

Saint Boniface

Catholic Church

Celebrating 160 Years 1858-2018

First Sunday of Advent - Nov. 28, 2021

"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 pm, Sundays 10 am, Noon in French

livestreaming Sunday 10:00 Mass—Go to:

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Masks are optional at St Boniface.

Consider your recent activities in your decision
to wear a mask or not.

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

Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, Anointing of the Sick:
Please call parish office for information.

VOLUNTEERS:

You are welcome, you are needed, you are appreciated.

Now is the time to join your parish in joyful participation. We have many opportunities. Electronic signup sheets are available at links below as well as in person on paper signup sheets in church.

**Call Patty Griffin at 612-799-0072 if you need help
adding your name to any volunteer opportunity.**

CCW Council of Catholic Women is St. Boniface Women's Group
You may sign up at <https://volunteersignup.org/TYQFD>

St. Boniface Lectors: Thank you.

We are blessed by your service to our parish.

Readers are needed for the 4:00pm Mass Saturdays
and also for the 10:00am Mass Sundays.

You may sign up at volunteersignup.org/7ERJF, you may use
the paper schedule in the Sacristy or call Patty Griffin 612-799-0072
to be placed on the lector schedule.



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Partners in Prayer

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READINGS for the Week of November 28, 2021

Sunday:	Jer 33:14-16; I Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
Monday:	Is 2:1-5 Mt 8:5-11
St. Andrew, Apostle	
Tuesday:	Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4:18-22
Wednesday:	Is 25:6-10a Mt 15:29-37
Thursday:	Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27
St. Francis Xavier, Priest	
Friday:	Is 29:17-24 Mt 9:27-31
St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church	
Saturday:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Next Sunday:	Bar 5:1-9 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 Lk 3:1-6

PRIVATE CONFESSION

Father Biju hears Confessions Saturdays at 3:30pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 27, 2021

4:00pm Extended Living & Deceased Ladwig Family

Sunday, November 28, 2021

10:00am Sick & Deceased Holy Name Society members

12:00pm (French) Parishioners of St. Boniface

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

9:00am Hervin and Emma Torgerson††

Thursday, December 2, 2021—Thanksgiving Day

9:00am George and Mary Wator††

9:30-10:30am Eucharistic Adoration after 9am Mass

“You are my beloved and I am with you always.”

Jesus

Saturday, December 4, 2021

4:00pm Ray and Mary Rush††

George and Julia Chinn ††

Sunday, December 5, 2021

10:00am John and Ann Wator††

St. Boniface Council of Catholic Women

12:00pm (French) Parishioners of St. Boniface

Marriage Encounter Weekend - December 4-5

Bring the marriage of your dreams into the Christmas season and beyond! Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional information. If you have any questions please call Mary Jackson at 651.454.3238.

A Wonderfully Real Retreat for women ages 5 to 105!

Invite your daughter! Invite your friends! Come by yourself and make new friends!

Saturday, December 11, 2021 - 8:00am to 1:30pm

St Henry Church, 1001 East 7th Street, Monticello MN 55362

Day includes lunch, Confession, Benediction and Adoration.

Cost: \$40 adults / \$10 Children. No refunds after Dec. 4th.

Sponsored by WINE: Women in the New Evangelization is a creative and inspired ministry to invigorate Catholic parishes through encouraging, supporting, and nurturing women in the faith as intentional disciples of Christ.

Gospel Meditation—Ist Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Advent, the season to prepare with awe and wonder for the Feast of the Incarnation of Jesus – born to us as Savior and Brother. It is a season to prepare for His return at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our individual judgment day is coming, too, when we will be called to give an account for all that God has given to us during our lifetimes. In other words, Advent is a steward's season!

Our readings for the first week of Advent waste no time in calling our urgent attention to these themes of reflection and preparation. They seem to shout, “Wake up! Get ready!” and offer us some practical advice as we enter into this season.

The Gospel, from Luke, warns, “Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life.” How easy it is to lose focus on our Lord either by too much indulgence in our lives or by too much worry about our lives. During Advent, we Christian stewards must ask ourselves some hard questions. Am I staying faithful to my prayer life? Am I using my energy and skills to serve others? Am I overly concerned about material gain? Am I relying on my “stuff” or my investments as my source of comfort or security? Am I living for the moment or for the coming of the Lord?

Get ready Christian stewards! He’s coming! Let us prepare with awe and wonder.

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The Advent Wreath

The Advent Wreath is a traditional practice which has found its place in the Church as well as in the home. The blessing of an Advent Wreath takes place on the First Sunday of Advent. When the blessing of the Advent Wreath is celebrated in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another member of the family.

Traditionally, Advent wreaths are constructed of a circle of evergreen branches into which four candles are inserted. Ideally, three candles are purple and one is rose, but white candles can also be used. The purple candles in particular symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and good works undertaken at this time. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent. Progressive lighting of candles symbolizes expectation and hope of the season of Advent.

Our Gifts to the Lord

Collections November 14, 2021 - \$ 2,622.00

November 21, 2021 - Not Available at Printing

Thank You for sharing your treasures!

