

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

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May 5, 2019
 Third Sunday of Easter

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.

Please join us in praying for the candidates from our parish who will celebrate Confirmation at Sacred Heart Cathedral on May 7. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide and direct their lives.

Teen Candidates

Valerie Arnold
 Sarah DiBenedetto
 Jackson Gloskey
 Haley Kehl
 Lydia Lorenzo
 Callaghan Oberst
 Tricia Toth
 Natalie Tracz
 Benjamin Vitale
 Henry Wirt

Adult Candidates

Devia Cordello
 Cassandra Feulner
 Alexander Malec
 Nichole Malec

If you or someone you know, is interested in Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Sister Kathleen Wayne at 271-7240 or kathleen.wayne@dor.org For more information.

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.

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

Sacrament of Penance
 Saturday 3:00 p.m.



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Nursery available at Blessed Sacrament & St. Mary's at both Masses. Ask the Ushers to direct you.



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Weekly Calendar/Parish Events

Sunday, May 5

- 9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (BS)
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour– Ehmann/Englerth/Gordon (SB)
11:30 p.m. Meeting to discuss planning for St. Mary's
Open House (SM)
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (SM)
1:15 p.m. Young Adult Brunch for Cinco De Mayo (BS)

Monday, May 6

- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study (SB)

Tuesday, May 7

- 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (SB)
7:00 p.m. Confirmation at Sacred Heart Cathedral

Wednesday, May 8

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (BS)
6:30 p.m. Parish Life Meeting (BS)
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (SM)

Thursday, May 9

- 2:30 p.m. Knitting Group (BS)
6:00 p.m. First Communion Practice (SB)
7:00 p.m. Frassati Meeting (BS)
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (BS)

Friday, May 10

Saturday, May 11

- 9:00 a.m. Liturgical Ministers Breakfast (BS)
11:00 a.m. Baptismal Preparation (BS)
3:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance (SM)
4:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance (SB)
4:00 p.m. Outdoor Rosary (SB)

Sunday, May 12

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



Readings for May 12, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Easter
ACTS 13: 14, 43-52
Rev 7: 9, 14B-17
JN 10: 27-30



Candle Intentions
The Sanctuary Candle at St. Mary's burns this week in memory of Michael Voelkl by Amy Voelkl

TEXTING YOUR CMA DONATION IS EASY

Blessed Sacrament

Text **CMA002** to **585-257-2929** and follow the prompts.

St. Boniface

Text **CMA029** to **585-257-2929** and follow the prompts.

St. Mary's

Text **CMA025** to **585-257-2929** and follow the prompts.

Devotions, Liturgies and Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 4

- 3:00 p.m. (SM) Sacrament of Penance
4:00 p.m. (SB) Sacrament of Penance
4:00 p.m. (SM) The Parishioners of the SERCC
5:00 p.m. (SB) The Parishioners of the SERCC

Sunday, May 5

- 9:00 a.m. (SB) Virginia Schepis by Children
10:00 a.m. (BS) Mary Russell & Joseph Kuebel by Bill & Ruth Russell
Karen Lamark by Family
10:30 a.m. (SM) James Lanigan by Liz Feuerstein
12:15 p.m. (BS) Margaret & Ken Handel by Family
Jim Keating by Family

Monday, May 6

- 7:30 a.m. (BS) Rosary before 8:00am Mass
8:00 a.m. (BS) William Marshall by Frances Carney
12:10 p.m. (SM) Patricia & Garrett Cleary by Cleary Family

Tuesday, May 7

- 7:30 a.m. (SB) Robert & Nikita Fowler by Sr. St. Luke
12:10 p.m. (SM) Rosary w/Communion

Wednesday, May 8

- 7:30 a.m. (BS) Rosary before 8:00am Mass
8:00 a.m. (BS) For the Intentions of Kitty Jensen by John & Peggy Finucane
12:10 p.m. (SM) Rosary w/Communion

