

Saint Boniface

JANUARY 16, 2022

SECOND 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.

ST. BONIFACE

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ...Indeed, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are all the more necessary, and those parts of the body we consider less honorable we surround with greater honor, and our presentable parts are treated with greater propriety, whereas our more presentable parts



do not need this. But God has so constructed the body as to give greater honor to a part that is without it, so that there may be no division in the body but that the parts may have the same concern for one another. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy" (1 Corinthians 12:12, 22-26).

This week we mark two events that call us to overcome division and work for greater unity in the Church and in the world: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (January 17), and the National Day of Prayer for the Protection of the Unborn (January 22). The first, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, calls us to work for unity among different races and ethnicities. Unity in this sense does not mean erasing all differences and compelling people to embrace the same racial or ethic identity, customs, and practices. The unity called for by Christ is one of mutual love and respect for all races and ethnicities, which compels us to eliminate any racism or ethnic bigotry in our own hearts and actions as well as in social, economic, and political structures. As long as anyone is denied their fundamental rights because of their race or ethnicity, we have work to do on that front.

The second, the National Day of Prayer for the Protection of the Unborn, calls us to work for unity as a nation to protect the fundamental rights of all people, regardless of age or condition. Whether someone is one second old or 100 years old, their fundamental rights as human beings do not change. That is the very meaning of a right - an unalienable expectation, even demand, placed on all people in regards to a person by virtue of the fact that all people are created in the image and likeness of God, who endows us with our basic rights and who alone has the authority to remove them. Rights do not place merely a negative demand on us not to violate a person's rights, but a positive demand to protect and promote those rights for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and it is hard to imagine anyone more vulnerable than a helpless child in the womb.

Both of these events remind us of our duty as Christians, as Americans, and as human beings, to work together for the betterment of all, which Catholic social teaching refers to as the common good. The common good does not mean simply what is best for most people or even what is best for good people or those whom we deem worthy. It means establishing and building up the conditions necessary for all people of all races, ethnicities, and walks of life to enjoy and freely exercise their fundamental, God-given rights from the very beginning of life until its natural end. May our participation in this week's events bring us all closer together in our shared commitment to that common good.

Fr. Marc Stockton

BAPTISMAL CLASS~ New parents are required to take a Baptismal preparation class prior to having their first child baptized. Parents who have attended baptism class and alreadv kept documentation of that attendance do no 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 Church, on February 2nd at 7:00p.m. in the Rectory Office. Please call the Parish Office at 814-825-6920 to register.

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.

HEAVENLY DUSTERS~ Your new schedule is ready. Please pick one up. They are on the counter in the gathering space.

STAFF

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Rev. Marc Stockton, JCL	Pastor	
Rev. Mister Timothy G. Good	Permanent Deacon	
Jeanne YapleF	aith Formation Director	
Sandee Krivonak	Business Manager	
Melanie Kennerknecht	Parish Secretary	
Brooke Lander		
PARISH OFFICE HOURS		
Monday-Friday	9:00a.m1:30p.m.	
DIRECTORY		
Parish Office		
Pre-School		
Center		
Hall Rental		
Parish Websitewww		
Pastorpastor		
General Officesecretary		
Business Office finance		
Pre-School preschool@	Stbonifaceparisherie.org	

FAMILY CONNECTION~

Weddings are wonderful family celebrations. We go out of our way to make the occasion festive and extraordinary. People work hard to please one another. What better image of the Kingdom of God! Not every day is a wedding celebration, but we can anticipate the Kingdom



of God each day in our attentiveness to one another's needs.

If your family has attended a wedding celebration together, talk about the experience and the planning and cooperation that made the celebration memorable. Talk about how weddings and feasts are images in Scripture for the Kingdom of God. Consider how these festive occasions are images of God's tremendous love for us and examples of how we can show our love for one another. Then read together today's Gospel, John 2:1-11. Talk about Mary's attentiveness to the needs of the hosts and about Jesus' response. What could your family learn from this story? Consider ways that you might show these values in your family's daily life. Pray together Saint Ignatius' Prayer for Generosity.

SANCTUARY CANDLE LIT IN MEMORY~ The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in memory of Robert Soder from Janet Frazer.

