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February 15, 2026

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Sirach 15:15–20 / 1 Corinthians 2:6–10 /

Matthew 5:17–37 or 5:20–22a, 27–28, 33–34a, 37

Some Walk Away

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

“Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’” (Matthew 5:37). This teaching of Jesus seems to get lost, perhaps because it comes at the end of a long listing of commandments. Regardless, it seems to get right to the point, almost making the other commandments unnecessary or perhaps clarifying them. Either you are going to be a child of your heavenly Father and live like one, or you are not. If you are a child of God, you would not contemplate any evil behaviors, let alone actually do them.

That is the clarity of the teaching of Jesus. It is authentic. It is compelling. It invites a response. Yet, there are those who were present with him who did not understand. Who missed the point. Who insisted on another way. Who could not discern the simplicity of the truth. To each of these men and women, including some with the religious title of scribe or Pharisee, he observed, “And if the light in you is darkness, how great will the darkness be” (Matthew 6:23). Even sadder is that not only did they miss the point, they also simply walked away.

Do you want to say more than a simple “Yes” or “No”? Do you want to say, “Yes, but... I can’t do it now.” Or “I can’t forgive this particular person.” Or “I can’t welcome this particular stranger.” Or “I can’t love him or her or them.”

Have you also missed the point? Do you also want to walk away? ●



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Reflect

What teachings of Jesus are too hard to consider?

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One Family In Faith

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sanctuary Lamp
February 15, 2026
Luminary

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gift for a luminary,
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St Boniface Parish **Living Members of The 1847 Society**
St. Meinrad Parish **+James "Jim" Lee and +Kathleen Ann (Seng) Ebert**

ORDO (Order of Prayer)	
Liturgy of the Hours	II
Lectionary	76
Eucharistic Prayer	IV
Mystery of Faith	C

DATE / TIME	CALENDAR EVENT	LOCATION
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14		
8:00 a.m.	Mass (May - October at 7 a.m.; November - April at 8 a.m.) • Mass begins at 8 a.m. through Saturday, April 25, 2026	Monte Cassino Shrine
1:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Marriage: Mary Ann Rahman and Jerome "Jerry" Patrick Steckler	Historic Church (SB)
3:15 to 3:45 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the south entrance)	Historic Church (SB)
3:35 p.m.	Rosary (For an increase of vocations to the single chaste life and marriage)	Historic Church (SB)
4:00 p.m.	Mass <i>Missa Pro Populo</i> "Mass for the People"	Historic Church (SB)
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15		
6:00 a.m.	Mass +James "Jim" Theodore Mehling	Historic Church (SB)
7:45 to 8:15 a.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	Church (SM)
8:05 a.m.	Rosary (For increased vocations to priesthood, diaconate & consecrated life)	Church (SM)
8:30 a.m.	Mass +Michael "Mick" Wayne Robinson	Church (SM)
8:40 a.m.	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Church (SM)
9:30 a.m.	Mass (Parishioners, pilgrims and guests welcome)	Archabbey Church
9:45 to 11:00 a.m.	F3 Programs and Activities for Grades 7-9	Parish Office (SM)
9:45 to 10:45 a.m.	F3 OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)	Church: South Sacristy (SM)
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.	Youth Group (CYO) Mardi Gras Party	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16		
3:50 p.m.	Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb)	Historic Church (SB)
4:15 p.m.	Mass +Earl Anthony Peters • Third Monday, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council • Fourth Monday, 5:15 to 6 p.m. Pastoral Council Officers No meetings in April, July, August, November	Historic Church (SB) Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105 Parish Office: Room G
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Phyllis Kay (Lasher) Bender	Church (SM)
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.	Reserved for Team C	Parish Office: Office C
1:15 to 2:45 p.m.	Parish Staff Meeting	Office: Room G-A
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Meeting • First and third Tuesdays of month, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Formation sessions for sacraments and pastoral counseling • Second and fourth Tuesdays of month, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Parish Commission Meetings	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) Parish Office: Room H Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18 ASH WEDNESDAY (PARISH OFFICE CLOSED)		
6:30 a.m.	Distribution of Ashes	Historic Church (SB)
12:05 p.m.	Mass and Distribution of Ashes	Church (SM)
3:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Mass Intention: Sick, Infirm & Homebound Members of Parish Family	Church (SM)
3:30 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (concludes with litany followed by Benediction)	Church (SM)
4:15 p.m.	Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance)	Church (SM)
4:15 p.m.	Mass and Distribution of Ashes Priest's Intention	Church (SM)
6:15 p.m.	Mass and Distribution of Ashes <i>Missa Pro Populo</i> "Mass for the People"	Historic Church (SB)
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19		
8:00 to 11:00 a.m.	Church cleaning	Church (SM)
11:40 a.m.	Rosary (For increased vocations to priesthood, diaconate & consecrated life)	Church (SB)
12:05 p.m.	Mass +Linda Ann Frances Bertke	Historic Church (SB)
12:30 to 2:30 p.m.	JOY—Monthly carry-in luncheon for parishioners 55+ with activities to follow	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) Room 103
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM)
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Edgar David and +Lemoyne (Seago) McNeill	Church (SM)
3:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	Church (SM)
3:00 to 7:00 p.m.	Lenten Fish Fry	Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PARISH

GENERAL INFORMATION

PARISH OFFICE

LOCATION

19630 N. 4th St.
Saint Meinrad, Indiana

PHONE: 812-357-5533 (Main Number)
info@myparishfamily.church

PARISH WEBSITES

sbcatholic.church
smcatholic.church

MAILING ADDRESS FOR PARISH OFFICE AND ALL LOCATIONS

PO Box 8
Saint Meinrad, IN 47577-0008

ST. BONIFACE PARISH CENTER

LOCATION

11715 E. County Road 1550 N
Fulda, Indiana

PHONE: 812-357-2100

PARISH STAFF

Reception/Main Number	Monday-Wednesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday 9 to 11 a.m.	812-357-5533
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To email a staff member: Use first name, first initial of last name, @myparishfamily.church

