

Blessed Sacrament Saint Boniface Saint Mary's

Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

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March 25, 2018

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

WELCOME EVERYONE: No matter who you are, no matter where you've been, no matter what you've done, you are invited, accepted and most welcome in our parish communities. We hope Christ will bring fullness into your life, and that we can provide you with the spiritual support and information you need.



UNITED WAY 2017 CAMPAIGN, AGENCY #2305

Please consider supporting our Supper Program and designating Blessed Sacrament Supper Program when you make your 2018 United Way contribution. In order for our agency to receive your support, you must designate Blessed Sacrament Supper Program, Agency#2305, on a donor choice form each year. If you do not designate, our Supper Program will not receive your United Way funds. Ask your United Way solicitor at work for a United Way Donor Choice Contributor's Brochure or access the United Way web-site and please consider supporting our Supper Program. The last few campaigns have each brought in over \$30,000 which has been a substantial part of our operating budget. Thank you to all who have supported us so generously in the past, and we ask that you consider us in this year's campaign.

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday—March 29

8:30am Morning Prayer—*Blessed Sacrament Church*
7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper—*Blessed Sacrament Church*
Adoration until 10:30pm closing with Night Prayer

Good Friday—March 30

8:30am Morning Prayer—*Blessed Sacrament Church*
12:10pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion—*St. Mary's Church*
3:00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion—*St. Boniface Church*
6:30pm Stations of the Cross—*Blessed Sacrament Church*

Holy Saturday, March 31

8:30am Morning Prayer—*Blessed Sacrament Church*
7:30pm Easter Vigil—*St. Mary's Church*

Easter Sunday, April 1

9:00am Mass—*St. Boniface Church*
10:00am Mass—*Blessed Sacrament Church*
10:30am Mass—*St. Mary's Church*
12:15pm Mass—*Blessed Sacrament Church*

Mass Schedule

Blessed Sacrament
534 Oxford Street
Rochester, New York 14607

259 Rutgers Street (mailing)
Rochester, New York 14607
(585) 271-7240
(585) 442-7517 Fax

Sunday 10:00 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.
Mon & Wed at 8:00 a.m.

Saint Boniface
330 Gregory Street
Rochester, New York 14620

259 Rutgers Street (mailing)
Rochester, New York 14607
(585) 271-7240
(585) 442-7517 Fax

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Tues & Fri 7:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance
Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Saint Mary's
15 St. Mary's Place
Rochester, New York 14607

259 Rutgers Street (mailing)
Rochester, New York 14607
(585) 271-7240
(585) 442-7517 Fax

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Mon, Thurs, Fri 12:10 p.m.

Stations of the Cross
Tues & Wed 12:10 p.m.

Sacrament of Penance
Saturday 3:00 p.m.



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Nursery available at Blessed Sacrament at both Masses. Ask the Ushers to direct you.



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Weekly Calendar/Parish Events

Sunday, March 25, Palm Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (BS)
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour/Toth, Bridget, Julius & Trish (SB)
10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Breakfast (SB)
11:00 a.m. RCIA (SM)

Monday, March 26

- 11:00 a.m. Mass at Episcopal Church Home
7:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance until 8:30pm (BS)

Tuesday, March 27

- 11:00 a.m. Communion Service at St. John's Home
1:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance until 3:00pm (SB)
2:00 p.m. Stuffing Easter Eggs for Easter Egg Hunt (BS)

Wednesday, March 28

- 6:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance until 7:30p.m. (SB)
7:00 p.m. All Parish Combined Choir Rehearsal (BS)

Thursday, March 29, Holy Thursday

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (BS)
7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper (BS)
Adoration until 10:30pm closing w/Night Prayer

Friday, March 30, Good Friday, Rectory Office Closed

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (BS)
12:10 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion (SM)
3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion (SB)
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (BS)

Saturday, March 31, Holy Saturday

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (BS)
10:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt (SB)
7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil (SM)

**Please note there will be no individual Confession times at 3:00pm at St. Mary's or 4:00pm at St. Boniface.*

Sunday, April 1, Easter Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Mass (SB)
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour, Perotti/Scheuerman/CC Group (SB)
10:00 a.m. Mass (BS)
10:30 a.m. Mass (SM)
12:15 p.m. Mass (BS)

Parish Offices will be closed on Easter Monday, April 2



EASTER EGG HUNT

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt on the side lawn of St. Boniface will be held on Saturday, March 31 at 10:30am. It is for kids up to 8 years old, and will include games, crafts and egg hunt. In case of inclement weather, it will be held in the Cafeteria. Hope to see you there!



