

St. Boniface Catholic Church

REV. ROGER KUTZNER, PASTOR
Church: 5304 W. Main St., Monee, IL 60449



Rectory: 25942 So. Middlepoint Avenue
P.O. Box 217, Monee, IL 60449 (534-9682)
PERMANENT DEACON: Mark Otten (815-469-7165)
PARISH SECRETARY: Kathy Short
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR: Deacon Mark and Anita Otten
MINISTRY OF CARE: Erwin Bogs
MASSES: Saturday (Sunday Obligation) 5:30 PM, Sunday: 9:00 AM
WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:30 AM
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays After 5:30 Mass
BAPTISM: To have a child baptized at Saint Boniface Church, you must be a registered, active member of the parish and attend a Baptism Class. Baptisms are held the 2nd Sunday of the month at 12:00 PM (Noon). Baptism classes are by appointment only. Call the office to schedule an appointment for both the Baptism Class and a Baptism.
MARRIAGE: By appointment only. Normally made 6 months in advance.
RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES: Grades K thru 4th meet on Saturdays from 9:00-10:30 AM. Grades 5, 6, 7, and 8th meet on Sundays from 10:00-11:30 AM. Please consult the bulletin for additional details.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY
8:30 AM to 2:00 PM

Mass Intentions For The Week

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Eucharistic Ministers

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Saturday, June 29
5:30 PM—G. B. Dancer Jr. † Req. by Camille Dancer
Carl Hauth † and Phyllis Siebert † Req. by
Carlene Kwasigroch

Sunday, June 30
9:00 AM—Joseph and Labibe Francis †
Req. by Schloss Family
Gary Haberl † Req. by Dr. Joseph and
Diane Kenny

Monday, July 1
8:30 AM—Communion Service

Wednesday, July 3
8:30 AM—Jim Fogerty † Req. by Pat Fogerty

Friday, July 5
8:30 AM—Jack Mangan † Req. by Shaughnessy's

Saturday, July 6
5:30 PM—Richard Schultz † Req. by Przybyla's

Sunday, July 7
9:00 AM—Eleanora Krol † Req. by Kwiatkowski's
Health Intentions of Dr. Patrick Schloss
And Bernie Van Etten
Req. by Schloss family

<p>June 30 5:30 PM Mark Otten Camille Dancer Robert Gorz John Porpora</p> <p>9:00 AM Mark.Otten Erwin Bogs Cindy Marden Joan Parker</p>	<p>July 7 5:30 PM Robert Gorz Karen Przybyla Paul Przybyla Kathy Short</p> <p>9:00 AM Mark.Otten Jennifer Duncan Karen Scrementi Tracy Sheehan</p>
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Lectors

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<p>June 30 5:30 PM David Schmidt</p> <p>9:00 AM Kathy Dornhecker</p>	<p>July 7 5:30 PM Rene Jurack</p> <p>9:00 AM Phyllis Huske</p>
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Weekly Offering

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June 23, 2019

Sunday.....	\$ 2407.00
Children's Envelopes.....	7.00

Many thanks to all of you for your generous donations to our Parish. May God bless all of you!

Altar Servers

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<p>June 30 5:30 PM Joey Correa Kelsey Correa</p> <p>9:00 AM Sebastian Jaculbe Athena Jaculbe</p>	<p>July 7 5:30 PM Makenzie Albano Ashlin Porpora</p> <p>9:00 AM Adam Swanson Kasey Swanson</p>
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From the Pastor



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Years ago, after I had decided to follow Christ, there have been times when I would feel like turning back, because it was hard work. I have kept fighting this temptation all my life by always remembering that turning back means possible losing my place in the Kingdom. I presume we all have no illusions that the way to God is easy. It is full of obstacles (clear proof of the influence of the evil) but God loves us so much that he gives us multitude reasons and somehow forces us

