

# Church of St. Boniface Martyr

# Serving the People of God

in Sea Cliff, Glen Cove, Glen Head, Glenwood Landing and surrounding communities

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

# Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: March 2, 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

### First Saturday, March 1

3pm Holy Hour and Confession 4pm Mass

### Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, March 2

8am Mass

10:30am Mass: Carol Kasyjanski

Monday, March 3

8am Mass: Patricia Merrick

Tuesday, March 4

8am Mass: Albert Lilly

† Ash Wednesday, March 5

8am Mass with Distribution of Ashes

12pm Liturgy of the Word with Distribution

of Ashes

2pm Holy Hour (in the Chapel)

7pm Mass with Distribution of Ashes

(See page 6 for local churches and times)

Thursday, March 6

8am Mass: Timothy Brady

First Friday, March 7

8am Mass

7pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 8

9am Mass and Miraculous Medal Novena

# Fast & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday (March 5), and Good Friday (April 18), are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics.

In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence from meat. The norms concerning abstinence are binding on those from the age 14 onwards.

The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

# Let Us Pray

### For Our Deceased

### 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 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.

# The Church of St. Boniface Martyr presents



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

Please join us in the Chapel for Episode 4, 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.

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# **Events This Week**

### Sunday, March 2

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

### Monday, March 3

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

### Tuesday, March 4

4pm Faith Formation 4th and 5th Grades 5:30pm Faith Formation Gr. 6-8 (Gr. 8 Confessions)

### Ash Wednesday, March 5

8am Mass with Distribution of Ashes 12pm Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Ashes 7pm Mass with Distribution of Ashes

### Thursday, March 6

7pm Knitting Circle 7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

### Friday, March 7

7pm Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, March 8

7:30am Men's Ministry

# 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 Fleischmann.

The Pantry is 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

Jesus uses images in speaking to his disciples: "A good tree does not produce decayed fruit...." Donations come to the Society because a good person produces goodness. The Society meets the third Wednesdays 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**

We meet in St. Boniface School, 12 Main 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.

# Please Join Us in Church for the Stations of the Cross 7pm Fridays in Lent Starting March 7



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

# New Roof Project

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 and shown on the Appeal Thermometer in the Church Vestibule.

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

Fr. Josef





Faith Direct

# Ash Wednesday: March 5, 2025

St. Patrick Church	Church of St. Rocco	St. Hyacinth Church	Church of St. Boniface
	6:45am~7:00am Ashes		
	7:30 am Mass and Ashes		
		8:15 am Mass and Ashes (Ashes until 9:15 am)	8:00 am Mass and Ashes
9:00 am Mass and Ashes			
10:00 am ~ 3:30 pm (Ashes distributed every 30 minutes)			12:00 pm Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes
	4:00 pm~5:00 pm Ceremony & Ashes		
* * * NO ASHES from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm * * *			
7:00 pm ~7:30 pm Low Mass (in Latin) and Ashes	7:00 pm Mass (in English) and Ashes		7:00 pm Mass and Ashes
8:00 pm Mass and Ashes (Espanol: Romero Hall)		7:30 pm Mass (in Polish) and Ashes	
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## This WEEK at HOME

### Monday, March 3

### St. Katharine Drexel

Today is the Memorial of St. Katharine Drexel, the second person born in the United States to be canonized. St. Katharine, a member of a wealthy family, learned from her parents the importance of serving others and giving from one's abundance. After seeing a need among indigenous and African Americans in her nation, she dedicated her life to serving and educating people in those communities. How can you give from your abundance to a community in need?

### Tuesday, March 4

### St. Casimir

Today, we pray with St. Casimir. Born a prince of Poland in 1461, St. Casimir rebelled against his wealthy upbringing by rejecting a lavish lifestyle and committing himself to Jesus. Despite being rejected by his father for prioritizing loyalty to Jesus instead of to the king, St. Casimir remained steadfast in his prayer and dedication to serving the impoverished. Today, reflect on your loyalties. How can you reorient yourself to serving Jesus?

### Ash Wednesday, March 5

### Be Reconciled to God

St. Paul reminds us that "now is a very acceptable time; . . . now is the day of salvation." Choose daily to return to God through prayer, almsgiving, and fasting. Even if you stumble in keeping your fast or promise this Lent, recommit to returning to God by saying a prayer every evening. Turn to God, for he is "gracious and merciful . . . slow to anger, rich in kindness."

### Thursday, March 6

### Choose Life

Today we are reminded of the choice that is always before us: life or death. Just like the Israelites, we must make the daily choice to fast from the things that keep us from the Lord. This evening, reflect on your day. When did you choose to love the Lord, heed his voice, and hold fast to him? How can you choose life and follow Jesus tomorrow?

### Friday, March 7

### The Fasting That I Wish

The prophet Isaiah calls us to a particular kind of fast today. He reminds us that our return to the Lord requires acts of service. Spend time praying with today's first reading. After praying with the excerpt from Isaiah, sit in silence and ask God how you might serve the oppressed, the hungry, the homeless, and the naked. Make a commitment to respond to this call sometime this week.

### Saturday, March 8

### Teach Me

Set aside time to pray with today's psalm. Familiarize yourself with the excerpt by reading it slowly. Then read it again, paying close attention to a word or phrase that stands out to you. Sit with that word or phrase for a few moments. Read the psalm once more and pause to listen to what God may be saying. Spend a moment in silence, allowing the psalm to sit in your heart. End your prayer with a word of gratitude.

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# Monthly Donations

### **January**

Stewardship: \$34,118 Solemnity of Mary: \$1,495 Maintenance & Repair: \$1,483 Church in Need (DRVC): \$782

### **Faith Direct**

Signing up for e-giving is easy. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Visit Faith.Direct/NY820

# 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.

**Pastor:** The Very Reverend Dom Josef Norys, Can. Reg.; domjosef@gmail.com

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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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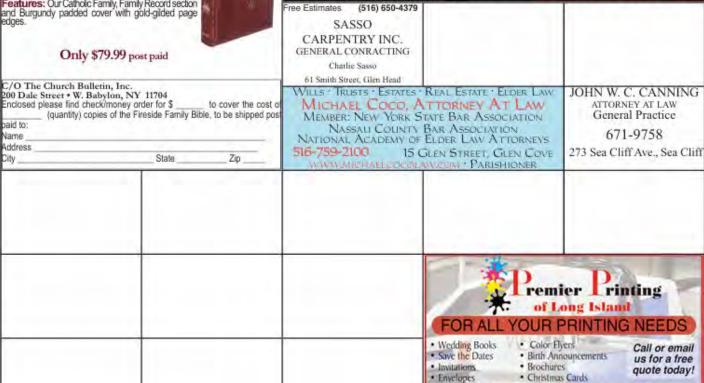
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