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**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ September 14, 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.

## Parish Information

145 Glen Avenue, Sea Cliff, NY 11579  
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*Anyone who is bitten by a snake is cured  
by looking at the brazen serpent raised by Moses. (Num 21:6-9)*

Peter Paul Rubens, circa 1610

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# Liturgy Schedule

## Saturday, September 13

**3pm Holy Hour and Confessions**

**4pm Mass:** Pat and Ellen Macura, Joan Accolla, Marguerite Zavaro

## Sunday, September 14

**8am Mass**

**10:30am Mass:** Helen Capone, Santa Regusa, Carmen Katsikas

## Monday, September 15

*Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows*

**8am Mass:** Clarence Krajenke

## Tuesday, September 16

*Memorial of Ss. Cornelius and St. Cyprian*

**8am Mass:** Angeleta Donovan

## Wednesday, September 17

**8am Mass**

**2pm Holy Hour**

## Thursday, September 18

**8am Mass:** Thomas Cobb

## Friday, September 19

**8am Mass**

## Saturday, September 20

*Memorial of Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions*

**9am Mass and Miraculous Medal Novena**  
Mary Ann Wright

### *First Banns of Marriage*

**Albert Libardi**

Our Lady of the Magnificat, NJ  
and

**Sarah Marceca**

Our Lady of the Magnificat, NJ

### *Second Banns of Marriage*

**Mike Battaglia**

St. Patrick Church Glen Cove, NY  
and

**Kimberly Marchese**

Church of St. Mary, Manhasset, NY

# Let Us Pray

## For Our Deceased

### For Our Sick

Patrick Baca, Agnes Brown, Kenneth Moore

*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.*

### Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound

If you know of homebound parishioners that would like Communion to be brought to them, please call 516-676-0676, ext. 7.

### 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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***Our Lady of Sorrows:*** The day after the Church celebrates the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (September 14), we commemorate Mary under the title of *Our Lady of Sorrows*. Those who suffer emotional pain find inspiration from the Blessed Virgin, whose grief for her son never disturbed her faith. The devotion became so popular in the Middle Ages that the Church reserved a day on the calendar to foster its spread.

The Gospel for the Mass is one of two stories about Mary. She and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Simeon rejoiced to see the Messiah. But he also prophesied that a sword would pierce Mary (Lk 2:33-35). This is understood as a metaphor for the sorrows that awaited her. The other option tells of Mary standing at the foot of the cross with the Beloved Disciple while Jesus entrusted each to the care of the other (Jn 19:25-27).

A tradition evolved that Mary's life was marked by seven sorrows, sometimes called "dolours." Three come from the stories of Jesus' childhood: the prophecy of Simeon, the flight into Egypt, and the loss of Jesus in the Temple. The others relate to his passion: meeting Jesus on the road to Calvary, standing at the foot of the cross, observing his descent from the cross, and attending his burial.

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## The Exaltation of the Cross

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, [September 14], also known as the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross, commemorates the discovery of the True Cross in 326, its exaltation for public veneration in 335, and the recovery of the Cross from the Persians in 628.

In 326, Constantine's mother, St. Helena, embarked on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land to identify sites from Christ's life and establish a church at each. In Jerusalem, she hoped to find the True Cross and to build a church over the sites of Mount Calvary and Jesus' tomb, known as the Holy Sepulchre. Upon identifying Mount Calvary and the empty tomb, she discovered three buried crosses. After an investigation, the local bishop confirmed they were the crosses used to crucify Jesus and the two thieves. Since Helena did not know which cross was Christ's, she arranged for a sick woman to touch all three. The woman was immediately healed upon touching one of them, indicating that it was the True Cross.

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# FAITH FORMATION 2025

Registration Forms and Information Packets  
and are available in the Parish Office and via our website:

[www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org)

## PARENTS' NIGHT

7PM

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

IN CHURCH



Please come for a complete overview of our new program.

For more information, please use our new email: [StBonFaith@gmail.com](mailto:StBonFaith@gmail.com)

## Events This Week

### Monday, September 15

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

### Wednesday, September 17

7pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

### Thursday, September 18

#### 7pm Faith Formation Parents' Night

7pm Knitting Circle  
7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

### Saturday, September 20

10 am Lay Carmelites

## St. Boniface Outreach

Contacts: Jody Fleischmann & David Meagher

**Outreach Volunteers Needed** 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 call 516-676-0676, ext. 4.

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**THRIFT SHOP:** Open Saturdays 10am-1pm.

## St. Vincent de Paul

Today's Gospel reminds us of God's great love for each of, a love so great that He sent His son not to condemn the world, but to save it, so that we might have eternal life. Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!

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 call 516-676-0676., ext. 6.

## 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 irosecsw@hotmail.com for details and registration. Next Meeting: **September 21.**

### 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

The Tuesday evening group meets monthly at 7pm in the Parish Center. The Friday morning group meets at 10:30am. 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

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: **October 11.**

### 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. Call Ann at 516-676-0330 or Flora at 516-656-9375 for details. Next Meeting: **September 20.**

*Together We Walk, together We give.  
One step at a time, one neighbor at a time.*



**Saturday  
September 27, 2025**  
**Heckscher State Park  
East Islip, NY**

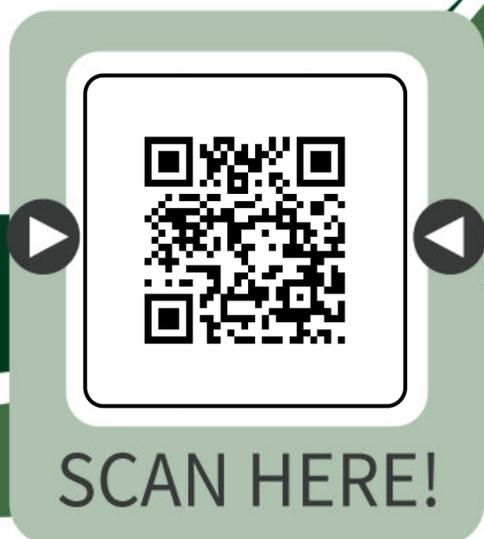
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# Reflections on the Readings

## Forgiving Big Mistakes

If you say something stupid or do something inappropriate in the presence of people you love, you hope they will forgive you.