Thursday, May 9

- 12:10 p.m. (SM) William O'Brien by Tom Sheehan

Friday, May 10

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

Saturday, May 11

- 3:00 p.m. (SM) Sacrament of Penance
4:00 p.m. (SB) Sacrament of Penance
4:00 p.m. (SM) The People of the SERCC
5:00 p.m. (SB) The People of the SERCC

Sunday, May 12

- 9:00 a.m. (SB) Helen Sorgan by Bob & Pat Morriss
10:00 a.m. (BS) Helen Davis by Joan Davis
Martha Johnson by Rick & Marie Bartholomay
10:30 a.m. (SM) Elizabeth Heveron by Bernie Heveron
12:15 p.m. (BS) For a Special Intention by Frances Carney

Please Pray for Our Parishioners: Margherita Pompeii, Michelle Wade, Michelle Bach Skubis, Layla Tremble, Pete Banschach, Margaret Nordbye, Tina Wagner, Louise Fletcher, Carla Logan, Jim Melito, Virginia Fifield, Marie Voelkl, 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., Lois Winslow, Patricia Hynes, Loretta Rose Doyle, Rob Armour, Sr. Marilyn Williams, Muriel Dech, Marilyn Dietz, Silvia Centanni, Landon August Coia.

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.

Please Note: Due to HIPAA regulations, hospitals are not allowed to give out the names of patients when they call to report a parishioner is in the hospital. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please contact the church office directly to let us know.

A WORD FROM FR. JOHN...

Please note I am writing this column on Friday, April 26, as the publisher of our bulletin is taking their printing presses offline for cleaning and maintenance the week of April 29, requiring us to submit our bulletin today.

So far, it seems like we are going to be graced with some spring weather, or at least what passes as spring weather in Rochester. If you are like me, you may welcome any sunshine and warmer reprieve from the interminable cold and cloudiness that characterized our weather from November to March. This spring like weather also is helpful, because it makes it easier to get outdoors and witness all of creation bursting forth with new life in this Easter season. For me, the appearance of blossoms and leaves on trees and blooming flowers is creation joining in our glorious and joyful shouts of "Alleluia!" to our Risen Lord Jesus Christ.



Magnolias in Highland Park

If you were away last week, I would urge you to check out the summaries of the "Town Hall" meetings that we held back in March to address concerns and challenges around operating deficits in conjunction with declining attendance and collections along with the demands of maintaining and repairing old and aging buildings and infrastructure at each of the three churches that make up our parish. The summaries are available on our parish website, and for those without internet access, in hard copy form in our churches or from the parish office. The next step in the process will be an All Parish Gathering in conjunction with our next Parish Pastoral Council meeting, on Monday, May 20th at 7:00pm at Blessed Sacrament school. Members from all three churches in our parish are invited and encouraged to participate. My hope is that we can identify several positive and constructive initiatives based on, but not limited to, the input from the "Town Hall" meetings.

We are nearing the end of the 2018-2019 Catholic Ministries Appeal campaign. I thank everyone who has generously supported our efforts to reach our goals. Following our efforts on the *Sharing Our Blessings* weekend, April 6-7, we are very close to reaching our goals at St. Boniface (93.7%; \$2,545 short of our goal) and St. Mary's (98.5%; \$1,268 short of our goal). Of course, we would welcome any further donations which would help us to close those gaps. While we made great strides toward our goal at Blessed Sacrament, we are much further from our goal, but still would welcome any further donations to help shrink the gap.

As I have indicated previously, donations directly to the CMA can be made via the specially marked envelopes available in each of our churches, using check or credit card. Please do not mail cash. If you would like to make a cash donation or an anonymous donation to the CMA, you may do so through Molly Hedges in our parish office. The Text-To-Give option using your cellphone and credit card remains available until May 14th. All donations to the CMA and redemption of any remaining pledges must be completed by May 31, 2019. Any shortfall in reaching our goals as of that date will be billed to our individual churches for payment out of our operating funds or savings by June 30, 2019.

