Currently the Food Pantry is serving approximately 60-65 families every Saturday. There has been a steady increase in the number of families requesting food. The pantry does receive and purchase some food from "Long Island Cares" and "Island Harvest" food banks. Because of the growing need, we continue to rely on the generosity of our parishioners. We have a need for the following items: **Cereal, Boxed Pasta, Canned Corn, Chef Boyardee, Instant Potatoes, Ready-to-Serve Soup, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Personal Hygiene Products**

Thrift Shop: The thrift shop is accepting new or slightly used winter clothing, especially sweaters, jackets and coats, in infant, children and adult sizes. The thrift shop also accepts shoes, sneakers, jewelry, purses and household items that are in good condition. *As always, thank you for your generosity!*



St. Vincent de Paul Society

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say: "Many are invited, but few are chosen." 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 Society

of St. Vincent de Paul?

We meet at 7:30pm the third Wednesdays of the month in St. Boniface School. For more information, please call Jovanna Lemonda at 516-676-0676 x124.

*Portrait de Saint Vincent de Paul
by Toile de l'glise paroissiale de Clichy. Source: saint-gregory.org.*

Ministry Meetings

Third Sundays: Bereavement Support Group

Meets monthly at 3pm in Room 11, first floor of St. Boniface School, 12 Main Avenue, 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 lrosecswhotmail.com.

Mondays: Youth Group

8th-12th graders are invited to the Youth Center, Room 10 in St. Boniface School, on Mondays from 6:30pm-8pm. Follow us on instagram username: stbonyg. Join our facebook page 'St. Boniface Martyr Youth Group'. Contact our new Youth Ministers, April and Leo at 516-297-9886 or stbonym@gmail.com.

Mondays: Charismatic Prayer Group

Zooms weekly at 7:30pm. Praise with us! Call John and Rosemary Murello for details at 516-676-2767.

Women of Faith Book Group

Meets monthly in the parish center Tuesday evenings 7-8pm (October 10), Wednesday mornings 10-11am (October 18) and via zoom Wednesday evenings 7-8pm (October 24). New members welcome! The evening group is reading *The Reed of God*, by Caryl Houselander. The morning group is reading *My Sisters The Saints: A Spiritual Memoir*, by Colleen Carroll Campbell. Contact: Pat at pattomfox@gmail.com.

Thursdays: Knitting Circle

Meets weekly at 7pm in the parish center. Beginners welcome. For details call 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. Call John and Rosemary Murello at 516-676-2767 for details.

Fourth Thursdays: Men's Ministry

Next Meeting: Thursday, **October 26th at 7:30pm.** On tap this month: **"The Big Bang's Billions" or a "Young Earth's Thousands"?** Join us in room 11 in St. Boniface School for a couple of short videos, prayer and discussion. Questions? Contact Rich Lucidi at richlucidi40@gmail.com. Hope to see you there. *No need to respond fellas. Just show up!*

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 for more information.

Sundays at the Seminary



✠ The Holy Eucharist ✠

The National Eucharistic Revival has a mission to “renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.” Jesus invites us to return to the Source and Summit of our faith—His Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist.

Join the Friends of the Seminary for “Sundays at the Seminary” focusing on the National Eucharistic Revival. Presentations and discussions, designed to bring us to a deeper understanding and devotion to Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist, will be facilitated by guest speakers. We invite you to participate in one or all four segments; each presentation is independent of the others.

\$20 per Session ♦ Advance registration requested ♦ Sessions from 2 to 4 pm

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| Session #1 | ♦ Oct. 1 | <i>“Jesus & the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist”</i> | Fr. Steve Pietrowski
(DVD by Dr. Brant Pitre) |
| Session #2 | ♦ Oct. 15 | <i>“Pivotal Players – St. Thomas Aquinas”</i> | Prof. Michael Hoonhout
(DVD by Bishop Robert Barron) |
| Session #3 | ♦ Oct. 29 | <i>The Holy Eucharist</i> | Fr. John Cush |
| Session #4 | ♦ Nov. 19 | <i>“Ecclesia de Eucharistia”</i> | Bishop Andrzej
(Encyclical by Pope St. John Paul II) |

Additional Information ♦ 631.423.0483x102 ♦ bmalone@icseminary.edu

www.icseminary.edu/Events

Reflections on the Readings

The Banquet of Life

Death creeps into our lives almost secretly. We lose members of our families and close friends. We buckle up in the car as an unreflective admission that each trip poses mortal danger. We age and experience the gradual loss of our abilities.

For those who believe in Christ, death is but a passageway to eternity. The funeral rites of the church help us ritualize our belief even as we mourn our loss.

Isaiah offers images of God's providence that fit the hope of Christians. He imagines a new Jerusalem, settled on God's holy mountain. In his vision, God provides a rich banquet—not just minimal food for the hungry, not just basic sustenance, but a banquet in which God's people taste delight.

Isaiah imagines death as a veil that covers everyone, a web woven over all the nations. But in this vision, that veil is fragile, subject to destruction by God's deliberate might.

For Christians, the contrast between death and life is the contrast between hunger and banquet.

Whenever the sadness of death threatens to overpower the people we love or our very lives, our belief in Christ brings all the comfort of rich food and drink.

Source of Happiness

Happiness comes from God alone. But that does not seem to stop people from pursuing it in other ways.

