



Saint Boniface

CATHOLIC CHURCH

NOVEMBER 14, 2021
**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

OUR MISSION

Christ Jesus, you call us together as a parish to sow and nurture the seeds of God's saving love in the hearts and minds of all our neighbors and beyond by living your gospel.

OUR VISION

Christ Jesus, bless us as you blessed our patron, St. Boniface, so that, by carrying out the mission entrusted to us, our parish will yield a bountiful harvest of passionate disciples, united to you by the sacraments and sent by you to further your mission.



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OUR VALUES

Christ Jesus, enable us to reap this bountiful harvest by staying rooted in the "good soil" of the basic principles in which we as a parish believe.

- We are a parish who prays, studies, and acts in accord with the Scriptures and the traditions of the Catholic Church and the Diocese of Erie.
- We are a parish who stands firmly on the foundation of our past;
- We are a parish who understands and responds to the changing needs of all families today;
- We are a parish who welcomes and enjoys fellowship with all people;
- We are a parish who lives within our means and exercises responsible stewardship of the resources entrusted to us;
- We are a parish who works together as God's family for the good of all, putting our common mission above all else.

This we pray, in your name. Amen.

St. Boniface, pray for us.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

“From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God. The Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1032).



With the dual feast of All Saints and All Souls, November provides an opportunity for us to reflect together on the Catholic understanding of death and what we as a Church can do to assist our departed loved ones. For those who have not fully chosen God, and thus enjoy heaven, and those who have not fully rejected God, and thus suffer hell, there is a process of purgation, or cleansing, which takes place after death that we call purgatory. This process is best understood as a form of rehabilitation, similar to that undertaken by people addicted to drugs at a drug rehabilitation clinic. While it is painful, as a person’s “addiction” to sin and the effects of sin slowly fade away, it is also a process of hope, as that person is assured of salvation and is purified by the loving grace and mercy of God.

Just as in this life we often experience God’s love and mercy most powerfully through the loving prayers and support of our brothers and sisters in the faith, the same is true in the life to come for those who are undergoing the cleansing process of purgatory. From the very beginning, drawing on earlier Jewish practices (see 2 Maccabees 12:41-45), the Church has prayed for the dead. And just as we believe that our prayers can be efficacious for our brothers and sisters facing struggles in this life, so too we believe that our prayers can be of real benefit to our brothers and sisters in purgatory.

Prayers for the dead exercise the power of binding and loosing that Christ entrusted to the Church (see Matthew 18:18). While Peter, the Apostles, and their successors exercise that power in a unique way, Christ entrusted the power to the Church, and each of us, as members of the Church, exercise that power in our own way. The prayers and spiritual sacrifices, such as almsgiving and works of penance, of individual Christians on behalf of the dead help to free those persons from the vestiges of sin still holding them back in purgatory. But if the prayer and spiritual sacrifices of individuals is good, the prayer and spiritual sacrifices of the whole Church, such as liturgies, have even greater effect. In liturgical prayer,

the whole Body of Christ joins together with our head, Jesus, in praying for that person. The first liturgy we offer for that person is the funeral liturgy, which is why it is so important that our deceased brothers and sisters receive a proper funeral and burial. But we also offer other liturgies for the deceased, chief among which are Masses for the dead. There is no greater or more effective prayer or sacrifice that can be offered for the dead than the sacrifice of Christ himself offered in the Mass, which is why we also urge that funerals for Catholics be a full funeral Mass. Later Masses offered for the intention of a deceased loved one are also most effective and encouraged and can be scheduled by calling the parish office.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Fr. Marc Stockton

CHURCH ADVENT/ CHRISTMAS

DECORATING~ As we prepare our hearts & souls and homes for the birth of our Savior, please consider volunteering an hour or tow to help decorate the Church for Advent and Christmas on Friday, November 26th at 9:00a.m. What a great way to work off a few calories from your delicious Thanksgiving meal! Many hands make the work light! May God bless you for devoting time to decorate His House.

STAFF

Rev. Marc Stockton, JCL.....*Pastor*
 Rev. Mister Timothy G. Good.....*Permanent Deacon*
 Jeanne Yaple.....*Faith Formation Director*
 Sandee Krivonak.....*Business Manager*
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 Brooke Lander.....*Pre-School Director*

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday..... 9:00a.m.-1:30p.m.

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November 14, 2021

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE 2021 FALL FESTIVAL
RAFFLE WINNERS:**

- \$50.00Mike Swarm
- \$100.00 Canyone Cutone
- \$100.00 Vicki Zboyovski
- \$250.00 Heather Conn
- \$1,000.00Michael Perry
- \$250.00 Gas CardDavid Evan
- \$250.00 Gas CardDoug Brumagin
- Urbaniak Gift CardDan Twaroski
- Wine Basket..... Beata Stark
- Wine Basket..... Jim Menzel
- Afghan Richard Cellino
- Quilt Connie Sackett
- 50/50 Kathleen Watson

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS~

Reminder to fill out your Christmas Flower Memorial envelopes (located in the gathering space) in memory of your loved ones. This is a great way for family members and friends to be remembered at Christmas time. Turn in your envelopes to the parish office or in the collection basket at Saturday or Sunday Mass.