Communications	Ms. Mary Jeanne Schumacher	812-357-6056
Evangelization and Discipleship	Ms. Jessica Fischer	812-357-6065
Facilities and Safety	Mr. George Schaefer	812-357-6054
Facilities and Grounds Assistant	Ms. Maddie Gudorf	812-357-6052
Gift Recorder	Ms. Chloe Mohr	812-357-6053
Liturgical Music	<i>Actively seeking to fill position</i>	812-357-6058
Office Assistant	<i>Position open</i>	812-357-6059
Parish Office Custodial Services	Ms. Sue Wiederkehr	812-357-6053
Parish Secretary	<i>Position open</i>	812-357-6051
Pastor	Father Paul Nord, OSB	812-357-6739
Permanent Deacon	Deacon Mike Fish	812-357-6055
Sacramental Assistant	Father Joseph Cox, OSB	812-357-6611
Sacramental Assistant	Father Michael Reyes, OSB	812-357-6611

Cemetery Sexton Records and Plot Sales	Actively seeking to fill position	812-357-6050
• St. Boniface Cemetery Commission	<i>Position open</i>	812-357-6050
• St. Meinrad Cemetery Commission	Mr. Brian Greulich, Chair	812-608-0756

PREPARING FOR SACRAMENTS/SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY

Parishioners seeking sacraments should visit the Sacraments tab on our website to begin enrollment and required preparation. To access this information, enter "sacraments" in the search feature at sbcatholic.church or smcatholic.church.

Baptism Preparation: Families seeking baptism should contact Jessica Fischer, Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator, to schedule preparation and formation sessions at least two months before the child's birth.

Marriage Preparation: Couples wishing to marry at St. Boniface or St. Meinrad churches must contact Jessica Fischer, Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator, at least six months before their wedding date to arrange marriage preparation and formation sessions. At least one person in the couple must have been a parishioner for one year.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office to request a priest for this sacrament of healing. **If you require a priest due to severe illness or danger of death, please call 812-357-6600.** Be prepared to provide your name, location and contact information. The priest on call will respond as soon as possible.

Families should use this number immediately when a loved one is admitted to an area hospital, long-term care center or hospice. Hospital, long-term care and hospice chaplains do not always contact the Parish Office promptly, which can leave parishioners and families without needed parish-based pastoral care or the [Last Sacraments](#).

WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS

Want to support the mission and ministry of our parish family?

Scan the QR code to make a one-time or recurring gifts using debit cards, credit cards, or eChecks (ACH).



DATES FOR PARISH PICNICS

- St. Boniface: 1st Sunday in August
sbcatholic.church/summer-picnic
- St. Meinrad: 3rd Sunday in September
smcatholic.church/fall-picnic

Note: No weddings are scheduled on picnic weekends or on weekends of parish patron feasts.

BECOME A MEMBER

We would love to have you as a parish family member if you are new to the area. If you have remained under your parent's membership but are now an adult, we encourage you to register independently. Register at the parish office or [contact us](#) using the QR code, so we can welcome you.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Counter Hours: Monday - Wednesday
8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 9-11 a.m.**
(Central Time)

By appointment: Thursday and Saturday
Office closed on Holy Days and Observed Holidays

BULLETIN DEADLINE

MONDAY 11 A.M.

Generally, each issue's copy deadline is Monday, six days before the Sunday cover date. Scan the QR code to fill out a form with news for the bulletin.



VIEW CEMETERY INFO ONLINE

To visit the parish cemetery directories, type "**cemetery**" in the search box on the parish website. You can view gravestones, locate family graves, and see what plots are available.

LOCKED OUT? REPAIRS NEEDED?

To report a safety concern or maintenance or repair need, type "maintenance" in the search box on the website. Fill out the online form and a parish staff member or Facilities and Grounds Commission member will respond as soon as possible. **If the emergency that requires immediate assistance from the police, fire department or emergency medical personnel, call 911 immediately.**





February 'Wish List' for Families Served by Catholic Charities Tell City



The February "Wish List" for Catholic Charities Tell City is **gloves for men and hand lotion**.

To deliver items, please use the handicap entrance at each church and place items in the container marked Catholic Charities at the Marian Altar or in the box in the narthex near the prayer intentions book.

Parish churches are open daily from dawn to dusk. Catholic Charities will distribute the items to local individuals or families in need.

For information, contact [Ms. Sue Kloeck](mailto:Ms.Sue.Kloeck), Service and Outreach Commission Chair.

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February 'Wish List' for North Spencer Community Action Center



The February "Wish List" for North Spencer Community Action Center is **canned soups and crackers**.

To deliver items, please use the handicap entrance at each church and place the items in the container marked North Spencer Community Action Center at the Marian Altar or in the box in the narthex near the prayer intentions book.

Parish churches are open daily from dawn to dusk. NSCAC will distribute these items to local individuals or families in need. To learn more about North Spencer Community Action Center, contact Ms. Bobbi Fromme, NSCAC Director, at 812-937-2796 or visit www.northspencercac.com. For more information, contact [Ms. Sue Kloeck](mailto:Ms.Sue.Kloeck), Service and Outreach Commission Chair.

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How to Contact the Prayer Line

Do you have a request or special need?

- Type **PRAYER REQUEST** in the search box on the website to submit an online request
- Call 812-357-6063 or scan the QR Code with your smartphone



Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention

February: For children with incurable diseases



Lord Jesus,

You came into the world to heal our infirmities and to endure our sufferings. You went about healing all and bringing comfort to those in pain and need.

We come before you now in this time of illness asking that you may be the source of our strength in body, courage in spirit and patience in pain. May we

join ourselves more closely to you on the cross and in your suffering that through them we may draw our patience and hope.

Assist us and restore us to health so that united more closely to your family, the Church, we may give praise and honour to your name. Amen.

Join Us in the Ministry of Prayer

Recent Prayer Requests Received

Updated February 3, 2026

Intentions listed for 30 days, unless otherwise requested.

- Clarence W, Christ the King Parish, health, peace of mind and heart (2/3)
- Jeff G, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (2/3)
- Rick M, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (1/15)
- Katelyn H, St. Meinrad Parish, health and healing (1/14)
- Gary S, St. Meinrad Parish, health, healing and for the Holy Spirit to remain with him and his family (1/14)
- John B, St. Meinrad Parish, health, peace of mind and heart (1/12)
- Sharon S, St. Meinrad Parish, recovery from recent surgery (1/2)
- Romilda P, St. Boniface Parish, health and healing (1/2)
- Karen K, St. Boniface Parish, health, peace of mind and heart (12/29)
- For the repose of the soul of Tim Waninger, St. Boniface Parish, who died on January 1, 2026. Son of Raymond and Leona (1/2)

To add a prayer request, type "prayer request" in the search box on the parish website, or scan the QR code at left.

