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

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: July 12, 2026

Mass Schedule

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

Holy Day Masses

8am, 7pm

Confessions

Saturdays 3pm - 3:45pm

Holy Hour

3pm Saturdays

Church Hours

6am - 6pm

Parish Office Hours

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

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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, July 11

3pm Holy Hour and Confessions

4pm Mass: Ann Stewart

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time: July 12

8am Mass

10:30am Mass: Janet Pomeranz, John Bambino

Monday, July 13

8am Mass: Winifred DiNapoli

Tuesday, July 14

Memorial of St. Kateri Tekakwitha

8am Mass: Ramy Lopez, Jr.

Wednesday, July 15

Memorial of St. Bonaventure

8am Mass: Quent Schillare

Thursday, July 16

8am Mass: Salvatore Capobianco

Friday, July 17

8am Mass: Marion Feldman

Saturday, July 18

9am Mass and Miraculous Medal Novena

ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS

Cathedral, our envelope supplier,
is still having printing issues
and will not be able to mail out
the July envelopes. They hope
to get the August envelopes
out in time. I apologize
for the inconvenience.

- Fr. Josef



Please Pray

For Our Deceased

Matthew Brady, William Martin, Jean Quartarolo

For Our Sick

Nicole Wollack

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

For Our Military

Commander Melissa Buffa, US Navy

Captain Nicholas Cavallone USAF

Fr. Azubuike Igwegbe, Chaplain, US Army

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Eucharistic Ministry

If you know of homebound parishioners who would like Communion brought to them, call 516-676-0676.

Sunday Hospitality

The Sunday Hospitality Committee that provides our refreshments after 10:30am Mass on Sundays is in need of volunteers. **Angeleta Donovan** is creating a schedule so that so that several volunteers can share in the weekly setup. With enough participants, each person would serve only once a month, or less.

Please consider joining this ministry. St. Boniface Hospitality is one of the many things that makes our parish so special. Training is available.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Angeleta at stbonhospitality@gmail.com or 631-219-5050.

Reflections on the Readings



Life-Giving Word

We cannot live without water. Rain has a job to do. It comes from the heavens and waters the earth. The earth then brings forth seed for crops and enables the baking of bread and the preparation of essential foods. Water returns to the sky, the prophet Isaiah says, but only after it has done its job.

We cannot live without the Word of God. It has a job to do as well. It comes from the heavens to bring its fruitfulness to the earth. It announces God's love, provides direction for the wayward, and gives hope to those who despair. God's Word returns to heaven, but not before it has done its job.

Sometimes we squander these gifts. Household plants may be inches away from water, but they will not grow unless we give them a drink. We may be inches away from God's Word. It comes to us in the Scriptures, in the order of nature, in the counsel of friends, and in the community of believers. But we cannot grow unless we lift the cup and take a drink.

Where does God's Word speak around you? What occasions do you have to listen? God's Word has a job to do. Put it to work.

The Apostle Paul. Rembrandt, circa 1657. Public domain, via Wikimedia Commons

Suffering Nothing

The older we get, the more we groan. Muscles ache. Memory fades. Taste buds fail. Hearing diminishes. Eyesight darkens. Stature bends. Our physical health decays, and suffering intensifies. Growing old, as they say, is not for wimps. For many people, aging might be cause for despair. But for Christians, it is just another aspect of the imperfections of life. We have grown accustomed to the disappointments of this life. They are nothing compared with the promise of salvation. We put up with the inconveniences we experience because we believe in the joy that lies ahead.

St. Paul writes to the Romans, "I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us." Paul believed in God's promise, that there was more ahead for him after he died. He believed that promise extended to all the faithful, and indeed to all creation. Creation itself has been groaning, awaiting a more perfect life. Perfection comes to all the world through Christ.

We may be growing older, but we are always children—God's children. We may be heading toward death, but we are really heading toward birth—birth to a new kind of life. The sufferings of today are as nothing. We are groaning in expectation of a joy that is to come.