Many of us think happiness comes from having money and spending it on possessions. The things of this world charm us. They bring joy to dreary days. But they have no permanence, and they cannot bring eternal delight.

Others think happiness comes from human contact. Indeed, friends bring us happiness beyond what material goods can supply. But some people go from friend to friend, from relationship to relationship, seeking something more.

The best of friends are committed to friendship, and they learn the nature of love. Yet even the love of friends is but a symbol of God's love for us.

Human love shares in divine life, but human love is never perfect.

True happiness comes from God alone. St. Paul had lived in the humblest of circumstances, and he had enjoyed the abundant generosity of benefactors. He told the Philippians, "In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, . . . I can do all things in him who strengthens me."

All things—we can do all things in God who strengthens us. We can be rich or we can be poor. We can be alone or in the midst of others. We can be hungry or very well fed. But we can only be happy in God.

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St. Boniface Martyr Parish History

Our Parish During COVID

The year 2020 brought hard times to our Parish and the world with the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic. Near the onset of the crisis, Lent, Holy Week, and Easter at St. Boniface were celebrated in innovative and moving ways in order to keep our parish and community safe.

Onset of Crisis

The parish's annual St. Patrick's Day Party was, by chance, celebrated rather early in 2020, on March 1, a few days after Ash Wednesday. Few, if any, present that day foresaw that it would be the last social occasion they would be able to celebrate in physical proximity to each other for a number of months. Early in Lent the Diocese of Rockville Centre had announced that it was joining surrounding Dioceses in suspending the public celebration of the liturgy and all other public gatherings. Within a week, most religious entities in the United States had taken the same step.

Safe Together at Home for Lent and Easter

The balance of Lent and Easter was celebrated by the parish from the safety of home by parishioners lucky enough to be able to shelter there, praying for the safety of friends and relatives who were members of groups especially endangered by the virus and others around the world came to rever under the heroic title of "front-line" servants to their community. These brave people included physicians, nurses, EMTs, and other medical personnel, first responders, sanitation and utility workers, restaurant and retail employees, and all manner of public servants. Like everyone else, parishioners were inspired to describe them as "essential" to society, or, as our church teaches: people using their God-gifted charisms to build up the Kingdom. The Parish reminded the neighborhood about these special people by ringing the church bells every afternoon at 3 pm.

How St. Boniface Prayed and Stayed Together

St. Boniface had long had in place a "virtual" online infrastructure which parishioners, staff, and clergy now pushed into high gear in order to celebrate Lent and Easter while unable to congregate physically together.

The parish had established a website soon after the dawn of the internet and had embraced other elements of social media, particularly Facebook, as they developed.

These tools were invaluable in allowing the parish to gather as well as it could under the unprecedented circumstances thrust upon it by the COVID-19 health crisis.

Meetings and Retreats were held via "Zoom" conferences, allowing participants to see and share directly with each other online. Zoom also allowed parishioners and friends to pray Lenten Stations of the Cross as if they were present in the church building. Sunday Mass was live-streamed online. Parishioners who had not previously felt called to embrace social media, particularly senior citizens, now appreciated the semblance of community it provided, particularly for the observance of the Easter Triduum and related devotions.

The St. Boniface Youth Group met weekly via Zoom, as did our Charismatic Prayer Group and our Scripture Study Group.

Fathers Kevin Dillon, Chinthaka Perera and Azubuike Igwegbe, concelebrated Holy Week and Easter Masses, often in the presence of members of the Sisters of Jesus the Savior residing at St. Boniface in attendance and proclaiming the readings. Musical Director, Jeff Schneider, played the organ, and Cantor, April Beisser, sang on Easter Sunday and on other Sundays providing some sense of "normalcy." A multi-lingual interfaith service, hosted by St. Boniface and the other eight-member churches of the Committee for the Community Easter Dawn Service, was streamed online on Easter Sunday 2020.



Fathers Kevin Dillon, Chinthaka Perera and Azubuike Igwegbe, visiting parishioners.

Monthly Donations

September

Stewardship: \$31,462

Catholic University of America (DRVC): \$709

St. Pius X - Enriched Living Facility (DRVC): \$1,625

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Family Corner

This is a space in the vestibule for our young families to come and collect books to bring back to their pews to keep the kiddos 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.

Parish Information

Our parish online calendar is available to the public! Go to our website: www.saintboniface.org

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

Parish Trustees: Donna Calamis, Vincent Agosta

Pastoral Council Members: Vincent Agosta,
Kevin Burke, Julie Byrne, Donna Calamis,
John Canning, Karen Croce, Jody Fleischmann,
Kevin Kelly, Maryellen Kerr, Eileen Krieb,
Jovanna Lemonda, Rich Lucidi, Robert Lynch,
Carolyn Rassiger, Bill Schiller, Jeff Schneider,
Jane Serpico, Frank Sujecki, Christine Whited

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.

Matrimony: Engaged couples are to call the parish
office before any other arrangements are made.
A minimum of six months is needed.

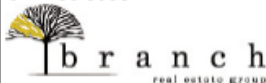
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Are you
or someone you know curious about the Catholic
faith? We welcome those who are not baptized, those
baptized in another Christian tradition and those
baptized Catholics who have not received First
Communion and/or Confirmation to join our
inquiry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

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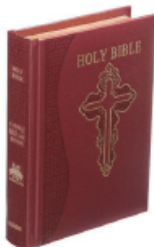
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