Readings for April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Col 3: 1-4
Mk 16: 1-7

Liturgies and Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 24

- 4:00 p.m. (SM) Bill Bodensteiner by Family
5:00 p.m. (SB) Ruth Condon by Luke & Lauren Bettner

Sunday, March 25

- 9:00 a.m. (SB) For the Parishioners of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community
10:00 a.m. (BS) Diane Lovall, Anniversary by Jessica Gaspar
Bernice Leo by Marge Sharick
10:30 a.m. (SM) Ed White by Bill & Doreen Robert
12:15 p.m. (BS) Betty Rook on the Occasion of her 100th Birthday by her Family

Monday, March 26

- 8:00 a.m. (BS) Helen Egner by Bequest
8:30 a.m. (BS) Stations of the Cross
12:10 p.m. (SM) Patricia & Garrett Cleary by Cleary Family

Tuesday, March 27

- 7:30 a.m. (SB) Helen Beckerman by Bequest
12:10 p.m. (SM) Stations of the Cross

Wednesday, March 28

- 8:00 a.m. (BS) Joseph & Sally Farrar by Bequest
12:10 p.m. (SM) Stations of the Cross
5:30 p.m. (SB) Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 29, Holy Thursday

- 7:00 p.m. (BS) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

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10:30 a.m. (SM) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
12:15 p.m. (BS) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

Please Pray for Our Parishioners: Kim Foxxx, Margherita Pompeii, Michelle Wade, Lilianna Jefferson, Michelle Bach Skubis, Layla Tremble, Lorraine Richman, Pete Bansbach, Margaret Nordbye, Tina Wagner, Adam Kwon, Louise Fletcher, Carla Logan, Rachel Melito, Jim Melito, Marti Erhardt, Peter Uhlein, Virginia Fijfield, Judy Wesley, Baby Wright, Teresa Spencer, Marie Voelkl, David Ballerstein, Diane Porcelli, Joe Brown, Tim Crosier, Stephen Schulz.
Please help us keep our list accurate by calling as soon as possible when you or a loved one would like to be removed from the list.

A WORD FROM FR. JOHN...

We are entering the most significant week of the liturgical year - Holy Week. It begins with our celebration of Palm Sunday, in which we recall Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem to accomplish the Paschal Mystery. Like the crowds that lined the way, we raise our palm fronds and sing out the praises of Christ our Lord. We echo those cries at every Mass, when we recite or sing the Holy, Holy, Holy at the end of the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer. Our gospel today moves on to tell of Jesus's last meal with his disciples before he is betrayed, arrested, tried, stripped, beaten and led off to his crucifixion. The crowds that had cried out with "Hosannas" on his arrival, now shout out "Crucify him!" After the joyful expectation of the entrance procession, we experience the whiplash of being thrust into Jesus' passion and death. This is fine preparation for the celebration of Jesus' resurrection should we only return on Easter Sunday. But in doing so, we would miss out on the Church's greatest liturgical celebration that stretches over the three days of the Triduum.

On Holy Thursday evening at Blessed Sacrament, in commemoration of the night that Jesus gathered his disciples for the Last Supper before he died, we gather for the Eucharist that he commanded us to do in his memory. This celebration focuses on the institution of the Eucharist and the priesthood, as well as Jesus' call to love one another, especially through humble acts of service. We recognize that the Eucharist is the source and summit of all we are and do. As such, we may wonder why Jesus waited until the very end to celebrate it with his disciples. Yet, as our gospel writers point out to us, Jesus knows us humans all too well. He waited to the last time he was with all of them before his death, because we have a tendency to recall and focus on the last time we saw and interacted with someone right before their death. His disciples had often shown themselves to be a little dense and unaware. By instituting the Eucharist at the last time his disciples gathered around him and shared a meal, he was making the Eucharist a natural focus of their memories of him, and the means by which his presence is made manifest to us again here and now. Following communion, the remaining hosts are placed in a ciborium on the altar. The tabernacle is left empty and open. And the vigil light, the candle in the red glass container nearby, which signals Christ's Eucharistic presence in the tabernacle, is extinguished. The first part of this great liturgical celebration ends as the Eucharist is carried in solemn procession to a chapel of repose outside of the church, where we are encouraged to spend time in adoration. We might liken it to the disciples being asked to keep watch and pray with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane prior to his arrest. This year our chapel of repose will be in the lower level of the church in the dining room of the Supper Program. Hopefully, we all can appreciate the many links between the Eucharistic bread that is broken and shared in the church and our response to Jesus' call to loving service of others in the meals that are

shared with our sisters and brothers in Christ in the room below our altar and sanctuary. Our children who are preparing to celebrate their First Communion in May along with their families will have a special role to play in our procession and guiding us to our chapel of repose, which we will access in the same way that we invite our guests to access the Supper Program along the north side of the church.

