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Third Sunday of Lent - - March 7, 2021 - - Cycle B

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

St. Boniface Church Mass Schedule
Saturday 4:00, Sundays 10 am, Noon in French

Please arrive early for check-in time before Mass

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Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays at 3:30pm in the Chapel (left side of altar)

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.



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area. - Jn 2:13b-15a

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READINGS for the Week of March 7, 2021

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 1 Cor 1:22-25 Jn 2:13-25
 Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab 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: Jer 7:23-28 Lk 11:14-23
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10 Mk 12:28-34
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6 Lk 18:9-14
 Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 Eph 2:4-10 Jn 3:14-21

PRIVATE CONFESSION

is always available on Saturdays at 3:30pm in our Chapel
 (located left side of Altar).

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 6, 2021

4:00pm Joseph and Mary Rolek††, Steven Patrick†
 John and Audrey Ringdal†† (HNS)
 John and Jean Seward (HNS)

Sunday, March 7, 2021

10:00am Lou Garski†, Gerald 'Bucky' Garski†
 St. Boniface Council of Catholic Women
 12:00pm (French) All Parishioners

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

9:00am Anna Margaret Leitschuh-Hansen† (HNS)

Thursday, March 11, 2021

9:00am John and Audrey Ringdal ††

9:30 to 10:30am—Eucharistic Adoration after Mass
"A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament
is worth more than a thousand years of human glory."
 Saint Padre Pio

Saturday, March 13, 2021

4:00pm Ray and Mary Rush††, Jeanette Dick†
 Mary Wilkinson†

Sunday, March 14, 2021

10:00am Audrey Krolikowski†
 Members of the St. Boniface Council
 12:00pm (French) All Parishioners

Lent at Saint Boniface Catholic Church

Pick up a copy of ***Magnificat Lenten Companion*** by Piano.
 (Provided by the St. Boniface Council of Catholic Women)

Father Biju hears Confessions Saturdays at 3:30pm
 (Exception April 3 Holy Saturday Easter Vigil)

The Stations of the Cross: Saturdays at 3:30pm
 (Exception April 3 at Holy Saturday Easter Vigil)

Holy Week Services

Holy Thursday—Apr. 1 at 6:30pm—Mass of Lord's Supper
Good Friday—Apr. 2 at 6:30pm—Passion of the Lord
Holy Saturday—Apr. 3 at 6:00pm—Easter Vigil (no 4:00 Mass)
Easter Sunday—Apr. 4 Holy Masses
 10:00am (English) and Noon (French)

Gospel Meditation - 3rd Sunday of Lent

Many prefer a "create as you go" approach to life where laws and protocols primarily exist to secure and protect liberties rather than dictate and outline proper and right behavior. There are no real benchmarks for acceptable ethical and moral behavior, with a "you can't tell me what to do" attitude prevailing. Parents are even limited in what they can request of their children, and dealing with threatening behaviors, especially from adults, are a challenge as well. Acceptable and expected conduct seems to amount to safeguarding each other's space rather than increasing awareness of necessary relationships that require a more refined and higher response.

We have lost our axis to the world of "anything goes" and no longer see the Ten Commandments as practical and wise guideposts to effective living. We live on "relativism island" where only a possible suggestion to "love and do not harm" may be the only standard able to be preached. While Jesus most certainly emphasized love above anything else, it was never about warm fuzzy feelings or halfhearted humanitarian efforts. The love of which Jesus spoke establishes an intimate connection with God, neighbor, self, and creation. Because this love, who is God Himself, is at the foundational core of our lives, it demands actions and attitudes that serve to build up, increase, and free up those relationships. Love requires proper conduct. Preserving and enhancing these love centered relationships is at the heart of the Ten Commandments (and the Beatitudes) and the reason for Jesus' display of anger in the temple.

The Ten Commandments can save the world from turmoil and conflict by instilling basic moral and relational principles within us. They also hold a healthy sense of sin in balance and always remind us of our relationship with God and the freedom God offers. Our faith preserves these jewels of truth that we often look beyond, dismiss altogether, or seek to remove from public view. Human beings can be so arrogant at times. Our Lenten journey, especially when embarked upon with sincerity and resolve, can restore all of our essential relationships. When we get absorbed in life's preoccupations and demands, things can quickly get distorted and we can find ourselves way off track. In short, we find ourselves in sin. Humanity is losing a sense of both grace and sin. We need both to understand what is real and true. Until we do, the oppressive systems and ideologies that hurt so many will never change. We will never change. We are grateful for those courageous souls who willingly embrace the conversion and hard work Lent demands and stand against antiquated systems and ideologies. They give us hope that all is not lost.