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Events This Week

Monday, July 13

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Zoom

Wednesday, July 15

7pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

Thursday, July 16

7pm Knitting Circle

7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

Saturday, July 18

10am Third Order Lay Carmelite Meeting

St. Boniface Outreach

Contact Number: 516-676-0676

To quote Randall Wallace, author and film director: "There's just nothing stronger than the heart of a volunteer." We are looking for people to join the greatest cadre of pantry volunteers to work at the pantry one Saturday morning for 3 hours every 5 weeks. Stop by any Saturday to see how we work or call Jody Fleischmann or David Meagher.



Pantry Needs: Small bags of white rice; canned peas and carrots, beets, and spinach; canned fruit, jelly, paper goods, bath soap, cleaning products, tooth paste, books for children ages 2 to 10 only.

Thrift Shop: Open Saturdays 10am-1pm.

St. Vincent de Paul

Contact Number: 516-676-0676

In today's Gospel, we hear the story of the sower and we know that "some seed fell on rich soil, and produce fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirty fold." This week by putting a gift in the St. Vincent de Paul donation box, know that together they will produce fruit a hundred fold.

We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 7pm. If you are interested in becoming a Vincentian, or if you know of a neighbor in need, please call the St. Vincent de Paul Society at the number above.

Ministry Meetings

Third Sundays: Bereavement Support Group

Meets at 2pm in St. Boniface School, 12 Main Avenue, Sea Cliff, 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 lrosecsw@hotmail.com for details and registration.

Next Meeting: July 19.

Sundays or Mondays: Youth Group

8th-12th graders are invited to the Youth Center, Room 10 in St. Boniface School 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 for upcoming activities.

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 Groups on Summer Hiatus

Meets monthly in the parish center. The morning group meets Saturdays at 10am and the evening group meets first Tuesdays at 7pm. New members welcome! Contact Pat at pattomfox@gmail.com for details. See our "lending library" shelf in the vestibule.

Thursdays: Knitting Circle

Meets weekly at 7pm in the parish center. Beginners welcome. Contact call Nancy Furlong for details 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. Contact 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. For details, contact Rich Lucidi at richlucidi40@gmail.com.

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. Contact Ann at 516-676-0330 or Flora at 516-656-9375. **Next Meeting: July 18.**

Saint Bonaventure

SAINT BONAVENTURE

was born during the last decade of Francis of Assisi's life and would be closely tied to the saint and his Franciscan order. Born in present-day Italy, he was baptized Giovanni di Fidanza. As a child, Giovanni received a miraculous healing from Francis of Assisi. The miracle forever compelled him to credit and praise Saint Francis.

Giovanni studied in Paris and joined the Franciscans in 1243, formally taking the name Bonaventure. After fourteen years of study, Father Bonaventure was recognized as a Doctor and Master of Theology at the University of Paris on the same day that his Dominican counterpart, Father Thomas Aquinas, received his doctorate degree.



"Saint Bonaventure Reveals the Crucifix to Saint Thomas Aquinas"
Francisco de Zurbarán, 1629. Public domain via Wikimedia Commons

In 1257 Father Bonaventure was elected as the order's Minister General, a role he would hold for seventeen years. The Franciscans had grown from 5,000 friars when Bonaventure was born to 30,000 when he turned forty and had spread across Europe, North Africa, the Middle East, and even China. To unify the Franciscans, Father Bonaventure wrote a definitive biography of Saint Francis based on the accounts of firsthand witnesses and the most reliable sources. In 1263, the order adopted Father Bonaventure's work as the sole and authentic biography.

From 1265 until his death, Father Bonaventure wrote numerous letters, sermons, commentaries, and profound Christ-centered works in spiritual and mystical theology, which resulted in Pope Sixtus V naming him the Seraphic Doctor of the Church.

Popes regularly sought Father Bonaventure's counsel. In 1274, Pope Gregory X ordained him a bishop, appointed him as a cardinal, and tasked him with guiding the Second Council of Lyon. Before the council concluded, Cardinal Bonaventure passed away at the age of fifty-six.

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"But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word — and — understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."

MATTHEW 13:23, NIV

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

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Parish Trustees: Donna Calamis, Vincent Agosta

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

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.

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

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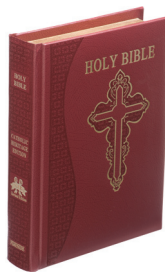
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