

**Saint Boniface Catholic Church
Mission Statement**

Saint Boniface is a welcoming, caring Church community united under one baptism. We encourage participation by all members in promoting and sharing Christian and social values.



Saturday, September 16

5:30 PM—Mark Bogs Birthday Req. by Big Sister
Sophie Banasiak (D) Req. by Terry and
Nikki Borys

Sunday, September 17

9:00 AM—Ron Mitchell (D) Req. by Barbara Mitchell
Daniel and Dorothy Gryczewski (D)
Req. by Family

Monday, September 18

8:30 AM—Mr. and Mrs. Boleslaw Smolinski (D) Req.
by C. Hays

Wednesday, September 20

8:30 AM—Josephine Baikauskas (D) Req. by
C. Summa

Friday, September 22

8:30 AM—Sandrone and Ridings Family Req. by
Mary Ridings

Saturday, September 23

5:30 PM—William Kelley (D) Req. by Debra Fry
Francesca Campione (D) Req. by
C. Campione

Sunday, September 24

9:00 AM—Jim Fogerty (D) Req. by Pat Fogerty
Harry Parker (D) Req. by Joan Parker

September 24

5:30 PM—M. Otten, R. Jurack, A. Otten, D. Schmidt
9:00 AM—M. Otten, C./D. Domke, L. Swanson



September 24

5:30 PM—P. Przybyla
9:00 AM—E. Bogs

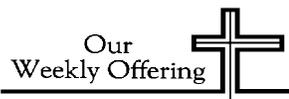


September 24

5:30 PM—M. Albano, **Volunteer Needed**
9:00 AM—A./K. Swanson

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catechetical Sunday
- Tuesday: St. Januarius
- Wednesday: Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gön,
Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions;
Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year 5778)
begins at sunset
- Thursday: St. Matthew
- Friday: Autumn begins
- Saturday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)



September 3, 2017

Sunday.....\$ 2530.00
Maintenance..... 873.00

September 10, 2017

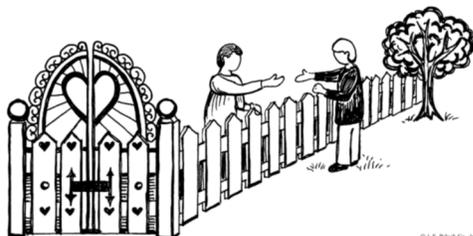
This collection will be posted in next week's bulletin.

Many thanks to all of you for your generous donations
to our Parish. May God bless all of you!



“Prayer is the oxygen of the soul.”

—Saint Padre Pio



Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2017

Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray,
your own sins will be forgiven.

— Sirach 28:2

FORGIVENESS

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As Saint Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

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Today is Catechetical Sunday! Be sure to thank one of our RE teachers today. They donate their energy and many hours to teach our children the important message of Jesus. A huge

thank you goes to Deacon Mark and Anita Otten for continuing to run this program. Their time and efforts are appreciated!

The **Peotone Senior Assistance Center** is available this Thursday, September 21st, from 10am - 3pm in the Red Room at St. Paul the Apostle. This is part of our **Respect Life Ministry**, whose mission is to protect the vulnerable and provide seniors, low income and disabled persons with assistance from county, state and federal programs, including Medicare, Social Security, license plate discounts, and services offered through Catholic Charities. The center is staffed by volunteers who serve the community without cost.

Meals On Wheels: St. Paul's UCC in Monee is looking for volunteers to deliver meals to homebound seniors. Routes start at 10:30am and take an average of an hour to an hour and a half. Scheduling is flexible. The only requirements are that they use their own car and gas and must attend a safe food handling orientation before they start delivering. For more information call 815-726-0094 ext 324.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We've seen how the rescue of Eucharistic Prayer II from the mists of history changed the style of our prayer, introducing a sleek simplicity to the prayer said aloud by the priest. Remember, before the reform of our prayer in the late 1960s, the priest whispered the words of the Roman Canon, Eucharistic Prayer I. His voice was not amplified, his back was to the people, who could only tell what was going on by a shift in his posture as he bowed and genuflected and as bells were rung to indicate his progress through the prayer.

With the emergence of the new prayers, some feared that the old prayer would be lost forever if it weren't somehow changed. The reformers asked that it be streamlined a bit by omitting the repeated "Through Christ" at the end of various intercessions, and trimming the list of somewhat obscure saints. The new edition therefore brackets parts of the two lists of saints in the prayer, unfortunately dropping all the women from the second set. The decision was also made to keep the Lord's words at the consecration exactly the same in every Eucharistic Prayer, although there is precedent for more variety. On November 2, 1968, Pope Paul VI signed off on the plan of the new Mass, and by April 1969, the publication of the revised order of Mass was announced.

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Sin and forgiveness – yet again. Jesus tells a long story responding to Peter's question: how often must I forgive? We know the answer by heart – not seven times but seventy-seven times. The wisdom of the Old Testament offers this help: do not hug sin tight...do not refuse mercy...put enmity aside...do not hate your neighbor...overlook faults. Ask yourself: Who in my life (still) needs forgiveness? How will I be full of mercy? How can I live and die for the Lord this week?

Potluck Dinner! All ladies of the parish are invited to the ladies club meeting and potluck dinner. Bring a dish and join in a fun evening!



There will also be a presentation from the Peotone Senior Assistance Center for seniors, disabled, and low income persons to receive free help with items like Medicare, Social Security, license plate discounts, and Catholic Charities services. The meeting is Monday, September 18th at 6:30pm.

Mass Stipends are still available for 2017 - especially November and December. Most of the weekend dates have been filled but there are still plenty of weekday masses available. If you would like to honor a loved one please stop by or call the office.