On Good Friday afternoon at St. Mary's (12:10PM) or at St. Boniface (3:00PM), we gather to continue our liturgy with a somber celebration of our Lord's passion and death. On this day of fasting and abstinence, the bareness of the church speaks of absence and loss. The liturgy begins in silent procession. Those gathered kneel, as the priests and deacon prostrate themselves. Following an opening prayer, we move into the Liturgy of the Word that culminates in the reading of the passion from the gospel according to John. The Prayer of the Faithful takes on a more solemn form. Then in perhaps the most moving part of the liturgy, those gathered process up and reverence the cross with a simple genuflection or another appropriate sign, such as kissing or lovingly touching the cross. This is followed by the Communion rite. Following the prayer after Communion and the prayer over the people, those gathered depart in silence.

On Holy Saturday evening at St. Mary's, we gather again for the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night, in which we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord with a variety of symbols in the most complex, reflective, and joyous celebration of the year. A complete listing of all that happens is beyond the scope of this column. But it starts off with lighting the place on fire, before we recall much of salvation history through a series of scripture readings. We will receive our RCIA candidates into the church and celebrate their confirmation, and we will bless the water in the font and renew our baptismal promises. As with every Mass, we celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist, in which newly initiated members will share in the Eucharist for the first time. As this grand liturgy that has spanned three days comes to a close, we experience finally a blessing a dismissal as we do at every Mass only adding the double Alleluia of Easter.

I invite you to join us for as much of this tremendous three-day celebration as you possibly can. If you have never had a chance to experience these wondrous liturgies, then I strongly encourage you to make time to do so. These celebrations were not a part of my experience growing up. But now I think I would truly miss them, if they were not a part of my Holy Week and Easter. Hopefully, after gathering with us, you will share in that sentiment.

However we choose to spend our time this next week, may it truly be a holy time for each and everyone of us.

*Yours,
Fr. John*

RENEWING AND REFRESHING ADULT FAITH

When you considered the Eucharist, what comes to mind? Do you consider Jesus alone or do you consider your Catholic community as well?

As a newer Catholic who went through a conversion six years ago, I have always considered that relationship to be one with Jesus and the Holy Trinity. But this recent Lenten Retreat with Dr. Ella Johnson at St. Boniface recently helped change my thinking. She shared with us the following excerpt:

“The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.” 1 Cor 10:16-17

The object of the Eucharist is not only intended to bring us closer to the Holy Trinity, but it is also meant to bring us together as one body united in love of Jesus. The Eucharist is not solely between me and God, and my faith is not solely between me and God. My faith is meant to be shared with all of you just as we share in the breaking of the bread at Mass on Sundays.

There is an emphasis on “we” as a collective body during Mass, like a family. During the Eucharistic prayer on Sunday, I encourage all of you to consider how we are all together as one holy Catholic family.

Jessica Gaspar

THINK EASTER!!

We are planning a reception following the Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 31—Come and celebrate with us! You can help out by bringing finger foods or simple desserts to celebrate and congratulate Diana, Kelly, Megan, Travis, and Zoe who will be welcomed into our community through the celebration of the Easter Sacraments. Sign up sheets for donations of finger foods or desserts, as well as for clean up are located in the back of all three Churches, or you can email Karen Huonker at khuonker@rochester.rr.com. You may also call Karen at 261-1498 to let her know how you would like to help out! Donations of finger foods and desserts can be dropped off in the Dugan Center at St. Mary’s between 9:30-11:30am, on Saturday, March 31. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

LET’S NOT LOSE OUR FARMER’S MARKET

Since 2004, Blessed Sacrament has hosted the Monroe Village Farmers Market in the church parking lot. The Market runs from mid-June to mid-October on Wednesday afternoons, 4-7 pm, with set-up starting at 3pm. This year the Market *cannot run* unless we get lots of new volunteers. The major volunteer positions that need filling are Market Manager, Supply Organizer, Publicity Person, Vendor Contact, Finances Person, and Set up/Take down Volunteers.

Check out our website for complete descriptions of each position. www.southeastrochestercatholics.org and click on the button labeled Farmer’s Market.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION DURING HOLY WEEK

Monday, March 26, 7:00pm—8:30pm

at Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, March 27, 1:00pm—3:00pm at St. Boniface