Parish Council Meeting - Tuesday, March 9, 2021
Zoom meeting at 6:00pm.

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St. Boniface Council of Catholic Women News

Lent is here and Spring is just around the corner. While we patiently wait for Spring, you can bring some of that freshness into your home early with new scents from Scentsational Delites. The CCW will continue with our Candle, Soaps and Scents collection from Ann Ridley, Candle Maker Extraordinaire of ScentSational DeLites. Please stop by the table behind the pews and pick up some Springtime scents and soaps. Retail prices are marked but free will offerings are gratefully accepted. Your donation supports the charitable causes of the St. Boniface Council of Catholic Women.

If you would like information about the CCW or are interested in joining us, please leave your name and contact information on the form on the table. Patty Griffin

Bring Lent to Life with CRS Rice Bowl! Local and Global

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- . Turn in your gifts at the end of Lent, or donate online at crsricebowl.org/give.

Half-Day Mens' Retreat / Saint Joseph: Example and Inspiration For Troubled Times

Come for a time of encouragement, prayer and fraternity.
Saturday, March 20 / 7:30am to 12Noon
Holy Cross Church—Kolbe Hall
RSVP by March 13th at <https://tinyurl.com/yg3eyy5y> or by calling the Holy Cross Parish Office, 612.789.7238.

40 Days for Life Lent 2021 - Feb. 17 to Mar. 28

40 Days for Life at Planned Parenthood in St. Paul is a peaceful vigil and community outreach. The Lord is upholding us and He is giving us an opportunity to turn last year's emotions into joy and action. Be encouraged, come out and pray for the END of abortion.

Seven-Day Jericho March / Mar. 22-28, 3pm each day

We will march around Planned Parenthood in silence once a day for six days. On the 7th day, we will march around six times in silence and the seventh time making a lot of noise!

Please join us; children are welcome!

Deacon Thomas J. Winninger

March 24, 1948 - February 11, 2021

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him. And may all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Praying for the living and the deceased is one of the spiritual works of mercy, an act that the Church has encouraged from its earliest days. Throughout the year, you can have Masses said for the souls in Purgatory, include them in your daily prayers and Rosary intentions, and pray for them when you're near a cemetery.

Mother Angelica said, "Every time you pass a cemetery, it's time for a little prayer: 'Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.' It's just common sense that you help some of them get out of Purgatory."

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24 Hours for the Lord - Fri.-Sat., March 19-20, 2021

Noon Friday to Noon Saturday, the Cathedral of St. Paul in St. Paul MN will be open for

- 1) confessions and
- 2) adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Friday, March 19, 2021 - Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of Blessed Virgin Mary

Since this Solemnity outranks the Lenten weekday in the liturgical calendar, the usual obligation to abstain from eating meat on Fridays in Lent does not apply.
Liturgical Calendar, Archdiocese of Saint Paul & Minneapolis

Catholics At The Capitol: Mission for Life & Dignity Thursday, April 15, 8:00am-4:30pm at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, 239 Selby Avenue, St. Paul MN

Be formed in the faith, informed on issues at the Capitol, and be sent on mission to the Capitol during A Eucharistic Procession before meeting with your legislators to advocate for life & dignity! Cost \$20 **OR just \$15 if you register by January 31!** Visit CatholicsAtTheCapitol.org for details & tickets. Registration closes March 31.

God Loves You with a LOVE that is Overflowing I Thessalonians 3

If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the compassionate mercy of Jesus Christ on our confidential weekend retreat. Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreats are open to anyone impacted by abortion—women, men, grandparents, siblings, and health care professionals. The next retreat is April 16-18, 2021 in the Twin Cities area. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@vineyardmn.org, or call 763.250.9313 or you may also see www.rvineyardmn.org.



Spiritual Communion Prayer

I wish my Lord to receive You with the purity, humility, and devotion with which Your most Holy Mother received You, with the spirit and fervor of the saints. Amen.

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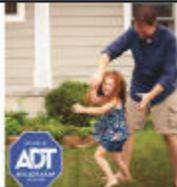
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