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We are a pilgrim people on a journey toward the Kingdom of God

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ August 17, 2025

Mass Schedule

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

Holy Day Masses

8am, 7pm

Confessions

Saturdays 3pm - 3:45pm

Church Hours

6am - 6pm

Holy Hours

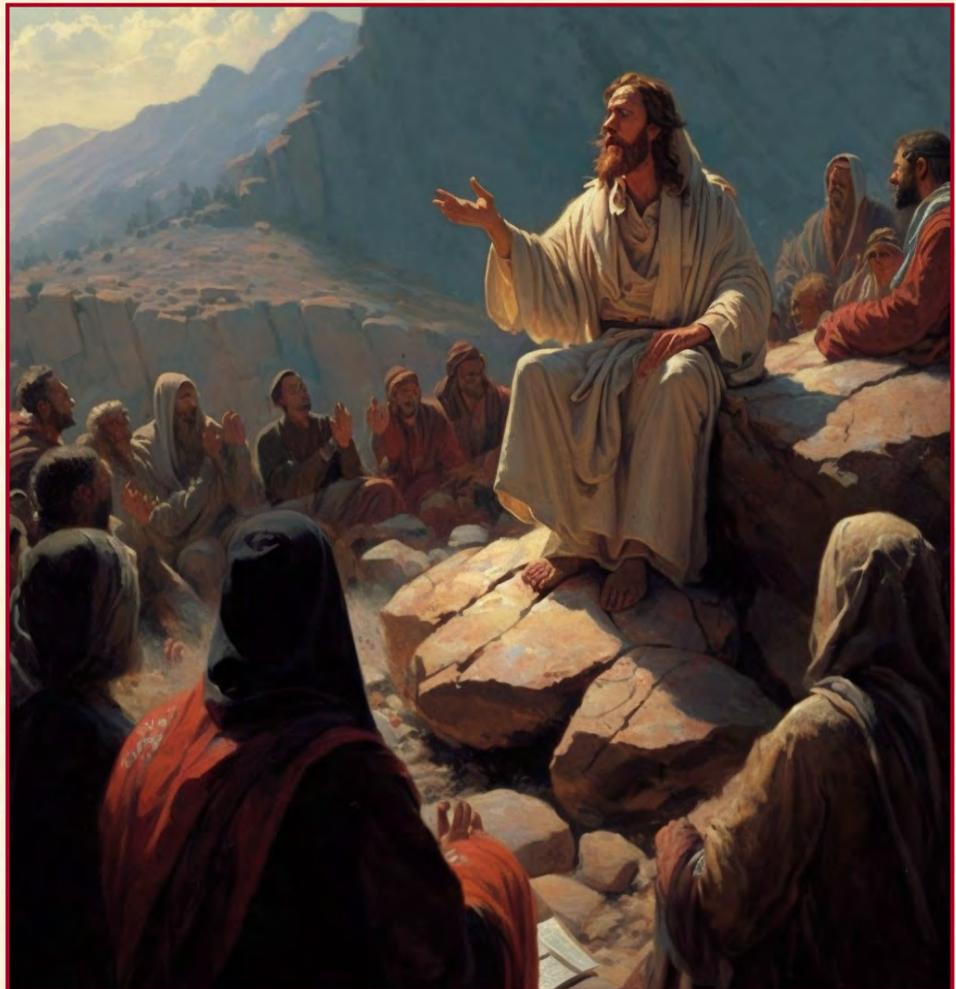
3pm Saturdays (Church);
2pm Wednesdays (Chapel)

Parish Office Hours

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

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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, August 16

3pm Holy Hour and Confessions

4pm Mass: Mary Reilly, Barbara Bolger

Sunday, August 17

8am Mass: Maureen Sweeney

10:30am Mass: Joe Furlong, Carla Dilgard,
Ireneo Chichioco

Monday, August 18

8am Mass: Mary Ann Wright

Tuesday, August 19

8am Mass: George Coyle

Wednesday, August 20

Memorial of St. Bernard

8am Mass: Mary Ann Wright

2pm Holy Hour

Thursday, August 21

Memorial St. Pius X

8am Mass: Joan Brantuas

Friday, August 22

Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8am Mass: Carmela Chan

Saturday, August 23

9am Mass and Miraculous Medal Novena

Dan Healy

Let Us Pray

For Our Deceased

For Our Sick

Carolyn Rassiger, Kenneth Moore, Bea Bohm,
Agnes Brown, Patrick Baca, Margaret Geheb,
Martha Rendon

Names remain on the sick list for six weeks. Please email stbonbulletin@gmail.com to renew your loved one's name. Requests must be made by a 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 the office.

