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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.

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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 #

CITY POSTAL CODE

TELEPHONE#

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 26, 2025
3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CYCLE C (LUKE)

New Day Dawns: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings:

Nehemiah 8:2–6, 10
Psalms 19:8–10, 15
1 Corinthians 12:12–30
Luke 1:1–4, 4:14–21

The meaning of today's liturgy is subtle and many-layered. We need background to understand what's happening in today's First Reading. Babylon having been defeated, King Cyrus of Persia decreed that the exiled Jews could return home to Jerusalem. They rebuilt their ruined temple (see [Ezra 6:15–17](#)) and under Nehemiah finished rebuilding the city walls (see [Nehemiah 6:15](#)). The stage was set for the renewal of the covenant and the re-establishment of the Law of Moses as the people's rule of life. That's what's going on in today's First Reading, as Ezra reads and interprets (see [Nehemiah 8:8](#)) the Law and the people respond with a great "Amen!" Israel, as we sing in today's Psalm, is rededicating itself to God and His Law. The scene seems like the Isaiah prophecy that Jesus reads from in today's Gospel. Read all of [Isaiah 61](#). The "glad tidings" Isaiah brings include these promises: the liberation of prisoners ([61:1](#)); the rebuilding of Jerusalem, or Zion ([61:3–4](#); see also [Isaiah 60:10](#)); the restoration of Israel as a kingdom of priests ([61:6](#); [Exodus 19:6](#)); and the forging of an everlasting covenant ([61:8](#); [Isaiah 55:3](#)). It sounds a lot like the First Reading. Jesus, in turn, declares that Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in Him. The Gospel scene, too, recalls the First Reading. Like Ezra, Jesus stands before the people, is handed a scroll, unrolls it, then reads and interprets it (compare [Luke 4:16–17, 21](#) and [Nehemiah 8:2–6, 8–10](#)). We witness in today's Liturgy the creation of a new people of God. Ezra started reading at dawn of the first day of the Jewish new year (see [Leviticus 23:24](#)). Jesus also proclaims a "sabbath," a great year of Jubilee, a deliverance from slavery to sin, a release from the debts we owe to God (see [Leviticus 25:10](#)). The people greeted Ezra "as one man." And, as today's Epistle teaches, in the Spirit the new people of God—the Church—is made "one body" with Him.



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

Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

JANUARY 25TH TO FEBRUARY 1ST

Sat	Jan 25th	5:00pm - Rasheeda De Franca †
Sun	Jan 26th	7:30am - People of the Parish
		9:00am - Mr. and Mrs. Felix's family and deceased members
		10:30am - Celest & Philomena Teixeira †
		12:00pm - Thanksgiving for Roger and Estela Pett
Mon	Jan 27th	8:30am - Thanksgiving for Sharon Tung
Tue	Jan 28th	8:30am - Crofton Martyn †
Wed	Jan 29th	7:30pm - Thambipillai Yogamani †
Thurs	Jan 30th	8:30am - Charles Liberty †
Fri	Jan 31st	7:30pm - Danilo Bautista †
Sat	Feb 1st	8:30am - Teofilo Labo; Juliet Labo, Anna Labo; and Danilo Bautista †

MASS CHANGES AT ST. BONIFACE PARISH
DUE TO ZONE JUBILEE MASSES

Due to the following Zone Masses in the Eastern Region, please see change of Mass time or cancellation below.

Celebrations in the Eastern Region:

- **Wednesday, January 29, 2025**
St. Gregory the Great Parish, Oshawa
(Bishop Nguyen to preside);
Mass at St. Boniface to be celebrated in the morning at 8:30am on Wednesday, January 29th instead of 7:30pm
- **Wednesday, February 19, 2025**
St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough
(Cardinal Leo to preside)
Mass at St. Boniface Parish cancelled on Wednesday, February 19th.



You are all welcome to attend these Jubilee Masses.

**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** 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:

Romeo Florentino, Fahimehbanao 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 Eccleston, 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 Dignum, Ahilla Kissoon.



JUBILEE OF YOUTH 2025

Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39), to join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a life time! We will be embarking on a pilgrimage to Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi and Rome from July 23rd to August 5th, 2025. Please contact **youth@archtoronto.org** to receive the pilgrim information package and detailed itinerary.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to our Events and Program Coordinator, Amanda Pereira at: **avperiera@archtoronto.org**



Archdiocese of Toronto

Celebrate the Year of Jubilee and Elevation of Cardinal Leo

Regional Eucharistic Celebrations with Cardinal Leo & Auxiliary Bishops

All are welcome to attend Regional Masses that will be held throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto in the coming days.

There will be two groups of Masses – one Mass in each of the four regions of the archdiocese will launch the Jubilee Year and also provide an opportunity to give thanks for the elevation of Frank Cardinal Leo to the College of Cardinals. At these Eucharistic celebrations, Cardinal Leo will preside. Other celebrations will take place at the remaining pilgrim churches in each of the four regions of the archdiocese to launch the Jubilee Year. At these Eucharistic celebrations, the Auxiliary Bishop with pastoral responsibility for the region will preside.

Please note, for those interested in obtaining a Jubilee indulgence, requirements include receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, attending Mass and offering prayers for the intention of the Holy Father. Confessions will be offered at least one hour prior to all celebrations noted below – all Masses will begin at 7:00 p.m.

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