



Church of St. Boniface Martyr

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We are a pilgrim people on a journey toward the Kingdom of God.

 **Palm Sunday: April 13, 2025** 



Christ Enters Jerusalem. Peter Paul Rubens, 1632

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 9am, 4pm;
Sunday: 8am, 10:30am
Mondays - Fridays: 8am

Holy Day Masses

8am, 7pm

Confessions

Saturdays 3pm - 3:45pm

Church Hours

6am - 6pm

Holy Hours

3pm Saturdays (Church);
2pm Wednesdays (Chapel)

Parish Office Hours

Tuesdays through Thursdays:
9am-12pm; 12:30-3pm.

Parish Information

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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, April 12

3pm Holy Hour and Confession

4pm Mass: Jane Morra, Josephine Pascucci

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion: April 13

10am Mass begins with blessing of the palms and procession from the parish center to the church

No 8am Mass

Reconciliation Monday, April 14

8am Mass

Confessions: 2pm-4pm and 6pm-9pm

Tuesday, April 15

8am Mass: Michael Lincks

Spy Wednesday, April 16

8am Mass: Timothy Edwards

2pm Holy Hour

4pm Stations of the Cross for Children

Holy Thursday, April 17

9am Morning Prayer

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration at Altar of Repose; 10pm Night Prayer

Good Friday, April 18

9am Morning Prayer

3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

7pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 19

9am Morning Prayer

12pm Blessing of Food

No Confessions/No Holy Hour/ No 4pm Mass

8:30pm Easter Vigil

"Crucify Him!"

At the Gospel reading before the Palm Sunday procession, the priest will read, "[When] Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out: 'Hosanna!'" (Jn 12:12-13). As we wave our palms, we identify with those jovial Biblical people who welcomed the Lord as He rode into Jerusalem on a donkey.

Then we read the Passion narrative during the usual Gospel reading, which takes place less than one week after Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Only our part in this story seems much different than what happened at the start of Mass. Instead of shouting "Hosanna," we say, "Crucify Him!"

The chief priests had Jesus arrested in the dark of night and brought Him to Pilate hours after falsely accusing Him of telling the people to not pay their taxes to Rome.

Let Us Pray

For Our Deceased

For Our Sick

Bea Bohm, Diva Corbelletta, Ellen Frank, Josephine Marra, Lorraine Petschauer, Annette Ragusa.

Names will remain on the sick list for six weeks. Please email stbonbulletin@gmail.com to renew your loved one. Requests must be made by a family member.

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound

If you know someone who is homebound and would like to have someone bring them Holy Communion, please call Jovanna Lemonda at 516-676-0676 x124.

For Our Military

Lieutenant Commander Melissa Buffa, US Navy

Captain Nicholas Cavallone USAF

Fr. Azubuike Igwegbe, Chaplain, US Army

Jake A. Hojnowski, Sailor E-3, US Navy

Christian Pace Laderer, MMN3, US Navy

First Lieutenant Conor Lynch, US Army

Lieutenant Commander Michael R. Ragusa, US Navy

Colonel Bryan Schiller, Army Reserve

Lieutenant Commander Drew Whitting, US Navy

Lieutenant Colonel Christina Merrick-Wright

Lieutenant Colonel Bradley Wright, US Army.

So sudden were these events that few of Jesus' supporters were likely in the crowd. The crowd likely consisted of Barabbas' supporters knowing that at Passover, Pilate would release a prisoner to them.

In the end, this crowd must have known about Jesus and His Gospel. Still, they chose a violent zealot over a man who said, "Turn the other cheek." And it is in the voice of these men that we cry out during Mass, "Crucify Him!"

After all, we are all guilty of sin, and therefore, guilty of Christ's death. We, too, sometimes look for another Messiah when things don't go our way. We want to retreat from the Cross and be spared of any suffering because we think our plans are better than God's. But we'll never experience the glory of the Resurrection without enduring the pain of the Passion.

Christ did not come on earth to take away our suffering, but to transform it. He did not come to make the world a paradise, but to take us to Heaven and transform us into a new creation.

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ST. BONIFACE NEW ROOF PROJECT

*After years of patches and temporary repairs
on the Church, School and Rectory roofs,
it is now time to replace them.*

Your Support is Needed!

*Please help us protect our parish buildings
for future generations.*

Dear St. Boniface Family,

I am writing to ask for your financial support for some significant work that needs to be done at our parish. I understand that there is never a good time to ask for money and I promised that I would only ask when it is truly needed. That time has come.

