

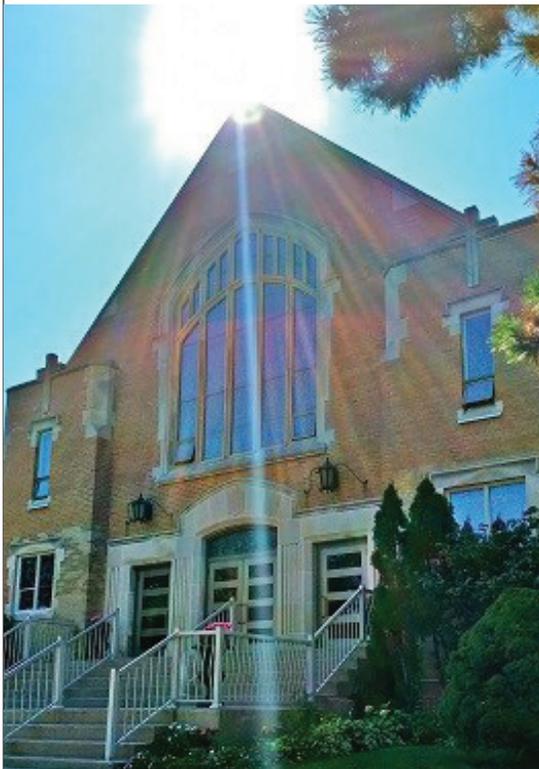
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SUNDAY MASSES

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: 7:00pm

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

First Friday: 8:00pm

ADORATION AND DIVINE MERCY

Every Friday at 6:15pm

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.



FEBRUARY 22ND, 2026

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

CYCLE A (MATTHEW)

LENTEN REFLECTION

BY FR. ALEX OSEI, CSSP.

Despite all that can blur our perception of Forty Holy Days, Lent remains the unparalleled time of the liturgical year. Lent has maintained its powerful orientation and strong emphases received through various channels from centuries-old ecclesial traditions. Lent is a penitential preparation for the solemnity of Easter. It is an interior conversion and acts done in view of sacramental reconciliation as a preliminary to participate in paschal celebration. The beginning is in ashes; the end is the paschal fire. The discipline of Lent is not an end but a time of preparation of oneself to enter as fully as possible, in mind and heart, into the Paschal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus and of our own in union with him. This is why the Liturgy of Lent refers to the period before us as "this Joyful Season." This joy has its source not here and now but is anticipatory. For this reason, while the Liturgy constantly places before us the necessity of a change of heart, of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, it also constantly turns our attention to Baptism. Our Baptism is our first definitive sacramental entering into the Paschal Mystery. Vatican II says: The Lenten Season has a two – fold Character: (1) it recalls Baptism or prepares for it, (2) it stresses a penitential spirit. By these means, Lent readies the faithful for celebrating the Paschal Mystery after a period of closer attention to the Word of God and more ardent prayer. In the Liturgy itself and in Liturgy – centered instructions, these baptismal and penitential themes should be more pronounced. Lent is the only liturgical time that begins on a weekday, with a solemn celebration marked by practices: fasting and ashes. The liturgies of the three following days – Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, prolong the liturgy of Ash Wednesday. The biblical texts read at the Masses stress the spirit in which we must begin Lent and practice its works, the meaning and goals of this liturgical time, the call to follow Christ, who revealed by his actions the mercy of God to which we must turn in a movement of genuine conversion. The threshold of Lent is cross on Ash Wednesday. The following days constitute a 'porch/deck' leading to the entrance/ door that will be open on the following Sunday. This is the threshold we must cross step by step in prayer and reflection. This is the time we must throw away what could unnecessarily weigh us down as we walk. The First Sunday focuses on Jesus' fast and temptation in the desert, and the Second Sunday on the transfiguration. From the third to the Fifth Sunday, the paths are different. In Year A, we read three important passages from John's Gospel: The Samaritan woman (John 4.5-42- third Sunday) the cure of the man born blind (John 9:1-41 – Fourth Sunday), and the raising of Lazarus (John 11: 1-45 – Fifth Sunday). May the Lord give us strength to finish the race and celebrate the Easter with Joy.



