

Veterans Day
HONORING ALL WHO SERVED
A Grateful Nation Remembers.

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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
Sunday9:00AM
Monday, Wednesday,
and Friday8:30AM

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.
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Marriage

By appointment only. Normally made 6 months in advance.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 5

5:30 PM † **Randy Blocker**, Req. by Chris Hays

Sunday, November 6

9:00 AM † **Ron Mitchell**, Req. by Barbara Mitchell

† **Dan Misheck**, Req. by Pat Fogerty

Monday, November 7

8:30 AM **Peace in Ukraine**

Wednesday, November 9

8:30 AM **Holiness of St. Boniface Parish Family**

Friday, November 11

8:30 AM † **Herbert, Catherine and deceased members of Hase family**, Req. by Hase Family

Saturday, November 12

5:30 PM † **Ed Mackey**, Req. by Barb Mackey
Birthday Intentions of Ben Short, Req. by Short Family

Sunday, November 13

9:00 AM † **Erwin E. Bogs**, Req. by Bogs Family
Birthday Intentions of Wayne Haser, Req. by Bogs-Haser Family

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, November 6

Lectors

5:30 PM Camille Dancer

9:00 AM Phyllis Huske

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 PM John Blazeovich, Debra Ledford, David Schmidt,
Christine Semanovich

9:00 AM Dcn Mark Otten, Erwin Bogs, Therese Bogs-Haser, Anita Otten

Altar Servers

5:30 PM Marie McCurdy, Tracy Sheehan

9:00 AM Lily Raftery, Clara Raftery

Sunday, November 13

Lectors

5:30 PM Jim Lehnerer

9:00 AM Barbara Mitchell

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 PM John Blazeovich, Camille Dancer, Rene Jurack, Debra Ledford

9:00 AM Dcn Mark Otten, Donald Domke, Colleen Domke, Kathy Short

Altar Servers

5:30 PM Marie McCurdy, Tracy Sheehan

9:00 AM Paul Przybyla, Richard Sterling

Prayer of the Week

God of life, we trust that all your children are alive in you, comforted in your eternal presence. Hear our fervent prayers and give us the courage and strength to witness to your love as you grant our needs, spoken and unspoken, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please Pray For

Carye Dancer
Yvette Fontana
Debra Guarascio
Betty Guiden
Jackie Kochel
Louise Kopaczewski
Paul Kwiatkowski
Joane Males
Vicki Schmidt
Gail Siuba
Paul Sobczak
Clarissa Summa
RW
VS
Ken Zohlfeld

And for those that go unnamed.

Names will be removed after one month of posting. If you would like a name you no longer see re-posted for another month, or would like to add a new name, please contact the office.

From Our Pastor



On October 16, 2016, Pope Francis canonized a 14-year-old Mexican martyr named Jose Sanchez del Rio. In 1927, civil war racked Mexico. Anti-Catholic persecution had led to a response, as Catholics began to

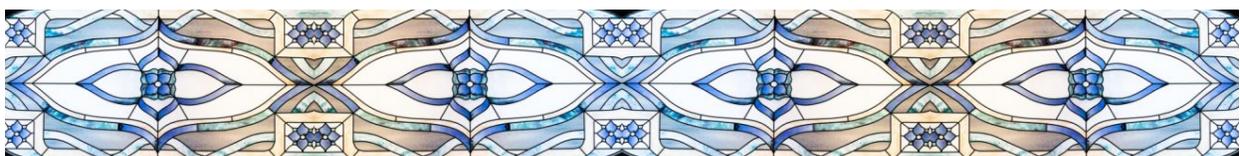
defend their civil and religious freedom with armed force. Jose Sanchez del Rio joined the Catholic fighters, called "Cristeros" for their distinctive battle cry: "Long live Christ the King!" When government forces captured him, they offered him a pardon and various rewards if he would reject his Catholic faith. But the 14-year-old boy responded: "My faith is not for sale." Repeated tortures did not shake his resolve, and the police eventually shot and killed him. Jose Sanchez del Rio, whose faith was not for sale, who valued his friendship with God above everything else, lived and died as a witness to the Lord.

I personally think it's a shame on the humanity of some leaders that they serve the evil one and oppress those who give witness to the truth. And the truth is that we are all precious and should be caring for each other and building a loving society where there is no division in understanding the common good of all humanity. The battle for that truth continues, as it is shown in the struggles of so many martyrs.

What gives these heroes of Christianity so much courage? That they stayed faithful to God in the face of torture, abuse, and a gruesome death? Well, courage is born and developed through simple acts of bravery in our everyday lives, in our small, everyday commitments and responsibilities. As a result, we can be courageous when the salvation of our souls is at stake. We can be prepared for difficult times by simply living our faith each and every day. Follow the Ten Commandments, even though the society around us had given up. We pray each day; we study the Scriptures. We don't undermine our conscience with little compromises that no one else can see. We say grace before meals even when we go out to restaurants. We don't join in gossip sessions at the coffee shop. We don't forget about our sick and lonely neighbors.

Those God-centered patterns of behavior can eventually give God's grace room to work in us, to give us a clear vision of life's meaning, and to strengthen every virtue, especially wisdom, courage, and a mature, self-giving love.

We may not have to face physical torture because of our religious beliefs - though plenty of Christians throughout the world do. But, without a doubt, we will have to face temptations. Let us be courageous in the little things of every day, so that we will be ready for greater trials and never fear the Judgement of God.