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

Captain Conor Lynch, US Army

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Lieutenant Colonel Bradley Wright, US Army.

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*After years of patches and temporary repairs
on the Church, School and Rectory roofs,
it is now time to replace them.*

Your Support is Needed!

*Please help us protect our parish buildings
for future generations.*

Events This Week

Sunday, August 17

2pm Bereavement Support Group

Monday, August 18

6:30pm Youth Group

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Zoom

Thursday, August 21

7pm Knitting Circle

7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

St. Boniface Outreach

Contacts: Jody Fleischmann & David Meagher

Outreach Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to accept deliveries and/or to pick up food. Commitment: 1-2 mornings per month for 2 hours on Tuesday or Thursday. For details, please contact Jody.

PANTRY NEEDS:

jelly, cereal, soups, canned beets, solid white tuna, canned spinach, canned mixed vegetables, spaghetti sauce, canned peas and carrots, assorted pasta items, assorted bags of dry beans, assorted personal hygiene items.

Thrift Shop: Open Saturdays 10am-1pm.

St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it be accomplished! Your gift to the Society to assist those in need will help set the earth on fire with the of God's love.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7pm. For details, or if you know of a neighbor in need, please contact Jovanna Lemonda.

Ministry Meetings

Third Sundays: Bereavement Support Group

Meets in St. Boniface School, 12 Main Avenue, Sea Cliff, monthly at 2pm and is facilitated by two experienced grief counselors, Dr. David Meagher and Linda Rose. No fee, but PRE-registration required. Contact David Meagher at davidkmeagher@gmail.com, or irosecsw@hotmail.com for details and registration. Next meeting: **August 17**.

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 Minister, April, at 516-297-9886 or stbonym@gmail.com.

Mondays: Prayer Group

Zooms Mondays 7:30-8:30pm. Praise with us! Call John & Rosemary Murello for details at 516-676-2767.

Women of Faith Book Group on Summer Hiatus

The Tuesday evening group will resume **September 9** at 7pm in the Parish Center to discuss Beloved, by Toni Morrison. The Friday morning group will resume **September 12** to discuss An Invisible Thread, by Laura Schroff with Alex Tresniowski. New members welcome! Contact Pat at pattomfox@gmail.com for more details. Check out our "lending library" shelf in the vestibule for books our groups have enjoyed.

Thursdays: Knitting Circle

Meets weekly at 7pm in the parish center. Beginners welcome. For details, please call Nancy Furlong at 516-759-5869 or brknit@optonline.net.

Thursdays: Scripture Study

Zooms Thursdays from 7:30pm-8:30pm to deepen and share our appreciation of the Word of God. Call John & Rosemary Murello at 516-676-2767 for details.

Men's Ministry on Summer Hiatus

Meets September through June the second Saturday of the month from 7:30am to 8:45am in St. Boniface School, for a bit of breakfast, prayer, videos and discussion. Email richlucidi40@gmail.com for more information. Next Meeting: **September 13**.

Third Saturdays: Third Order Lay Carmelites

Meets monthly 10am-12pm in the parish center. Lay Carmelites of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Titus Brandsma Chapter, seek God's will and presence in the ordinary circumstances of life in solidarity with others. Please call Flora at 516-656-9375 or Ann Hunt at 516-676-0330 for more information.

The Queenship of Blessed Virgin Mary

The twentieth century saw a resurgence in devotion to the Mother of God. Several decades prior, on December 8, 1854, Pope Pius IX declared the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception. This was confirmed in 1858, when the Blessed Mother appeared in Lourdes, France to Bernadette Soubirous, a fourteen-year-old peasant girl. The Heavenly Lady told Bernadette, "I am the Immaculate Conception." Lourdes became a frequent pilgrim site where many miracles have occurred.

In 1916, three shepherd children in Fátima, Portugal received three apparitions from the Angel of Peace, the Guardian Angel of Portugal. In 1917, they received six apparitions from the Lady of the Rosary. At her final apparition, 70,000 witnessed the promised miracle. A pouring rain suddenly stopped, the sun danced and plunged to earth, and everything and everyone were immediately dry.

