

# Saint Boniface

Catholic Church

*Celebrating 162 Years 1858-2020*

**Third Sunday of Lent - - March 15, 2020 -- Cycle A**

**“To share the gifts that God has entrusted to us by being Christ to one another, mindful of his unconditional love.”**

## Mass Schedule

### Weekday Masses

Tuesday and Thursday..... 9:00 AM

### Weekend Masses

Saturday..... 4:00 PM

Sunday..... 10:00 AM

Sunday.....Mass in French - 12:00 Noon

Adoration..... First Sunday - 1:30 PM

Reconciliation 3:15-3:45 PM prior to Saturday Mass

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturdays ..... 3:15-3:45 PM  
or by appointment

**Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, and Anointing of the Sick:**

Please call parish office for information.

### Partners in Prayer

Phone prayer intentions any time to 612.986.3445

E-mail prayer requests to: boniface1858@usfamily.net

St. Boniface, pray for us.

Help us keep the faith for which you gave your life.



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**Readings for the Week of March 15, 2020**

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42  
 Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b Lk 4:24-30  
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43 Mt 18:21-35  
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9 Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday, March 19: Solemnity of Saint Joseph  
 Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22  
 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a**

Friday: Hos 14:2-10 Mk 12:28-34  
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6 Lk 18:9-14  
 Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a Eph 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, March 14, 2020  
 4:00pm Intention of the Celebrant  
 Sunday, March 15, 2020  
 10:00am Ray and Mary Rush††  
 12:00pm (French) All Parishioners  
 Tuesday, March 17, 2020  
 9:00am Intention of the Celebrant  
 Thursday, March 19, 2020  
 9:00am Loretta and †Bruce Thielen  
 Men named Joseph  
 Saturday, March 21, 2020  
 4:00pm †John Ringdal  
 Sunday, March 22, 2020  
 10:00am Vocations of Priests, Sisters, Deacons  
 12:00pm (French) All Parishioners



**Day by Day with the Synod 2021 Prayer Journal**

**March 15:** Lord, help us come to a deeper awareness of your thirst for us as we pray with John 4:5-42.  
**March 16:** Lord, increase our thirst for you as we pray with Psalm 42.  
**March 17:** Lord, show us where we need to forgive as we pray with Matthew 18:21-35.  
**March 18:** Lord, help us to see the blessing in obeying your commandments as we pray with Deuteronomy 4:5-9.  
**March 19:** Lord, as we pray with Matthew 1:18-24 on the Solemnity of St. Joseph, let us pray for all fathers, that they may lead with humility, integrity, and love. And in a special way, let us pray for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, on the 7th Anniversary of his papal inauguration.  
**March 20:** Lord, help our Archdiocese to love you and love our neighbor as we pray with Mark 12:28-34.  
**March 21:** Lord, help us to follow the example of the tax-collector and truly humble ourselves before you as we pray with Luke 18:9-14.

**Third Sunday of Lent**

**Gospel Meditation**

*“A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, ‘Give me a drink.’” (John 4:7)*

On March 25, 1993, Mother Teresa wrote a letter to the Missionaries of Charity in which she talked about Jesus’ thirst. As we contemplate this week’s Gospel account of Jesus and the woman at the well, let us spend some time reflecting on the words of this much-loved, modern-day saint:

*“My dearest Children... Jesus wants me to tell you again... how much is the love He has for each one of you - beyond all that you can imagine. I worry some of you still have not really met Jesus - one to one - you and Jesus alone. We may spend time in chapel - but have you seen with the eyes of your soul how He looks at you with love?*

*Do you really know the living Jesus - not from books, but from being with Him in your heart? Have you heard the loving words He speaks to you? Ask for this grace, He is longing to give it. Never give up this daily intimate contact with Jesus as a real living Person - not just an idea.*

*...Jesus Himself must be the one to say to you ‘I Thirst.’ Hear your own name. Not just once. Every day. If you listen with your heart, you will hear, you will understand.*

*Why does Jesus say, ‘I thirst?’ What does it mean? Something so hard to explain in words - if you remember anything from Mother’s letter, remember this - ‘I thirst’ is something much deeper than just Jesus saying ‘I love you.’ Until you know deep inside that Jesus thirsts for you - you can’t begin to know who He wants to be for you. Or who He wants you to be for Him.”*

St. Teresa of Calcutta

**Catholic Services Appeal - February 1-March 29, 2020**

**Serve the Poor Support Life Strengthen the Faith**

How will you give alms this Lent? Help those in need - go to [GiveCSAF.org](http://GiveCSAF.org) and donate today! Thank you from the 20 Designated Ministries of the CSAF!

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**Remembering Vocations in your Lenten Devotions**

March 15 - Third Sunday of Lent: “... do not tire of proclaiming to a world hungry for truth the living Christ, our sole salvation. He alone is our peace; he alone is that richness from which we can always receive strength and inner joy.” We pray for priests to lead our celebration.