As I indicated previously, for those of you who for whatever reason cannot bring yourselves to donate to the CMA at this time, we have established a shortfall fund at each of our three churches to help cover any shortfall. I thank all of you who have generously donated to these funds. You may donate to the shortfall fund by writing a check to the church and writing "Shortfall Fund" on the memo line, or placing your donation in an envelope marked "Shortfall Fund" and dropping it in the collection basket or getting it to our parish offices. Any donations directed to one of our churches will be used to cover the shortfall at that church with the remainder being used to offset our projected operating deficit at that church.

Once again, thank you for your prayers and support as we strive to close the gap and manage the cost to our churches of any shortfalls.

Peace and blessings to you and yours throughout the Easter Season!

Yours,
Fr. John

RENEWING AND REFRESHING ADULT FAITH

We are celebrating the first anniversary of sharing space in the school at Blessed Sacrament with Refugees Helping Refugees program. This article was written by one of the teachers.

Ramadan

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic lunar calendar and the month where Muslims are encouraged to focus on fasting and prayer. It is expected to begin on or around May 6th this year. During Ramadan, many Muslims participate every night in a special congregational prayer called Taraweeh, where we strive to recite the Quran in its entirety. From just before sunrise (around 4:00am) until sunset (around 8:30pm) we observe a fast (abstain completely from food, drink and marital relations).

Ramadan is the month in which the Quran was revealed. In Quran 2:183 it says: "O you who believe! Observing the fast is prescribed for you as it was prescribed for those before you, that you may achieve God-consciousness." Believers in God develop nearness to God through awareness that He is there and can see us. We believe that one of the attributes unique to God is that He is the Most Wise. He commands us to fast. Some divine wisdom is clear, and some is hidden from us in this life. It is said in Islam that all good deeds are for our own souls but that fasting is for God's pleasure. Fasting fosters empathy in us towards those who regularly live with hunger, and we develop gratitude towards God. It helps us increase self-restraint and acts of worship, as we are more likely to do good deeds and avoid sin while fasting.

All around the world mosques are open for dinner (Iftar) where we break the fast together. If you'd like to join us, please stop in and you will find that people are very happy to see you and eat with you. You can check the website for the Islamic Center of Rochester (icr.org) for a schedule and a special interfaith Iftar as well. Or call 442-0117. Please join us!

Salamu-alaikum, May peace be upon you.

— *Andriana Ongoiba*



UNITED WAY 2019 CAMPAIGN, AGENCY #2305

Please consider supporting our Supper Program, and designating Blessed

Sacrament Supper Program when you make your 2019 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. Thank you for your support!



WE DO WHAT IT TAKES.....

So many people helped to make our Holy Week services a success that we can hardly count. From cleaning the churches and grounds, working with the alarm company to allow us to use all the incense, setting up floral displays, copying and assembling the programs for each service, arranging the music and practicing the pieces, recruiting all the lectors, lay ministers and the assembly of ushers, sacristans, greeters and altar servers, writing the homilies and special prayers of the people, choreography of lighting and incensing, safety and security, and leading Stations of the Cross throughout the whole time of Lent. What can we say to possibly thank all these people?! Our whole Lenten experience and the whole of Holy Week was a blessing to all of us and to the myriad of visitors and family members who came our way. We are so proud to call the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community our Spiritual Home!

From all the staff



OUTDOOR ROSARY

Please consider joining us as we gather on **Saturday, May 11 at 4:00pm** to honor our Mother Mary. We will gather at the shrine located next to **St. Boniface Church**. Chairs will be available or you may bring your own.

Please tell family and friends. Families, and our world, are blessed when we respond to Mary's call to "pray the rosary daily." We hope to see you there!

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Have you considered serving on Parish Council for SERCC? Have you considered nominating someone for Parish Council? Now is the time to prayerfully consider serving on the Parish Council. Talk with current members and learn how the Council serves the SERCC and consider being a candidate for Council.

CELEBRATION OF FIRST COMMUNION

With joy we announce that our parish celebration of First Communion will take place during the **9:00 AM Mass at St. Boniface on May 12th**. We will welcome twenty-seven children to the Table of the Lord for the first time. What a great blessing for our community! The children have been preparing with their families for several months and are so excited to come to this moment in the faith journey. May their excitement renew within each of us a deeper appreciation for this wonderful gift of the Body and Blood of Christ in our lives.



