

Saint Boniface Catholic Church

Celebrating 164 Years 1858-2022

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - - September 11, 2022

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

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm, Sundays 10 am, Noon in French

Polka Mass at 11:00 AM October 9, 2022

After Mass German Dinner served until 3:00

livestreaming Sunday 10:00 Mass—Go to:

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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
also for the 10:00am Mass Sundays.

You may sign up at <https://volunteersignup.org/cqwpf> you may use the paper schedule in the Sacristy or please call Patty Griffin 612-799-0072 to be placed on the lector schedule.



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”
- Lk 15:10

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Partners in Prayer

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Email prayer requests to: boniface1858@usfamily.net

READINGS for the Week of September 11, 2022

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14 | Tm 1:12-17 Lk 15:1-32
 Monday: I Cor 11:17-26, 33 Lk 7:1-10
 Tuesday: I Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a Lk 7:11-17
 Wednesday: Nm 21:4b-9 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
 Thursday: I Cor 15:1-11 Jn 19:25-27
 Friday: I Cor 15:12-20 Lk 8:1-3
 Saturday: I Cor 15:35-37, 42-49 Lk 8:4-15
 Next Sunday: Am 8:4-7 | Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13

PRIVATE CONFESSION

Father Biju hears Confessions Saturdays at 3:30pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 10, 2022

4:00pm The Whisney Family, Gary T and Theresa Bishop

Sunday, September 11, 2022

10:00am Jack Klaesges†, Evelyn Zukowski†

12:00Noon (French) Parishioners of St. Boniface Church

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

9:00am Father Richard Gross†

Thursday, September 15, 2022

9:00am Doug Helm†

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

Come to Me frequently before the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, September 17, 2022

4:00pm Patricia and Justin Foss, Ed and Anne Andrajack††

Sunday, September 18, 2022

10:00am Ray and Mary Rush††, Tom Rush

12:00Noon (French) Parishioners of St. Boniface Church

CONSECRATED LIFE

September is the month we celebrate priests.

Fr. Mike Slusser was ordained on June 25, 1966

For 56 years Fr. Mike has been a good and faithful servant.

He has served at St. Boniface since 2018.

God Bless you Father Mike

Priests consecrate their lives in service to God. Every 25 years we mark that service with a Jubilee Year. September 5 begins the year of Jubilee for Fr. Biju Mathew. For 24 years Fr. Biju has been a good and faithful servant.

He has served the people of Saint Boniface since 2017.

God Bless you Father Biju on your Jubilee Year!

Your dedication and service to God's People for 24 years has been a source of comfort, inspiration and strength to those you have served.

The people of St. Boniface thank each of you for all your faithful work, especially here in our church, with prayers of gratitude and joy.

Gospel Meditation - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings focus on the personal, passionate, and merciful love of God which should fill us with unending gratitude to Him. This gratitude is the fuel, if you will, that keeps the stewardship way of life rolling along.

In our Second Reading, from St. Paul's letter to Timothy, we find a grateful Paul who says of himself, "I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and arrogant, but I have been mercifully treated." St. Paul is well aware of the sins he has committed. But this does not hold him back from ministry. Rather it makes him all the more grateful to be God's steward. How encouraging to know that this is true for us as well. Our past sins, and even our present struggles, do not disqualify us from becoming God's grateful stewards.

Jesus gives us several poignant illustrations of His merciful love in today's Gospel reading from Luke. Let us focus on one, in particular - the story of the lost sheep. He asks, "What man among you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine. . . and go after the lost one until he finds it?"

The logical response is no one! It simply does not make sense to spend time and energy searching for one lost sheep when there are so many others to tend to. But God's logic, God's mercy, defies human logic. And who is the lost one? It is every one of us when we stray away from God through sin, great or small.

What gratitude we owe to such a personal, passionate, loving God! Just think, even our sins, once forgiven, become a source of fuel for our stewardship way of life as we reflect with deep gratitude on the powerful mercy of our Savior.

Catholic Stewardship Consultants

STEWARDSHIP IS:**PRAYER**

Recognize the gifts given to you each new day, thank God daily for even the smallest blessings to build a lifestyle of endless prayer.

PARTICIPATION

You have a spiritual gift and it must be nurtured to fulfill Christ's mission, and becomes your joyful participation in the life of the Church.