The Mission of Our Parish Family

St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish exist to nurture an intentional faith-filled Catholic Community which inspires and empowers all people to follow Jesus Christ. We will continue to "Keep our eyes fixed on Jesus" (Hebrews 12:2) by living the Word of God, celebrating the sacraments with meaningful worship, and calling one another to prayer, Christian service, and fellowship rooted in the living tradition of a rich German-Catholic heritage.



The Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson
Archdiocese of Indianapolis

1400 N. Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202-2367
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2 February 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Years of war in Ukraine have profoundly affected both Ukrainian society and the Church in Ukraine. The majority of Ukrainian Catholics belong to the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church under the spiritual leadership of the Pope. From the beginning, the laity has played a significant role in responding to the needs of displaced families, orphaned children, and other victims of the conflict. In the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church's Exarchate of Lutsk, laypeople such as catechists, parish pastoral and economic council members, and priests' wives have been called upon to provide faith formation, carefully manage parish resources, and provide emotional and spiritual support to members of the local parish communities.

These laypeople have heeded their call to holiness by bringing their talents and abilities to serve God and their neighbors. The exarchate, with crucial funds received through the **Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe**, has answered the call of Pope Leo to empower and form the laity to help bring the Gospel to the world. The exarchate is hosting formation seminars and trainings for priests' wives, parish pastoral and financial advisers, and catechists so that they might foster spiritual healing and economic recovery amid the devastation of war.

By donating to this special collection when **it is taken up the weekend of February 14-15, 2026**, you will be helping the Church in Ukraine and more than 25 other countries in Central and Eastern Europe to witness to Christ's mercy, even in the midst of these terrible hardships brought on by the war.

For more information about the collection and who it supports, visit www.usccb.org/ccee. Thank you for your help to restore the Church and build the future in Central and Eastern Europe.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ *Charles C. Thompson*

Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson
Archbishop of Indianapolis

Make A Difference Today:

- **Online:** Scan QR code below to make a one-time or recurring gift using debit card or credit card, and ACH (US only).
- **Envelope Packet:** An envelope for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe is included in your monthly packet.
- **Reminder:** Please make your check payable to the parish church, clearly marking in the memo: **CCEE Annual Appeal #4022**.



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Mabel Alice (Greulich) Aders, St. Meinrad Parish, Dies February 7



In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Mabel Alice (Greulich) Aders, of St. Meinrad Parish, who died peacefully in the Lord on February 7, 2026.

Her husband, Jerry, is also a member of St. Meinrad Parish, along with her brother, Kermit (Cheryle) Greulich. A sister, Earlene (Charlie) Schaefer, is a

member of St. Boniface Parish.

Arrangements are in the care of Becher Funeral Home.

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Clarence J. Waninger, Ferdinand, Dies on February 7, 2026



In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Clarence J. Waninger, who died at Scenic Hills at the Monastery in Ferdinand on February 7, 2026. Brother of Anna Mae Peters and Robert "Bob" Waninger and brother-in-law of Carol J. Waninger, all of St. Boniface Parish.

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Pacifica Quartet to Perform at the Archabbey on Friday, February 20



Saint Meinrad Archabbey Cultural Events will present a concert by Pacifica Quartet on February 20, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. Central in the St. Bede Theater.

The evening's program will feature Charles Ives' String Quartet No. 1, Erich Wolfgang Korngold's String Quartet No.

2, Op. 26, and String Quartet No. 12 in F major, Op. 96, "American," by composer Antonín Dvořák.

The program is free and open to the public, and no registration is required. Parking is available in the Guest House and student parking lots. For more information, contact Krista Hall during business hours at 812-357-6501. For updates on the day of the performance, call 812-357-6611.

United Catholic Appeal Update

St. Boniface Parish (#076)

Parish Goal	\$8,209
Amount Pledged	\$3,350
Percentage to Goal	40.8%
Number of Households	32

St. Meinrad Parish (#137)

Parish Goal	\$12,535
Amount Pledged	\$7,020
Percentage to Goal	56%
Number of Households	30

Archdiocesan UCA Goal Amount	\$6.3 million
Total Amount Pledged Archdiocesan Wide	\$4.7 million
Updated January 2026	

Together, we can make a difference beyond the scope of any individual parish by helping meet the needs of our brothers and sisters in central and southern Indiana. Scan the QR code to make your gift today!



Wondering How to Begin with Online Giving?

Here are links to get started:

- sbcatholic.church/sunday-holy-day/
- smcatholic.church/sunday-holy-day/

KICK UP YOUR LENT

WHEN

Tues 2/24; 3/3;
3/10
8:15 am – 9 a.m.

WHERE

St. Meinrad Parish
Office Conf. Room

JOIN DEACON MIKE AS WE
EXPLORE FACE-TO-FACE
ENCOUNTERS WITH GOD

RIGHT AFTER THE
7:15 A.M. MASS AT
ST. MEINRAD ON
TUESDAYS

COME TO 1, 2, OR
ALL 3 SESSIONS

WE WILL EXPLORE
(1) CAIN AND
ABEL; (2) SAMUEL
& SAUL; SARAH &
HAGAR; (3)
JACOB; (4) ELIJAH
& MANY OTHERS

THESE PEOPLE
HAD FACE-TO-
FACE
ENCOUNTERS
WITH GOD.

YOU CAN
TOO!

Lent 2026: Making the Most of 40 Days

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18, this year. Below are some resources provided by the parish to help you make the most of your Lenten journey.

Lenten Prayer Books



Lenten prayer books will be available in both churches on the weekend of February 7-8, 2026. Students in the F3 program will receive their Lenten booklets the previous Wednesday, February 4.

The *Little Black Book for Lent* offers daily reflections from February 16 through Easter Sunday, April 5, based on the Passion according to the Gospel of Mark.

Books are located in pews and on courtesy tables at all entrances. Parishioners in long-term care centers have already received copies.

For more information about the Lenten prayer books, contact [Ms. Jess Fischer](#), Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator.

Ash Wednesday Services

With Lent beginning on Wednesday, February 18, St. Boniface and St. Meinrad parishes have scheduled various events that are open to parishioners, friends and neighbors.