After years of patches and temporary repairs on the Church, School and Rectory roofs, it is now time to replace them. They have all reached the point where further delay could result in significant damage to these buildings that have served generations of St. Boniface families.

Our Building Committee and Finance Council have carefully evaluated the recommendations of the diocesan construction office and our roofing contractor, and our conclusion is that replacing these roofs is not a choice but a necessity. Continued patching will only lead to more expensive repairs, potential damage to building interiors and increased maintenance costs.

The total cost for the project is \$300,000.00. The proposed time frame is as follows:

Phase 1: Church Roof	Cost: \$160,000	Spring 2025
Phase 2: School Roof	Cost: \$110,000	Summer 2025
Phase 3: Rectory Roof	Cost: \$30,000	Fall 2025

I understand every household has a different financial situation. Therefore, the appeal has a few ways of giving. You may choose to give one lump sum or multiple installments that work with your budget.

Giving Methods

- ✧ Sunday Collection: Place your gift in any envelope marked "New Roof Project" and drop it in the weekly collection basket or at the Parish Office.
- ✧ Electronic Giving: Donate through Faith Direct, Venmo, or your Bank's online bill pay.
- ✧ Corporate matching gifts or IRA Distribution.

While I recognize the challenge this presents, addressing these needs now will prevent more costly repairs in the future. All contributions are tax-deductible, and receipts will be provided for your records. Every gift, regardless of size, helps us protect our parish buildings for future generations.

I am available to meet with any Parishioner who has questions about this important project. Please don't hesitate to contact me to schedule a meeting to discuss the project details, timeline, or any other concerns you may have. Updates on the progress will be shared weekly as shown on the Appeal Thermometer in the Church Vestibule.

Thank you for your understanding and generous support of this essential project.

Fr. Josef



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Events This Week

Sunday, April 13

9am Bell Choir Rehearsal
10am Blessing of Palms and Procession to Church

Reconciliation Monday, April 14

2pm - 4pm and 6pm - 9pm Confessions
7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group Zoom

Holy Thursday, April 17

9am Morning Prayer
7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 18

9am Morning Prayer
3pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
7pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 19

12pm Blessing of Food
8:30pm Easter Vigil

Please see page 2 for the full Liturgy Schedule

St. Boniface Outreach

Jody Fleischmann & David Meagher: 676-0676 x125

OUTREACH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are looking for volunteers to accept deliveries and/or pick up food. Commitment: 1-2 mornings per month for 2 hours on Tuesday or Thursday. For more details, call Jody at 676-0676 x125.

✦ **PANTRY NEEDS:** jelly, cereal, mac & cheese, spaghetti sauce, canned corn, canned beets, solid white tuna, canned peas and carrots, soap, dish detergent, toilet paper, toothbrushes, toothpaste.

✦ **THRIFT SHOP:** Open Saturdays 10am-1pm.

St. Vincent de Paul

Palm Sunday is the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own crosses and follow Jesus through death to new life. As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Box, know you are a sign of God's love to those in need.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7pm. For details, or if you know of a neighbor in need, please contact Jovanna Lemonda at 676-0676 x124.

Ministry Meetings

Third Sundays: Bereavement Support Group

Meets in St. Boniface School, 12 Main Avenue, Sea Cliff, monthly at 2pm and is facilitated by two experienced grief counselors, Dr. David Meagher and Linda Rose. No fee, but PRE-registration required. For details and registration, contact David Meagher at davidkmeagher@gmail.com, 516-676-0676 x131; or lrosecswh@hotmail.com. **Next Meeting: April 27.**

Mondays: Youth Group

8th-12th graders are invited to the Youth Center, Room 10 in St. Boniface School, on Mondays from 6:30pm-8pm. Follow us on instagram username: stbonyg. Join our facebook page 'St. Boniface Martyr Youth Group'. Contact Youth Minister, April, at 516-297-9886 or stbonym@gmail.com.

Mondays: Prayer Group

Zooms Mondays 7:30-8:30pm. Praise with us! Call John and Rosemary Murello for details at 516-676-2767.

Tuesdays & Fridays: Women of Faith Book Group

Meets monthly in the Parish Center at 10:30am Fridays, 7pm Tuesdays and 7:30pm zoom the following Tuesday. New members welcome! Contact Pat at pattomfox@gmail.com for more details.

Thursdays: Knitting Circle

Meets weekly at 7pm in the parish center. Beginners welcome. For details, please call Nancy Furlong at 516-759-5869 or brkmit@optonline.net.

Thursdays: Scripture Study

Zooms Thursdays from 7:30pm-8:30pm to deepen and share our appreciation of the Word of God. Call John and Rosemary Murello at 516-676-2767 for details.