*Message of his Holiness Benedict XVI for Lent 2006*

Our Gifts to the Lord:

March 8, 2020: \$ 2,966.00

Thank you for your generous contributions!



## Look What's Happening at St. Boniface

Check out opportunities to participate at St. Boniface. All are invited to have some fun, get to know your fellow parishioners and help each other to fulfill our parish mission of "being Christ to one another." Please consider sharing your particular gifts by volunteering in any capacity you are able.

Mark your calendars for the weekend of **April 18/19**. We will celebrate those who graciously give of their time and talent at our annual **Appreciation Weekend** with light refreshments after the 4:00pm and 10:00am Holy Masses. A couple of volunteers are needed to shop for food and looking for volunteers to set up and clean up before and after the Masses as well.

**St. Boniface Day!** Planning meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 25 at 6:00pm**. We will meet at the Parish office. Please bring your ideas for re-establishing an event to kick off Summer and to celebrate our Patron, Saint Boniface. The official feast day is June 5 but we are targeting June 6 for our celebration. Bring your ideas for an inviting and exciting celebration marking the start of Summer.

**The German Dinner** is being planned for Oct. 11. Preliminary Planning Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 15 at 6:00pm**. This will be a short meeting to set the course for later in the year. Meeting will be held in the Parish Office.

**The Sheridan Story:** Do you know the story? Do you want to be part of it? Please sign up in the back of church if you are interested in joining a group of fellow parishioners and neighbors in a food sorting or packing event. Read the story on their website <https://www.thesheridanstory.org/get-involved/>. If enough people indicate their interest, we will coordinate a time to participate as a group at a regularly scheduled event.

If you can't wait to get started, register yourself for a Volunteer Event through a link on their website.

**Farmers Market Update:** Spring really is coming and before we know it, Summer will be here. It's time to start thinking about the Northeast Farmers Market. The Saint Boniface parish will host a tent once a month on the third Saturday when the Market is open. Volunteers are needed. Come out and greet our neighbors. It's a great way to enjoy the Market Sign-up sheets are in the back of church. Sign up for one Saturday or several throughout the season. Plan to attend for all four hours or just an hour or two. Set up at 8:30am, the Market is open from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

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**Global Solidarity Sunday** will be observed in our parish on **March 21-22**, the fourth Sunday of Lent. This year the theme is, "...I was blind and now I see" (John 9:25). As we reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters around the world, we let our light shine for those who still hunger and thirst for God's mercy, love and healing. On the weekend of March 21-22, a special collection will be taken for four global priorities of the U.S. Catholic Bishops: Africa, Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, as well as humanitarian activities of Catholic Relief Services. Please be as generous as you are able and let your light shine for your brothers and sisters around the world. Thank you.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 14, 2020 - Sunday, March 15, 2020

### Eucharistic Ministers

4:00pm

10:00am

### Lector

4:00pm Tony Doran

10:00am Kristin Olson

Saturday, March 21, 2020 - Sunday, March 22, 2020

### Eucharistic Ministers

4:00pm

10:00am

### Lector

4:00pm John Seward

10:00am Patty Griffin

God Bless and Thank each and every one of you for your service to the parish of Saint Boniface. Patty Griffin

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## CALENDAR FOR SAINT BONIFACE CHURCH

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS - new day and time**

Saturdays of Lent at 3:30pm (no rosary) before 4:00 Mass  
March 21, 28 and April 4

### **Week of March 8 - 14**

Catholic Sisters Week: Pray for the vocations of all nuns.

The Sisters of Christian Charity who came from St. Boniface Church, Minneapolis, MN, who are still living are

Sister Mary Cecilia Torbgorg

Sister Karen Zgutowicz and

Sister J. Joanne Ladwig.

All three of us are currently living at Sacred Heart Convent in Wilmette, Illinois.

### **Sunday, March 29 - Mark your calendar . . .**

11:00am - Father Michael Slusser will present short Lenten talk on the meaning of the Easter Triduum.

Choir practice for Holy Week services will be held immediately after the Lenten talk by Father Slusser.

### **Saturday-Sunday, April 4-5**

The St. Boniface Council of Catholic Women will be holding an **Easter Bake Sale & Basket Raffle** on the weekend of April 4th & 5th. There will also be a raffle for baskets, one for a girl, one for a boy and one adult. Volunteers are needed to sell bake goods and sell basket raffle tickets after the Masses. Signup sheets are in the back of the church or you can sign up online at <https://volunteersignup.org/KL4RF>. The church hall will be open from 1:00 to 3:30pm on Saturday, April 4th to receive baked goods.

### **Sunday, April 5**

Second Collection for Utilities. Thank you.

Hospitality in the church social hall after 10:00am Holy Mass Meeting: Council of Catholic Women

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