

**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 30
 5:30 PM—Mass of Thanksgiving Req. by Parishioner Francesca Campione (D) Req. by M. Campione

Sunday, October 1
 9:00 AM—Frances E. Bogs (D) Req. by Bogs Family Deceased Members of Pietsch and Phalen Families Req. by Marcy Phalen

Monday, October 2
 8:30 AM—Mary Ann Mills (D) Req. by M. Farrell

Wednesday, October 4
 8:30 AM—**No Mass Priest Convocation**

Friday, October 6
 8:30 AM—Herbert and Catherine Hase (D) and Deceased Members of Hase Family Req. by Carol Hase

Saturday, October 7
 5:30 PM—Sophie Banasiak (D) Req. by S. Vismik and Family
 Francesca Campione (D) Req. by M. Campione

Sunday, October 8
 9:00 AM—Eleanore Kurowski (D) Req. by Bogs Fam. Al and Grace Brooks (D) Req. by M. Pierce

October 8
 5:30 PM—J. Blazeovich, K./P. Przybyla, M. Schnepf
 9:00 AM—M. Otten, B. Daly, C. Marden, K. Scrementi



October 8
 5:30 PM—R. Jurack
 9:00 AM—K. Dornhecker



October 8
 5:30 PM—A./A. Porpora
 9:00 AM—A./S. Jaculbe



September 24, 2017
 Sunday.....\$ 2185.00
 Children's Envelopes..... 29.00

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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
- Monday: The Holy Guardian Angels
- Wednesday: St. Francis of Assisi; Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival) begins at sunset
- Thursday: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos
- Friday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher; First Friday
- Saturday: Our Lady of the Rosary; First Saturday

The reason angels can fly is because they take themselves lightly.
—G.K. Chesterton



**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 October 1, 2017**
 Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.
 — Philipians 2:5

GOD'S WAYS

In the stream of readings during this portion of Ordinary Time one week's texts can often appear to pick up exactly where the previous week's concluded. The sentiments expressed in today's first reading seem to be a direct reaction to the Gospel passage we heard last week. In that Gospel, the landowner pays the same wages to his workers whether they worked for a full day or for only a few minutes. Today Ezekiel gives us the lament, "The LORD's way is not fair!" (Ezekiel 18:25). These Sundays in Ordinary Time offer us a glimpse into the ways of the Lord. We see how God's way has the tendency to turn the accepted conventions of the day upside down. Those who always expected that their way to heaven was guaranteed are disappointed. Those who thought they never had a chance are given that chance. Today offers us another opportunity to discover the abundance of God's mercy and love.

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Disaster Relief Collection: Due to the second hurricane—Irma that hit the state of Florida, the Diocese has asked all parishes to take up another collection. **This collection will take place next weekend.** Our hearts and prayers go out to the families that have lost loved ones and/or their homes. This collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities and the rebuilding support to impacted dioceses.

Daybreak Volunteers Needed: If you are interested in volunteering your time, Daybreak Center in Joliet is in great need. We have a group of parishioners who help out one Friday a month. They are always looking for more helpers. If you would like more information or want to join in, please contact the office.

Mass Stipends for 2018 are now available. There are still many dates available in November and December of 2017 as well. If you would like to book a special date for a loved one, please contact the office either by phone or drop in for a visit! Stipends are \$10.00 each.

**While you are proclaiming peace with your lips,
be careful to have it even more fully in your
heart.**

—St. Francis of Assisi

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eucharistic Prayer IV is, like Eucharistic Prayer III, a fresh composition from the 1960s, based on a prayer from the tradition of the ancient church of Alexandria. It has an interesting structural feature. The new prayers all nod toward the East with the *epiclesis*, or calling down of the Spirit, over the gifts. In this prayer the Spirit is asked to come down again, after the consecration, to make holy the communicants who "partake of this one Bread and one Chalice that, gathered into one body by the Holy Spirit, they may truly become a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your glory." This beautiful phrase is well worth meditating on. What is the goal of your reception of Holy Communion today?

The preface for this Eucharistic Prayer is firmly attached to the prayer, and the directives for using the prayer anchor it to Ordinary Time. It is not intended to be an option if the Mass has a proper preface of its own, like a funeral, a Lenten weekday, or a great feast. It is not often used these days, in part because of these limitations. At first, it was suggested that this prayer was better suited to small groups of people who were well educated in scripture. This was kind of an odd stipulation, especially since its images are so beautiful and worthy of attention.

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St. Boniface Women's Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. October 16, 2017 in the Family Center. All women of the parish are invited to attend. Questions? Call Camille Dancer, 708 534-2591.



Join us downstairs for coffee and donuts after Mass today!

The Rosary will be recited before all weekend masses during the month of October. Everyone is invited to participate. This is a wonderful way to bring you peace and prepare yourself for the Mass.

A Pet Blessing will be held Saturday, October 7th at 12:00pm. All parishioners are welcome to bring their pets to the St. Boniface parking lot for a special blessing.