St Boniface Council of Catholic Women (CCW)

The St Boniface Council of Catholic Women is looking for new members. The CCW offers opportunities for support and comradery in times of need, hope, trials, and celebration. As we emerge from an era like none we have known before, let us join together to be there for one another wherever we find ourselves. Help us to discover an evolving mission as we journey forward. Your ideas for what this will look like are welcomed and needed.

If you have not already done so, please add your contact information to our sign-up sheet in the back of the church or you may go to our electronic sign-up at <https://volunteersignup.org/TYQFD>.

The monthly meetings will resume on Sunday, December 5th and continue the first Sunday of each month. The meeting time is 11:00 AM.

The women of CCW extend their thanks and appreciation for the work that contributed to a successful 2021 Christmas Bazaar held on Saturday, November 13. This bulletin is going to press prior to the event but we trust in its success and are thankful for all the donations and help that are pouring in to support the event as we go to print.

St Boniface Finance and Pastoral Council News

The next meeting of the joint councils is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14 at 7pm, in the Church Hall.

The Councils are forming committees to address a Budget Plan for the parish as well as a Building Committee to address the care and maintenance needs of our church buildings.

Calling all who have knowledge and expertise in these areas to step forward to assist on these important missions for our parish. Please call the parish office (612.379.2761) and leave your name, contact information if you are interested in joining us in this vital role.

Ministry Meeting - Saturday, December 4, 2021

All parishioners who are willing and able to serve during the Mass are called to a meeting in the church Hall on Saturday, December 4th at 5:00pm. [Needed are Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers](#). Even if you have served in the past, please attend this meeting for information and a refresher on your much needed and appreciated service to the Parish of Saint Boniface.

At this meeting we will also form the Liturgical Committee to assist Father Biju with recommendations on Liturgy as well as formation and scheduling of the Altar Ministry.

The current sign-up for Lectors from today through January 1st has many openings. Please visit the Sacristy to sign up for any open slots or go to our online signup at:

<https://volunteersignup.org/MA338>



Bulletin Deadlines: December 2021

Bulletin Date	Deadline Date
December 5, (Advent-2)	Monday, November 29
December 12 (Advent-3)	Wednesday, December 1
December 19 (Advent-4)	Friday, December 10
December 26 (Holy Family)	Wednesday, December 15
January 2, 2022 (Epiphany)	Monday, December 20

Thank You! - Synod 2022

We thank all the parishioners who participated in the Synod Small Groups over the past 6 weeks. Whether you were able to attend every session or just one, your input has been invaluable both to the Archdiocese and to St. Boniface Parish. The information gathered these past weeks will serve as a planning tool for various aspects of parish life. That through our witness to Christ's love and resurrection, the light of Christ will shine forth and illumine our path.

On the Calendar

Sat., Dec. 4 - Winter Market at St. Boniface - 11am to 1pm
Wed., Dec. 8 - Immaculate Conception - 9:00am Mass
Sun., Dec. 12 - Retirement Fund for Religious Collection
Fri., Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Carols at 3:30 Mass at 4:00pm
Sat., Dec. 25 - The Nativity of the Lord Mass at 10:00am

December 25 there will not be a 4PM Mass

Sunday Dec 26 - Holy Family Mass at 10:00am
Fri., Dec 31 - Solemnity of Mary vigil 5:00pm
Sat., Jan 1 - Solemnity of Mary 10:00am (no 4:00pm Mass)
Sun., Jan 2 - Epiphany Mass at 10:00am

Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate

Saturday, December 4. Cathedral of St. Paul, St. Paul 10:00am
All the faithful, ordained and lay, are invited to this Mass, during which Archbishop Hebda will ordain seven men as permanent deacons.

Cuppa Joe - Tuesday, December 7 - 4:00pm

Father Jon Vander Ploeg will speak about St. Joseph as the "Terror of Demons." Events are virtual.

Closing Mass for the Year of St. Joseph

Join Archbishop Hebda and Catholics throughout the Archdiocese at this Mass to close the Year of Saint Joseph on Wed., December 8 at 7:00pm at Cathedral of St. Paul, St. Paul MN.

Ite ad Joseph!

St. Joseph is the patron of the Universal Church, families, fathers, and workers. After Christ, St. Joseph is the model of heroic manhood and the staunch defender of marriage, chastity, and life itself. He led and protected the Holy Family in a time of great danger and uncertainty.

Danger and uncertainty surround the Body of Christ once again. The family, that all-important cornerstone of society, is under attack from all sides. There is no better time to invoke Joseph's intercession. With Joseph and his most perfect spouse Mary praying on our behalf, Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ will give us the grace and strength needed to fight the good fight and lead our families to Heaven.

In these hard times, I urge you: "Go to Joseph, and do all that he shall say to you" (Gen 41:55).

Roger Vasko



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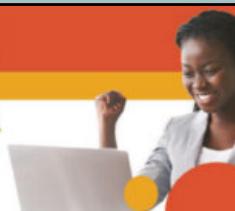


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