



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Boniface Catholic Church

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Church Office Hours
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
8:30am-2:30pm

All Are Welcome

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.

Mass Schedule

Saturday..... 5:30PM
Sunday 9:00AM
Monday, Wednesday,
and Friday 8:30AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

After Mass on Monday, Friday, and Saturday
For private appointment please contact office.

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 Education

All classes meet on Sundays from 10:00-11:30 am.
stbonifacemoneere@gmail.com

Marriage

By appointment only. Normally made 6 months in advance.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 13

5:30 PM † **Dorothy Ireland**, Req. by Marianne Farrell
Mass of Thanksgiving, Req. by Parishioner

Sunday, August 14

9:00 AM † **Marie Woods**, Req. by Meg Goeckner
Ed Matchinske's 75th Birthday,
Req. by JoAnn Matchinske

Monday, August 15

8:30 AM **Health Intentions of Debra Guarascio**,
Req. by Kathy Short

Wednesday, August 17

8:30 AM † **Stephen, Judy, and Tom Hawtree**,
Req. by Dan Hawtree

Friday, August 19

8:30 AM **Mass of Healing**, Req. by Parishioner

Saturday, August 20

5:30 PM † **Marie Woods**,
Req. by Golf Vista Estates Homeowner's Association
† **Ed Mackey**, Req. by Barb Mackey

Sunday, August 21

9:00 AM † **Melanie Valencia**,
Req. by Leobardo and Ana Valencia Martinez
† **William and Anastatia Koch**, Req. by Marianne Farrell

Prayer of the Week

God of all,
Watch over and protect
us as we stumble and fall,
Leading us always onward
to your kingdom.
Hear the prayers we make
today and grant them
through your Son,
Who sits at your right
hand, Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Please Pray For

Joy Baker
Anson Bishop
Roy Blakey
Evie Botta
Carye Dancer
Maggie DeVires
Mary Eder
Debra Guarascio
Peggy Kase
Ken Kazmierczak
Louise Kopaczewski
Peter Kramer
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Christie Zdzinicki
Ken Zohlfeld

***And the continued safety
and well-being of our
parishioners, all those
sick, and those that go
unnamed.***

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, August 14

Lectors

5:30 PM David Schmidt
9:00 AM Kathy Short

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 PM John Blazeovich, Debra Ledford, John Porpora, Christine Semanovich
9:00 AM Dcn Mark Otten, Erwin Bogs, Therese Bogs-Haser, Paul Przybyla

Altar Servers

5:30 PM Tracy Sheehan, Marie McCurdy
9:00 AM Kendall Bialecki, Grace Lovejoy

Sunday, August 21

Lectors

5:30 PM Rene Jurack
9:00 AM Erwin Bogs

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 PM Dcn Mark Otten, Camille Dancer, Debra Ledford, David Schmidt
9:00 AM Donald Domke, Colleen Domke, Phyllis Huske, Kathy Short

Altar Servers

5:30 PM Anita Otten, Tracy Sheehan
9:00 AM Jennifer Duncan, Brooke Hobbs

From Our Pastor



There's a story about a man walking on a beach in a tropical country. Thousands of starfish has washed up on the shore and lay shriveling in the blazing sun. Without immediate immersion they would die. As the man

walked along he saw a young boy picking up starfish one by one, and throwing them back into the ocean. He was struck by the apparent futility of the boy's actions in comparison with the vast number of starfish, and so he decided to teach him a lesson. Walking up to him, he sneered "Can't you see that there are thousands of starfish dying here in the beach, and all you're doing is throwing a few back into the water? What difference does it make?" The boy didn't look at him. Instead he picked up another starfish and tossed it into the cool waters beyond the

sand. Then he looked at the man and said, "I'll bet it made a difference to that one."

Christ calls us to change the world, to set it on fire with his love. And we all, no matter how small the action seems to be, can make a positive difference.

St Therese of Avila said that the Devil likes to incite us to think about the great things we might someday do for God, and to forget about the good we can actually do right now. We can invite others to receive sacraments. We're never alone; God is near us. Most of us know someone who has fallen away from the Church. Why not tell them about our experience of Reconciliation, and invite them to go too? Or why not invite them to come to Mass some Sunday? The little things make the greatest difference. A tiny spark can set the world ablaze. God takes the little things and makes them into something unfathomably great – he wants us to share in that same power of his eternal love.



Today's Readings

First Reading — Jeremiah 38:4–6, 8–10 Because he demoralized the people, Jeremiah is condemned to death.

Psalm — Psalm 40 "Lord, come to my aid!"

Second Reading — Hebrews 12:1–4 We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses, who can teach us how to struggle for glory.

Gospel — Luke 12:49–53 Jesus says: I have come to divide.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on a Monday, August 15, so it is not considered a Holy Day of Obligation in the United States. Mass will be celebrated at our normal time 8:30am.

