

# St. Boniface Church

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## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 7:30 am; 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 8:30 am  
Wednesday & Friday: 7:30 pm

## DEVOTIONS

### **ROSARY**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday:  
@ 8am before morning Mass

### **MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

### **SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

First Friday: 7:00 pm

### **ADORATION AND DIVINE MERCY**

Every Friday after evening Mass

## SACRAMENTS

### **BAPTISM**

Registered parishioners are invited to pick up a Baptism information package from the Parish Office.

### **COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION**

Please contact Parish Office for program start dates.

### **MARRIAGE**

Couples should contact the Parish Office ONE year in advance. At least one party must be a registered and practicing member of St. Boniface.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

### **ST. AGATHA - 416-393-5302**

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### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

Help Line: 416-261-3528

## Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners

A very warm welcome to all new parishioners and those who are visiting St. Boniface Parish this weekend. New parishioners are asked to fill out registration form below and put it in the collection basket or drop-off at office.

## PARISHIONER INFORMATION SHEET

MR. & MRS.  MR.  MRS.  MISS  MS.

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Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
First Name(s)

\_\_\_\_\_  
STREET# AND NAME/APARTMENT# OR UNIT #

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CITY

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TELEPHONE#

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EMAIL ADDRESS

**NAME(S) AND DATE(S) OF BIRTH OF CHILD/CHILDREN:**

NAME(S) DD/MM/YEAR

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ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE ENVELOPES?  
YES  NO  YES  NO

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE CONTACTED ABOUT PARISH INVOLVEMENT?  
YES  NO

**ONCE REGISTERED, ENVELOPES WILL BE AVAILABLE BY ENTRANCE OF CHURCH.**



# FEBRUARY 25, 2024 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

CYCLE B (MARK)

## Bonds Loosed: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Second Sunday of Lent

### Readings:

**Genesis 22:1–2, 9–13, 15–18**  
**Psalms 116:10, 15–19**  
**Romans 8:31–34**  
**Mark 9:2–10**



The Lenten season continues with another story of testing. Last Sunday, we heard the trial of Jesus in the desert. In this week's First Reading, we hear of how Abraham was put to the test. The Church has always read this story as a sign of God's love for the world in giving His only-begotten son. In today's Epistle, Paul uses exact words drawn from this story to describe how God, like Abraham, did not withhold His only Son, but handed Him over for us on the Cross (see Romans 8:32; Genesis 22:12,16). In the Gospel today, too, we hear another echo. Jesus is called God's "beloved Son"—as Isaac is described as Abraham's beloved son. These readings are given to us in Lent to reveal Christ's identity and to strengthen us in the face of our afflictions. Jesus is shown to be the true son that Abraham rejoiced to see (see Matthew 1:1; John 8:56). In His transfiguration, He is revealed to be the "prophet like Moses" foretold by God—raised from among their own kinsmen, speaking with God's own authority (see Deuteronomy 18:15, 19). Like Moses, He climbs the mountain with three named friends and beholds God's glory in a cloud (see Exodus 24:1, 9, 15). He is the one prophesied to come after Elijah's return (see Sirach 48:9–10; Malachi 3:1, 23–24). And, as He discloses to the Apostles, He is the Son of Man sent to suffer and die for our sins (see Isaiah 53:3). As we sing in today's Psalm, Jesus believed in the face of His afflictions, and God loosed Him from the bonds of death (see Psalm 116:3). His rising should give us the courage to face our trials, to offer ourselves totally to the Father—as He did, as Abraham and Isaac did. Freed from death by His death, we come to this Mass to offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and to renew our vows—as His servants and faithful ones.

*Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at [www.stpaulcenter.com](http://www.stpaulcenter.com)*

# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



## FEBRUARY 25TH TO MARCH 2ND 2024

|              |           |  |
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| Sat Feb 24th | 5:00pm -  | Thanksgiving for Marjorie Lugos  |
| Sun Feb 25th | 7:30am -  | Birthday Thanksgiving for Oghenekevwe Esther Anigboro                      |
|              | 9:00am -  | Bernardo Santos †  |
|              | 10:30am - | Philomena & Celeste Teixeira †   |
|              | 12:00pm - | People of the Parish   |
| Mon Feb 26th | 8:30am -  | Constancia Masim Alinas †  |
| Tue Feb 27th | 8:30am -  | Michael Gaudet †   |
| Wed Feb 28th | 7:30pm -  | Jawaharlal Pinto †   |
| Thu Feb 29th | 8:30am -  | Irma Conron †  |
| Fri Mar 1st  | 7:30pm -  | Prayers for the Fraser Family  |
| Sat Mar 2nd  | 8:30am -  | Joyce D'Souza †; Deborah Van Veldhuizen †; Meaghan Perry †; and Mama Titat |



### OUR SICK:

Joan Fitzgibbon, Virginia Johnson, Derek John Taylor, Donna Mesic, Oliver Malinowski, Anunciacion Chang, Derek Rosario, Maria Theresa, Maria Johanna Tizon, Linda Morgan, Sally Benadetto, Maverick Valle, Richard Stockman, Don O'Shaughnessy, Alana Maurica Gerardine, Bette McDermott, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Sharon Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Anna Tomasi, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Estela Pett, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Edward Kaminski, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Holly Macinnis, Ursula Solomon, Jennifer Solomon, Randeer Kumar Hulooman, Norma Dulnuan, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filipchuk, Colleen Balgobin, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Lorraine Fraser, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Ecclepton, Kathleen Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Naty Germain, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgietter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Duverney Family, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignum, Ahilla Kissoon.



**CONFESSIONS AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS THROUGHOUT FRIDAY'S DURING LENT**

Stations of the Cross will be available throughout Friday evenings during Lent.

Come and be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God:

- 7:00pm - Stations of the Cross**
- 7:30pm - Mass**
- 8:00pm - Holy Hour with Divine Mercy and Confessions**

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**



Thank you for your generous donations this past year. These funds supported our SSVP St. Boniface Conference to provide assistance for our neighbours in need.

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"Charity gives life to all the virtues." St. Catherine of Siena

**ST. BONIFACE PARISH DAY OF CONFESSION FOR LENT**

**CONFESSIONS AT ST. BONIFACE CHURCH: THURSDAY MARCH 21ST 7:00 PM– 9:00 PM**

**There will be a number of Priests available**

Preparation for Confession allows us to set aside disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God who embraces us with gracious, gentle forgiveness.



**RCIA Rite of Election**

The following Candidates were received as Candidates for Baptism last Sunday at the Rite of Election.

- Lekeisha Dyer-Lewis
- Natsuko Smilis
- Michael Munshaw
- Jamie Downey
- Lisbeth Martinez
- Evangeline Veselaj
- Teresa Dorsey
- Alesandra Koehler-Martinez

Please pray for them as they continue to approach the Easter Mysteries in God's loving care for them and for all of the RCIA Candidates who will be Baptized, Confirmed and who will received the Holy Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

**Come & See — Discernment Weekend Retreat March 15–17, 2024 St. Augustine's Seminary**

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on **Friday, March 15 at 6:30 p.m. until Sunday, March 17 at 2 p.m.** This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary.



**Please note that registration must be done online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeseesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeseesee).** For more information, please contact us at: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

Candidates to receive their Confirmation:

- Michaela Mathurin
- Elijah Ifitamaboko
- Tara LeBlanc
- Brian Tim Campo
- Chinenye Okpalagu
- Mae Marquita

Candidates to receive Holy Eucharist:

- Elijah Ifitamaboko
- Tara LeBlanc
- Michaela Mathurin

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE**

This year the World Day of Prayer Service will be held on **Friday, March 1st from 2:00pm—4:00pm**, at the **Guildwood Community Presbyterian Church, 140 Guildwood Parkway, Scarborough, Tel. 416-261-4037.**

**THANK YOU! Catholic Women's League St. Boniface Parish**



Thank you to all those who attended last Sunday's presentation on Estate Planning presented by the Archdiocese of Toronto and the Catholic Cemeteries. It was well attended and very informative.

A big thank you to the members of our St. Boniface Parish Catholic Women's League who provided the warm hospitality with coffee and sweets for all.



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