

# Blessed Sacrament Saint Boniface Saint Mary's Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

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January 27, 2019  
The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



**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.

## ***AN OPPORTUNITY—ESPECIALLY FOR ALL FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN.... AND EVEN THOSE WITHOUT CHILDREN!***

On **Saturday, February 2, the 4:00pm** Mass will be a **TEACHING MASS**. This means that each part of the Liturgy (including the clothes the priest wears for Mass) will be explained to the congregation. It is our hope that this experience will help each of us (child and adult) learn something new and enable us to more fully participate each week when we gather for Mass. Families with children are encouraged to come and sit in the front (!) of the church so you can see, hear and be involved in the Mass. Did you know that Father kisses the altar?! But do you know why?!

Yes, it will be a “real” Mass. Yes, we will hear the regular readings for the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Yes, there will be Holy Communion. Yes, we hope **YOU** will join us as we pray together and learn together about this wonderful gift we have the privilege of celebrating each week. Even if 4:00pm Mass is not your “usual” Mass, mark your calendars and try something different!

If you have a question you have always wondered about regarding the celebration of Mass, send an email to Sister Kathleen (Kathleen.wayne@dor.org). She will pass them on to the priests and we will publish the answers in the bulletin during February and March.

### **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

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Rochester, New York 14607  
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Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Mon, Thurs, Fri 12:10 p.m.

**Rosary & Communion**  
Tues & Wed 12:10 p.m.

**Sacrament of Penance**  
Saturday 3:00 p.m.



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## Weekly Calendar/Parish Events

### Sunday, January 27

- 9:00 a.m. Faith Formation Classes (BS)  
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour– Ehmann/Englerth/Gordon  
12:00 p.m. Listening to the Holy Spirit w/Sr. Beth LeValley in Dugan Center (SM)

### Monday, January 28

- 6:30 p.m. Men's Club Bowling League (SB)  
7:00 p.m. Bible Study (SB)  
7:00 p.m. First Communion Parent Meeting (BS)

### Tuesday, January 29

- 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (SB)

### Wednesday, January 30

- 7:30 a.m. Rosary before 8:00am Mass (BS)  
10:00 a.m. Bible Study (BS)  
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (SM)

### Thursday, January 31

- 7:00 p.m. Frassati Group Meeting (BS)  
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (BS)

### Friday, February 1

- 7:00 p.m. Cabin Fever Euchre Social Event (SB)

### Saturday, February 2

- 11:00 a.m. Baptismal Preparation Meeting (BS)  
3:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance (SM)  
4:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance (SB)  
4:00 p.m. Family Faith Formation (SM)

### Sunday, February 3

- 9:00 a.m. Faith Formation Classes (BS)  
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour– Kilmartin/Bayer

**Please Pray for Our Parishioners:** *Margherita Pompeii, Michelle Wade, Lilianna Jefferson, Michelle Bach Skubis, Layla Tremble, Pete Banschach, Margaret Nordbye, Tina Wagner, Louise Fletcher, Carla Logan, Jim Melito, Virginia Fifield, Marie Voelkel, David Ballerstein, Diane Porcelli, Tim Crosier, Leona Hickey, Mary Hardy, Michael Boothby, John Larish, Joan Hacker, Bridget Toth, Terry Abramowski, Mary Dimock, Larry Grasta, James Boyle, Larry Schlosser, Edward J. Murphy, Jr., Dale O'Donnell, Lois Winslow*

**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.**

### **CABIN FEVER EUCHRE SOCIAL EVENT**

St. Boniface Men's Club Cabin Fever Euchre Social Event will be held on **Friday, February 1**, downstairs in the Nativity School. Cost is \$10 per person. Registration begins at 7:00pm & games will start at 7:30pm. Reservations can be made by calling Dan Klee@ 233-9414 or the Men's Club at 473-7019.



### **BETHANY HOUSE**

The next Bethany House dinner will be held on **Wednesday, February 13, 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.

## Liturgies and Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 26

- 4:00 p.m. (SM) Marv Mich by George & Ann Bauman  
5:00 p.m. (SB) The Parishioners of the SERCC

### Sunday, January 27

- 9:00 a.m. (SB) Jeffrey Budd by Godmother Donna & Tom Murphy  
10:00 a.m. (BS) David Lortscher by Gerry Yawman  
10:30 a.m. (SM) Thomas Edward Donahue by Jamie Vokes  
12:15 p.m. (BS) Ed Bestle by Linda Rutan

### Monday, January 28

- 8:00 a.m. (BS) The Parishioners of the SERCC  
12:10 p.m. (SM) The Parishioners of the SERCC

