

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

Laetare Sunday: March 30, 2025

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

Holy Day Masses 8am, 7pm

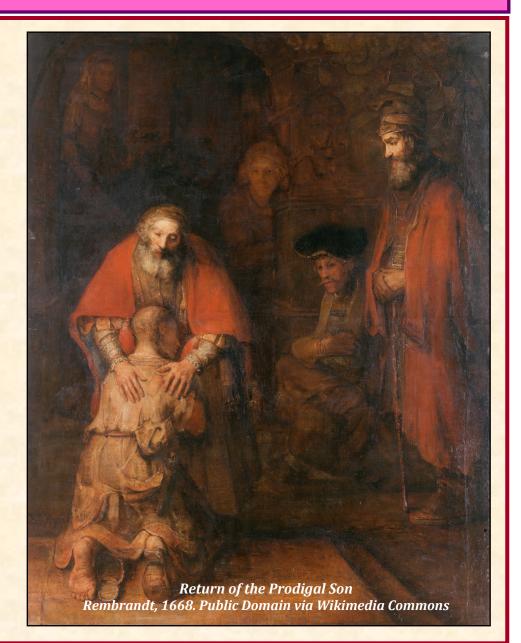
Confessions Saturdays 3pm - 3:45pm

Church Hours 6am - 6pm

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

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

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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, March 29 3pm Holy Hour and Confession 4pm Mass: Fr. Josef Norys, Angelo Pascucci, Alissa Cacensk

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday), March 30 8am Mass 10:30am Mass: Andres Cardenas

Monday, March 31 8am Mass

Tuesday, April 1 8am Mass

Wednesday, April 2 8am Mass 2pm Holy Hour

Thursday, April 3 8am Mass

First Friday, April 4 8am Mass: Mary Lou Martin 7pm Stations of the Cross

First Saturday, April 5 9am Mass and Miraculous Medal Novena Michele Raussen & Family

Let Us Pray

For Our Deceased

For Our Sick

Diva Corbelletta, Ellen Franck, 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.



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.

Events This Week

Sunday, March 30 9am Bell Choir Rehearsal 9:15am Faith Formation Family - Confessions

Monday, March 31 6:30pm Youth Group 7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group Zoom

Tuesday, April 1 4pm Faith Formation Gr. 4-5 Confessions

5:30pm Faith Formation Gr. 6-7 Confessions

Thursday, April 3 7pm Knitting Circle 7:30pm Scripture Study Zoom

Friday, April 4 7pm Stations of the Cross

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

In today's Gospel the prodigal son repents and finds mercy in the heart of his father. Know that your penance during Lent can give those in need the grace of finding the merciful heart of God the Father.

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

We meet in St. Boniface School, 12 Main Avenue, Sea Cliff. The group meets at 2pm monthly and is facilitated by two experienced grief counselors, Dr. David Meagher and Linda Rose. No fee, but PREregistration 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 **April 12**. 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.



We have concluded Seasons 1- 4 The Chosen, the series about the Life of Jesus.

We will watch Season 5 in the Theatre as follows:

March 30, April 6, April 13 12 pm, Regal Theatre 7000 Brush Hollow Road, Westbury

We will return to the Chapel for a discussion after the movie.

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Stations of the Cross 7pm Fridays in Lent



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

Lenten Abstinence: Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence from meat from age 14.

Saint Patrick Church Glen Cove

FRIDAY LENTEN DINNERS

Romero Hall Cafeteria 6pm - 8:30pm

(kitchen closes at 8pm)

April 4: Fish & Chips

April 11:

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Pasteles de Papa

\$15 Adult Portion / \$7 Child Portion

Baleada : a traditional Central American dish, believed to have originated on the northern coast of Honduras. It is composed of a flour tortilla, filled with a smear of mashed "refried" red beans, crema (mantequilla blanca), and crumbled queso duro (salty hard cheese). Other ingredients may include scrambled eggs, avocados or plantains. (Wikipedia).

Pasteles de Papa: A savory empanada with potatoes.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2025

PALM SUNDAY: April 12-13 Saturday: 4pm Mass Sunday:10am begins with the Blessing of Palms and Procession at the Parish Center (NO 8am Mass) Easter Egg Hunt after Mass

RECONCILIATION MONDAY: April 14

2pm-4pm and 6-9pm Confession

SPY WEDNESDAY: April 16 4pm Stations of the Cross for Children

HOLY THURSDAY: April 17

9am Morning Prayer 7pm Solemn 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 the Food NO CONFESSIONS ~ NO 4pm MASS 8:30pm Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY: April 20

9:30am Mass 11:30am Mass

Reflections on the Readings

Simple Blessings

Unleavened cakes and parched grain do not sound like much of a menu. But it was a banquet for the Israelites of long ago.