Today's Readings

First Reading — *2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14* *God will raise us to live again forever.*

Psalm — *Psalm 17* "Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full."

Second Reading — *2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5* *May the Lord encourage your hearts.*

Gospel — *Luke 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38* *In God there is no death.*

Saints and Special Observances

- 6 Sun. National Vocation Awareness Week begins
Daylight Saving Time ends: Set clocks back 1 hour
- 8 Tue. Election Day
- 9 Wed. Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
- 10 Thu. Memorial of St. Leo the Great
- 11 Fri. Memorial of St. Martin of Tours Veterans Day
Remembrance Day (Canada)
- 12 Sat. Memorial of St. Josaphat

Reflection

The mother and sons in the first reading died for their faith. We are unlikely to face a trial that costs us our lives, but our faith can call us to sacrifice parts of our lives. Remember all the challenges that Jesus gave his disciples. They had to leave all their possessions behind to follow him. They were told they must carry their crosses. They were told that serving Jesus meant serving the least of their brothers and sisters. If we are to be true disciples, doing these things is a way we express our faith. It is easier to do whatever we please, avoiding hardships ourselves and ignoring the hardships of others. But our consciences call us to die to sin, to die to self-centeredness, to die to taking the easy way out, and to live for the promise of the Resurrection.

To what must I die in order to fully live in the way God calls me?



Honor

The theme for Veterans Day 2022 is "Honor." Veterans are proud of their military service in defending our nation. Honor reflects the military value and tradition of answering the call to duty. There is distinct honor in serving to protect our way of life and the Constitution of the United States of America.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

As days grow shorter, leaves fall from trees, and the last of the year's crops are harvested, the Church calls to mind those who have died and of Jesus' promise of eternal life. Earlier this week we honored the saints on All Saints Day and remembered our beloved dead on All Souls Day. Today we hear Jesus affirm the resurrection of the dead when faced with a group of religious authorities who refuse to accept it. May our faith in Jesus, who is the resurrection and the life, give us hope during these dark days.

Currently Serving...

Please pray for the safety, spiritual and physical well being and that God will give His peace to the parents and family of:

***Airman First Class Anthony Dowling USAF
Major Patrick Farrell, Army National Guard
Sgt E5 Austin Wolf, U.S. Army***

Do you have a family member in the service that you would like to be included in our prayers? Contact the office with their name, rank and branch of service.

I Miss 9/12

I would never ever want another 9/11, but I miss the America of 9/12. Stores ran out of flags to sell because they were being flown everywhere. People were American before they were upper or lower class, Jewish or Christian, Republican or Democrat. We hugged people unbiasedly. On 9/12, what mattered more was what united us rather than what divided us.

National Vocation Awareness Week

The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary are hosting two open houses and a virtual open house for women looking for information on religious life. Meet the sisters, tour the retreat house, hermitages, province center, convent, and explore the grounds.

***Thursday, November 10th—Join a zoom link for a virtual tour at 6:30pm
Saturday, November 12th—Formation Community Center, Batavia***

Contact Kathy Brady-Murfin at 815-814-1414 or sscm.vocations@gmail.com for information and the zoom link.



Stewardship Thought

In today's second reading, St. Paul prays that the Thessalonians may be strengthened "in every good deed and word." May, we, too, be strengthened and empowered to use our time and talents for the good of others.

See 2 Thessalonians 2:17 (Our Sunday Visitor, *ibid.*, page 32).

Collection Summary • Week of October 30, 2022
Sunday Offertory.....\$1830.00

Next week we have a second collection for:
I Will Give You Shepherds Campaign

Priests are essential to our Catholic faith, as only these holy men can transform bread and wine into the life-giving Body and Blood of Christ. Although the number of priests has been on the decline for decades, the Diocese of Joliet has been blessed with an abundance of vocations to the priesthood. Currently, our diocese has 23 men in seminary formation, which costs \$50,000 a year per seminarian. To ensure we are always able to support our seminarians both prayerfully and financially, the Diocese of Joliet has launched the *I Will Give You Shepherds* campaign. At Masses next weekend, our parish will take up a second collection for this campaign. Gifts will be invested in an endowment designated specifically for seminarian education. Please prayerfully consider supporting this second collection. To learn more about this campaign, or to make a gift online, please go to jolietdioceseappeal.org.

HELP WANTED

No previous experience required, just your willingness to serve the Lord and your parish community. We would like you to consider participation as a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Altar Server or Usher. Training will be provided. Interested? Contact the office or drop your name in the collection basket and we will contact you.

**The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose,
but mosquitoes come close.**



ELECTION DAY

The 2022 United States elections will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022. During this midterm election year, all 435 seats in the House of Representatives and 35 of the 100 seats in the Senate will be contested.

***Some minds are like concrete —
thoroughly mixed up and
permanently set.***

Monee Township December Drive

Every year the township helps underprivileged residents with Thanksgiving Baskets, Santa's Sack, and a year round food pantry. Once again they will be collecting items for the residents and we would like to help. From Nov 5-27 we will be accepting the following items to donate:

- Non-Perishable food (No expired food please)***
- Toys and games for persons of all ages***
- Hats, mittens, scarfs***
- Gift wrapping—paper, bows, ribbon, etc...***

Containers are in place at the back of the church for all items.

Daylight Saving Time concluded at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, the clock "fell back" one hour and in theory we got one extra hour of sleep.

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