Here is the **schedule for Ash Wednesday**, February 18:

- Blessing and distribution of ashes only: 6:30 a.m., Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
- Three Masses, with the distribution of ashes, will be held at:
 - 12:05 p.m., St. Meinrad Catholic Church
 - 4:15 p.m., St. Meinrad Catholic Church
 - 6:15 p.m., Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church

Stations of the Cross and Eucharistic Adoration

Each Friday during Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 3 p.m. at St. Meinrad Catholic Church, led by Deacon Mike Fish.

Eucharistic Adoration is available each week on Wednesday from 3 to 4 p.m. at St. Meinrad Catholic Church.

Confessions and Penance Service

Confession is available at St. Meinrad Catholic Church on Wednesdays, 3:15 to 4 p.m., and Sundays, 7:45 to 8:15 a.m. At Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church, confession is available Saturdays at 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.

A communal penance service will be held Wednesday, March 4, at 6:30 p.m. at Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church.

CRS Rice Bowls

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls will be available in churches

the weekend of February 7-8. Students in the F3 program will receive their Rice Bowls the previous Wednesday.

Rice Bowls will be on courtesy tables after that weekend. Parishioners in long-term care centers have already received them.



The CRS Rice Bowl program invites Catholics to live in solidarity with our poorest and most vulnerable brothers and sisters through the three Lenten pillars of praying, fasting, and almsgiving.

When you give to CRS Rice Bowl, 75% of your donation supports CRS's humanitarian relief programs in nearly 100 countries worldwide. The remaining 25% goes to hunger and poverty alleviation efforts here within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis as part of the Matthew 25: CRS Rice Bowl Grant. Electronic or recurring donations are available. Scan the QR code on the collection container.

Rice bowls and old palm branches may be returned at all church entrances beginning Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026, through Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12. Blessed palms are a sacramental, and they need to be disposed of in a proper manner. It is our custom to take those blessed palms, burn them, and use them for the ashes that, next year, are sprinkled or traced on our heads as a reminder that we "are dust and to dust we shall return."

For information about the CRS Rice Bowls, contact [Sue Kloeck](#), chair of the Service and Outreach Commission.

Special Lenten Series for Adults



Deacon Mike Fish will offer three Lenten sessions for adults, beginning at 8:15 a.m. on Tuesday, February 24, 2026. Other dates are March 3 and March 10.

At each 45-minute session, participants will look to the Old Testament to see who has experienced God face-to-face and

what can be learned from those experiences.

Each session covers different encounters. Parishioners are welcome to attend one, two or all three sessions. More details on Page 6.

Important Dates in Lent 2026

Ash Wednesday: February 18
Palm Sunday: March 29
Holy Thursday: April 2
Good Friday: April 3
Holy Saturday: April 4
Easter Sunday: April 5



Annual Appeal for Church in Central and Eastern Europe Appeal



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Saturday Confession Time Moved to Sunday at St. Meinrad Parish



Beginning on the weekend of January 31 - February 1, the confession time at St. Meinrad Catholic Church will move from Saturday at 12:15 p.m. to Sunday at 7:45 a.m. It is hoped the change will make it more convenient for those who wish to take advantage of the sacrament.

Other confession times remain:

- Saturday, 3:15 p.m., Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church
- Wednesday, 3:30 p.m., St. Meinrad Catholic Church

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St. Boniface Parish Schedules Fish Fries on Two Fridays During Lent



St. Boniface Parish will hold its annual Lenten fundraiser selling fish dinners on two Fridays, **February 20** and **March 6**. Drive-through and dine-in service will be available at the St. Boniface Parish Center between 3 and 7 p.m., or while supplies last.

Dinners include two half-pound fish filets with sides. Two ordering options are available: Preorders submitted by

noon Monday of the week of the fish fry will be \$15 per dinner; all other orders will be \$16 per dinner.

To preorder dinners, click/tap one of the buttons at the top of this page to submit your order and pay with credit or debit card. To receive the \$15 price, preorders must be received by noon Monday, February 16, and noon Monday, March 2.

The funds raised will be used for parish projects. For more information or to preorder your dinners, visit sbccatholic.church/fish-fry/.

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Youth Group (CYO) Grades 7-12 Mardi Gras

St. Boniface Parish Center
Sunday, February 15, 2026
6-7:30PM

As we prepare for Lent, let's
learn more about Catholic
Mardi Gras traditions!

P.S. There will be pizza, King Cake and
games too!

let's celebrate, bring
a friend!

This Week on Formed

Week of February 15, 2026



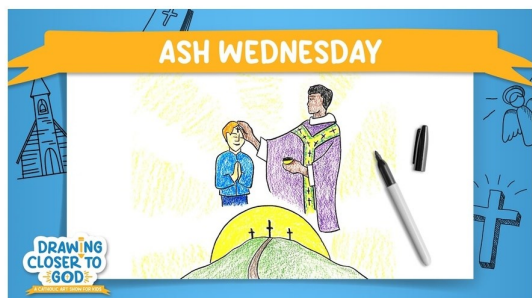
Lent | What Catholics Believe

Join Fr. Scott Bailey, a priest in the Archdiocese of Denver, as he answers some of the Internet's most asked questions about Lent. What is Lent? Why is it 40 days long? Or even, what should I give up for Lent? Find out in this episode of What Catholics Believe.



Whole 40

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith.



Ash Wednesday | Drawing Closer to God

Using the cross marked on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday, Ms. Kim teaches kids about the Fall, our need for a savior, and God's plan to save us and give us life by sending his Son to die for our sins. In light of these truths, Ms. Kim discusses the phrases we hear on Ash Wednesday: "You are dust, and to dust you shall return" and "Repent and believe in the gospel," relating them to the overarching Lenten theme of turning back to God.

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PASTOR'S LETTER

Sunday Scripture Commentary by Father Paul Nord, OSB

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20

Response: Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The season of Lent begins this week – Ash Wednesday is February 18. This bulletin's calendar (page 2) shows the schedule for Ash Wednesday. We will offer four services: 6:30 a.m. (Ashes only) (SB), 12:05 p.m. Mass (SM), 4:15 p.m. Mass (SM), and 6:15 p.m. Mass (SB). We hope these morning and evening times will fit around your work schedule. We will also have the normal Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration from 3 to 4 p.m. on Ash Wednesday.