In 1950, Pope Pius XII issued an apostolic constitution, declaring as dogma that Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven. Since Jesus, as King of Kings, sits on His throne at the Father's right hand in Heaven and Mary was assumed into Heaven, today's memorial is the logical conclusion.

Today's memorial celebrates that Jesus' mother sits on a throne next to His, and Jesus says to her, "Ask it, my mother, for I will not refuse you."

On October 11, 1954, four years after proclaiming the Assumption, Pope Pius XII instituted the Memorial of the Queenship of Mary in his encyclical, *Ad Caeli Reginam* (The Queen of Heaven). This memorial was assigned to May 31, following the Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, but in 1969, Pope Paul VI moved the date to August 22, eight days after the Solemnity of the Assumption. Largely this was done to create an octave of anticipation and to show that the Assumption results in the Mother of God being also the Queen Mother of Heaven and Earth.

As Queen, Mother Mary intercedes for us and acts as His mediator. From her heavenly throne, the Queen Mother of Heaven and Earth is entrusted with God's grace.

Not the source, Mary is privileged to be the instrument of distribution. As a mother, she is pleased to lavish every good thing upon her earthly children. She longs to gather them together in Heaven, with and in her divine Son.

The heart of today's memorial is simple. We have a Queen Mother in Heaven. We turn to her with childlike faith and simplicity. As a young child runs to his mother in time of need, never questioning her love, protection, and care, so we run to her. She is our protectress, our refuge, our hope, and our sweet delight. Her affection is perfect and her motherly love unmatched.

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The Coronation of the Virgin
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Reflections on the Readings

Making Life Miserable

If some people want to make your life miserable, they can probably succeed. Your computer can pick up a virus. Thieves can break into your home. Terrorists can gain access to public gatherings. Sometimes there is nothing you can do to stop something evil from happening.

Most enemies are anonymous and take advantage of people with a weakness they can penetrate. But other enemies are well known to us. They are people we have hurt, challenged, or offended in some way. Their reaction is completely out of line, but at least we can trace the path that explains why they do the evil they do.

Jeremiah had that kind of enemy. His prophecies took a position opposed to many of the court princes. By making people question the wisdom of their political leaders, Jeremiah was fomenting unrest. He said only what God asked him to say, but it was hugely unpopular with some people in power.

So they tried to kill him. They brought him to the edge of a large empty cistern and dropped him down on ropes into the mud. "And Jeremiah sank into the mud."

A court official appealed to the king on behalf of Jeremiah, and the king relented, giving permission for a small group to pull Jeremiah out.

If some people want to make your life miserable, they can probably succeed. But if some people want to save you, they can probably succeed too.

Meeting the Challenge

Set your goals high. Thinking about them will bring you joy. But do not despair if they are hard to meet. Reaching your goals is always a struggle.

In Christian life, obstacles hamper our goals. But most of us are not facing the obstacles of the early church. Those Christians were persecuted for their faith. Some of them were tempted to abandon Christ. In their struggle against sin, some of them resisted to the point of shedding blood. That has not happened to most of us.

Still, sin tempts us in many ways. Many young people, for example, set high goals for themselves: not to abuse drugs, not to foster racism, not to have sex outside of marriage, not to commit acts of violence, not to drink and drive. But those goals are hard to reach. Temptation appears every day.

The Letter to the Hebrews says we can build up our endurance by reflecting on the perseverance of others. They shed the sins that kept them from their goals. "Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus."

He endured the cross, "in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart." Set your goals high. And meet them with Christ.

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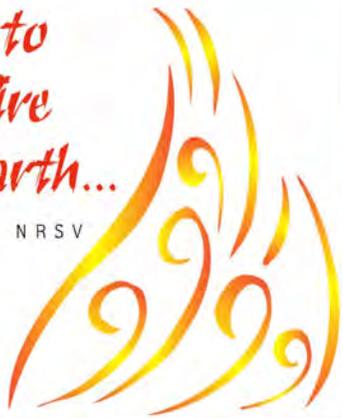


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Registration: We welcome new members to our
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Parish Trustees: Donna Calamis, Vincent Agosta

Pastoral Council Members: Vincent Agosta,
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John Canning, Karen Croce, Jody Fleischmann,
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Jovanna Lemonda, Robert Lynch, Carolyn Rassiger,
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Baptism: Fourth Sunday of the month at 10:30am Mass.
Please contact the office to register. 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?
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another Christian tradition and those baptized Catholics
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