Second Saturdays: Men's Ministry

Meets monthly on the second Saturday of the month from 7:30am to 8:45am. Join us in Room 11 in St. Boniface School for a bit of breakfast, prayer, videos and discussion. Next meeting **May 10**. Email richlucidi40@gmail.com for more info.

Third Saturdays: Third Order Lay Carmelites

Meets monthly 10am-12pm in the parish center. Lay Carmelites of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Titus Brandsma Chapter, seek God's will and presence in the ordinary circumstances of life in solidarity with others. Please call Flora at 516-656-9375 or Ann Hunt at 516-676-0330 for more information.

Stations of the Cross 7pm Fridays in Lent



Carrying of the Cross, by Titian, 1565. Public domain via Wikimedia Commons

Palm Sunday Masses

Saturday, April 12
4pm

Sunday, April 13
10am*

(No 8am Mass on Palm Sunday)

***Please gather at the Parish Center
at 10am for the Blessing of Palms
and Procession to the Church.**

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE: *Fridays* are obligatory days of abstinence from meat for those age 14 and older. *Good Friday* is a day of fasting and abstinence, obligatory from age 18 to 59. When fasting, a person may eat one full meal and two smaller meals that together are not equal to one full meal.

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

Reconciliation Monday

Experience the liberating grace of the
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance).

Confessions April 14:
2pm - 4 pm and 6pm - 9pm

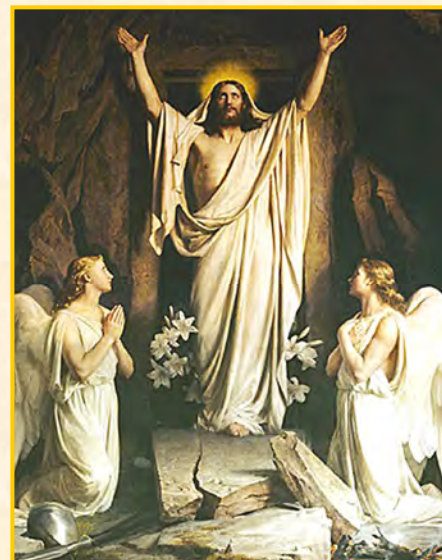
Confessions will be heard at all parishes in the
Diocese of Rockville Centre, the Diocese of Brooklyn
and the Archdiocese of New York.

To find a parish near you, visit: drvc.org.

* New Easter Schedule *

Saturday, April 19 Mass:
8:30pm Easter Vigil
(no 4pm Mass)

Sunday, April 20 Masses:
9:30am and 11:30am
(no 9am or 10:30am Masses)



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St. Boniface Martyr Feast by the Shore

at Tappen Beach
Shore Road, Glenwood Landing, NY






May 15 THRU May 18

OPERATING HOURS:

Thursday	May 15	6pm -10pm
Friday	May 16	6pm -11pm
Saturday	May 17	1pm-11pm
Sunday	May 18	1pm-6pm



3 WAYS TO SUPPORT THE FEAST:

-  **BECOME** a sponsor
-  **PURCHASE** raffle tickets
-  **VOLUNTEER** during the Feast

For more information
email: StBonFBTS@gmail.com

Reflections on the Readings



The Mystery of Suffering

The speaker of today's first reading is a victim. He speaks, but people beat him, pull out the hairs of his beard, slap and spit on him. Why? He suffers all this because he has spoken God's Word. Every morning God speaks to him and enables him to speak to others. This Word gets him into trouble. But the speaker does not quit. Nor does he curse God, who gives him these pointed words. He remains firm, committed to the Word God gives him, even in the face of resistance.

Although Isaiah wrote about the difficulties faced by faithful Israel in the midst of enemies, Christians read through these lines and see the image of Jesus. He received God's Word, spoke it with eloquence, and suffered at the hands of his enemies.

Do your words ever get you into trouble? Does it happen even when you say the right thing? If so, you stand in a long line of those who suffer because they are servants of God.

The victim on the cross hangs in full view in our churches. Christians can face the agony of suffering as it befell Jesus and as it comes to us, because we know there is something more.

Extreme Life

On Palm Sunday we experience the greatness and the poverty of the human spirit. As Jesus entered Jerusalem, the crowds acclaimed him as the Son of David.

But as he stood trial before Pilate, the same crowds called for his crucifixion.

On Palm Sunday, near the end of Lent, we have come in touch with the greatness and poverty of our own lives. Throughout this season we have reflected on our sin, but we have also experienced God's grace in communion, community, and Scripture.