Fish Fries are scheduled at St. Boniface for the following Fridays – February 20 and March 6. Drive-through and dine-in service will be available. Search for "Fish Fry" on the parish website for the 2026 page on "Fish Fries." Preorder on that page to receive a discount. The page is: <https://sbcatholic.church/fish-fry>. Or see the bulletin (page 8). Join me in thanking our generous volunteers whose work makes these fish fries possible.

"Little black" Lenten prayer booklets and CRS Rice Bowls are still available on the tables at the side and back entrances at both parishes. The Rice Bowls are a fundraiser for Catholic Relief Services, which does important work caring for very poor people throughout the world, in 120 countries. Let us contribute to this Gospel work.

The black Lenten Prayer booklets are an assistance in our Lenten practice. May we make Lent a time of renewal of our daily lived faith in Christ. For booklets and Rice Bowls, see tables by the church doors!

Sirach is one of the "deuterocanonical books" of the Bible, which the Catholic

Church recognizes as canonical, inspired scripture, while Protestants do not. The deuterocanonical works were included in the Septuagint – an ancient translation of the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) into the Greek language.

The various Old Testament works were likely translated between 280 and 130 B.C. The Septuagint translation was the work of the Jewish community in Alexandria (northern Egypt). In Alexandria and the eastern Mediterranean, many Jews spoke "Koine" (common) Greek. This translation enabled many to read sacred scripture.

Later, when Jesus' followers proclaimed his Gospel to Gentiles, they saw the Septuagint as a God-given way to bring the Gospel to Greek speakers. When Jesus' disciples explained that He had fulfilled the prophecies of Isaiah, they used the Septuagint to show Isaiah's prophetic text to Gentiles who knew Greek, but not Hebrew.

Because the early Church used the Septuagint so widely, the inclusion of the "deuterocanonical" biblical books within the Septuagint influenced the Church to recognize these writings as inspired scripture.

The prologue of Sirach indicates that Sirach was translated from Hebrew into Greek by the original author's grandson, who composed the prologue. Christians preserved the Greek version of Sirach. But the original Hebrew version was lost until 1896 when large portions were discovered in the Cairo Geniza – the storage room for old, damaged manuscripts in an ancient Cairo synagogue.

Today's Sirach reading is typical of the whole book, which emphasizes the importance of keeping God's commandments as recorded in the Law and the Prophets. The commandments "will save you." Keep them so that "you too shall live."

God gives each person a choice – between "life and death" – between "good and evil." God's commandments express God's wisdom – He wants men and women to act justly. God sees all our deeds. We

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February Birthdays

- 1 Mori Nadin, Rich Niehaus, Alex Graman
- 2 Heath Berg, Beth Hoffman, Chris Konerding
- 4 Peggy Hildenbrand, Karen Kern
- 5 Steve Beier, Mariah Luebbehusen
- 6 Kyler Hildenbrand, Addy Vaal, Ralph Troesch
- 7 Susan Ippoliti, Terry Dicus, Owen Bennet
- 8 Ellie Johannemann
- 9 Rylie Kelley, Kermit Greulich
- 10 Tanner Welp
- 11 Becky Wesner
- 12 Brock Schaefer
- 13 Carly Kern, Carol A. Waninger, Thomas Waninger, Emma Gentry
- 14 Janet Drach
- 17 Bryer Vaal
- 18 Francie Borho
- 19 Makenzie Mehringer, Ally Schipp, Randy Zoglman
- 20 Kerry Snyder, Carol Waninger, Nathan Berg
- 21 Rob Gentry, Raymond Beckman
- 22 Justin Forler, Keith Kern
- 23 Dawson Waninger, Sally Gravatte, Spencer Vaal, Dave Peters
- 24 Romilda Pund
- 25 Shelby Roos
- 26 Brody Ficker
- 27 Sandy Wilson
- 28 Adam Gogel, Leo Haake, Joyce Scherzer, Lance Fischer

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Chapter 19: Our Life in Christ

We are truly happy and fulfilled when we choose to live in God's love and goodness.

Chapter Summary

The Beatitudes show us how to imitate Jesus and live like Him (see Matthew 5:3–12). They show us the rewards promised to those who live virtuously and according to the Beatitudes. By living the Beatitudes, we can live truly happy and fulfilled lives in union with God on earth. Additionally, through grace, we can receive perfect happiness and complete beatitude with God in Heaven. God created us with free will. The choice is ours to love God or to turn away from Him. When we make choices for the good, we grow in holiness by imitating Christ and we become truly free.

More for Parents

The Beatitudes Jesus gave us are countercultural yet lead us to true happiness. Today, our children are constantly told that wealth, pleasure, and comfort will lead to true happiness. Additionally, the constant stimulation of screens lulls us and our children into a dull comfort that distracts us from God and the needs of those suffering around us. But in the Beatitudes, Christ boldly claims that the things of this world will not offer true happiness. If we look at Christ, we see a Person who did not pacify Himself with passing comforts and security. His Heavenly Father was His comfort and strength. We are called to live like Christ and according to the grace and virtues we have received in order to live for God and His beatitude.

Virtue in the Family

If we want to know what makes for true happiness and right living, we need to look to Jesus Himself. We can be more like Him by focusing on Him and the Beatitudes.

Living the Beatitudes like Christ

- Family prayer activity
 - Read and reflect on the following Scripture passage: “Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ” (1 Corinthians 11:1).
 - Saint Paul was asking us to see him as a role model because he was living like Christ.
 - Do you show others how to be like Jesus through your example?
 - Quietly reflect on ways you fail to be like Jesus or succeed in being like Jesus.
 - Conclude by praying, “Jesus, form us to be more like You in all we do. Amen.”
- Choose one of the eight Beatitudes to focus on during the week. Make the Beatitude a theme of prayer together.
- Discuss the different things that are trending or popular right now, like styles or games. Compare them to what was popular when you were your children's age. What makes people temporarily happy changes all the time, whereas God will always make us happy.

Vocabulary Words for Your Children to Review

- **Beatitudes**
- **disciple**
- **holiness**
- **true happiness**

Find digital flash cards to help your children review on the parent portal.



For more family faith formation resources, go to the parent portal.

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should strive to obey God's will, eager to serve Him with reverence.

Writing to the Corinthians, St. Paul contrasts the "wisdom of this age" versus God's wisdom. "The rulers of this age" are passing away, Paul says. He is contrasting temporary earthly power with God's eternal power.

