

Blessed are those
servants whom
the master
finds vigilant
on his arrival.

~ Luke 12:37



St. Boniface Catholic Church

MASSES: Saturday (Sunday Obligation) 5:30 PM, Sunday: 9:00 AM
WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:30 AM

REV. ROGER KUTZNER, PASTOR

PERMANENT DEACON: Mark Otten (815-469-7165)

PARISH SECRETARY: Kathy Short

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR: Deacon Mark and Anita Otten

MINISTRY OF CARE: Erwin Bogs

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays After 5:30 Mass

MARRIAGE: By appointment only. Normally made 6 months in advance.

BAPTISM: To have a child baptized at Saint Boniface Church, you must be registered, active, member of the parish and attend a Baptism class. Baptisms are held the 2nd Sunday of the month at 12:00PM (Noon). Call the office to schedule an appointment.

RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES: K thru 4th meet Saturdays from 9:00-10:30 AM
Grades 5, 6, 7, and 8th meet on Sundays from 10:00-11:30 AM

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Church Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8:30am—2:00pm

Saint Boniface Catholic Church Mission Statement

Saint Boniface is a welcoming, caring Church community united under one baptism. We encourage participation by all members in promoting and sharing Christian and social values.

August 11, 2019
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions For The Week



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Saturday, August 10

5:30 PM—Parishioners Intentions

Sunday, August 11

9:00 AM—Donald and Douglas Phalen † Req. by Loretta Cosman

Monday, August 12

8:30 AM—Communion Service

Wednesday, August 14

8:30 AM—Phyllis Huske 80th Birthday Intentions
Req. by Rene Jurack

Thursday, August 15 Assumption

6:30 PM—Parish Intentions

Friday, August 16

8:30 AM—Parish Intentions

Saturday, August 17

5:30 PM—Jack Mangan † Req. by Shaughnessy's

Sunday, August 18

9:00 AM—Donald Phalen † Req. by Marcy Phalen
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Flo † Req. by
Marlene Tengolics

August 11

5:30 PM

David Schmidt
Camille Dancer
John Porpora
Tracy Sheehan

9:00 AM

Mark Otten
Therese Bogs-Haser
Celeste Lynch
Cindy Marden

August 15 Assumption

6:30 PM

Mark Otten
Colleen Domke
Donald Domke
Barbara Mitchell

August 18

5:30 PM

Mark Otten
Robert Gorz
Anita Otten
Christine Semanovich

9:00 AM

Nancy Bishop
Phyllis Huske
Marcy Phalen
Michele Porpora



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Rene Jurack

9:00 AM

Kathy Short

August 15 Assumption

6:30 PM

Kathy Dornhecker

August 18

5:30 PM

David Schmidt

9:00 AM

Tracy Sheehan



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August 4, 2019

Sunday.....	\$	2221.00
Children's Envelopes.....		1.00
Maintenance.....		703.00

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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Jane Frances de Chantal
Tuesday:	Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
Wednesday:	St. Maximilian Kolbe
Thursday:	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday:	St. Stephen of Hungary



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August 11

5:30 PM

Joey Correa
Kelsey Correa

9:00 AM

Adam Swanson
Kasey Swanson

August 15 Assumption

6:30 PM

Sebastian Jaculbe
Athena Jaculbe

August 18

5:30 PM

Makenzie Albano
Ashlin Porpora

9:00 AM

Grace Raftery
Lily Raftery
Clara Raftery



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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 11, 2019

Our soul waits for the LORD,
who is our help and our shield.

— Psalm 33:20

From the Pastor



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Besides emotional and mental therapy while I am away from parish during weekdays I am also working on my spiritual life. Recently I have come back in my memory to one of my favorite saints St Therese of Lisieux. Reflecting on her life and writings made much impact on me when I was in seminary. I just like her simple approach to holiness, that doesn't necessarily require big deeds or heroic actions. She showed me how to be always ready to meet Jesus with peace in my heart that He would always see my struggles and have mercy on me. In that peace I can get out of myself and focus on other's good. St Therese of Lisieux lived ready for the Lord. She had taken to heart John of the Cross's maxim "At the evening of life we shall be judged on love," and she strove to exemplify it in her own life. Here's just one example. She described how the other sisters used to leave their mantles strewn around the chapel after they prayed the Divine Office. The winters in Normandy are bitter, and the convent in Lisieux only had heat in one room, so these mantles were a vital part of the nuns' wardrobe. St Therese wanted to ensure that they were ready to use when the sisters returned, so, after everyone was gone, she used to fold up each mantle and leave it in its owner's seat. No one ever knew who did this loving action, but there were doubtless some grateful nuns in that cold chapel! As St Therese put it, "I loved to fold up the mantles forgotten by the Sisters, and to do all sorts of little services for them." St. Therese of Lisieux lived always ready because she did ordinary things with extraordinary love.