to persevere on our journey towards Him. This is a lesson that all the saints have had to learn. And their example should inspire us with courage and faith. I would like to mention this time one of them - St Jane Francis de Chantal, who lived in the early 1600s. She had an especially poignant difficulty to overcome when she discovered that God was asking her to start a new religious congregation, together with St Francis de Sales - the congregation of the Visitation of the Virgin Mary. Jane, a young French noble woman, married the Baron of Chantal when she was 20 years old. Deeply in love, they ran an estate that was the envy of all their peers in prosperity and domestic happiness. Their robust marital joy was a product of their love for each other and their love for Christ. She was widowed when she was only 28, losing her husband in a hunting accident. From then on, she dedicated herself more and more to following Christ. She became indispensable to her elderly father and father-in-law, and a bastion of hope and service for the poor. But God was calling her to a different mission. When she announced her departure, a storm broke. Her friends and family wept and pleaded with her not to go. Villagers lined the streets in tears. When her last goodbye had been said, her fifteen-year-old son, whom she had provided for and was leaving in the care of his grandfather, threw himself around her neck and begged her to stay. Through her tears, she reminded him that it was God who was calling her, and she stepped towards the door. Her son rushed ahead and threw his body on the ground in the doorway, still begging her not to leave. But she knew what God was asking of her, and the bishop had approved her plans, and her son was well-provided for (she would be visiting with him regularly). So, although she shed her own tears while she did it, she stepped over him and went out the door, keeping her hands to the plow and crossing a threshold that would lead her to found 65 new convents and spark a spiritual revival all throughout Europe. I believe we can be in the midst of trial or difficulty at any time in our life. All of us will face trial. It would be good then to remember that when following Christ gets tough, when the trials come, we will keep our hands to the plow, we will not give up. And when we come upon anyone who has given up on faith in Christ Jesus, let's give them a hand, and share our victory over the darkness of unbelief.

+ *Father Roger*



Stewardship
A Way of Life

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
It isn't always easy being a Christian. Sometimes our beliefs are not very popular with the rest of society.

Sometimes, it may seem easier to relax at home or go to a ball game, rather than go to church. It may be more fashionable to dress in the latest trend than to dress modestly. It may feel better to buy that more expensive home than to provide for the homeless. It may seem more polite to stay silent than to defend our faith, or it may be easier to vote the party line than to stand up for Catholic ideals. Good Stewards witness Christ's values to the world.

It is certainly true that a popular government cannot flourish without virtue in the people.

—Richard Henry Lee

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21).

Psalm — You are my inheritance, O Lord (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Beware that you are not consumed by one another (Galatians 5:1, 13-18).

Gospel — Go and proclaim the kingdom of God (Luke 9:51-62).

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A Child's Letter to God: Dear God, If you made the rule for kids to take out garbage please change it.
Very truly, Maurice

A Collection of More Children's Letters to God

RADICAL TRANSFORMATION

On this Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, the readings describe anything but an ordinary time. They are disturbing and they leave us disturbed. The Old Testament reading recounts a young man's radical break with the past to follow a new path. The Gospel describes how life as we know it is abruptly changed if we follow the call of Christ. The psalm and Paul assure us that such life-altering change is possible only because of the power of God's love. We are presented with a stark choice. To love as God loves, we must leave our old lives behind. We must leave behind not just the bad, the selfish, and the evil but the ordinary, our daily work, and the important, our families, our lives. Loving as God loves requires a radical transformation, not a smooth transition.

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Bernie Van Etten, Virginia Perozzi, Karen Males, Seldon Ledford, Tabitha Phellps, Pete Crevier, Father Roger, and those that go unnamed.

To have someone added to this list please call the parish office.

PETER'S PENCE HISTORY

The Peter's Pence Collection derives its name from an ancient custom. In ninth-century England, King Alfred the Great collected money, a "pence," from landowners as financial support for the Pope. Today, the Peter's Pence Collection supports the Pope's philanthropy by giving the Holy Father the means to provide emergency assistance to those in need because of natural disaster, war, oppression, and disease.

The second collection today is for the Peter's Pence Collection.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Processions are life's journey distilled. We move with companions, aware that Christ accompanies us, as we move to the altar for Communion or to the font for baptism, or carry a loved one to a place of rest. In Europe, the season of pilgrimage is beginning now, and tens of thousands of people are moving by foot on well-worn paths. Some take as long as six weeks to walk the last few hundred miles of the medieval pilgrimage route to the Shrine of St. James the Apostle in Compostella, in northern Spain.