~UPCOMING EVENTS~

Sunday— Janua	ry 16	
After all Masses	Coffee and Donuts (Cafteria)	
Tuesday— January 18		
6:00p.m.	Cub Scouts (Center)	
7:00p.m.	Choir (Church)	
Wednesday— January 19		
7:00p.m.	Boy Scouts (Classroom)	
Sunday— January 23		
All Masses	Second Collection~ Help Spread	
th	e Faith (Church)	

SCHEDULING~ If you are interested in renting the Coleman Center or the St. Boniface Parish Hall for a party or family function please call the parish office at 825-4439 for more information.

WE DON'T ALWAYS KNOW~ unless you inform the church office, if a family member is unable to attend Mass, or now resides in a nursing home, or who would like to be on our visiting list. If your children are grown and reside with you or no longer reside with you, they should not be listed as members under your name. They should register, themselves, as members of their Church. If you move or your phone number has changed including email, please let us know as well. Call 825-4439 with any changes or new information.

PRAY FOR~ Please pray for the soul of parishioners Sr. Laura Vallimont, O.S.B and Chuck Dahlkemper, who passed away recently. Our Sympathy is extended to their families.

Watch & Share Erie Catholic School System's New Video

We are SO excited to share Erie Catholic's new video

- View at https://bit.ly/ECSSvideo
- Watch our video, share with your family and friends #FaithInOurFuture
- A random winner will be selected during Catholic Schools Week and win a school swag item from Milagaro School Uniforms & Goods



~FAITH FORMATION NEWS~

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. ~1 Corinthians 12:4-6

Prayer for Generosity by St. Ignatius of Loyola Eternal Word, only begotten Son of God, Teach me true generosity. Teach me to serve you as you deserve. To give without counting the cost, To fight heedless of wounds, To labor without seeking rest

To labor without seeking rest,

To sacrifice myself without thought of any reward Save the knowledge that I have done your will. Amen.

Light and Love, Jeanne Yaple

Upcoming News and Events

We appreciate your patience as we continue homebased/virtual sessions into the new year. We hope to return to in-person sessions as soon as community spread shifts from high transmission, thank you.

January Sessions

Grades K-8, Faith Stories Home-Based family sharing sessions for January **Session 9, Kings and Queens**

*Greatness has to do with who we are and not just what we do. What matters is what is in the heart. Although this section is about a king and a queen, neither David nor Esther was born into a royal state. Their faith and courage led to their attainment of thrones. Both stories speak of inner strength and inner beauty. As you share these stories with your young people, encourage them to look deeper for their real value. Popular culture tells them that outside appearance matters most. Talk with your children about what is in their hearts.

Session 10, God Calls David

*As you read through David's story, spend some time pointing out how David is full of hidden talents. Though a small and simple shepherd, he can comfort King Saul with his music and defeat Goliath with a few stones. There are such seeds in all of us, whatever our age, that are just waiting for God's love and our faith to bring into blossom. Remind yourself and your young people that God sees all our goodness, even if others.

Session 11, God Calls Esther

*The Book of Esther may have historical roots, but certainly it is also one of the most dramatic stories in the Bible. Esther is a woman of an "enemy" race who is elevated to a position of high authority. This position, however, means she is also more responsible for what happens. She cannot put herself or her life ahead of the salvation of her people. Esther is chosen for her beautiful appearance, but it is her interior beauty that is the centerpiece of this story.

Grades 9-10, Home-Based Sessions via Chosen Program Online *Lessons 8 and 9 are to be completed during January. Lesson 8 "How do I get there?" (The Power and Purpose of the Sacraments) Lesson 9 "When did my journey begin? (Baptism, Your Initiation into God's Family)

Sacrament Prep Sessions:

Grade 2, First Reconciliation 1/16 9:30-10:15 Virtual Class Session 1/23 Home-Based Session 1/30 9:30-10:15 Class Session

Grade 3, First Communion 1/16 9:30-10:15 Virtual Class Session 1/30 9:30-10:15 Class Session

Confirmation Class

*Parents, please turn in all sponsor certifications and parent/sponsor reflection letters by 1/16 via email or to the Parish Office and all Candidate photos to dons9391@gmail.com thank you!

1/16 9:15 - 10:00 Virtual Class Session 1/22-1/23 *Sealed in Spirit,* a home-based reflective retreat for candidates and their parents/sponsors will begin this weekend with materials ready in the Gathering Space.