When we are with those we love, we relax. We speak more easily the thoughts of our heart, and we do more readily the impulsive deeds that bring relationships to life. Sometimes we act with the spontaneity that love enjoys but with the inappropriateness that love does not tolerate. We say something insulting. We do something crude. We give in to the temptation to love someone else.

The best relationships tolerate mistakes. If someone loves you completely and wholly for who you are, that person will accept you, mistakes and all. Your misdeeds are a part of you, and to love you is to love the you that commits errors of judgment.

Moses reminded God about this. While Moses was on the mountain receiving the law from God, the people grew tired of waiting down below. They removed their jewelry and threw it into a fire. Out came something resembling a golden calf. So they worshiped it. They worshiped something that was not God.

In the spontaneity of the moment, at a time when religious fervor ran high, the people committed a terrible mistake. Moses reminded God of the covenant promised to all the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel. And God relented. God did not punish the people for their sin. No matter how stupid our mistakes, God will forgive us.

## Guilty as Sin

Sometimes we are more guilty of ignorance than of sin. We did not know that we were offending someone else. We were not aware we were breaking local rules. We did not know we were hurting ourselves. We did not realize God would be displeased. We do not always mean to do something wrong.

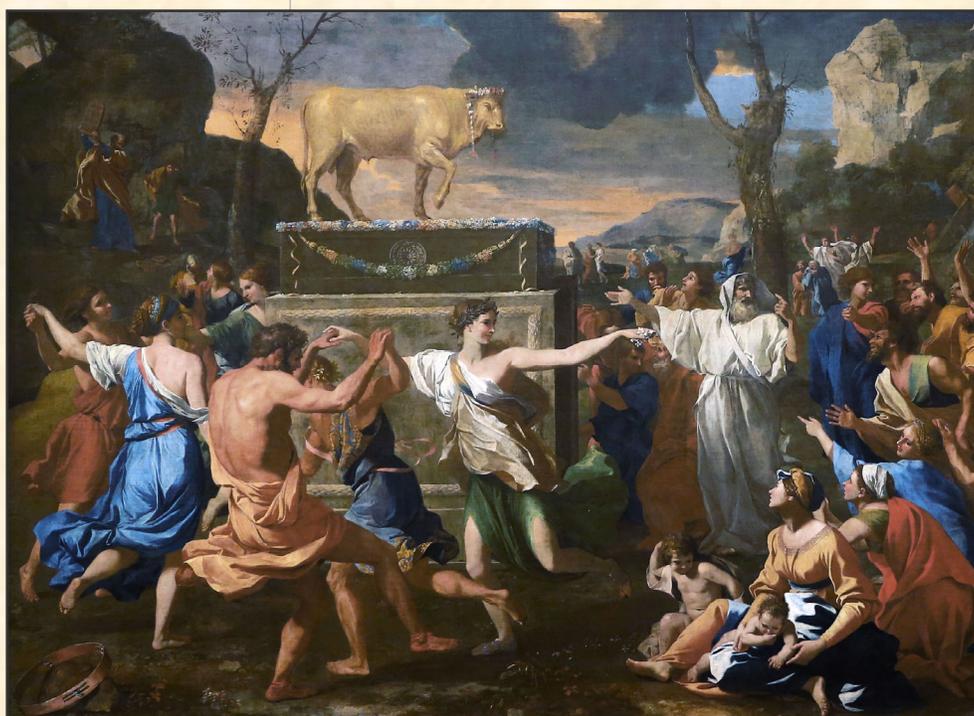
Sometimes we do the wrong thing out of ignorance. Other times, though, we sin. We deliberately choose what is wrong. We talk ourselves into it for what seems like a good reason—it's easier, no one will know, it will be fun, I deserve it. But we choose what is wrong. We know it's wrong, and we do it.

At the time it may feel all right. But later we experience remorse. The guilt of our sins sits with us more than the enjoyment they so briefly extend. What can restore our peace?

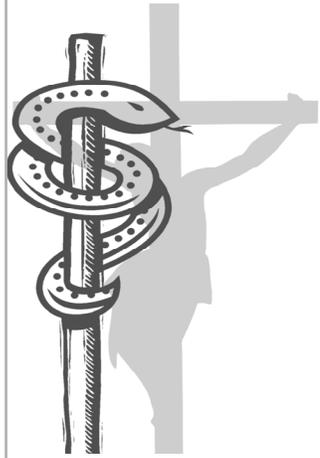
Forgiveness. And that is why Jesus came. "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners," says the First Letter to Timothy. Jesus did not come into the world to punish sinners but to save them. The author of the letter gives this personal testimony: "I was mercifully treated, so that in me, as the foremost, Christ Jesus might display all his patience as an example for those who would come to believe in him."

Whether we are guilty of ignorance or sin, Jesus has come to save us. This we believe. For this we give glory.

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*And just as Moses  
lifted up the serpent  
in the desert,  
so must the Son of Man  
be lifted up,  
so that everyone  
who believes in him  
may have eternal life.*

JOHN 3:14-15

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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, 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, Jeff Schneider, 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.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** 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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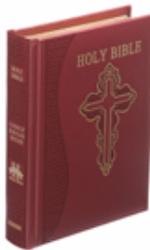
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