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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.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** 

ST. NICHOLAS - 416-393-5308

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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. MRS. MISS MS. MS.	NAME(S) AND DATE(S) OF BIRTH OF CHILD/CHILDREN:				
	NAME(S) DD/MM/YEAR				
Last Name					
First Name(s)					
Street# and Name/Apartment# or Unit #	Are You New To The Parish? Would you like envelopes? Yes I No I Yes I No I				
CITY POSTAL CODE	- Would You Like To Be Contacted About Parish Involvement? Yes □ No □				
TELEPHONE#	ONCE REGISTERED, ENVELOPES WILL BE AVAILABLE BY ENTRANCE OF CHURCH.				

**PARISH SCHOOLS** 

ST. BONIFACE - 416-393-5277

# 20 Markanna Drive, M1M 2J1

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## FEBRUARY 16, 2025 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CYCLE C (LUKE)

## <u>Rich in Poverty: Scott Hahn Reflects on the</u> <u>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>

Readings: Jeremiah 17:5–8 Psalm 1:1–4, 6 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16–20 Luke 6:17, 20–26

The blessings and woes we hear in today's Gospel mark the perfection of all the wisdom of the Old Testament. That wisdom is summed up with marvelous symmetry in today's



First Reading and Psalm: Each declares that the righteous—those who hope in the Lord and delight in His Law—will prosper like a tree planted near living waters. The wicked, who put their "trust in human beings," are cursed to wither and die. Jesus is saying the same thing in the Gospel. The rich and poor are, for Him, more than members of literal economic classes. Their material state symbolizes their spiritual state. The rich are "the insolent" of today's Psalm, boasting of their self-sufficiency, the strength of their flesh, as Jeremiah says in the First Reading. The poor are the humble, who put all their hope and trust in the Lord. We've already seen today's dramatic imagery of reversal in Mary's Magnificat. There, too, the rich are cast down while the hungry are filled and the lowly exalted (see Luke 1:45–55, also 16:19–31). That's the upside-down world of the Gospel: in poverty, we gain spiritual treasure unimaginable; in suffering and even dying 'on account of the Son of Man," we find everlasting life. The promises of the Old Testament were promises of power and prosperity—in the here and now. The promise of the New Covenant is joy and true freedom even amid the misery and toil of this life. But not only that. As Paul says in today's Epistle, we're to be pitied if our hope is "for this life onlv." The blessings of God mean that we'll laugh with the thanksgiving of captives released from exile (see <u>Psalm 126:1–2</u>), feast at the heavenly table of the Lord (see <u>Psalm 107:3–9</u>), "leap for joy" as John the Baptist leapt in his mother's womb (see <u>Luke</u> 6:23; 1:41, 44), and rise with Christ, "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep."

Mass Intentions

## FEBRUARY 15th TO FEBRUARY 22nd

Sat	Feb	15th	5:00pm -	<ul> <li>Bonggoy, Bernan, Purit and Nena Birondo +</li> </ul>
Sun	Feb	16th	7:30am -	People of the Parish
			9:00am -	Liberato Ymbong Jr. +
			10:30am -	Benigno Alfaro +
			12:00pm -	Dipali Ghosh
Mon	Feb	17th	8:30am -	Mr. and Mrs. Felix's Family and deceased members
Tue	Feb	18th	8:30am -	Filomena Rodrigues †
Wed	Feb	19th	7:30pm -	Mass Cancelled — Jubilee Mass at St. Barnabas
Thu	Feb	20th	8:30am -	Chennamatton family +
Fri	Feb	21st	7:30pm -	Sebastian Moll +
Sat	Feb	22nd	8:30am -	Thanksgiving for Isaiah & Reynaldo Garcia; Sally Dabrowski †; Mary Ann Lauzon and Joseph Arthur Lauzon †; Nicholas Crimi †; and Paterno Santos †

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025 Catholic Women's League of St. Boniface Parish (CWL)

The St. Boniface Parish Catholic Women's League is hosting this year's World Day of Prayer service. This service will take place on Saturday March 8 at 1pm at St .Boniface Parish.



The country we are praying for this year is the Cook Islands.

The service is open to all parishioners. Please join us for the service and for refreshments after in the church hall. Thank you!

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Tax Receipts

Dear Parishioners, Thank you for your kind support

throughout the year for SSVP. Tax receipts for 2024 have been mailed to anyone who provided their name and address and donated \$20 or more. **Please contact: stboniface@ssvptoronto.ca** 



### MARCH 15, 2025 REFLECTION ON THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF JESUS ON THE CROSS **Parish Lenten Seminar** The Knights of Columbus Maharlika Council 7488 will be Join us for a seminar led by Father Alex holding a Parish Lenten Reflection on March 15, 2025 and the lectors' ministry from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon at St. Boniface Parish. Theme: "The Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Why Do We Need to Pray? Cross". ...Are They Answered? To prepare our hearts and minds to commemorate the death and resurrection of our Saviour at Easter. For more information, contact Schubert Restituto at bertieres@gmail.com/ or at (416)821-6584, or Eden Mercado at (mercado eden@yahoo.com/(416)264-7167. Schedule: 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass 9:15 a.m. Reflections I When: March 29, 2025 10:45a.m. Reflections II Where: St. Boniface Parish 11: 30a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Time: 2:00 p.m. Confessions are available on request only during the recollection. Supported by Knights of Columbus Maharlika 7488 Light refreshments will be served at the hall. **OUR SICK:** ASH WEDNESDAY MASS Romeo Florentino, Fahimehbanaoo Rezaie, Ron McGarry; Erwin Wagner, Anne Dyer, Jocelyn San Juan, Amy McCordy, AND SERVICE SCHEDULE Wednesday Roberto Ressa, Tonya Nedelkovski, Eve-lyn Santiago, Edgardo Ramos, Dina Sorb-era, Joan Fitzgibbon, Virginia Johnson, MARCH 5, 2025 Derek John Taylor, Oliver Malinowski, Derek Rosario, 8:30am—Parish Mass with distribution of ashes Maria Theresa, Linda Morgan, Sally Benadetto, Maver-ick Valle, Richard Stockman, Don O'Shaughnessy, Ala-St. Boniface Church na Maurica Gerardine, Bette McDermott, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick 10:00am— St. Boniface School Liturgy of the Word Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Cheryl Gar-isto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny with distribution of ashes Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Anna To-masi, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Estela 12:45pm— St. Nicholas School Liturgy of the Word with distribution of ashes Pett, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Em-manuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Holly Macinnis, Ursula Solomon, Jennifer Solomon, Randeer Kumar Hu-2:15pm— St. Agatha School Liturgy of the Word looman, Norma Dulnuan, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filip-chuk, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth with distribution of ashes 7:30pm—Parish Mass with distribution of ashes Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardur-ini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Ecclejton, Kathleen St. Boniface Church **FASTING AND ABSTINENCE** Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Geno-

va, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin,

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 Scho-

ber, Marie Dignum, Ahilla Kissoon.

Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Antonio The purpose of Lent is the preparation of the believer for Easter through prayer, doing penance, mortifying the flesh, repentance of sins, almsgiving, and self-denial. Persons 18 years or older abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent.

Every person between the **age** of 18 and 59 (beginning of 60th year) fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. (Persons with medical conditions are exempted).



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