

# Nineteenth

Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

August 9, 2020

Peter said to Jesus,  
“Lord, if it is you, command me  
to come to you on the water.”

Matthew 14:28



## 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  
**WEEKDAY RECONCILIATION:** Monday and Friday after 8:30 AM Mass

**REV. ROGER KUTZNER, PASTOR**

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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Call office.

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

**BAPTISM:** 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 12:00PM (Noon). Call the office to schedule an appointment.

**RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES:** All classes meet on Sundays from 10:00-11:30

**Church:** 5304 W. Main St., Monee, IL 60449  
**P.O. Box 217, Monee, IL 60449 (534-9682)**  
**Church Office Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
8:30am—2:00pm

**Website:** [stbonifacemonee.org](http://stbonifacemonee.org)  
**Facebook:** St Boniface Church Monee

### 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.

Christ Summoning Saint Peter to Walk on the Water, after 1627

After Giovanni Lanfranco, Italian, 1582-1647

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**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Saturday, August 8—5:30 PM**  
**Jozefa Zaborowska †**  
 Req. by Paul and Terry Kwiatkowski

**Sunday, August 9—9:00 AM**  
**Mass of Thanksgiving**  
 Req. by Parishioner

**Monday, August 10—8:30 AM**  
**Deceased members of St. Boniface**

**Wednesday, August 12—8:30 AM**  
**Health Intentions of St. Boniface parishioners**

**Friday, August 14—8:30 AM**  
**St. Boniface Weekday parishioners**

**Saturday, August 15—5:30 PM**  
**Sharon Ryley †**  
 Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Ryley

**Sunday, August 16—9:00 AM**  
**Dan Marcukaitis †**  
 Req. by Family



**COLLECTION SUMMARY**  
**Week of August 2, 2020:**

Sunday Offertory	\$ 1592.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 461.00

We sincerely thank everyone still mailing in their contributions. If you can continue to give, know that we are grateful. We do not wish to put any financial burden on you.

Please remember—**DO NOT MAIL CASH!** You are welcome to mail a check or call the office to arrange a day and time to drop off your donations.

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<b>9:00 AM</b> Father Roger	<b>9 00 AM</b> Father Roger

**At this time, only the Body will be distributed**



<b>August 9</b> <b>5:30 PM</b> Rene Jurack	<b>August 16</b> <b>5:30 PM</b> Rene Jurack
<b>9:00 AM</b> Kathy Short	<b>9:00 AM</b> Paul Przybyla

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
 Nagasaki Memorial Day

Monday: St. Lawrence

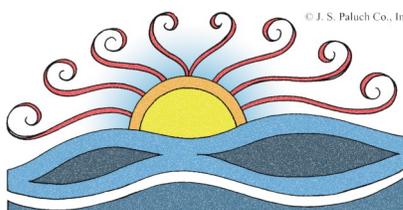
Tuesday: St. Clare

Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Thursday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus

Friday: St. Maximilian Kolbe

Saturday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin



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Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
 and justice shall look down from heaven.  
 — Psalm 85:12

## From the Pastor



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Two friends were walking through St. Mark Square in Venice, Italy, crowded with tourists. As they walked and talked, one of them suddenly stopped and said, "I hear a cricket. It must be somewhere nearby". The other friend, puzzled a little, replied, "I don't hear it. How can you hear a tiny voice of a cricket in this noisy place? It's impossible". Intrigued by his friend's doubt, he responded: "You say it's impossible to hear this sound because there is too much commotion? I tell you it is not impossible. You and other people just refuse to listen. Let me show you, that everybody can listen and hear, if they put their mind into it." He reached to his pocket, took out couple coins and dropped them on the stony ground. Several nearby people turned their heads and looked in the direction of the sound of the coins. "You see" - the friend concluded - "the sound of these falling coins was not much louder than the sound of my cricket, nevertheless people noticed it because it attracted their attention - it was the sound of money. I told you - people can hear anything, even a tiny voice, if they put their mind into it."

God has chosen to be heard in this tiny voice, so only those who really want to hear Him are able to do so. God is not screaming his ads in marketplaces, he speaks to us softly and gently, like a mother whispering her "I love you" to her child's ear. In this extremely loud world we have the task to tune our hearing into the voice of God in order to actually hear Him. The best way to do it is to withdraw from the noise for a while and quiet our mind and heart. Well, of course you know - it's called prayer.

Every day we need to "go up to the mountain" (means: away from the noise and crowds), leaving behind the hustle and bustle of our busy lives, in order to spend time alone with God, to be able to hear the "tiny whispering sound" of his voice, to renew our strength, to find out what he wants to say to us. I easily recognize if a person I have conversation with has been lately spending time in quiet with God or not. I find much more peace and joy when I meet someone who has really spent some time with God, either was it in private prayer or public worship (like: Holy Mass or Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament).

+ *Father Roger*



### Stewardship Thought

Elijah recognized the voice of God not in the strong and heavy wind, not in the earthquake, and not in the fire, but in a tiny whispering sound. May we find enough quiet in our clamorous world to hear His voice and discern what He is calling us to do and be.

God helps babies, cause they can't hardly do anything.  
Reece, Age 9

*Kids Say the Cutest Things About God*

### The Transfiguration of the Lord—August 6, 2020 Being Transformed

How am I transformed by God's goodness?  
What will I stop fearing?  
What can I do for those who are near?