FEBRUARY 21ST TO FEBRUARY 28TH 2026

Sat Feb 21st	5:00pm - Sebastian Moll †
Sun Feb 22nd	7:30am - Birthday Blessings for Kevwe Anigboro 9:00am - Percilia Claire 10:30am - Mrs. Blanche Jeanne Solomon-Copland † 12:00pm - People of the Parish
Mon Feb 23rd	8:30am - Birthday Thanksgiving for Isaiah Labo and for the soul of Reynaldo Garcia
Tue Feb 24th	8:30am - Thanksgiving for Marjorie Lugos
Wed Feb 25th	7:30pm - Fe Garcia and Marie Elizabeth Dignum †
Thu Feb 26th	8:30am - Constancio Masim Alinast
Fri Feb 27th	7:30pm - Beatriz Medina †
Sat Feb 28th	8:30am - Birthday blessing for Sandra Saniel; Honorio Guerra Alvarez Sr. †, and Fe Garcia †



OUR SICK:

Frank Franco, Normelito Ramirez, Fausto Tomasi, Marybel Irwin, Margaret Horvath, Daniel D'Alimonte, Magdalene Trotman, Holly Macinnis, Inacia Rodrigues, Carol Morra, Edna Zetazate, Tonya Medelkowski, Ray Acayan, Romeo Florentino, Anne Dyer, Joan Fitzgibbon, Virginia Johnson, Derek John Taylor, Oliver Malinowski, Anunciacion Chang, 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, Fredrick Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Cheryl Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, Mary Foulkes, Jean Griffin Davis, Shirley Eccleton, Ursula Solomon, Kathleen Copeland, Giacomina Genova, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Stephanie Solomon, Ofelia Magat.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION REMINDERS

First Holy Communion Prep. Sessions:
Saturday February 28, 10am to 11am, Parish Hall

LENTEN UPDATES

Following a recent meeting of our Liturgical Committee, please note the following for the Lenten season:

Ash Wednesday Collection (February 18):

A collection will be taken at both Masses. Building fund envelopes are available at the church entrances and in the wall pockets.

Thank you for your generosity.

Adoration on Fridays:

There will be no Adoration after Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent.

Good Friday – The Liturgy of the Passion:

Our church will be open at 10am on Good Friday for **Stations of the Cross.**



The morning Stations of the Cross offers a sacred time for quiet reflection and personal prayer, allowing each of us to meditate on Christ's suffering, His unwavering love, and His ultimate sacrifice. It is a chance to enter more deeply into the mystery of His Passion, to accompany Him spiritually along the way of the Cross, and to prepare our hearts for the solemn liturgy of the passion.

Veneration of the Cross (Good Friday):

Veneration will take place after Communion. Ushers will guide parishioners pew by pew, as is done for Communion.



Pancake Sunday—THANK YOU

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined us for Pancakes after all Masses last weekend!



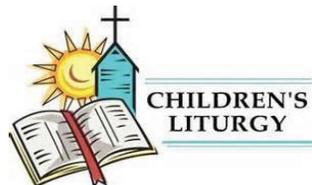
It was such a joy to gather as a parish family, share conversation, and enjoy time together.

With over 500 pancakes made and served, the Hall was filled with warmth, laughter, and fellowship. Your presence truly made it special!

THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Children's Liturgy of the Word Program runs on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sunday of each month at the **10:30am Mass.**

All children 4 to 7 years of age are welcome.



LENTEN RECOLLECTION: THE DIVINITY AND HUMANITY OF JESUS CHRIST ON THE CROSS

On Saturday March 21, from 8:30am to 12pm Noon, the Knights of Columbus—Maharlika Council will be holding a Lenten recollection on the Divinity and Humanity of Jesus Christ on the Cross.

8:30am Holy Mass

9:15am Assembly at the church hall

Registration/Light refreshment/coffee

10:30am Recollection Starts:

What is In the Cross For Us

The Divinity of Christ on the Cross

Break

11:15am The Humanity of Christ on the Cross

11:45am Wrap Up: Into Your Hands I

Commend my Spirit

Open to all. Donations are welcome.

All Proceeds Go To the Church Building Fund

ST. BONIFACE PARISH DAY OF CONFESSION FOR LENT

Confessions at St. Boniface Parish is on Thursday March 26th at 7:00pm
There will be a number of
Priests available



SVDP—BUNDLE UP

Save the date: March 21st & 22nd



Bundle up Weekend

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Join Fr. Alex on a faith-filled pilgrimage to the Holy Land, walking in the footsteps of Jesus and deepening our spiritual journey through prayer, scripture, and sacred places.
November 8—16, 2026
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Interested?



ORIENTATION MEETING

We warmly invite you to join us for an orientation meeting for our Holy Land pilgrimage. A representative from Internation Heritage Tour Agency will be with us to share meaningful details and insights about this spiritual journey.

All who are interested are welcome to attend this **Sunday February 22nd at 1pm (after the 12pm Mass) in the Parish Hall.**



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