Freed from their slavery in Egypt, they made the long trek through the desert to reach the Promised Land. They trudged a long, tiring, and dangerous journey. Moses, their leader, had died. Now Joshua, his successor, had brought them to their homeland.

It was Passover, the festival commemorating their departure from Egypt. So the people celebrated the feast with food from their new home: unleavened cakes and parched grain. They no longer ate the food of Egypt. They no longer ate the manna from the desert. Now, camped on a plain in Gilgal, they ate the food of their new home, the food of freedom.

You appreciate things more if you have had to go without them. Food tastes better if you are hungry. Employment satisfies more if you were unemployed. Shelter feels safer if you have been without a home. God's presence feels stronger when you rediscover prayer.

It may not seem like much — unleavened cakes and parched grain — but for the Israelites it was a banquet. They may not seem like much — the little blessings God gives us — but for those who experience God's mercy, they are heaven

Ambassadors for Christ

Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation we confess our sins and experience the mercy that God alone can give. Through the ministry of the church, we are reconciled to God and one another. The priest, our intermediary, expresses the forgiveness of God, represents the forgiving community, and steers the wandering ship of our souls to the safe shores of peace.

We believe that God created the earth in goodness. Sin entered the world, and God keeps us at peace through the ministry of reconciliation.



In a letter to the Corinthians, Paul says that he himself was reconciled to God through Christ and that he was given the ministry of reconciliation.

God reconciled the world in Christ, and continued the work of reconciliation through Paul and other apostles, making them ambassadors of the forgiving Christ. On behalf of Christ, Paul pleads, "be reconciled to God."

As we become more aware of our faults this Lent, we bring our sorrow to the church through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Then, forgiven by Christ, we too become ambassadors for him. We carry the message of Reconciliation to all that we meet.

Lent is not just about seeking forgiveness for ourselves but also about building reconciliation wherever ties were broken. Wherever we can, let us bring the peace of Christ to all we meet at home, at work, at school, in our streets — all around the world.

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This WEEK at HOME

Monday, March 31

Believe

God responds to our petitions, though sometimes in ways and at times we do not expect. Today, we hear about the royal official asking Jesus to heal his ill son. Jesus tells him that his son will live and, though the official believes, it is not until later that he realizes that Jesus' word healed his son. Patient listening and a dedication to prayer are necessary to be attuned to God's movement in our lives.

Tuesday, April 1

Notice

Today we repeat with the psalmist: "The Lord of hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob." God is with us just as Jesus is with the sick man in Jerusalem. This evening, reflect on God's presence in your day. Take care to notice the moments, big and small, in which God was with you. Say a prayer in gratitude, and ask for the strength to behold the deeds of the Lord tomorrow.

Wednesday, April 2

Lifted Up

In today's reading from the Book of Isaiah, we are reminded that "the Lord comforts his people and shows mercy to his afflicted." We echo this with the psalmist, singing of God's grace and mercy. We are lifted up amid our struggles and strife. In your prayer today, write about something that weighs you down. Offer it up to God, knowing he "lifts up all who are falling / and raises up all who are bowed down." Make it a practice to humbly turn to God when you are feeling weighed down.

Thursday, April 3 Accept Jesus

Jesus rebukes the Jews in today's Gospel, saying, "I came in the name of my Father, but you do not accept me." Jesus says they "accept praise from one another" instead of seeking the praise that comes from God. How can you accept Jesus more fully? Consider how you have prioritized the praise or earthly desires of those around you. How can you shift your priorities and seek God in your day-today? Challenge yourself to commit to a tangible action that will lead to accepting Jesus.

Friday, April 4 Blinded by Wickedness

The reading from the Book of Wisdom states that the thoughts of the wicked erred, "their wickedness blinded them, and they knew not the hidden counsels of God." Our sinfulness makes it hard to see God and to be guided in holiness. If able this weekend, schedule a time to go to confession. Can you participate in the sacrament of reconciliation more regularly?

Saturday, April 5

St. Vincent Ferrer

St. Vincent Ferrer, a Spanish Dominican, is the patron saint of builders; he is known for strengthening and building up the Church through his preaching and ministry. In today's Gospel, we hear of the division that emerged as people debated who Jesus was. This division continues today. To celebrate St. Vincent's memorial, pray for unity in the Church. How can you help unite your faith community?

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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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