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD said to Elijah: "Stand on the mountain; the LORD will be passing by" (1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

**Psalm** — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

**Second Reading** — To the Israelites belong the covenants, the law, and the patriarchs; and from them comes the Christ (Romans 9:1-5).

**Gospel** — As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified (Matthew 14:22-33).

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### THE PRESENCE OF GOD

After the miracle of Jesus walking on water, the disciples exclaimed, "Truly, you are the Son of God" (Matthew 14:33). Most Christians will probably never experience such a dramatic miracle. Like Elijah, we await the manifestation of God in other moments. Perhaps the biggest challenge for the believer is to be constantly attuned to the possible presence of God in the everyday events of life. This is a stance that takes some people years to develop. Others seem to find the Lord easily in the simple things. As the week unfolds, let us look for the presence of God in the little things around us. Perhaps, like Elijah, we will be surprised at what we find. And, like the disciples, we can add our voice to the confession, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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### I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; Lay down, O weary one, Lay down your head upon my breast."**

*I came to Jesus as I was, So weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.*

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give. The living water; thirsty one, Stoop down, and drink, and live."**

*I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life giving stream; My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.*

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light; Look unto me, your morn shall rise, And all your day be bright."**

*I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun; And in that light of life I'll walk till traveling days are done.*

2020 Word & Song Book, Hymn #696



**Ken Zohlfeld, Jeanne Bodnar, Eason M., Bernie Van Etten, Jason Brandstetter, Helen Barrett, Dolly Richmond, Douglas Newbanks, the safety of all healthcare workers, all those battling the Coronavirus, all who have been hurt and/or died this last week** and those that go unnamed.

Names will remain on the list for one month unless otherwise requested. *To have someone added to this list please call the parish office.*

**Nature has perfections in order to show that she is the image of God, and defects to show that she is only God's image.**

—Blaise Pascal

**Alas for those who never sing, but die with their music within them.**

—Oliver Wendell Holmes

### SAINT TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS (EDITH STEIN) (1891-1942)

August 9

"Come," Edith gently whispered, taking her sister Rosa's hand, "let us go for our people!" These were Edith Stein's last words as the Nazis, enraged at the Dutch bishops' condemnation of their genocide, took into custody all Catholic converts from Judaism. Born Jewish, but non-practicing from her teens, Edith's search for truth led to a doctorate in philosophy, a brilliant career as professor and author and, finally, to the *Autobiography of Saint Teresa of Ávila*, which she read in one sitting, then declared, "That is the Truth!" Baptized on January 1, 1922, observed then as the feast of Jesus' initiation into the covenant of Abraham, confirmed on February 2, the feast of Jesus' Presentation in the Temple, Edith entered the cloistered Carmelites in Cologne, transferring to a convent in Holland when she realized that, because of the Nazi persecution of the Jews, her presence could imperil the safety of the other nuns. She died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz as a daughter of Israel and of the Church.

—Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



My name is Nancy Bishop. My husband, Dn. Joe Bishop and I have been parishioners for 4 years. We have 4 children and 8 grandchildren. I grew up on the southside of Chicago attending the Visitation Parish schools. I have been involved in religious education programs over the past 30 years as: catechist, teen retreats, and Coordinator of Religious Education at St. George and St. Rene Goupil parishes. As coordinator of the Religious Education program at St. Boniface I hope to bring an exciting and caring environment as our parish children continue growing in their faith.

### A "LITTLE" FAITH

In Matthew's Gospel, Peter often serves as a representative of Jesus' other disciples, and of all who strive to follow Jesus. When Peter desires to imitate Jesus by walking on the water in the middle of the storm, maybe wishing to show how strong his faith is, he encounters his own limitations and his need to be rescued by Jesus. Jesus then says to Peter, with tenderness as well as with challenge, "O you of little faith." Jesus accepted the fragile and limited faith of Peter and the other disciples and loved them unconditionally.

The early church identified with Peter, as people with a "little" faith. Their faith was not fully mature, or as extraordinary as others' faith might seem to be. But they knew that their faith, however small or imperfect, was real and true. We might remember that our own "little" faith is cherished by God. God loves us as we are, and always seeks to form us toward a fully mature Christian life of faith.

### Jesus Shows Us God.

In his time of trial, Elijah is looking for the LORD to save him. The psalmist pleads for God's salvation. Paul recounts the covenantal bond between God and all the People of God. And Jesus. Jesus feeds those who hunger. Jesus tries (again!) to go off and pray. But he sees his disciples in peril and walks on troubled water to offer courage and safety.

*How will I keep looking for God in this troubled time?*

*How will I act because God choose me – and us?*

*How will I take courage and not be afraid trusting in Jesus' power to save?*

Immaculate Conception Parish, located in Elmhurst, IL has an immediate opening for a Maintenance Tech within our Facilities Department. This position is full-time, 40 hours per week and requires 24 hour emergency on-call. The preferred candidate will possess exceptional mechanical skills; specifically in electric, plumbing and HVAC, and have prior experience working in a supervisory position. Interested parties should provide a resume and cover letter to: Jeff Williams, Director of Administration and Facilities, Immaculate Conception Parish [jwilliams@icelmhurst.org](mailto:jwilliams@icelmhurst.org)

Daybreak Shelter for

**"Back to School supplies" 2020**

Thank you to all the parishioners, for your generosity throughout the year. Funds collected came to \$139.00 and were used to purchase items for the following: folders, loose-leaf paper, rulers, crayons, and markers.

***Please consider including St. Boniface Church when creating or updating your personal will. Contact the office for information.***