

**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 29**  
5:30 PM—Mary Ann Mills † Req. by Joe Mills  
Intentions for Sue Majeski  
Req. by husband

**Sunday, September 30**  
9:00 AM—Frances Bogs † Req. by Bogs Family  
Don and Dorothy Gryczewski † Req. by Family

**Monday, October 1**  
8:30 AM—Jim Fogerty † Req. by P. Fogerty

**Wednesday, October 3**  
8:30 AM—Sandy Tomczak † Req. by Women’s Club

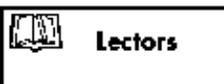
**Friday, October 5**  
8:30 AM—Ken and Maureen Zohfeld 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Saturday, October 6**  
5:30 PM—Joseph and Catherine Kwasigroch †  
Req. by Family  
Richard Nicola † Req. by  
Dorothy Ireland and Bonnie

**Sunday, October 7**  
9:00 AM—Deceased members of Phalen Family †  
Req. by Marcy Phalen  
Eleanore Kurowski † Req. by Bogs Family



**October 7**  
5:30 PM—J. Blazeovich, D. Schmidt, M. Schnepf,  
K. Short  
9:00 AM—M. Otten, B. Daly, K./P. Przybyla



**October 7**  
5:30 PM—T. Sheehan  
9:00 AM—E. Bogs



**October 7**  
5:30 PM—A./A. Porpora  
9:00 AM—A. Daly, B. Hobbs



**September 23, 2018**  
Sunday.....\$ 1961.00  
Children’s Envelopes..... 3.00

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
- Monday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
- Tuesday: The Holy Guardian Angels
- Thursday: St. Francis of Assisi
- Friday: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos; First Friday
- Saturday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher; First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

**Make yourself familiar with the angels, and behold them frequently in spirit. Without being seen, they are present with you.**

—St. Francis de Sales



**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 30, 2018**

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

— Psalm 19:8

### NOT AGAINST US

Like Moses before him, Jesus corrects his disciples' misunderstanding of the gift of the Spirit. They saw people who were not of their company casting out demons and doing other works such as Jesus had done. Jesus points out that no one who does a good deed in his name can be opposed to him at the same time. He goes on to point out the importance of the "little ones," the poor, simple people, children, the meek ones who are not important in the world. It is to them that he was sent, not to the wealthy and the self-righteous. He underscores the importance of small works done in faith, as well as big works like driving out demons. "Anyone who gives you a cup of water . . . because you belong to Christ . . . will surely not lose his reward" (Mark 9:41). God builds the coming reign little by little in our actions, however small and unassuming, when they are done out of love of God and neighbor.

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**RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND:** Retrouvaille is a weekend program Oct. 12-14 designed to help couples heal and renew their marriages, and help put the pieces back together to rebuild loving relationships. Husbands and wives re-establish communication and gain new insights into themselves as individuals and as a couple. For information or to make reservations call 708-802-1830 or go to [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

### TREE OF LIGHT INFANT MEMORIAL MASS

On Sunday, Nov. 4th all families and individuals are welcome to attend this Mass at the Blanchette Catholic Center in Crest Hill. This beautiful liturgy will remember babies who have been lost through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death, other pregnancy losses or early childhood death. At 2:00 p.m., a special tree blessing ceremony for family members to commemorate these babies will precede the mass. Family members may wish to arrive at 1:30 pm to sign in and to gather in the chapel. A reception with light refreshments will be served immediately following. To register online, go to <https://conta.cc/2uQPqBz> or call 815-838-5334 by October 29. If you are not able to attend but would like your baby remembered, please call us.

**Bring your pet to church!** We will have our annual blessing of pets this coming Saturday, October 6th. All pets are welcome! Father Roger will provide the blessing in the parking lot at 11:00am.

**A Child's Letter to God:** Dear God, Did you mean for the giraffe to look like that or was it an accident? Norma  
*A Collection of Children's Letters to God*

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

From its earliest days, the Church has had an interest in the education of young people. In ancient Rome, teachers of boys had to resign their posts in order to become catechumens, since the education of boys was so keyed to the lore and worship of the gods. In other ages, public education has been so attuned to other values that creative solutions have arisen.

In late eighteenth- and early nineteenth-century Ireland, government schools had a goal of "Anglicizing" the Irish in culture and religion. Most Irish Catholics opted out in favor of "hedge schools." In these largely secret schools, meeting not just in the shadow of hedges but also in cottages and barns throughout Ireland, schoolmasters provided eager students with a classical education grounded in Greek and Latin, Irish literature, the banned Gaelic language, and the catechism of the Church. The so-called penal laws forbade Catholics from teaching young people publicly or privately, and "civil disobedience" ruled the day. In 1826, a British government study showed that of half a million Irish children enrolled in schools, 403,000 were in hedge schools! A woman named Nano Nagle defied the law by opening schools for the poor. Eventually her companions became the Presentation Sisters. A layman named Edmund Rice, inspired by her courage, founded the Irish Christian Brothers for the same purpose. By 1820, the situation eased, since Irish Catholics had shown that they would defy any law that diminished their love of learning and threatened their faith.

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**Medicare Part D Open Enrollment:** St. Paul the Apostle in Peotone is offering free assistance to help seniors sign up for or update their Medicare Part D choices. The enrollment period runs from October 15 to December 7 so don't delay! Appointment must be made for this service. Contact Paula at 708-258-6917 Monday-Friday 1:00-5:00pm.

**The Village Beatification Committee,** a volunteer group for Monee, has recently been created. Lonna Janel, a member of this committee from Second Place Church, is looking for people who might be interested to be a part of keeping up/maintaining some of the public places around Monee, such as the public parks. This would involve tasks such as picking up trash, weeding, and planting flowers. If interested, contact the village at 534-8301.

**Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is With Thee...** know the rest of this beautiful prayer? Join us in reciting the Rosary Saturday evenings at 5:00pm—before the evening Mass. The Knights of Columbus have graciously offered to lead our parish in reciting the Rosary all four Saturdays in October in honor of the Blessed Mother. All are welcome to join in.