



DISCIPLESHIP

Stewardship: *Spirituality, Service, Sacrifice*

Faith Formation

Lenten Book Study: *The Fourth Cup* by Scott Hahn; March 11-April 18; weekly study groups

- Monday session at 6:30pm
- Thursday session at 6:30pm

Lenten Retreat: reflecting on the last seven words of Christ, April 6 from 8am-12:30pm; please register with the parish office by April 1

Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 2pm and 6pm

Penance: Wed. 6-6:30pm;
Thurs. 12:30-1pm & 6-6:30pm;
Saturdays 3:30-4pm

Fiat: Thursdays at 6:30 in Bona Lounge; girls 6-12th grade

Fraternus: Thursdays at 6:30 in Oak Room; boys 6-12th grade

Lectio Divina: scripture reflections; Thursdays at 8:45am in Bona Lounge

Martha and Mary's: women's fellowship and book study; Tuesdays after 8am mass

RCIA: Mondays at 6:30 in the Oak room; all are welcome

Circle of Moms: monthly play groups with kids, mom's nights out, and special events

Order of Mass

Examining the Four Main Parts of the Mass

The first part is called the **Introductory Rites** which prepare us to celebrate the Eucharist. Introductory Rites are as follows:

- Entrance - we gather as a community and praise God in song.
- Greeting - we pray the Sign of the Cross; the priest welcomes us.
- Penitential Rite - we remember our sins and ask for mercy.
- Gloria - we praise God in song.
- Collect - we ask God to hear our prayers.

Sue Papajcik has been involved with the music ministry for nearly 40 years. Sue says she enjoys sharing the gift God gave her with the parishioners as a form of worship.

"As a Cantor and Choir Member I gain a greater meaning to the Readings and Gospel by singing the Responsorial Psalm and

chosen songs for each Mass, as the words are so connected. I thoroughly enjoy singing with such talented and faith filled individuals in the choir." Sue credits directors Jill Griffin and Marc Schapman who help members work hard, have fun, and sound their best while leading the congregation in musical prayer.



The **Liturgy of the Word** comes next through which we hear God's plan of Salvation. The Liturgy of the Word is made up of:

- First Reading - we listen to God's Word, usually from the Old Testament.
- Responsorial Psalm - we respond to God's Word in song.
- Second Reading - we listen to God's Word from the New Testament.
- Gospel Acclamation - we sing "Alleluia!" to praise God for the Good News. During Lent, we use a different acclamation.
- Gospel Reading - we stand and listen to the Gospel of the Lord.
- Homily - the priest or the deacon explains God's Word.
- Profession of Faith - we proclaim our faith through the Creed.
- Prayer of the Faithful - we pray for our needs and the needs of others.



Bona Thanks!

The Stewardship Council would like to thank the hard-working participants of the Parish Day of Service last Saturday. Nearly 50 parishioners helped spruce up the parish and school campus inside and out!



Community Day of Service

Please mark your calendar for October 26. The Stewardship Council is organizing a larger scale service day. We hope to send St. Boniface volunteers out to various community organizations that are in need of assistance. The day will conclude with fellowship back at the church. If you know of an organization that may like to participate in our Community Day of Service, please contact Cindy Clark at stewardship@st-boniface.com or call the parish office.

Kelli Bishop has been a lector for the last two years. "I enjoy being a lector as it allows me to take an active role during the celebration while proclaiming the sacred scripture of our faith."

The third part of the Mass is the **Liturgy of the Eucharist**. We celebrate Christ's presence in the Eucharist in the following steps:

- Presentation and Preparation of the Gifts - we bring gifts of bread and wine to the altar.
- Prayer over the Offerings - the priest prays that God will accept our sacrifice.
- Eucharistic Prayer - this prayer of thanksgiving is the center and high point of the entire celebration.
- Preface - we give thanks and praise to God.
- Holy, Holy, Holy - we sing an acclamation of praise.
- Consecration - the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.
- The Mystery of Faith - we proclaim the mystery of our faith.
- Amen - we affirm the words and actions of the Eucharistic Prayer.
- Lord's Prayer - we pray the Our Father.
- Sign of Peace - we offer one another Christ's peace.
- Lamb of God - we pray for forgiveness, mercy, and peace.
- Communion - we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.
- Prayer After Communion - we pray that the Eucharist will strengthen us to live as Jesus did.

Eucharistic minister of 40 years, Ron Schmidt, says it has "always been an honor" to serve the parish in this way. He likes sharing the responsibility with the priest. "I can't say Mass, but at least I can do this." He also feels blessed when friends and family ask him to participate in weddings and funerals as a eucharistic minister.



Finally, the **Concluding Rites** encourage us to go forth to glorify the Lord by our lives.

- Final Blessing - we receive God's blessing.
- Dismissal - we go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thank you to all our volunteers who serve the parish during daily and Sunday Mass. All ministries are accepting new volunteers. If you would like more information, please contact the parish office.

FORMED.org offers several resources to learn more about the Mass: video series *Elements of the Mass* and *Creed*; audio lecture *A Scriptural Walk through the Mass* by Dr. Edward Sri and *True Worship* by Fr. Mike Schmitz. Enter parish code CGHZ3K.