Paul describes God's wisdom as "mysterious" and "hidden." Above all, God's wisdom is expressed through Christ crucified. "The wisdom of this age" is actually foolishness in the eyes of God. Paul gives a powerful example of this age's foolishness: "the rulers of this age... crucified the Lord of glory." In their foolishness, earthly rulers unwittingly became instruments of God's plan of salvation.

In 2:9, Paul quotes Isaiah 64:3: "What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard... God has prepared for those who love him." With this quote, Paul beautifully expresses how God's wisdom is mysterious and hidden, as Paul stated directly in 2:7. Paul emphasizes that God's plan of salvation is true wisdom, and that it expresses God's love for humanity.

Paul says, "God predetermined [this plan] before the ages for our glory" (2:7). Forming a covenant with Israel, God revealed his glory. But in the Incarnation of Christ, God has revealed his glory in a far greater way, sanctifying men and women through Christ. This causes human holiness to become a reflection of God's glory – such that Paul says God's plan results in "our glory."

Finally, Paul notes that God's plan of salvation has been "revealed to us through the Spirit." Paul explains how the Spirit has revealed to us "even the depths of God." This shows how the Spirit continues the work of Jesus Christ. That is, Jesus has revealed God the Father to humanity, such that mere men and women can enter into relationship with God as his adopted sons and daughters.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus says to Philip: "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in

me?" (John 14:8-9).

The Holy Spirit continues the work of Christ by guiding men and women to recognize God's action in the world. In John 16, Jesus is preparing his disciples for his departure, but He promises to send them an "Advocate" – the Holy Spirit. Jesus says: "when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth" (16:13).

Today's section of Matthew's Gospel continues Jesus' "Sermon on the Mount." This material is central to Jesus' teaching. He says that he has not come "to abolish the law or the prophets... but to fulfill" them. Jesus insists that obeying and teaching God's commandments are essential to greatness in the kingdom of heaven. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus is continually telling parables that reveal the nature of the kingdom of heaven. Indeed, Jesus' mission is to bring God's kingdom in its fullness. Thus, Jesus instructs his disciples to pray to God "thy kingdom come" in the "Our Father" prayer.

Jesus proceeds to quote God's commandment: "You shall not kill" (Exod 20:13; Deut 5:17). Jesus then "fulfills" this commandment by calling us to an even higher standard – avoiding anger toward a brother and not calling him a "fool." Instead, Jesus commands us to reconcile with others. Killing becomes unthinkable if we resolve anger and conflict at earliest opportunity.

Jesus quotes another commandment of God: "You shall not commit adultery" (Exod 20:14; Deut 5:18). Again, Jesus "fulfills" this commandment by calling his followers to a higher standard. "I say to you, everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart."

Jesus then summarizes Deuteronomy 24:1: "Whoever divorces his wife must give her a bill of divorce." Jesus fulfills this commandment by suggesting that divorce is illegitimate because it often results in the divorced spouse committing adultery after the divorce. Finally, Jesus summarizes Numbers 30:3: "Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow." Jesus perfects (fulfills) this commandment by forbidding oath-taking. If we are always truthful in all we say, then others will believe us without an oath.

In Christ Jesus,

Father Paul, OSB

JOY Monthly Gathering for 55+ will be held on February 19



The Pastoral Ministries and Activities Commission for St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish hosts a monthly gathering on the third Thursday of the month from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the St. Boniface Parish Center, Room 103, in Fulda.

The JOY (just older youth) group is open to parishioners, friends, and neighbors

age 55+.

The group meets monthly following the 12:05 p.m. Mass at Historic St. Boniface Church, with lunch and activities.

RSVP is not required. For more information, [email](#) Ms. Romilda Pund, JOY Coordinator.

Online February 5, 2026 | Bulletin February 15, 2026

Next Bookmobile Stop in Adyeville will be Monday, February 16



Perry County Bookmobile stops occur in all areas of the county. At these stops, a wide range of materials is available, including the newest books for adults and children, current and classic DVDs, magazines, and MiFi's.

The [Perry County Bookmobile](#) will visit Adyeville from 9 to 9:45 a.m. on Monday, February 16. For more

information, call the library at 812-547-2661.


Online January 29, 2025 | Bulletin February 15, 2026

Liturgical Ministers: To reset your password or username in Ministry Scheduler Pro, go to the log in page and click on "Forgot Password." MSP will ask for your email address and send you instructions on making the change. If you don't see the email right away, check your Spam/Junk folder (or Gray Mail folder for PSC users).

Still having problems? Scan the QR code to contact Jessica Fischer, Evangelization and Discipleship Coordinator, via the MSP Feedback Form.

Substitutes: Thanks to those who have been using the substitute request, which goes to all those in your subgroup (e.g., lectors for 8:30 a.m. Sunday). To accept a request, please log in and accept so everyone in your subgroup can see the request has been filled.

Deadlines: Deadlines to submit your ministry availability are: November 1 (for December 1-January 31 schedule), January 1 (February 1-May 31 schedule), May 1 (June 1-August 31 schedule), and August 1 (September 1-November 30). Changes submitted after these dates do not update the schedule.