Wednesday, March 28, 6:00pm—7:30pm at St. Boniface

There are no scheduled confessions on Holy Saturday

10TH ANNUAL ECUMENICAL GOOD FRIDAY CROSS WALK 2018

Please consider joining us for the Good Friday Cross Walk on Friday, March 30. This event will begin with a short prayer service at 8:45 a.m. at the Auditorium of the Aquinas Institute, located at 1127 Dewey Ave, Rochester, NY 14613. At approximately 9:00 a.m. the walk will proceed with youth carrying the symbolic wooden cross of Christ. The walk is approximately 1 ½ miles long and processes along Dewey Ave., Driving Park, Maplewood Rose Garden, Genesee Riverway Trail, and Seneca Parkway. Please note: Part of this route is on gravel (weather permitting). For more information, please contact: Rev. Debbie Grohman 254-2570 grcc1@frontiernet.net, or Sue Howard, Pastoral Associate 271-7240 ext 123 susan.howard@dor.org

THE SEVEN CHURCHES VISITATION

Join us for this Roman Catholic Lenten tradition on Holy Thursday, March 29 after The Mass of the Lord’s Supper at Blessed Sacrament. After Mass on that evening, the Blessed Sacrament is placed on the Altar of Repose for Adoration. It is then that people traditionally visit seven area churches. Our young adults participated in this tradition in the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community last year and will continue the tradition this year. Handouts with the route and Churches will be available that evening in the back of Church. Please consider joining us for this Lenten tradition!

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the Catholic Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. This collection also helps to preserve sacred shrines. Wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

RAIHN VOLUNTEERS

(Rochester Area Interfaith Hospitality Network)

Our next RAIHN rotation is the week of April 15-22 when we help the First Universalist Church (across the park from St. Mary’s) with setting up, cooking meals, staying overnight, washing bedding, etc. If you are new, we ask that you attend a training, but if you would like to shadow a current volunteer, contact tri-parish coordinator Rosemarie Horvath, 267-7597, email rosemariehorvath113@gmail.com.



DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY FORUM

Please join the Downtown Community Forum on Thursday, April 5 at 7:00pm in the Dugan Center at St. Mary's Church for "Ninety Feet Under (What Poverty Does to People)." The Presenter is John Strazzabosco, the author of the book by the same name. The forum will discuss the psychological, physical and spiritual harm caused by poverty. John is an educator, lecturer and writer. His active involvement in the poverty community spans over twelve years in several different organizations. Please join us.

BETHANY HOUSE

The next Bethany House dinner will be held on **Wednesday, April 11 at 5:30 p.m.** If you would like to participate by bringing a dish to pass and help serve guests, please call Sandy Behnke at 478-4063.



MORNING PRAYER DURING HOLY WEEK

Our parish will gather to pray Morning Prayer this Thursday, Friday and Saturday of Holy Week. This prayer comes from the Liturgy of Hours and focuses on praying the psalms. In addition, Morning Prayer includes hymns, scriptures from the Old and New Testaments, intercessions and the Lord's Prayer. Morning Prayer will be celebrated at Blessed Sacrament Church at 8:30am during the Sacred Triduum on the following dates:

- March 29 - Holy Thursday**
- March 30 - Good Friday**
- March 31 - Holy Saturday**

As we transition from Lent to Easter, please join us – and consider inviting your family and friends – at this beautiful and sacred moment. For more information, please Contact Fr. Matthew Jones. (E: Fr.Matthew.Jones@dor.org or P: 271-7240, Ex. 120).

2017-18 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

	Blessed Sacrament	St. Boniface	St. Mary's
Goal	\$73,311	\$25,765	\$49,076
Pledged	\$72,984	\$25,840	\$36,664
% of Goal	99.55%	100.3%	74.71%
% of Households Participating	26%	26%	22%

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

March 18, 2018	Collection	Weekly Need	Variance
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 7,850	\$ 7,952	(\$ 102)
St. Boniface	\$ 3,813	\$ 3,600	\$ 213
St. Mary's	\$ 4,578	\$ 5,442	(\$ 864)
Year-to-Date			
Blessed Sacrament	\$316,998	\$302,176	\$14,822
St. Boniface	\$130,589	\$136,800	(\$ 6,211)
St. Mary's	\$207,769	\$206,796	\$ 916

**Thank you for your faithful and generous support!
We depend on your thoughtfulness and commitment. God bless you.**

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Donations are now being accepted for Easter Flowers in memory of family and friends. Please be sure to designate Blessed Sacrament, St. Boniface or St. Mary's on the form below and return it to the parish office.

Donation in Memory of: _____
please print

Amount: _____ Cash or Check
(please make checks payable to designated parish)

Donation for: Blessed Sacrament St. Boniface
 St. Mary's

Donation made by: _____
please print

SAVE THE DATE: SENIOR'S OUTING

The 3 Spirits 50+ group invites you to join them on their annual bus trip to Seneca Niagara Casino on **Tuesday, April 3!** Flyers with complete details are available in all three churches. Cost is \$30/per person. Please make your reservations soon. **The deadline is April 1.** For more information, or to make reservations, call Marsha Condon at 473-2620 or Nancy Connor at 359-3676.

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