Those who make the journey by foot, hiking, or by bicycle, have a kind of passport stamped at villages and monasteries on the road. When they present this document at the cathedral, they are given the emblem of a pilgrim, the scallop shell of St. James. High over their heads at Mass, a huge *botafumero* twirls clouds of sweet incense through the cathedral. Cynics say it is to mask the odor of smelly feet. The pilgrims know better. Seeing through the clouds the happy faces of those they met along the road, they recognize a foretaste of the welcome into heaven, and the joy of meeting loved ones in the Kingdom of God.

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Quo Vadis Days 2019: Quo Vadis is a sports and adventure camp for 13 to 18-year-old men put on by the seminarians of both the Diocese of Joliet and the Archdiocese of Chicago at the Loyola retreat and Ecology Center in Woodstock, IL July 28-31, 2019. The camp consists of talks, sports, games, a ropes course, Mass, prayer and time spent with seminarians and priests learning how to live as good men. More information can be found at: <https://vocations.archchicago.org/events/quo-vadis-days>.



Totus Tuus Catholic Summer Camp Registration OPEN!!!

Do you want your children to spend a week at camp with *fun*, young adult role models who are on fire with the love of Christ? Then register for **Totus Tuus!** Kids and teens at our camp will not only learn about the blessings of the *Sacraments* and *Praying the Rosary*, but will grow in faith, love, friendship and virtue because of their time interacting with these joyful teachers who help them really encounter Christ. 1-week camps running in July at 36 parishes throughout the Diocese of Joliet. Grades 1-6: Mon.-Fri. 9am-2:30pm Cost: \$35 / Grades 7-12, Sun.-Thurs. 7-9pm Cost \$15 **Register online at www.givecentral.org/TTJoliet**

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Second Place church will be a host site for the Global Leadership Summit August 8&9. The conference normally costs \$189 for the public but the GLN will allow MAC Church members to attend the conference for \$89 per person. St. Boniface parishioners are MAC Church members. Preview a video highlighting the event and to identify the key presenters at <https://youtu.be/sqaG77usAmI>



Independence Day (colloquial: the Fourth of July) is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the Declaration of Independence of the United States on July 4, 1776. The Continental Congress declared that the thirteen American colonies were no longer subject (and subordinate) to the monarch of Britain and were now united, free, and independent states. The Congress had voted to declare independence two days earlier, on July 2, but it was not declared until July 4.

JOBS AVAILABLE: The Diocese of Joliet is seeking a full time Benefit Administrator and a part time Administrative Assistant. More information is posted on the bulletin boards. To view a full job description visit: www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/listjobs.php. Resume and salary requirements can be emailed to human-resources@dioceseofjoliet.org.

Your participation in the CMAA is important. If you have not had a chance to participate in the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) this year, there is still time. A mailing will be arriving in homes shortly.

As your pastor, I encourage you to prayerfully reflect on God’s gifts to you and to give a gift to the CMAA. Participation is the key to a successful appeal and a chance for our parish to receive a parish rebate, too. Every gift helps!

If you did not receive this mailing and would like to make a gift to the CMAA, use the envelopes at the rear of the church or please call the Diocese of Joliet Development Office at **815-838-8515**. Or, if you wish to make your gift online, please visit **www.jolietdioceseappeal.org**

If you are attending a Mass that you requested an intention to be said, let the ushers know if you would like to bring up the gifts during that Mass.

Note: There are still many mass openings for weekdays and weekends available for 2019.

If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be.
—Thomas Jefferson

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Junípero Serra; Canada Day
- Wednesday: St. Thomas
- Thursday: Independence Day
- Friday: St. Elizabeth of Portugal;
St. Anthony Zaccaria; First Friday
- Saturday: St. Maria Goretti; Blessed Virgin Mary;
First Saturday



Are you a catholic man 18 years or older? Do you want to volunteer for your church, and community? Are you ready to put your Faith into Action? Come learn about the Knights of Columbus! For more information contact: visit with any current member, check out their website www.kofc.org, or contact Brian Grismer at bgrimer34@gmail.com or 630-567-0957 or Dan Mott at mottd@rushenterprises.com or 708-277-7086.



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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 30, 2019
“No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God.”
— Luke 9:62