+ *Father Roger*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Your ancestors waited in faith and courage for God's promised summons (Wisdom 18:6-9).

Psalm — Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — By faith Abraham sojourned in the promised land (Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]).

Gospel — You do not know the day nor the hour when the Son of Man will appear (Luke 12:32-48 [35-40]).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All

All things are possible for one who believes, more to one who hopes, even more to one who loves.



Stewardship
A Way of Life

Am I waiting for the "right" time to become a good steward? Do I plan to share my time and talents "later?" Today's Gospel warns those who are procrastinating about stewardship to be prepared---"at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

A Child's Letter to God: Dear God, Should we call you sir? That's what we call our principal. Do you have a beard? He doesn't. Love, Sarah

A Collection of More Children's Letters to God

St. Boniface Welcomes Deacon Joe Bishop!

Hello, My name is Deacon Joe Bishop. I am a retired deacon. I have been recently assigned to St. Boniface Parish by Bishop Conlon. I am here to assist Fr. Roger, Fr. Mark, Deacon Mark and the parish staff in addressing the needs of the parish. A little bit about myself – My wife, Nancy and I live in Monee not far from the BP gas station. We have four grown children and six grandchildren. We really enjoy living in Monee. I was ordained in 1991 for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Over the years I have served in six parishes. Fifteen of those years I ministered full-time for the Catholic Church as a Pastoral Associate. Prior to full-time church employment I worked 26 years in the trucking industry. In 1992 I went back to school and eventually achieved a post graduate degree, a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies. It is my hope that I get a chance to meet each and every one of you.

FAITH AND HOPE

Faith and hope are closely united in today's readings. The Israelites knew when the Passover was coming, and so were not in fear, but had faith and courage, "putting into effect with one accord the divine institution." In this we can see a foretelling of the Eucharist that we celebrate according to Christ's command, "Do this in memory of me."

We see that Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, and Jacob died in faith, although they did not see fulfillment of the promise. We live in hope that our faith will be fulfilled every time we celebrate this sacrament. We too are not to be afraid, but to have hope that our faith will be fulfilled in the coming of Christ.

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Catholic Bible Study for Adults:

The Biblical Institute of the Diocese of Joliet is offering a bible study course for anyone wishing in-depth study of the Bible and prayerful reflection on Scripture within a Catholic faith community. All are welcome! No specific Bible study background is needed. Year One classes will be held Wednesdays, from September to May, at The Cathedral of St. Raymond, from 7:00pm-9:00pm. For more information including registration, cost, and an outline on what will be taught – brochures are available at the back of the church.

Faith makes all things possible—it does not make them easy.

Stewarding God's good gifts. For those who live by faith, God is not ashamed to be called their God. What is this living by faith? It is living within the Kingdom of God that is already begun, though not yet complete. Saint Luke gets specific today: give alms, build up your treasure in heaven, be ready servants, look to the needs of others. These are the actions of faithful and prudent stewards. Gospel stewards understand this: everything they have really belongs to God. We do not own. We only oversee. How will I fill up my "money bags" with heavenly treasure? How will I faithfully oversee tasks, duties, possessions? Whom will I serve this week?



Bernie Van Etten, Virginia Perozzi, Karen Males, Seldon Ledford, Pete Crevier, Dr. Patrick Schloss, Keith Knight, Trudy Naughton, Father Roger, and those that go unnamed.

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



Last week we invited **Fr. Michael Bormate**, a missionary priest from the Philippines, to celebrate our masses. He spoke about the limited education available to the impoverished families in his country. He received a warm welcome from our parish and we thank all of you who were here to receive his message.