### Tuesday, January 29

- 7:30 a.m. (SB) Helen Beckerman by Bequest  
12:10 p.m. (SM) Rosary & Communion

### Wednesday, January 30

- 8:00 a.m. (BS) The Parishioners of the SERCC  
12:10 p.m. (SM) Rosary & Communion

### Thursday, January 31

- 12:10 p.m. (SM) For the Poor of Rochester by Cleary Family

### Friday, February 1

- 7:30 a.m. (SB) For the Parishioners of the SERCC  
12:10 p.m. (SM) For the Parishioners of the SERCC

### Saturday, February 2

- 4:00 p.m. (SM) For the Parishioners of the SERCC  
5:00 p.m. (SB) Bucky Curran by Family

### Sunday, February 3

- 9:00 a.m. (SB) For the Parishioners of the SERCC  
10:00 a.m. (BS) Helen & Arthur Flindell by Frances Carney  
10:30 a.m. (SM) Christine Caiola by Maryjo Mathews  
12:15 p.m. (BS) The Parishioners of the SERCC



### **FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION BEGINNING**

There will be a parent meeting **Monday, January 28, at 7:00pm**, in the school at Blessed Sacrament for any families who are interested in preparing children for First Communion. Following our Diocesan Sacramental Policies, children who are at least in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, have been involved in parish Religious Education Classes or Catholic School are invited to begin preparation for the sacrament which will be celebrated in May. If you have questions, contact Sister Kathleen by phone at (585) 507-9961 or by email at [Kathleen.wayne@dor.org](mailto:Kathleen.wayne@dor.org) for more information.



### **Readings for February 3, 2019 The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**JER 1: 4-5, 17-19  
1 COR 12: 31-13:13  
LK 4: 21-30**

## **A WORD FROM FR. JOHN...**

With predictions for another blast of Arctic cold this weekend, I hope that all of you survived last weekend's storm and bone-chilling weather alive and in one piece. Understandably, a number of you opted with good reason to not venture out for Sunday Mass. As the diocese made clear for all of us late last week as the storm approached, "the obligation for you to attend Mass is not binding (one is excused) if the current weather and road conditions make it difficult or dangerous for you to travel to Mass." So, while your presence was missed, you need not be concerned about failing to meet your Sunday obligation.

Perhaps your extended time indoors offered you an opportunity to read a little more of our all parish read, Matthew Kelly's book, *The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity*. If you have not had an opportunity to pick up a copy yet, more are available in church and from the parish office. As Fr. Ed has pointed out, the chapters are short enough to read in a relatively short period of time. And at a little over one hundred pages, reading the whole book won't take up that much of our time.

But it is my hope that in reading this book together that we will take some time to reflect on some of the ideas and questions raised in each chapter. In chapter one, "Life Is A Puzzle," Matthew uses a clever story to illustrate that by getting the person right, we get the world right. In striving to become who God created and intend us to be, what Matthew refers to as a-better-version-of –ourselves, the effects of our own transformation ripple through those people, groups, organizations and institutions of which we are a part. We would do well to heed his assertion that it is God who does the transforming, but only to the extent that we cooperate. God's grace is always available to aid us in that process. The question is "Are we willing to let God transform us?"

Pause and consider that question for a moment. Surrendering our will to God is not an easy thing for many of us. We live in a culture that places a premium on individual freedom, choosing to be and do what I want, when I want and for as much and as long as I want. We often laud the achievements of the "self-made-man (or woman)." Many on house hunting shows look for homes that have a room or space for them individually, like the man cave, the place to pursue a particular interest or hobby, or just a place to be yourself and do yourself for yourself. Perhaps none of that really affects or influences you. Yet, it still takes a lot of trust and courage to surrender control over a process that will transform us in fundamental ways.

In chapter two, "Your Happiness Project," Matthew asserts that our bringing happiness to other people increases the chances of our being happy. Again, he asks us to pause and consider a series of questions on how our happiness projects are going (see top of page 5). Then based on his own quest for happiness, he offers a list of insights that he has gained. But then he moves on to a key question that he challenges us to stop and seriously consider: "Do you believe it is possible to be happier than you have been at any other time in your life?"

Depending on our experiences and where we feel that we are on our journey through life, we may find it at first easy to readily offer a response. For example, if we can easily imagine that the best times are yet to come or that they have already passed us by, then the answer may appear to be obvious to us. Not surprisingly, Matthew seeks to convince us that it is possible to be happier than we have ever been before. He contends that we experience real happiness when our human spirit is not merely surviving but truly thriving. "We want to live life more fully; we're impatient to live life to the fullest." So, regardless of where our happiness projects are, Matthew challenges us to be open to the possibility that God wants you and me to experience a happiness greater than we have ever experienced before in our lives. Imagine that for a moment. You or I may not hold out much hope for the prospects of our experiencing greater happiness. But regardless of whether we believe, what does it mean that God believes that greater happiness awaits us. For did not Jesus say to us, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full," (John 10:10).