BAPTISMAL CLASS~ New parents are required to take a Baptismal preparation class prior to having their first child baptized. Parents who have already attended baptism class and kept documentation of that attendance do not need to take the classes more than once. Please call the parish office for class dates or check the weekly bulletin for upcoming classes. There is a class being held at St. Luke, on December 7th at 7:00p.m. in the Rectory Office. Please call the Parish Office at 814-825-6920 to register.

~UPCOMING EVENTS~

Sunday— November 14

After all Masses Coffee and Donuts (Cafeteria)

Monday— November 15

6:30p.m. Parish Council Meeting
(Zapolski Room)

Tuesday— November 16

5:45p.m. Cub Scouts (Center)

Wednesday— November 17

7:00p.m. Boy Scouts (Classroom)

Sunday— November 21

All Masses Catholic Campaign for Human
Development~ Second
Collection (Church)

**INTERESTED IN BEING AN ACTIVE
PART OF FAMILY FAITH FORMATION?**

Pass on The Good News of Jesus and our Catholic faith! Are you feeling called to help families learn and grow deeper roots in their faith? Thinking about coaching and nurturing the faith of our families? Our Faith Formation Family always welcomes new catechists *or* substitute catechists. Email Jeanne Yaple at faithformation@stbonifaceparisherie.org for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS~ The Knights of Columbus will be collecting gently used clothing and blankets for the Veterans. There will be a box in the gathering space for your donations. Thank You.

**THE 2021 ST. BONIFACE FALL
FESTIVAL WAS A SUCCESS!**

Thanks to all the dedicated parishioners who supported our Fall Festival. We are a community who works together. ST.BONIFACE IN THIS TOGETHER!

COFFEE AND DONUTS~ This is ‘Turkey Sunday’. The St. Boniface Food Pantry will provide coffee and donuts in the cafeteria **this Sunday** after both Masses, Food Pantry donations and frozen turkeys will be accepted at this time. If you can’t get your turkey to coffee and donuts today, you may bring it to the Municipal Building on Sat. Nov. 20th from 7am to 9:30am. A breadbox is also available in the gathering space for your monetary donation if you are unable to join us.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE LIT IN
MEMORY~** The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in memory of **Cheryl Rouse** from **Brent & Stacy Vecchi.**



~FAITH FORMATION NEWS~

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away."

~Mark 13:31

A Prayer for the filling of God's Power and Love
Dear God,

We thank you that you indeed are powerful and loving, that out of your glorious riches you strengthen us through your Spirit in our inner being.

We ask for the fresh filling of your Holy Spirit, we ask for your power and love to fill us. We thank you that as believers we know that Christ dwells richly within our hearts through faith.

We pray that you would strengthen our roots and establish our lives firmly in your love.

When the world shouts hate, help us to love.

When the past won't let go, help us to love.

When the enemy taunts with lies and surrounds us with darkness, help us to love.

When a relationship feels broken or we're betrayed or rejected, help us to love.

Help us to love, and to keep on loving.

By the power of your Spirit. Even when it seems impossible.

Even when it doesn't make sense.

May our lives be filled with your goodness and power, today and every day, as we walk in your Spirit of love.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

-Debbie McDaniel

Upcoming News and Events

If you haven't already done so, register for Faith Formation and/or Sacrament Prep Sessions as soon as possible. Parents with children of all ages are welcome to join our monthly Mass/share sessions, guiding families through "faith-talk" discussions, faith-filled activities, and increased involvement within our parish community.

Faith Stories Tip of the Week: Add your own stories and insights. A significant part of forming your children in faith is telling them your own insights, stories, and experiences related to the topic. For example, if the chapter is about prayer, be sure to talk to your children about how you pray. Remember, do not feel limited by these suggestions. As you and your family begin to share, you may discover types of prayer and rituals that are more meaningful and more comfortable. How you pray together is not as important as taking the time to pray together. Last, enjoy this special time growing in faith with your family. It is truly a gift from God.

November Sessions

Thank you for your patience as we continue to evaluate sessions and whether or not there will be a transition from in-person to virtual classes during the holiday season.

11/14 Grades 9-10 will transition from in-person to Home Based Sessions via Chosen Program Online
*Lessons 4 and 5 need to be completed online during November.

Confirmation Class

11/14 9:15 - 10:30 Sponsor Catechist Meeting: Candidates and Sponsors will meet socially distanced in the Cafeteria. *Zoom option is also available.

