

**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, March 31 Easter Vigil
7:30 PM—Joseph and Elizabeth Egofske † Req. by Dolores Serna

Sunday, April 1 Easter Sunday
9:00 AM—Parish Intentions

Monday, April 2
Office Closed — No Mass

Wednesday, April 4
8:30 AM—Sandrone and Ridings Family Req. by Mary Ridings

Friday, April 6
8:30 AM—Judy Desmond †
Req. by Dr. Joe and Diane Kenney

Saturday, April 7
5:30 PM—Lena Krol † Req. by Kwiatkowski Family

Sunday, April 8
9:00 AM—Dorothy and Jim Fogerty † Req. by Pat Fogerty
Mario Broccardo † Req. by Eleanor Broccardo



March 25, 2018

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!



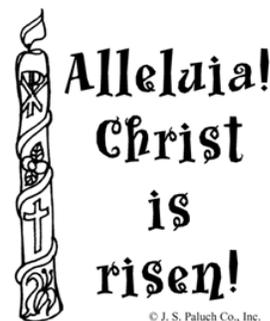
April 8
5:30 PM—D. Schmidt, C. Dancer, M. Schnepf, C. Semanovich
9:00 AM—M. Otten, C. Marden, M. Phalen, T. Sheehan



April 8
5:30 PM—R. Jurack
9:00 AM—P. Huske



April 8
5:30 PM—A./A. Porpora
9:00 AM—B. Graham, B. Hobbs



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
- Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter
- Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
- Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
- Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter
- Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter;
First Friday; Julian Calendar Good Friday
- Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter;
First Saturday

The return of Easter should be to the Christian life the call of a trumpet. It is the news of a great victory. It is the solution of a great perplexity. It is the assurance of a great triumph.

—Frederick Temple



**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 1, 2018**

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.

— Psalm 118:17



PROCLAIM THE RISEN CHRIST

On Easter morning everything—the spring weather, the flowers, birds and butterflies, the people around us in their finery, the beautiful liturgy and music—everything seems to bear witness that Jesus Christ is risen today! Like the eyewitness accounts in today's scriptures, the glorious and joyful life all around us helps us to believe the good news of the Resurrection and sing "Alleluia!"

In the scriptures today we hear from Peter and Paul and John. All three speak with conviction about witnessing the resurrected Christ. John's Gospel account includes Mary of Magdala, who also was privileged to witness the Resurrection and tell others the good news. On this glorious Easter Sunday can we ourselves give eyewitness accounts that Jesus Christ is risen today, alive and active in our lives?

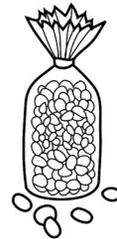
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The 2018 Dominican Sisters Faith Camp registration is open. Girls starting grades 6 through 9 in the fall are welcome. They'll enjoy crafts, games, and interaction with the sisters in a safe, welcoming, Catholic environment. The girls will learn about the importance of prayer, study, and Christian service for a well-rounded faith life. The schedule includes making something, baking something, spending quiet time with Jesus in the chapel, swimming—and Sister Buddies. Campers are matched up with sisters who live at Sacred Heart Convent, where the camp is held. The sisters pray for the campers and their families, sit with their Sister Buddy during morning prayer and Mass, and have a special one-on-one conversation about the sister's vocation story, her relationship with Jesus, and her service to the Church. Campers' families also get a taste of the experience on the last day when they are invited to a special program that gives them a peek into how camp has helped the participants grow, learn, and experience the love of God. Camp is held at Sacred Heart Convent, 1237 W. Monroe St., Springfield, IL 62704. Registration, which closes June 22, is \$50 per child and includes a copy of *The Catholic Youth Prayer Book* for each child to take home. Registration forms are available at <http://springfielddop.org/faith-camp/> or from Sister Teresa Marron, OP, at 217-787-0481 or SrTeresa@spdom.org.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Paschal Mystery is the key to our Christian faith: the dying and rising of Jesus that is the pattern of our life. In their first steps on the road of faith, the catechumens feel the cross of glory traced over their eyes, on their lips, across their shoulders, on their ears, over their heart, and on their feet. The mystery is that even death gives way to life for those who are held in the embrace of Jesus. Today, many new Christians arise from the waters of the font. Yet the font is not the destination of their journey. The goal is Pentecost, fifty days from now, and a lifetime of praise to the Father, in Christ, in the embrace of the Holy Spirit, for the sake of the world. "Neophyte," our ancient word for newly-baptized people, means "newly-planted" in Greek. If someone in your parish has just been baptized, welcome them today. The smiles on their faces and the light in the eyes is a foretaste of heaven.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



A Jellybean Prayer On Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday we invite you to pick up a bag of jellybeans located at the back of the church. Along with this treat is a special prayer explaining the special meaning behind the colors of the jelly beans. We wish everyone a blessed Easter and look forward to continuing this wonderful journey.

NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULE!

The current Ministry schedule for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers will end April 29, 2018 and we will need any changes to when you serve, vacation dates, etc. for the next schedule which will begin May 5th and run until August 26th, 2018.

If you would like to be a Lector or Eucharistic Minister, or Altar Server, send us your name and phone number, and the Mass time you would like and this info can be dropped in the collection basket, or call the office during hours. We are very short of help at all Masses. We are in great need of ministers at both weekend Masses, so choose your favorite Mass and what role you would like to take on. Training will be provided. Deadline for any changes (new people, delete your service, etc.) must be in the office no later than April 9th, 2018.