

# 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**

49 Cathedral Bluffs Drive, M1M 2T6

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## 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 the office.

## PARISHIONER INFORMATION SHEET

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name

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

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

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CITY

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POSTAL CODE

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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

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.**



**JANUARY 12, 2025**  
**FEAST OF THE BAPTISM**  
**OF THE LORD**  
 CYCLE C (LUKE)

**The Anointing: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**

**Readings:**

**Isaiah 42:1–4, 6–7**

**Psalms 29:1–4, 9–10**

**Acts 10:34–38**

**Luke 3:15–16, 21–22**

The Liturgy last week revealed the mystery of God's plan—that in Jesus all peoples, symbolized by the Magi, have been made "coheirs" to the blessings promised to Israel. This week, we're shown how we claim our inheritance.

Jesus doesn't submit to John's baptism as a sinner in need of purification. He humbles Himself to pass through Jordan's waters in order to lead a new

"exodus"—opening up the promised land of heaven so that all peoples can hear the words pronounced over Jesus today, words once reserved only for Israel and its king: that each of us is a beloved son or daughter of God (see Genesis 22:2; Exodus 4:22; Psalms 2:7). Jesus is the chosen servant Isaiah prophesies in today's First Reading, anointed with the Spirit to make things right and just on earth. God puts His Spirit upon Jesus to make Him "a covenant of the people," the liberator of the captives, the light to the nations. Jesus, today's Second Reading tells us, is the One long expected in Israel, "anointed . . . with the Holy Spirit and power." The word messiah means "one anointed" with God's Spirit. King David was "the anointed of the God of Jacob" (see 2 Samuel 23:1–17; Psalms 18:51; 132:10, 17). The prophets taught Israel to await a royal offshoot of David, upon whom the Spirit would rest (see Isaiah 11:1–2; Daniel 9:25). That's why the crowds are so anxious at the start of today's Gospel. But it isn't John they're looking for. God confirms with His own voice what the angel earlier told Mary: Jesus is the Son of the Most High, come to claim the throne of David forever (see Luke 1:32–33). In the Baptism that He brings, the voice of God will hover over the waters as a fiery flame, as we sing in today's Psalm. He has sanctified the waters, made them a passageway to healing and freedom—a fountain of new birth and everlasting life.



*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**

**JANUARY 11TH TO JANUARY 18TH**

Sat Jan 11th	5:00pm - Alana Maurica Gerardine
Sun Jan 12th	7:30am - Glasera Deguna Angeles†
	9:00am - People of the Parish
	10:30am - Birthday Thanksgiving for Bernadette Rodrigues
	12:00pm - Susana Atchico †
Mon Jan 13th	8:30am - Salvador & Rosa Maria Mendes †
Tue Jan 14th	8:30am - 46th Wedding Anniversary Thanksgiving for Jose and Ursula Solomon
Wed Jan 15th	7:30pm - Open
Thur Jan 16th	8:30am - Birthday Thanksgiving for Deacon Robert Selvadurai
Fri Jan 17th	7:30pm - Birthday Thanksgiving for Socorro Escutin
Sat Jan 18th	8:30am - Open

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**ST. BONIFACE JUBILEE COUNCIL**

**Family of the Month:** A family will be chosen every month from the parishioners. Prequalification requirements: Families should be regularly attending mass with their children and taking part in parish activities. These families will be contacted and registered for the Certificate Program. Upon arrival of the certificate, Father will call upon the family after the announcements and present them their award.

**Pancake Breakfast:** A pancake breakfast will be held this Sunday, January 12th after the 10.30am mass. Parents are requested to bring their children down to the hall after the service. Free will donations will be accepted.

Knights of Columbus (a Faith Driven Organization) are recruiting members everyday. All interested to join are requested to contact Gerard Gonsalves at 416-890-8062 or [gkgerard@yahoo.com](mailto:gkgerard@yahoo.com)

Thank you!

**MARRIAGE SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 8TH & 9TH 2025**

**Celebration of Marriage Mass**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. **The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2025, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica** (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment.

All are welcome to attend. **Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2025. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early.** All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please visit the **Archdiocese Website at [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)** to register for reserved seating or call the Parish Office.

Those who are unable to attend the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream **Mass <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>**. The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m.



**OUR SICK:**

Fahimehbananao Rezaie, Ron McGarry; Erwin Wagner, Anne Dyer, Jocelyn San Juan, Amy McCordy, Roberto Ressa, Tonya Nedelkovski, Evelyn Santiago, Edgardo Ramos, Dina Sorbera, Joan Fitzgibbon, Virginia Johnson, Derek John Taylor, Oliver Malinowski, Derek Rosario, Maria Theresa, 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 Achai-bar, Cheryl 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, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Holly Macinnis, Ursula Solomon, Jennifer Solomon, Randeer Kumar Hulooman, Norma Dulnuan, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filipchuk, 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, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Ecclelton, Kathleen Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, 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, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignun, Ahilla Kissoon.

**REMINDER TO CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**



Confirmation Candidates who have registered with the Parish for the Sacrament of Confirmation are reminded that the Enrollment Ceremony where you receive the cross will take place next weekend of **January 11th and 12th 2025 at any one of the five (5) Masses.**

*Please remember to bring you dove with you.*

**Catechesis Sessions:**

SATURDAY JANUARY 18, 2025— 10:00 AM TO 12 NOON

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8, 2025 — 10:00 AM TO 12 NOON

SATURDAY MARCH 1, 2025 — 10:00 AM TO 12 NOON

SATURDAY MARCH 29, 2025 – 10:00AM TO 12:00 NOON

SATURDAY MAY 10, 2025 — 10:00 AM TO 12 NOON

THESE SESSIONS ARE FOR CANDIDATES ONLY AND WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE CHURCH HALL

**MANDATORY CONFIRMATION RETREAT**

**FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2025 – 9AM TO 3:30PM**

RETREAT IS FOR CANDIDATES ONLY AND WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE CHURCH HALL

**RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH 2025 @ 11AM**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**



**CHILDREN'S  
LITURGY**

Our next Children's Liturgy of the Word Program will be on **Sunday, January 19th & 26th 2025 at the 10:30am Mass.**

All children 4 to 7 years of age are welcome.

**Catholic Women's League of St. Boniface Parish (CWL)**

**GENERAL MEETING**

The Catholic Woman's League will have their General Meeting on Sunday, January 19, 2025 at the Church Hall after the 12 noon mass. There will be a Service and Maple Leaf Award presented to our members during the general meeting for their years of service and dedication to the League.



All women of the parish are invited to please join us.

**Membership:**

Please pick up a registration form at the front entrance. Drop off your completed form with \$40 fee at the church office or put it in an envelope and place it in the collection basket. Thank you!



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