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Third Sunday of Lent ~ March 3, 2024

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

6am - 6pm

Parish Office Hours

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

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Christ Driving the Moneychangers from the Temple Rembrandt (1606–1669); Public domain via Wikimedia

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 neighbors in need, please call Jovanna Lemonda at 516-676-0676 x124.

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, March 2

3pm Confession 3pm Holy Hour

4pm Mass: Margaret Canning, Ryan Andreani

Sunday, March 3

8am Mass: Madison Barlow **10:30am Mass:** Lily Bombardiere

Monday, March 4

8am Mass

Tuesday, March 5

8am Mass

Wednesday, March 6

8am Mass: Carmen Chavez **2pm** Holy Hour in the Chapel

Thursday, March 7

8am Mass: Luis Fernando Ruano

Friday, March 8

8am Mass: Sandra Norys **7pm Stations of the Cross**

Saturday, March 9

9am Mass: Thomas Canning

Mass, Holy Hour, Adoration, Confession Wednesdays 7pm ~ 8:30pm

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Fast & Abstinence

All Catholics who have reached their fourteenth year are bound to abstain entirely from meat on all the Fridays of Lent. All Catholics between the ages of eighteen and fifty-nine inclusive are also bound to observe the law of fast on Good Friday.

This means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day.



Let Us Pray

For Our Deceased

For Our Sick

Patrick Baca, Margaret Lilly

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
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Lieutenant Commander Michael R. Ragusa, US Navy
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Lieutenant Commander Drew Whitting, US Navy
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Major Bradley Wright, US Army.



Events This Week

Sunday, March 3

9am Handbell Rehearsal

9:15 Faith Formation Families (Confession)

Monday, March 4

6:30pm Youth Group

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group Zoom

Tuesday, March 5

9:45am Women of Faith Book Group

4pm Religious Education (Grades K, 1, 3, 4 students)

5:30pm Religious Education (Grades 5 - 7 students

7pm Women of Faith Book Group

Wednesday, March 6

2pm Holy Hour (Chapel)

Thursday, March 7

7pm Knitting Circle

7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

Friday, March 8

7pm Stations of the Cross

St. Boniface Outreach

Food Pantry: Due to the growing need for more food, we continue to rely on the generosity our parishioners. We need:

Boxed Pasta

Canned Peas

Canned Spinach Boyardee Shelf stabilized milk Chef Peanut Butter & Jelly

Instant Potatoes Personal Hygiene Products

Thrift Shop: Come visit our Parish Thrift Shop on Saturdays 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. The thrift shop accepts new or gently used clothing in infant, children and adult sizes. We also accept shoes, sneakers, jewelry, purses and household items that are in good condition. Thank you for your generosity!

St. Vincent de Paul Society

In today's Gospel Jesus is asked "What sign can you show us?" Every day we can see signs of how God has visited us in the blessings of our lives. Let us be a sign of God's love by being a blessing to others. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can be a sign of God's love to them.

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

Ministry Meetings

Third Sundays: Bereavement Support Group

Next Meeting: Sunday, March 17 at 3pm in Room 11, first floor of St. Boniface School, 12 Main Ave., Sea Cliff. The group is facilitated by two experienced grief counselors, Dr. David Meagher and Linda Rose. No fee PRE-registration required. For details and registration, contact David Meagher at davidkmeagher@gmail.com, 516-676-0676 x131; or lrosecsw@hotmail.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 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 mornings, evenings and via zoom. New members welcome! For details about meeting times and dates, 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.

Second Saturdays: Men's Ministry

Next meeting: Saturday, March 9 from 7:30am to 8:45am. Join us in Room 11 in St. Boniface School for a bit of breakfast, prayer, videos and discussion. Contact Rich Lucidi at richlucidi40@gmail.com.

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.

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We need our prayer to rise with greater insistence to the Father, So that He may hear the voice of those who turn to Him on the confidence of being answered... Pope Francis

Lent 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers.

On Sunday, January 21 of this year, Pope Francis inaugurated a Year of Prayer ahead of the 2025 Jubilee Year. The Holy Father is calling on the faithful "to pray more fervently to prepare ourselves to live properly this grace-filled event and to experience the power of hope in God." This Year of Prayer, the Holy Father explained, is dedicated "to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world."

In response to the Holy Father's initiative, together with Bishop Barres, all the Bishops and I would like to encourage you, especially during this 2024 Season of Lent in particular, to focus on prayer. Traditionally, during this time all Christians are called to practice fasting, prayer, repentance, and almsgiving as a way of drawing us closer to God and reflecting on the meaning of Jesus' death and resurrection in anticipation of the gift of new life at Easter. All pillars of Lent complement and support each other. Customarily, fasting is a way of disciplining ourselves and expressing our repentance for our sins. By abstaining from certain foods or activities, we show our love for God and our gratitude for His mercy. Fasting also helps us to empathize with those who are less fortunate and to share our resources with them. In fact, prayer binds all these Lenten practices all together, giving them an extra strength and direction. In days to come, as we prepare for the celebration of Easter, let us take this great opportunity to renew ourselves in the life of prayer, making it not just a duty or an obligation but also as a privilege and a joy.

Prayer is a gift from God, connecting us with Him and allowing us to experience His love in our lives. It is a ground for an authentic encounter which God uses to transform us and to make us more like Christ to one another. It is also a power that God grants us to overcome sin and evil and to advance His cause in the world, especially very much needed peace as we reflect these days on the situations in Ukraine, the Holy Land, Syria, Congo, and many other troubled places.