Saints and Special Observances

- 15 Mon. Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (not a holy day of obligation this year)
- 16 Tue. Optional Memorial of St. Stephen of Hungary
- 19 Fri. Optional Memorial of St. John Eudes World Humanitarian Day
- 20 Sat. Memorial of St. Bernard

Dear God,

Do angels do carpentry and plumbing in the sky? If you don't have to be too handy, I would like to apply. Yours, Carmen
Age 8

Dear God; Children's Letters to God

Reflection

We have an advantage that the disciples did not have at this time. We know that after the Resurrection the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples in what was depicted as multiple tongues of flame. We know that the Holy Spirit aided the disciples in carrying out their mission, preaching repentance for the forgiveness of sins and making disciples of all nations. We can imagine that the wisdom and fortitude they received allowed them to confront sin and evil and that the purifying fire could cauterize the wound they produced, allowing healing and reconciliation to begin. In baptism we have received the Holy Spirit as well, enabling us to carry on in Jesus' mission.

Can I feel the fire within that leads me to speak out and speak up despite the consequences?



Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

We like to think of Jesus bringing peace and joy, healing and inspiration as he traveled from village to village with his disciples. But at this point in Luke's Gospel he is making his way to Jerusalem, where he knows what he will face, and his message has become sobering. The road to redemption is difficult. Jesus knew that sin and evil must be confronted. Our own encounters with sin and evil can be divisive, as Jesus warned his disciples. Let us pray for the will and the courage to stand up for what is right and good and holy, no matter the consequences.

Passionist Missions Collection



We hope you enjoyed meeting Fr. Vimal Backijaraj last weekend, a Passionist Missionary, who spoke about the needs of Passionist Missions of Holy Cross Province. This missionary engages with diocesan Missionary Cooperative Appeal programs to educate parishes in the United States about the missionary life of the Church, and request contributions to the Passionist missionary activity of the Holy Cross Province. The American Passionists support missions in India, Haiti, Japan, Korea, and Alabama. ***A second collection will be taken this weekend. Special envelopes are available in the pews if needed.***

August is National Make-A-Will month

Today is the day! The Diocese of Joliet is encouraging our community to take part in Make-A-Will Sunday — a time to set aside a few moments and consider how you can steward the resources God has blessed us with. If you don't have an up-to-date will in place, FreeWill.com has a **free estate planning resource** to guide you through the process of writing your legal will in 20 minutes or less. While you make your plans, you'll have the opportunity to create a plan for your assets, communicate important decisions for the future, and even make a bequest to the ministries that are near to your heart. Please know that whether or not you decide to include a bequest in your plans, this resource is entirely free to you and your loved ones.

For more information or to begin your will go to [Freewill.com](https://www.freewill.com).



Stewardship Thought

In today's second reading, St. Paul encourages us not to grow weary or lose heart, but to persevere in following Jesus. Our willingness to give of ourselves, even in the face of conflict and division, is one way to measure our discipleship (Our Sunday Visitor, *ibid.*, page 30).

Collection Summary • Week of August 7, 2022

Sunday Offertory.....	\$2394.00
Maintenance.....	\$ 876.00

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\$150 # 275 Amelia Yaegar
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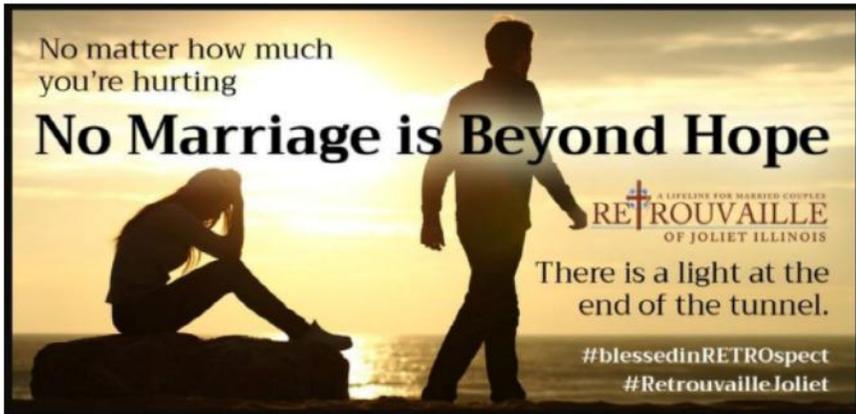
August 29, 2022

from

1pm to 6pm

*I believe though I do not comprehend,
and I hold by faith what I cannot grasp
with the mind.*

- St. Bernard of Clairvaux



Retrouvaille is a program designed for married couples who are struggling. Retrouvaille helps couples learn to communicate on a deeper level, and has helped thousands of couples return to a healthy, God-centered marriage.

>>> Our next weekend will be held Sep 9th - 11th, 2022 <<<

For information please contact:

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