 Liturgical Ministry Schedule	Saturday, February 14 at 4 p.m. Vigil Mass for Sunday Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	Sunday, February 15 at 6 a.m. Mass for Sunday Historic St. Boniface Catholic Church	Sunday, February 15 at 8:30 a.m. Mass for Sunday St. Meinrad Catholic Church
Porter	Ryan Hildenbrand Kyler Hildenbrand	LeeRay Tempel	Christopher Kern
Sacristan	Diane Gruber Lilly Gruber	Clara Tempel	Janelle Brentlinger Mike Brentlinger
Bell Ringer (Five minutes before Mass, three assigned liturgical ministers peal bells for 2 minutes.)	NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #1 NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #2 Ryan Hildenbrand - Tower Bell #3	NOT FILLED - Tower Bell #1 Clara Tempel - Tower Bell #2 LeeRay Tempel - Tower Bell #3	
Livestream for Rosary	Stacy Schaeffer		NOT FILLED
Rosary Leader	Carol J. Waninger		Sally Gravatte
Livestream for Mass	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED
Hospitality (Greeters)	Mark Hildenbrand and Peggy Hildenbrand - Main Door	NOT FILLED - Main Door	Susan Ippoliti and Karen Springston - Main Door
Priest	Father Michael Reyes, OSB - Principal Celebrant	Father Michael Reyes, OSB - Principal Celebrant	Father Michael Reyes, OSB - Principal Celebrant
Deacon	Deacon Mike Fish	Deacon Mike Fish	Deacon Mike Fish
Acolyte of the Altar	Parker Gudorf	Marshall Snyder	J.D. Brentlinger
Acolyte of the Word	Kade Hildenbrand	NOT FILLED	Jayden Gray
Crucifer (Cross Bearer)	Charlotte Sitzman	Axl Schroer	Lyla Kate Gray
Candle Bearer	Livy Schaefer Lila Schaefer	Ayla Schroer NOT FILLED	Thomas Lutz Nicholas Lutz
Proclamation of the Word	Michelle Blalock - First Reading Pam Davis - Second Reading Deacon Mike Fish - Prayer of the Faithful	Vickie Snyder - First Reading Lily Hubert - Second Reading Deacon Mike Fish - Prayer of the Faithful	Karen Springston - First Reading Leah Brentlinger - Second Reading Deacon Mike Fish - Prayer of the Faithful
Offertory Collection (Review listed Mass Intention. Invite family members to present the offertory gifts at the Offertory Procession.)	Paul Haeffling Nick Hildenbrand Kasen Hildenbrand Michael Gudorf	Pat Berg Jim Mullis Eric Tuley NOT FILLED	Jeff Ebert Alex Graman Peyton Gray Hunter Gray
Signal Bell at Consecration (At the time of the <i>Epiclesis</i> , when the acolytes kneel at the altar, ring the tower bell until the acolytes again stand following the proclamation of the mystery of faith.)	Ryan Hildenbrand - Bell #3	NOT FILLED - Bell #3	
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Individuals assigned to patens gather near Altar of St. Joseph, chalices near the Altar of Mary)	Courtney Blalock - Paten Pam Davis - Paten Michael Gudorf - Paten Deacon Mike Fish - Chalice Maddie Gudorf - Chalice Jenny Kunkler - Chalice Karen Peters - Chalice Michael Gudorf - Pyx (loft) Maddie Gudorf - Chalice (loft)	Faith Schaefer - Paten Deacon Mike Fish - Chalice Kerry Snyder - Chalice Faith Schaefer - Pyx (loft) Kerry Snyder - Chalice (loft)	Mary L. Denning - Paten Jerry Sitzman - Paten Martha Sitzman - Paten Jessica Fischer - Chalice Deacon Mike Fish - Chalice Brittany Forler - Chalice Brienne Hopf - Chalice Mary L. Denning - Pyx (loft) Brittany Forler - Chalice (loft)
Livestream for <i>Memorare</i> (Camera angle to include statue of Blessed Virgin Mary above BVM altar)	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED
Angelus Bell (Post-Mass)	Ryan Hildenbrand - Bell #1	NOT FILLED - Bell #1	
Hospitality (Post-Mass)	Joe Harper	NOT FILLED	Anna Vaal

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Parish Founded 1861

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AREA AGENCIES

Catholic Charities Tell City

Sister Michele Intravia, OSU 812-547-0903 (o)

Knights of Columbus #5599 (SM)

Mr. Luke Mullis 812-660-0913 (m)

Martin's Cloak Food Pantry

Mrs. Ramona Gehlhausen 812-309-1256 (m)

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Member-at-Large (SB)	Ellen Haefling
Member-at-Large (SM)	Position open

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Evangelization and Discipleship	Position open
Facilities and Grounds (SB)	Neil Collignon
Facilities and Grounds (SM)	Jerry Sitzman
Finance (SB)	Shannon Tuley
Finance (SM)	Pam Davis
Heritage and Marketing (SB)	Position open
Heritage and Marketing (SM)	Position open
Pastoral Ministries and Activities	Position open
Strategic Planning and Stewardship (SB)	Position open
Strategic Planning and Stewardship (SM)	Position open
Service and Outreach	Sue Kloeck
Worship	Taylor Blalock

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Bereavement Luncheon Ministry (SB)

Mary Wagner, coordinator 812-357-2002 (h)

Bereavement Luncheon Ministry (SM)

Dolores Scherzer, coordinator 812-357-2571 (h)

Cemetery Commission (SB)

Position Open, chair

Cemetery Commission (SM)

[Brian Greulich](#), chair

Fall Picnic (SM)

Nancy Graman, chair

Men's Society (SB)

Jim Gogel, chair

Ladies Sodality (SB)

Brenda Kleiser, chair

Summer Picnic (SB)

Position Open, chair

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ONLINE GIVING: HOW TO GET STARTED



If you would like to switch to online giving, here are some tips:

- St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish both use Realm for online giving. It is easy to use and secure.
- With online giving in Realm®, you can make one-time or recurring gifts using debit cards, credit cards, or eChecks (ACH).

• All gifts made online immediately show up in your giving history, along with any other online, text, or offline contributions.

- Whether a new or lifetime parishioner, a friend or neighbor, or an area business that supports the mission and ministry of St. Boniface Parish and St. Meinrad Parish in Spencer County, Indiana, Realm Online Giving 24/7 and Realm Mobile Giving will work for all your giving needs.
- With Realm Mobile Giving, giving is never out of reach. Parishioners can give online with their mobile phones by signing into Realm from their mobile browser. Realm also takes advantage of mobile phone cameras. iPhone users can save time by scanning a credit card to quickly enter their payment method.
- Here are links to get started:
sbcatholic.church/sunday-holy-day/
smcatholic.church/sunday-holy-day/
- If you have questions or need help setting up an account, contact the Parish Office at 812-357-5533 or email info@myparishfamily.church.

ST. BONIFACE

ST. MEINRAD

	PARISH CENSUS	
	FY 2025-2026	
176	# of Households	224
430	# of Souls	456
	MASS COUNT	
In-Person	February 2-8, 2026	Livestream
N/A	Monday	N/A
N/A	Tuesday	N/A
N/A	Wednesday	N/A
N/A	Thursday	N/A
N/A	Friday	N/A
N/A	Saturday (Vigil for Sunday) 4 p.m.	N/A
N/A	Sunday 6 a.m.	N/A
N/A	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	N/A
Church Capacity:	360 (SB) Parish #076; 430 (SM) Parish #137	
	FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP	
Updated: 2/10/2026	January 26 - February 1, 2026	
\$285	Online Giving	\$505
\$1,687	Offertory	\$1,240

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One Family In Faith

First Sunday of Lent



Sanctuary Lamp
February 22, 2026
Luminary

To make a memorial
gift for a luminary,
scan the QR code.