Personal Prayer. A classic description says that prayer is "the raising of our mind and heart to God." We all might have our own experiences of prayer, and we can define prayer in our own and unique ways. However, most important is the fact that during sacred time of the year each of us should make the best effort to make a time for prayer, short or longer, in our daily lives. There are many ways in which we can engage with it during Lent. Many people might continue to follow a lectionary and other materials that provide Scripture readings and reflections for each day of Lent and be led by it to prayer. It is possible use prayer books, journals, apps, or online resources that offer different forms of prayer, such as meditation, contemplation, praise, worship, adoration, thanksgiving, and supplication. In some places there are groups of friends, or parishioners, who join prayer meetings, retreats, or online communities that share prayer requests and support each other in prayer. Most people create a prayer space in their home or workplace that helps them to focus on God. We should all look for an opportunity to pray without distractions and practice silence or solitude as a way of listening to God and being attentive to His presence. Whatever method or style of prayer we choose, the important thing is to pray with sincerity of heart, humility, honesty, and openness. During Lent, we should pray especially for the grace of conversion, so we can be inspired to experience the need of repentance and change and be led to encounter Jesus in the Sacrament of Penance. May we all grow in a deep desire to know the Lord more intimately and to love him more fully with the hunger for his grace and a thirst for his Spirit.

Communal Prayer. Time spent in prayer is never only personal. We all know that every individual action of one person has an impact on the whole community. Together in prayer, as we walk a synodal way, we grow in a deep sense of awareness that every act of love or time of common worship can profoundly strengthen and sanctify the whole Christian community and the whole human family. We are all connected in a special way as members of the Body of Christ, and we share the same mission and vision by celebrating of the Eucharist. This is the most profound and ultimate way of prayer.

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At each Mass we engage personally with the Paschal Mystery of the Lord and make it our own to be led by him, through the sacrifice of the cross to the glory of his Resurrection and our life in Him. The mystery of the Cross and the mystery of love Jesus shares with us can be understood in a deeper sense through prayer. Renewing our commitment to attend the Mass every Sunday would be the best step to renew ourselves in the life of prayer.

Prayers for the World. Both the celebration of the Eucharist and our personal daily prayer nourishes our faith, strengthens our hope, and increases our charity towards others. During Lent and beyond we are called to share our gifts and resources with the world around us, especially with those who are in need. We are to take care of the poor, the oppressed and the marginalized, and are to join them in their struggle for justice and dignity in the best way we can. Every good deed is always inspired and properly executed with the assistance of our continuing prayers, making us God's instruments of peace, justice, and mercy, which is so much needed in the world today.

Dear Friends, prayer is basically a conversation with God who is waiting for us. It doesn't have to be made up of loads of words as it is all about the conversion of heart. It's not just "saying prayers", it is more about living by them, letting our heart declare our love for God and others. Let this Lent be for all of us a sacred time of our spiritual renewal in prayer so we can all become who we are supposed to be in relationship with God and with each other. Our life prayer is a statement about who we are. The future of the world depends on our prayers and begins in us. Even though our prayers do not give any extra reverence to God, thy certainly make us more revered before Him so we walk "humbly with the Lord."

Have a blessed and grace filled Lent,

Bp. Andsop

Bishop Andrzej Zglejszewski Episcopal Vicar



Palm Sunday Masses





Carrying of the Cross," by Titian, 1565. Wikimedia Commons

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This WEEK at HOME

Monday, March 3

Faith and Humility

When Jesus is asked to perform signs in his hometown as he did in other places, he refuses, saying, "No prophet is accepted in his own native place." Jesus accepted that his former neighbors would not believe and so did not seek to prove himself. Sometimes we face humbling situations; we, too, do not need to prove ourselves. It is necessary only to accept that all we have is by the grace of God.

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

Love and Kindness

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells Peter that he must forgive another "not seven times but seventy-seven times." From that instruction, we may ascertain that we are to forgive over and over again. Such forgiveness is an act of kindness, one which any of us would hope to receive after our own transgression. When wronged, we have an opportunity to create enmity or to nurture love. Who needs your forgiveness? From whom do you need to request forgiveness?

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

Praise the Lord

"Praise the Lord, Jerusalem," we sing today in the refrain for Psalm 147. In recognizing all that God has done, the psalm is a reminder that prayers of praise should be part of our prayer life. During these remaining weeks of Lent, schedule a time at the end of the day to recall the ways that God has blessed you. Compose your own prayer of praise and thanksgiving. You might include today's refrain in your prayer

THURSDAY, MARCH 6

Soften Your Hearts

In the reading from Jeremiah, the Lord speaks of how his people have ignored his voice and his commands. The Lord tells the prophets: "But they obeyed not, nor did they pay heed. They walked in the hardness of their hearts." Hardened hearts are still noticed, as people are concerned with many things. Efforts can be made to soften hearts. Today, tell someone that God loves him or her, and that you do too. Do not expect a response.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

Listen with Your Heart

Sometimes we ask questions when we already know the answer. Are we hoping for a different answer from what we know is from God? The third week of Lent is winding down. Have you committed to a process of transformation? Have you set aside time for discernment and reflection? As the Lenten season continues, take courage and listen with your heart.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

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

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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.

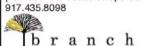
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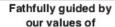
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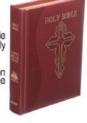
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