GENEROSITY

Our humility creates an opening for God to work in our lives. Giving with an open heart and mind shows that we are obedient to His will in our lives.

Our Gifts to the Lord

September 4, 2022 - \$ Not Available at time of publish

Thank You for your generosity!

German Polka Mass and Dinner 2022

Please plan to join us in worship, fellowship, and entertainment on **October 9, 2022**, at our Annual Fundraising event.

The dinner is set to follow the 11:00AM Mass.
The Polka Band is booked.

The Menu is set.

The advertisements will be put in place soon.

The one item missing is you.

Volunteers are critical to the success of our annual German Dinner fundraiser. We need people to help with the

planning,
preparing,
and serving of the meal.
Please join us.



2022 German Dinner Planning Meeting Wednesday, September 7, 2022 6:00PM - St. Boniface Great Hall

A light meal will be served.

Share your thoughts to make this year's dinner a big success. If you know anyone who might be interested in volunteering their time for a good cause, please invite them to join us.

If you are unable to attend but would like to volunteer, please reach out to Marge Ridley at 612.379.2761.

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Build a Basket to Support the Silent Auction for the German Dinner. . . Consider contributing to this year's German Dinner with a Basket for the Silent Auction. All creative ideas are welcome. Some baskets have already been submitted and you may place your early bids if you are interested. Please see the offerings in the vestibule before and after Masses from now until the weekend of the German Dinner, **October 9, 2022.**

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*→→→**Saturday, September 17, the day St. Boniface will have a table at the Farmers Market.**
Please come and Lend a hand!

Lebanese Festival: St. Maron Church, September 17 & 18

Holy Days of Obligation:

Tuesday, November 1, 2022 - All Saints Day

Thursday, December 8, 2022 - The Immaculate Conception

Sunday, December 25, 2022 - The Nativity of the Lord

Sunday, January 1, 2023 -

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Sunday, April 9, 2023 -

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

A New Year for the CCW. . . The St. Boniface Council of Catholic Women will begin meeting in October. After our Summer hiatus we are looking forward to starting up again and looking for new members. All women of the parish and community are welcome to join.

The CCW mission supports St. Boniface Church and funds some selected charities through fellowship and camaraderie. Our legacy organization, the Christian Mothers Guild, included many wonderful women of the parish, most whom are no longer with us This year alone we bid farewell to two notable women, Evelyn Zukowski and Betty LaPoint, who endeavored to build our parish through their devotion and joyful work. Please join us to help build community, support for each other, and lifelong bonds in the memory of their dedication as well as that of many others who preceded them.

Traditionally the group hosts two major events annually, the Christmas Bazaar and the Easter Boutique. Proceeds from these events benefit selected charities. Recipients this past year include Our Lady of Peace Hospice, St. John Paul II School, Bundles of Love, Cookie Cart, St. Boniface fund for repair of the Mary Window, and Catholic Services Appeal. Please join us to determine the direction the group will take for the future. Contact Cards are available at the church entrances. Please complete so we can contact you of upcoming meetings.

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*"As the Hope prophecy says,
we are the ones we've been waiting for."*

Mirabai Starr

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**Where is God on your calendar?
Sunday is the Lord's Day. It is sacred and reserved as the Christian sabbath, the day to remember the Resurrection and to offer our praise and worship.**

Exodus 20:8-11 - Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Regular Sunday worship dates back to the first generation of the Church. Early Christians instinctively gathered to study the teachings of the apostles and to break the bread (Acts 2:42—or expressed in modern liturgical language, the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the Mass.)

Already in the first century the Letter to the Hebrews addressed the problem of Christians missing weekly worship: "We should not stay away from our assembly (i.e., the liturgical assembly, the Eucharist), as is the custom of some (Hebrews 10 :25).

All we have is a gift from God, so God is entitled to our weekly thanks. Time is precious commodity and how we spend it is a clear indication of our priorities. There are 168 hours in a week, and one hour spent in worship barely puts a dent in the praise that we owe our God.

The proper way is to decide on a Mass time and place first, and then arrange the rest of the weekend's activities. God never goes on vacation when it comes to providing for us, and we should never go on vacation from offering God our thanks and praise.

Fr. Michael Van Sloun
The Catholic Spirit, June 20, 2019

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