I hope that you take me up on my invitation to pause and reflect on some of the ideas and questions that Matthew Kelly raises in his book. If you have been reading his book, perhaps you have already done some reflecting on your own. How about sharing some of your reflections and thoughts with others? There was a flyer inserted in our bulletin last week, inviting everyone to consider joining or forming a book discussion group to do just that. Given the number of parishioners who were not with us last weekend, we will endeavor to make those forms available in hardcopy in our churches, as well as electronically on the website. Please prayerfully consider joining one of these groups or forming your own, whether formally or informally, among family, friends and our fellow parishioners.

Having been relatively quiet about the Catholic Ministries Appeal for some time, I feel that I need to bring it back to our attention. We have made some good progress at all of our churches. We have reached thanks to 193 donors, representing 20.5% of our registered households, 72% of our goal at Blessed Sacrament, 90 donors, representing 23% of our registered households, 83% of our goal at St. Boniface, and 138 donors representing 21.5% of our registered households, 92% of our goal at St. Mary's. I would encourage everyone who has not had an opportunity yet, to consider please making a donation soon, so that we can put this behind us and concentrate on cooperating with God in the transformation of ourselves, our parish and our community.

Peace and blessings!

Yours,  
Fr. John

## RENEWING AND REFRESHING ADULT FAITH

### *The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity*

What if you could make one small change, one relatively effortless shift that has the potential to alter your life and the entire world for the better? Would you consider it? Our parish's gift to us, the book *The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity* by Matthew Kelly, has the ability to be a catalyst that can change our society. I'm not giving anything away by divulging the Biggest Lie: It is Kelly's view that we have stopped believing we can ever achieve Holiness.

We live in a society that promotes selfishness, making it the norm to think mainly of ourselves and our own needs. Kelly calls it "the devil's greatest triumph in modern history," creating a culture of Christians who accept mediocrity, leading to complacency and presenting an effortless opportunity for us to be bystanders in life without a strong motivation to truly follow Jesus' teachings. And with that, how can we ever attain Holiness?

Yet we can! As the Saints have taught us, our path to Holiness is made up of one day at a time, one moment at a time here on earth. And Kelly's book describes the things we can do — small things he calls Holy Moments that, when added up over time, can lead to exponential change, first in our own lives, then in our community, rippling out into our country and beyond.

Consider reading this energizing book and perhaps participating in upcoming parish discussions, whether in person or online. Learn how Holy Moments — how you — can change the world.

*Karin Gaffney Christensen*

### **RECRUITING LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT ST. MARY'S**

Our worship sites are known for their vibrant liturgies, made possible by the working of the Holy Spirit through our diverse and eclectic participants. Some are called to be Lectors-Readers of the Holy Scripture, some are Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, some participate in the Processions with the Cross and Candles, some are Greeters making people feel welcomed at the doors.

January and February are a good time to make a commitment to be part of this great plan. We will offer training, ongoing coaching, and opportunities for spiritual growth throughout the year. Training sessions will start soon, so let us know if you are interested in learning more. Please contact Sue Howard, Pastoral Associate at [susan.howard@dor.org](mailto:susan.howard@dor.org) or by phone at 271-7240 ext. 123

## DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY FORUM

Please join the Downtown Community Forum on **Tuesday, February 5, at 6:30pm** in the Dugan Center at St. Mary's, for *Listening For Opportunity: How the Voices of Rochester's Homeless Led to Social Entrepreneurship*, presented by Nicholas Coulter, CEO and Board President of Person Centered Housing Options, Inc.



Nick was awarded the **2018 Emerging Entrepreneur Award** from the Farash Foundation. We will also view the short documentary film, *Swan Was Here*, which dramatically examines homelessness in Rochester through a single person's journey. More information to come!



### **ST. AMBROSE ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE**

St. Ambrose Academy, located at 31 Empire Blvd., will hold their open house on **Tuesday, January 29 from 5:30-6:30pm**.

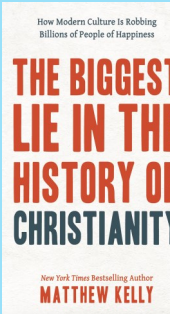
- ✦ Tuition assistance available for grades K-5.
- ✦ 5-day, all-day Pre K for 3 and 4 year olds.
- ✦ Before and after school care 7:00am-5:30pm.
- ✦ Small class sizes for individual attention.