We will be taking up a **second collection** today for his appeal. Please consider donating to help educate and support those less fortunate than ourselves. Envelopes have been placed on the pews if you wish to include your name and envelope number. (If you don't know your envelope number, no worries! We can record your donation by your name.)

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When Pope Pius XII died in 1958, there was the usual buzz of speculation about likely successors. Cardinal Agajanian, Patriarch of the Armenians, was highly thought of as a likely choice. This took many Catholics by surprise, since he had never celebrated the same liturgy as Pope Pius, but followed ancient Armenian customs according to the Eastern Church, which veils the Eucharistic liturgy from sight by a series of curtains, and in which the priest kneels while the people stand for Communion.

In the years that followed, the Second Vatican Council would affirm the dignity and independence of the Eastern Churches, in complete union with Rome, yet different in patterns of life and worship. We have the same faith, the same sacraments, and the same pope. Yet everywhere in the world our separate Churches are combined into families held together by the ministry of bishops. All of this serves as warning: If you ever say, "But we've always done it this way," you are on very thin ice indeed!

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The Peotone Senior Assistance Center is looking for volunteers to help for a half day once per week during Medicare Part D Open Enrollment Oct 15 thru Dec 7. The volunteers would learn to navigate the online system and help seniors select the best plan for their prescription drugs. 60% of our clients are parishioners from St. Boniface, St. Patrick and St. Paul. The number of clients we serve has doubled and continues to increase each year. If you think this temporary project appeals to you, please leave a message in our mailbox by pressing #5 when calling St. Paul at 708-258-6917.

NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULE!

The current Ministry schedule for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers will end September 1, 2019 and we will need any changes to when you serve, vacation dates, etc. for the next schedule which will begin Sept. 7 and run until Jan. 1, 2020. If you would like to be a Lector or Eucharistic Minister, or Altar Server, send us your name and phone number, and the Mass time you would like and this info can be dropped in the collection basket, or call the office during hours. We are very short of help at all Masses. We are in great need of ministers at both weekend Masses, so choose your favorite Mass and what role you would like to take on. Training will be provided. Deadline for any changes (new people, delete your service, etc.) must be in the office no later than August 11, 2019.

War is as much a punishment to the punisher as to the sufferer.

—Thomas Jefferson

Devout and Dynamic Catholic Elementary School Teachers Needed: Several teaching and instructional support positions are available for the coming school year in Catholic elementary schools located in Will, DuPage, and Kankakee Counties. Applicants must be practicing Catholics who hold appropriate state licensure. Please view specific job postings and apply for desired positions as soon as possible online at: <https://www.applitrack.com/diocesefjoliet/onlineapp/>

Caring for an older family member? Catholic Charities is hosting a Caregiver Education Series every Wednesday starting August 28th and running through September. More information and to register, call 815-523-9918 and see the notice on the bulletin boards at the back of the church.

Retrouvaille Weekend is a program designed to help couples with serious issues who may even be contemplating divorce. It is designed to help couples put the pieces back together and rebuild loving relationships. Husbands and wives re-establish communication and gain new insights into themselves as individuals and as a couple. This weekend will be held Sept. 13-15. For more information or to make a reservation, visit helpourmarriage.com or call 708-802-1830.

The Peotone Senior Assistance Center is available this Thursday, Aug 15th, from 10am - 3pm to accommodate walk-in clients in the Red Room at St. Paul the Apostle in Peotone. This is part of our **Respect Life Ministry**, whose mission is to protect the vulnerable and provide seniors, low income and disabled persons with assistance from county, state and federal programs, including Medicare, Social Security, Illinois License Plate Discounts, and services offered through Catholic Charities. We are also a certified SHIP site (Senior Health Insurance Program). The center is staffed by volunteers who serve the community without cost.

Religious Education registration will be August 18th, 25th, and Sept. 1st after the 9:00am Mass. Classes begin Sept. 7th for grades 1-4 from 9:00am-10:30am. Classes begin Sept. 8th for grades 5-8 from 10:00am-11:30am. If you received a registration form in the mail, please bring it to one of the sign up days. Additional forms will be available if needed. Cost is \$80/1 child, \$115/2 children, \$150/3 children, and \$185/4 children.

**Please consider remembering St. Boniface Church in your will.
For information contact the office.**