1/24 First Draft, Letters to the Bishop due by today!1/28 Final Draft, Letters to the Bishop due by today!1/30 Candidate Interviews with Father Marc (No class session)

The Word of God this Week ~Loyola Press

Gospel Reading, John 2:1-11

Jesus performs his first sign at a wedding feast in Cana.

Have you heard?



Synod Listening Sessions are coming to St. Boniface! Wondering what is a synod? Synod (*sin-nuhd*) means **"journeying together"** and involves listening to the Holy Spirit *and* to each other. Watch for upcoming dates and sign-up for a session. Let this spirtual journey unite our Parish.



MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Monday, January 17, Saint Anthony No Mass Today

- Tuesday, January 18, Ordinary Weekday 8:00 a.m. Richard Dylewski (Family)
- Wednesday, January 19, Ordinary Weekday 8:00 a.m. Frank B. Robasky (Jerry & Sandi Kowalski)
- Thursday, January 20, Ordinary Weekday 8:00 a.m. Edward Kania (Ann Campbell)
- Friday, January 21, Saint Agnes 8:00 a.m. Fritz & Detta George (Kathy & Kevin)

Saturday, January 22, Day of Prayers fir the Legal Protection of Unborn Children 8:00 a.m. Nancy Wells (Brian & Kathleen Praetzel)

- Saturday, January 22, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 p.m. Dorothy Deutsch (Joyce DeRosa)
- Sunday, January 23, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 a.m. Benjamin Cermak (Joe & Jean Winkler & Family)
 - 10:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of St. Boniface Parish

RECONCILIATION

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

~Week of January 2, Collection~

Adult	\$5,889.00
Loose	
Online	
Catholic Service Appeal	\$20.00
Faith Communication	
Solemnity of Mary	\$534.00
Religious Retirement	
Christmas	

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

THANK YOU~ Rose Farak would like to thank all the ladies that donated and helped serve at the meal after the funeral of Walter Farak. It was greatly appreciated.

CHURCH CLEANING~ Heavenly dusters this week are: Therese Dunn, Cheryl Ferrie, Martha Kaveney, Tom & Barb Galkowski and Tracy Fugagli. May God bless them in their faithful work.

~LECTOR~

SATURDAY– January 22 5:00 p.m. N. Latcovich SUNDAY– January 23 7:30 a.m. G. Krahe 10:30 a.m. K. Praetzel

<u>~ALTAR SERVER~</u>

SATURDAY— January 22 5:00 p.m. L. Pinzok, E. Pinzok SUNDAY— January 23

7:30 a.m.N. Szymanski10:30 a.m.S. Praetzel

~GREETER~

SATURDAY— January 22 5:00 p.m. R. & C. Bayle SUNDAY— January 23 7:30 a.m. Szymanski Family 10:30 a.m. K. & K. Becht

COVID-19: GET THE FACTS!

Total cases: PA - 2,294,292; Erie - 47,123

Deaths: PA - 37,686; Erie - 644

New Cases: PA - 21,425; Erie - 484

Fully Vaccinated: PA - 6,991,014 (53%); Erie - 150,434 (57%)

Erie County is currently in the HIGH zone for community transmission, and so all people, even the fully vaccinated, are strongly urged to wear a face mask when in church.

~KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS~

Congratulations are in order for Mr. Paul Orlemanski, who received the Knight of the year in December. Paul has been our Secretary for a number of years and is very computer savvy. He set up our KOC cloud, and has found a lot of our early years information which he has documented into our history. We are very lucky to have him as our secretary. If you see Paul, Give him a well deserved Congratulations.

In the passed year, we were able to redesign the hot water system in the church and replace the boiler connection to an independent hot water tank system. Now when we need hot water in the church and school, the boiler does not need to fire up. We also helped with the sewer system and helped to install the new drainage system to keep the floor in the old cafeteria dry. We now have a Ladies room in the Basement. ALL THIS IS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE SUPPORT WE RECEIVED FROM YOU, THE PARISH IN OUR FUND RAISERS. 50-50, Breakfasts, Bonnie buns sale, Car show and Spaghetti Dinner, and Family Communion Breakfast. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP.

Our project for this year is to repair, reside and reroof the storage building next to the center.

HAVE A SAFE AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR. Thank you, Knights of Columbus 13427 Council of St. Boniface



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