St Boniface Parish +Deceased Members of The 1847 Society
St. Meinrad Parish +Sr. Paulette Seng, OSB

ORDO (Order of Prayer)

Liturgy of the Hours	I
Lectionary	22
Eucharistic Prayer	I
Mystery of Faith	A

DATE / TIME	CALENDAR EVENT	LOCATION
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21		
8:00 a.m.	Mass (May - October at 7 a.m.; November - April at 8 a.m.) • <i>Mass begins at 8 a.m. through Saturday, April 25, 2026</i> Confession (confessional located at the south entrance) Rosary (For an increase of vocations to the single chaste life and marriage) Mass Missa Pro Populo "Mass for the People"	Monte Cassino Shrine
3:15 to 3:45 p.m.		Historic Church (SB)
3:35 p.m.		Historic Church (SB)
4:00 p.m.		Historic Church (SB)
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22		
6:00 a.m.	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Mass +Earl Anthony Peters Confession (confessional located at the main entrance) Rosary (For an increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life) Mass +Lillian "Bebsy" Helen (Fischer) Schwoeppe (Anniversary of Birth) Children's Liturgy of the Word Mass (parishioners, pilgrims and guests welcome) F3 OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)	Historic Church (SB) Church (SM) Church (SM) Church (SM)
8:05 a.m.		Church (SM)
8:30 a.m.		Archabbey Church
8:40 a.m.		Church: South Sacristy (SM)
9:30 a.m.		
9:45 to 10:45 a.m.		
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23		
3:50 p.m.	Rosary (For the sanctification of life from womb to tomb) Mass +Nina Marie (Rothgerber) Mullis (Anniversary of Birth) • <i>Third Monday, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council</i> • <i>Fourth Monday, 5:15 to 6 p.m. Pastoral Council Officers</i> <i>No meetings in April, July, August, November</i> Cub Scout Pack 102 Meeting	Historic Church (SB) Historic Church (SB) Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105 Parish Office: Room G
4:15 p.m.		Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.		
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +John Henry Sr. (Anniversary of Birth) and +Anna Mae (Becher) Kunkler Reserved for Team D Lenten Session on Face-to-Face Encounters with God Parish Staff Meeting • <i>First and third Tuesdays of month, 6 to 7:30 p.m.</i> Formation sessions for sacraments and pastoral counseling • <i>Second and fourth Tuesdays of month, 6 to 7:30 p.m.</i> Parish Commission Meetings Fulda 4-H Club Meeting	Church (SM) Parish Office: Office C Parish Office: Office G Parish Office: Room G-A Parish Office: Room H Parish Center/Shelter House (SB): Room 105 Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
8:00 to 10:00 a.m.		
8:15 to 9:00 a.m.		
1:15 to 2:45 p.m.		
6:00 p.m.		
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25		
3:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (concludes with litany followed by Benediction) Confession (confessional at glass chapel located at the main entrance) Mass +Pauline Mildred (Bockhold) Schaefer Church reserved for liturgical music practice F3 Programs and Activities for Kindergarten - Grade 6 F3 Programs and Activities for Grades 7-9	Church (SM) Church (SM) Church (SM) Church (SM) Parish Center/Shelter House (SB) Parish Center/Shelter House (SB)
3:30 p.m.		
4:15 p.m.		
5:00 to 9:00 p.m.		
6:15 to 7:20 p.m.		
6:15 to 7:20 p.m.		
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26		
8:00 to 11:00 a.m.	Church cleaning Rosary (For an increase of vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life) Mass +Eugene "Gene" William Gudorf Church reserved for liturgical music practice	Church (SM) Church (SB) Historic Church (SB) Historic Church (SB)/Church (SM)
11:40 a.m.		
12:05 p.m.		
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.		
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27		
7:15 a.m.	Mass +Phyllis Kay (Lasher) Bender Stations of the Cross	Church (SM) Church (SM)
3:00 p.m.		



Dear Padre,

My grandkids' parents don't want them to be baptized. Can I do it myself secretly so as not to cause problems?

Your concern is understandable, but secret baptisms are prohibited in the Catholic Church. The decision to baptize a child is determined by his or her parents. To secretly usurp their decision may cause problems of its own. For an infant to be baptized, "The parents or at least one of them or the person who legitimately takes their place must consent," and "There must be a founded hope that the infant will be brought up in the Catholic religion" (*Code of Canon Law*, 868 §1). An exception is permitted when the child's life is in immediate danger: "An infant of Catholic parents or even of non-Catholic parents is baptized licitly in danger of death, even against the will of the parents" (CCL 868 §2). Here, the Church's pastoral concern is for the child to receive the immediate graces from the sacrament; the question of raising the child in the faith becomes moot in a life-or-death situation.

"Since the earliest times, baptism has been administered to children, for it is a grace and a gift of God that does not presuppose any human merit.... Entry into Christian life gives access to true freedom" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1282). Continue to pray that your family may see baptism as a sign of God's love, which offers true freedom for humanity. ●



JOHN KRUS

Fr. Byron J. Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV



FABRIZIO MAFFEI / SHUTTERSTOCK

The Spirit opens borders, first of all, in our hearts. He is the Gift that opens our lives to love. His presence breaks down our hardness of heart, our narrowness of

mind, our selfishness, the fears that enchain us and the narcissism that makes us think only of ourselves.... Sadly, oddly enough, in a world of burgeoning "social" media, we risk being ever more alone.

HOMILY, ROME, JUNE 8, 2025

Monday

February 16
Weekday
Jas 1:1-11
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday

February 17
Weekday
Jas 1:12-18
Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday

February 18
Ash Wednesday
Jl 2:12-18
2 Cor 5:20-6:2
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

February 19
Thursday after
Ash Wednesday
Dt 30:15-20
Lk 9:22-25

Friday

February 20
Friday after
Ash Wednesday
Is 58:1-9a
Mt 9:14-15

Saturday

February 21
Saturday after
Ash Wednesday
Is 58:9b-14
Lk 5:27-32

Sunday

February 22
First Sunday of Lent
Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19
Mt 4:1-11

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