11/21 9:15-10:30 Virtual Class: Why am I Catholic? & The Saints

*When attending sessions, remember that everyone is to follow **all** current CDC guidelines, including checking symptoms and wearing masks indoors.

**Love and Light,
Jeanne Yaple**

The Word of God this Week ~Loyola Press

Gospel Reading, Mark 13:24-32

Jesus teaches about the signs of the coming of the Son of Man.

FAMILY CONNECTION~ Many things in our lives and our world are subject to change. Yet all of us find security in relationships and values that endure. Foremost among these are our family relationships. We can confidently accept change if we know that we will continue to be loved by our family and by God. We help impart this sense of trust and confidence in our children with our daily assurances to them that nothing can change our love for them.

As you gather as a family, look through several family photo albums. Observe and talk about things that have changed in your family life over the years. Talk also about the things that have stayed the same. We do not need to fear changes in our family life because we know that the most important aspects of our family life do not change, such as our love for one another. The same is true with God and God's love for us. Read today's Gospel, Mark 13:24-32. Jesus teaches us that things in our world will change and that the world itself will one day end. We don't need to be fearful because God's love for us will never end. Conclude in prayer together thanking God for his never-ending love for us. Pray together the Glory Be to the Father.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Monday, November 15, Ordinary Weekday
No Mass Today

Tuesday, November 16, Ordinary Weekday
8:00 a.m. **Donald & Sarah Vallimont**
(Ray Zapolski)

Wednesday, November 17, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary
8:00 a.m. **Alice Moritz**
(Dottie Wagner)

Thursday, November 18, Ordinary Weekday
8:00 a.m. **Maxine Kaveney**
(Family)

Friday, November 19, Ordinary Weekday
8:00 a.m. **Fritz & Detta George**
(Kathy & Kevin)

Saturday, November 20, Ordinary Weekday
8:00 a.m. **Alice Eliason**
(Valeria Carlson & Family)

5:00 p.m. **Richard Dylewski**
(Christine Anderson)

Sunday, November 21, Christ the King (Thirty-Fourth and Last Sunday in Ordinary Time)
7:30 a.m. **Living and Deceased Members of St. Boniface Parish**

10:30 a.m. **Debbie Kirby**
(Sara)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday.....4:15–4:45 p.m.
(and anytime by appointment)

~Week of October 31, Collection~

Adult.....	\$4,257.00
Loose	\$97.85
Online.....	\$1,480.00
Catholic Service Appeal.....	\$385.00
All Saints.....	\$146.00
World Mission.....	\$40.00

~Thank you to those who use their envelopes regularly and to all who have increased their offerings.~

CHURCH CLEANING~

Heavenly dusters this week are: **Jean Conn, John Giewont, Vicki Zboyovski, Judy Bitters, Gerry Tomczak, Rose Pencille and Janet Cross.** May God bless them in their faithful work.



~LECTOR~

SATURDAY– November 20

5:00 p.m. N. Latcovich

SUNDAY— November 21

7:30 a.m. L. Hogan

10:30 a.m. V. Meehan

~ALTAR SERVER~

SATURDAY— November 20

5:00 p.m. L. Pinzok, E. Pinzok

SUNDAY— November 21

7:30 a.m. J. Hlifka

10:30 a.m. M. Brocius

VETERANS DISPLAY~ Thanks to all who contributed veteran pictures for display.

Take a few minutes and walk through and see the faces and read the bits of story for these veterans.

We have been blessed by their service. Honor them by visiting the display and thanking God for all veterans and their families who also sacrificed for all of us.

Special thanks to the team who physically made this possible: Laurie & Harold Haibach, Walter Cmiel, Gary Zacherl, Tony & Patty Bille, Rich & Bonnie Panighetti and Fr Marc. Thank you also to parishioners who donated money toward costs: Penny & Jack Warmbrod, Barbara & Ray Orlemanski, The Knights of Columbus, Rich & Bonnie Panighetti, William Krasnesky and Rosanne and John Jaworski.

If you want to take your time viewing this display or you want to bring someone to show, stop by anytime during office hours until 1:30 weekdays. The display will remain in the Gathering Space through the month of November.

ADORATION~ Please join us the last Thursday of each month at 6:00p.m. in the Church for Adoration. All are welcome to attend. If you have any questions contact the parish office.

COVID-19: GET THE FACTS!

Total Cases: PA 1,585,476; Erie 30,761

Total Deaths: PA 31,898 (+368); 499 (+7)

New Cases: PA 3393 (+654); 119 (+29)

Fully Vaccinated: PA 6,494,260 (50% pop.); 140,246 (53% pop.)

Erie County is currently in the HIGH zone for community transmission. All people, including those fully vaccinated, are strongly urged to wear a face mask when attending Mass.

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