On Palm Sunday, we also hear about the greatness and poverty of Jesus. Jesus was in the form of God, but he took on human form. He had all greatness as God, but he did not cling to it. St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians says, "Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave."

Jesus humbled himself to become like us and to experience what we experience — even death. "Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name."

Sometimes in a single day we experience unfettered joy and inconsolable grief. A child is born, but someone dies. We receive mercy from a stranger, but we fail to love our neighbor. The extremes of human life are vast. But Christ came to us embracing both extremes and all that is in the middle. All, all of human life he redeems and makes his own.

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This WEEK at HOME

Monday, April 14

Jesus Fear is Not of God

The psalmist proclaims that, with the Lord as our light and salvation, we have nothing to fear. Fear can keep us from bringing authentic selves to our communities and to God. As we approach the Sacred Paschal Triduum, consider what might be keeping you from facing your fears and bringing yourself to the Lord. What fears do you need to release to journey with the Lord? Write down your thoughts and consider sharing them with a close friend or loved one.

Tuesday, April 15

Betraying, Denying

Jesus knew that Judas was going to betray him and that Simon would deny him in front of a large crowd. We, too, have betrayed or denied a close friend, a loved one, or someone in our community (likely more than once). This evening, pray for those you have hurt. Ask God to be with them and with you, as you repent. How can you move to reconciliation?

Wednesday, April 16

Easter Triduum

The Sacred Paschal Triduum begins tomorrow evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper. It continues through Friday (Good Friday of the Lord's Passion) and Saturday (the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord) and closes with evening prayer on Easter Sunday. Though technically multiple days, the Triduum is celebrated as one liturgy. The slow unfolding of the days and movement of the liturgy helps us enter into the paschal mystery. If you have not already, find out when the Triduum is being celebrated at your parish. Make plans to participate.

Thursday, April 17

Holy Thursday

In today's evening Mass, the Gospel tells of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples. This radical and loving act of service is a model for us to follow. After washing the disciples' feet, Jesus tells them that they "ought to wash one another's feet." Participate in this humbling ritual by washing someone's feet today. Consider inviting your family, roommates, or friends to do this with you.

Friday, April 18

Good Friday

We spend the day sitting with the discomfort that the detailed account of Jesus' agony and death brings. Consider community members who are persecuted. Christ suffers with them. Lift them up in your prayer. How can you accompany them? Ask God to enlighten you and inspire you to serve them.

Saturday, April 19

Holy Saturday

Today we celebrate the turning point of the Triduum: we move from despair and eagerly await the glorious return of the Lord. Jesus' passing from death to life is marked. New members celebrate the sacraments of initiation, and we welcome them into our Church. Pray with and for those new members and offer them a word of welcome after the Vigil.

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The CHOSEN

We have concluded Seasons 1- 4 *The Chosen*, the series about the Life of Jesus. We will continue to watch Season 5 in the Theatre as follows:

Sunday, April 13
12 pm, Regal Theatre
7000 Brush Hollow Road, Westbury

We will not be meeting in the chapel after the movie.

Monthly Donations

March

Stewardship - \$38,669

Maintenance and Repair - \$1,686

Catholic Relief Services (DRVC) - \$1,115

Ash Wednesday - \$896

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Parish Information

Our parish online calendar is available to the public! Go to our website: www.saintboniface.org and be sure to check the bulletin board in the vestibule for upcoming events not listed in our bulletin.

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Registration: We welcome new members to our parish family. Please contact the parish office.

Parish Trustees: Donna Calamis, Vincent Agosta

Pastoral Council Members: Vincent Agosta, Kevin Burke, Julie Byrne, Donna Calamis, John Canning, Karen Croce, Jody Fleischmann, Kevin Kelly, Maryellen Kerr, Eileen Krieb, Jovanna Lemonda, Rich Lucidi, Robert Lynch, Carolyn Rassiger, Bill Schiller, Jeff Schneider, Jane Serpico, Frank Sujecki, Christine Whited

Baptism: Fourth Sunday of the month at 10:30am Mass. Please contact the office to register. Godparents must have received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation) and live in harmony with the Catholic Church.

Matrimony: Engaged couples are to call the parish office before any other arrangements are made. A minimum of six months is needed.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Are you or someone you know curious about the Catholic faith? We welcome those not baptized, those baptized in another Christian tradition and those baptized Catholics who have not received First Communion Confirmation to join our inquiry class. Contact Jane Serpico at 676-0676 x130 or stbonRCIA@gmail.com for details.

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