We anticipate that the Mass will be more crowded than usual. The children and their families will be seated together. If 9:00 AM is your "regular" Mass, please plan accordingly and realize your normal seat may not be available, but there will be room for you to join in the celebration with our young friends.

SAVE THE DATES: 3 SPIRITS FALL TRIP

Our parish 3 *Spirits Group* for those in the 50+ age group, invites you to travel with them on their annual Fall trip. This year they are visiting Pittsburgh & Cleveland, September 9-13. Highlights include guided tour of Pittsburgh, visits to Cleveland Zoo, Flight 93 Memorial, Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, a Frank Lloyd Wright house, Gateway Clipper cruise and other attractions. Cost is \$729 per person for double; \$929 for a single. This includes motorcoach transportation, lodging, many meals, all admissions, taxes and gratuities. Flyers and registration forms are available in church. For more info, please contact Nancy Connor at 704-9251

**VOICES OF WOMEN PRESENTS
"A JOURNEY IN JUDAISM"**

As the days of Lent fade with the story of the Resurrection of Jesus newly told, we take a look at Judaism and its meaning in today's world. Our speaker, Eleanor S.Lewin is the retired Director of Education for Temple B'rit Kodesh and will speak on her **Journey in Judaism**. Ms. Lewin is a community leader in her Temple B'rith Kodesh, the oldest Reform Jewish Synagogue in the Greater Rochester area, founded in 1848. (St. Mary's was founded in 1834). Temple B'rith Kodesh is regarded as a leader and innovator in Jewish learning and practice. **Voices of Women** invites all to attend this presentation focusing on one woman's experience in Judaism. Join us on **Sunday, May 19**, in the Dugan Center of St. Mary's Church. We will gather for coffee following the 10:30 liturgy and begin our program at 12:00, ending at 1:00. Free street and lot parking. All are welcome. Bring a friend.

Vacation Bible Camp
July 22-26, 2019 9:00-Noon
Blessed Sacrament School and grounds

Children Age 4-Entering 5th Grade are invited to join as campers.
Volunteers are needed
If you are interested and entering 6th Grade or older
WE NEED YOU!

Check out the information on the parish website or call Sister Kathleen (585) 507-9961

**DOWNTOWN DRIVING DELAYS
ROCHESTER TWILIGHT CRITERIUM**

Please note: **Next Saturday, May 11**, the City will hold its annual Rochester Twilight Criterium Bike Race. Races will occur throughout the day, but the pro races will begin at 6:25PM. Because of set-up and race times during the day, you will experience longer than usual commute times for Mass on Saturday, as well as parking challenges when attending Mass at St. Mary's. Please expect that St. Mary's Place will be closed off to traffic, as well as Broad Street between State Street and South Avenue. Woodbury Blvd will remain open and parking in the GEVA lot for St. Mary's will be available.

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2018-19 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

	Blessed Sacrament	St. Boniface	St. Mary's
Goal	\$73,822	\$26,321	\$49,313
Pledges Received	\$57,314	\$23,776	\$48,045
% of Goal	78.7%	93.7%	98.5%
% of Households Participating	22%	26%	23%

Please note: Due to an early bulletin deadline this week, updated collection figures and updated CMA figures were not available. Please look for updated financials next week. We apologize for the inconvenience!

PARISH COLLECTION INFORMATION

April 21, 2019	Actual	Weekly	Variance
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 3,093	\$ 8,450	(\$ 5,357)
St. Boniface	\$ 2,793	\$ 3,419	(\$ 626)
St. Mary's*	\$ 6,717	\$ 5,438	\$ 1,279
Easter Sunday	Actual	Budget	
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 6,793	\$12,000	
St. Boniface	\$ 3,637	\$ 4,000	
*No separate Easter envelopes			
Year-to-Date			
Blessed Sacrament	\$298,021	\$ 363,350	(\$ 65,330)
St. Boniface	\$135,458	\$ 147,017	(\$ 11,559)
St. Mary's	\$218,238	\$ 233,834	(\$ 15,736)

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

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