If you cannot make the open house, please call 288-0580 to arrange a private tour. Join the already present Southeast Rochester Catholic Community student body at Ambrose Academy, just down Monroe Ave. and Culver Rd. from Blessed Sacrament and St. Mary's or via I-490/590 to Empire Blvd. from St. Boniface. For more information, visit their website at [www.ambroseacademy.org](http://www.ambroseacademy.org)



### **ST. BONIFACE MEN'S CLUB LUCKY STRIKE-NO TAP TOURNAMENT**

St. Boniface Men's Club 2- person, Lucky Strike, No Tap Tournament is scheduled for **Sunday February 17 starting at 12 noon**. All are welcome to play. Cost is \$20 per person with one free drink for every participant. Call Ken Ehmann at 703-8547 or Mike Klee at 474-0501 for more details, or stop down Monday or Tuesday evening to the Men's Club to sign up.



### **WON'T YOU JOIN US? BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS ARE FORMING NOW**

Discussion groups are forming now for our All Parish read of Matthew Kelly's book, entitled, *"The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity"*. Have you signed up yet? Just complete one of the sign up forms located in the back of Church, or go to our website and obtain a printable form, or simply sign up online!

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### HIT MAKERS: SAVE THE DATE

This theater season, the Parish Life Committee has selected *The Hit Makers: The British Are Coming*, a musical penned by fellow parishioner Jack Garner, at JCC's CenterStage at 7pm on February 14 (a perfect Valentine's Day treat). It's a celebration in song of the music of The Beatles, The Stones, The Who, The Hollies, Dusty Springfield, Petula Clark, and more. Jack will provide a personal introduction for us at the JCC's Lipson Lounge at 6 pm, one hour before the show.

Purchase tickets, and select your seats online ([jccrochester.org/events/special-events/centerstage-theatre](http://jccrochester.org/events/special-events/centerstage-theatre)) Tickets are normally \$33, plus service fee, but Jack has secured a \$4 discount for our group. Simply use the password **GARNER** when ordering tickets. Don't delay. We suggest ordering soon, no later than January 31, because the Hit Makers is a popular series and shows typically sell out. We hope to see you on Feb. 14!

### MID-WINTER LUNCHEON

Our annual 3 Spirits Mid-Winter Luncheon will take place on **Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 12 noon**, in the Blessed Sacrament Supper Program Dining Room. The menu will feature a hearty beef stroganoff, salad, rolls and Valentine's Day-themed desserts. Our speaker will be World War II veteran, Ted Ellstrom, who will give a presentation called "Flying the Hump," describing his war adventures flying over the Himalayas.

There is a suggested \$5 donation at the door, for those who can do so. Participants who are able to do so, are asked to bring a dessert to share. Reservations are required, so please contact Beverly LaBelle at 271-7240 or by email at [beverly.labelle@dor.org](mailto:beverly.labelle@dor.org) by Feb. 6, if you plan to attend.

### CATHOLICS SPEAK OUT FOR JUSTICE: EQUAL RIGHTS FOR FARMWORKERS

Protecting workplace dignity is essential to protecting human dignity in general. As Catholics, we believe that workers have fundamental rights, including the right to organize themselves to petition for improved working conditions. This has been part of Church teaching for over 125 years. In New York State, farmworkers are excluded from this and other basic rights granted to other workers. They can be fired if they collectively bring a grievance to their supervisor. During our upcoming Public Policy Weekend, please plan to sign the Diocese-wide petition to our state elected officials, urging them to support equal labor rights for farmworkers.



### BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Please pray for the following couples getting married:

*Alana Cummings & Devon Kiner (SM)*

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### 2018-19 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

 Blessed Sacrament	St. Boniface	St. Mary's	
<b>Goal</b>	\$73,822	\$26,321	\$49,313
<b>Pledged</b>	\$53,259	\$21,821	\$45,394
<b>% of Goal</b>	72.15%	82.90%	92.05%
<b>% of Households Participating</b>	20%	23%	22%

### PARISH COLLECTION INFORMATION

	Actual Collection	Weekly Budget	Variance
<b>January 20, 2019</b>			
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 3,034	\$ 8,450	(\$ 5,416)
St. Boniface	\$ 1,342	\$ 3,419	(\$ 2,077)
St. Mary's	\$ 3,222	\$ 5,438	(\$ 2,216)
<b>Year-to-Date</b>			
Blessed Sacrament	\$210,433	\$ 253,500	(\$ 43,454)
St. Boniface	\$ 94,990	\$ 102,570	(\$ 7,580)
St. Mary's	\$152,119	\$ 163,140	(\$ 11,161)

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