



# Church of St. Boniface Martyr

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in Sea Cliff, Glen Cove, Glen Head, Glenwood Landing  
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The Very Reverend Dom Josef Norys, Can. Reg., Pastor  
Reverend Stanislaw Choragwicki, C.M, Parochial Vicar

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

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: February 23, 2025**



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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, February 22**

**3pm Holy Hour and Confession**

**4pm Mass**

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 23**

**8am Mass**

**10:30am Mass:** Patricia Merrick, Carol Kasyjanski,  
Lucyann Lopez

**Monday, February 24**

**8am Mass**

**Tuesday, February 25**

**8am Mass**

**Wednesday, February 26**

**8am Mass**

**2pm Holy Hour**

**Thursday, February 27**

**8am Mass**

**Friday, February 28**

**8am Mass**

**First Saturday, March 1**

**9am Mass and Miraculous Medal Novena**

## Hospital EMs Needed

There is a great need for  
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion  
at Glen Cove Hospital.

At present, there are only two EMs  
bringing the Eucharist to patients there.

If you would like to assist  
in this important ministry, please email

Fr. Josef at

[StBonPastor@gmail.com](mailto:StBonPastor@gmail.com).

## Let Us Pray

### For Our Deceased

Josephine Breglio, Peter Hesse, Carmen Santosus

### For Our Sick

Bea Bohm, Josephine Marra, Lorraine Petschauer,  
Annette Ragusa.

*Names will remain on the sick list for six weeks. Please  
email [stbonbulletin@gmail.com](mailto: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

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Lieutenant Commander Drew Whitting, US Navy

Lieutenant Colonel Christina Merrick-Wright

Lieutenant Colonel Bradley Wright, US Army.

## The Church of St. Boniface Martyr presents

# The CHOSEN

## in the Chapel after 10:30am Mass and Hospitality

Please join us in the Chapel for Episode 2, Season 4  
of *The Chosen*, the series about the life of Jesus.

Deacon Tom Fox will lead us in a brief discussion  
after each one-hour episode. Come draw closer  
to Jesus as we share the beauty of our faith.

Contacts: Carolyn Rassiger: 516-676-0627  
[cardon35@icloud.com](mailto:cardon35@icloud.com)

Julie Byrne: [stbonbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:stbonbulletin@gmail.com)

## Events This Week

### Sunday, February 23

9am Bell Choir Rehearsal  
9:15am Faith Formation Family  
11:30am The Chosen

### Monday, February 24

6:30pm Youth Group  
7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group Zoom

### Tuesday, February 25

4pm Faith Formation Gr. 4 and 5  
5:30pm Faith Formation Gr. 6-8

### Thursday, February 27

7pm Knitting Circle  
7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

## St. Boniface Outreach

Jody Fleischmann & David Meagher: 676-0676 x125

### **OUTREACH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**The parish food pantry is busy and the need is growing. The pantry is looking for volunteers to accept deliveries and/or pick up food.**

**Commitment: 1-2 mornings per month for about 2 hours on Tuesday or Thursday. For details, call Jody Fleischmann at 516-676-0676 ext. 125.**

Due to the growing need for more food, we rely on your generosity. Giving food is not charity; it is an expression of humanity and compassion.

**The Pantry is** currently in need of: jelly, cereal, mac & cheese, spaghetti sauce, canned corn, canned beets, solid white tuna, canned peas and carrots, soap, dish detergent, toilet paper, toothbrushes, toothpaste.

## St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel Jesus gives us the challenge to: "Love your enemies... Give to everyone who asks of you... Do to others as you would have them do to you...Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7pm. For more information, or if you know of a neighbor in need, please contact Jovanna Lemonda at 516-676-0676 x124.

## Ministry Meetings

### **Third Sundays: Bereavement Support Group**

We meet in St. Boniface School, 145 Glen Avenue, Sea Cliff. The group meets monthly 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 lrosecsw@hotmail.com.

### **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 brknit@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 **March 8**. Email richlucidi40@gmail.com for more info.

### **Third Saturdays: Third Order Lay Carmelites**

Meets monthly 10am-12pm in the parish center. Lay Carmelites of St. Titus Brandsma 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.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre

# GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years

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The Diocese of Rockville Centre would like to honor those couples who celebrated Fifty Years of Marriage in 2025 by inviting them to attend one of the Masses below for a special blessing.

**Sunday, May 18, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.**

Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patchogue

Celebrant: Most Reverend Luis M. Romero

Registration must be received by Tuesday, April 16, 2025

**Sunday, June 1, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.**

The Cathedral of St. Agnes, Rockville Centre

Celebrant: Most Reverend John O. Barres

Registration must be received by Tuesday, April 30, 2025

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**Register online at [drvc-faith.org](http://drvc-faith.org)**

For questions, please contact Lisette Robustelli, Associate Director at (516)678-5800 ext. 200 or via email at [lrobustelli@drvc.org](mailto:lrobustelli@drvc.org)



# Reflections on the Readings

## Life's Sanctity

The position of the Catholic Church against capital punishment has caused soul searching among many of the faithful (CCC 2267). Especially in the United States, where the culture promotes punishment for wrongdoing and vengeance against aggressors, many have found it difficult to reconcile the position of the Catholic Church with their own.

For many, the most convincing arguments against capital punishment are not those that the church puts forward. Some people say there should not be capital punishment because judges and juries make mistakes. Additional evidence might come to light. Others say there should be no capital punishment because it is expensive to keep prisoners on death row for long periods of time while costly litigation continues without ceasing.

But the Catholic Church believes in the sanctity of human life. Even a prisoner on death row, because he or she is human, deserves the respect owed to any human being as a child of God.

In the First Book of Samuel, David had the opportunity to kill his enemy, King Saul, and assume the throne. He discovered Saul asleep, his spear nearby, and all the soldiers slumbering. All David had to do was pick up the spear and thrust it into the king.

He could not do it. "Who can lay hands on the Lord's anointed and remain unpunished?" he wondered. David slew plenty of other enemies, but in one brief moment he glimpsed the truth about human life: It belongs to God.

## Adam and Adam

Adam and Jesus would seem to have nothing in common. Adam was created by God. Jesus was the eternal, uncreated Word of God. Adam was given paradise to live in, but he disobeyed God. Jesus was given a sinful world to live in, but he obeyed the Father. Adam is remembered as the firstborn of sinful humanity. Jesus is remembered as the firstborn from the dead. They seem to have nothing in common.



But Paul sees parallels in a short passage from his first letter to the Corinthians. He even refers to Jesus as "the last Adam" and "the second man."

Paul writes, "The first man, Adam, became a living being, the last Adam a life-giving spirit. . . . The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven."

Paul says that we Christians have inherited a little of each. Born human, we bear the image of the earthly Adam, the first one. But as Christians, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Adam, the last one.

We are not simple creatures. We are inheriting a bit of divinity. It matters how we treat one another. We should not treat human beings as if they were disposable. There is something heavenly about us—even if on some days we behave rather earthly.

Adam and Jesus have something in common. They give us hope for eternal life, and they influence our daily lives.

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# *Join us for Irish Night*

*March 8, 2025 at 7PM*



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Church in Need (DRVC): \$782

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# Parish Information

**Our parish online calendar is available to the public! Go to our website: [www.saintboniface.org](http://www.saintboniface.org) and be sure to check the bulletin board in the vestibule for upcoming events.**

**Pastor:** The Very Reverend Dom Josef Norys,  
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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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