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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 4:30 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.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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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.

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 #

CITY

POSTAL CODE

TELEPHONE#

EMAIL ADDRESS

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.**

MAY 17TH, 2026 ASCENSION OF THE LORD CYCLE A



Sunday Mass Readings

First Reading: Acts 1.1-11
 Psalm: Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
 Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23
 Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

The Good News: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Ascension of the Lord

In today's First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke gives the surprising news that there is more of the story to be told. The story did not end with the empty tomb, or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus' saving work will have a liturgical consummation. He is the great high priest, and He has still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies. The truth of this feast shines forth from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf (see [Hebrews 4:14-15](#)). Indeed, His intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise in the First Reading for the feast of the Ascension: "in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit" ([Acts 1:5](#)). The Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward to Pentecost. On that day, salvation will be complete; for salvation is not simply expiation for sins (that would be wonder enough), but it is something even greater than that. Expiation is itself a necessary precondition of our adoption as God's children. To live that divine life we must receive the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit we must be purified through Baptism. The Responsorial Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord" (Psalm 47). The priest-king takes his place at the head of the people, ruling over the nations, establishing peace. The Epistle strikes a distinctively Paschal note. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called "illumination" or "enlightenment" because of the light that came with God's saving grace (see, for example, [Hebrews 10:32](#)). Saint Paul, in his Letter to the Ephesians, speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still, as Ascension leads to Pentecost:

"May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," he writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with Him at the Father's right hand. This is the "good news" the Apostles are commissioned to spread—to the whole world, to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem—at the Ascension. It's the good news we must spread today.



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

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Please note, the parish office will be closed Monday May 18th for Victoria Day.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



MAY 16TH 2026 TO MAY 23RD 2026

- Sat May 16th 5:00pm - Benjamin, Cecelia and Jeffrey Lugos †
- Sun May 17th 7:30am - Elvira Rodgers †
 9:00am - People of the Parish
 10:30am - Harold Hunt †
 12:00pm - Intention for the unborn
- Mon May 18th 8:30am - Visitacion Caro Claudio †
- Tue May 19th 8:30am - Thanksgiving to St. Vincent Ferrer
- Wed May 20th 7:30pm - Thanksgiving for Marilou Sansait
- Thu May 21st 8:30am - Special Intention for Philip Gabriel; Christiana Labo and Zorina Cefalco
- Fri May 22nd 7:30pm - Thanksgiving for Gabriel Andreas
- Sat May 23rd 8:30am - Jose Mabugat +; Thanksgiving for Mr. and Mrs. Rafael Guzman

For our brothers and sisters who have died, especially those remembered in this week's Mass intentions:

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

OUR SICK:



Maria Simbajon, Patricia Guerrieri, Fiore Tomasi, Marites Andrion, Nida Carandang, Rodante Imperial, James Patrick Stephens, Rosemarie Atkinson, Andre Hastings, Rodrigo Garcia, 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 Parramby 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, 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.

HORIZONS OF HOPE

The *Horizons of Hope* sessions will start Saturday May 23, 2026, at 10am – 12 pm in St. Boniface church hall. All are welcome.

To register please call or text; Emmylou Menoza-Wong at 416-835-6215
Angela Golka at 416-938-2229

Horizons of Hope is a faith-based initiative to educate parishioners, caregivers, and families on palliative and end-of-life care from a Catholic faith perspective. It consists of a 4-part workshop series.

CONFIRMATION

We are joyfully pleased to announce that 60 young people from our parish recently received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Surrounded by family, sponsors, and our parish community, they were sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and strengthened in their faith as full members of the Church.

Let us keep them in our prayers as they continue to grow in faith, hope, and love, and as they take the next steps in their journey as disciples of Christ



PARISH FEASTDAY PICNIC

SAVE THE DATE - SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2026

Our St. Boniface Parish feast picnic will be held on Sunday, June 7th after the 12 noon Mass.

Tickets are available at the back of the church. Cost is \$5.00 each.

If you are able to donate finger foods or desserts, please call the Parish Office 416-261-5983 or email .



UPCOMING SOLEMNITIES OF THE CHURCH

Sunday May 17 — Ascension of the Lord

Sunday May 24 — Pentecost

Sunday May 31 — Most Holy Trinity

Sunday June 7 — Corpus Christi



SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH – EDGE CAMP 2026

We are sending a few teens from our parish to Edge Camp 2026 this August—a 5-day Catholic overnight camp through the Archdiocese of Toronto focused on prayer, sacraments, friendship, and a personal encounter with Christ.

In the coming weeks, there will be opportunities for parish support and simple fundraising efforts to help make this experience possible for our young people.

Please keep this intention in your prayers as we look for ways to invest in the faith of the next generation.

SPIRITANS COLLECTION

May 23rd & 24th

Pentecost is the Feast of the Spiritans.

To help continue their mission and to help train more Spiritan Priests, a second collection will be taken up the weekend of May 23rd and 24th.

Envelopes for this collection can be found on the wall pockets and at the back of the church.

Thank you for your support and generosity.



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MUSICAL CONCERT & DINNER

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\$25**

**Performance by the Scarborough
Village Choir**

**SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2026
6:00 PM**

Venue: St Boniface Parish Hall
142 Markham Road, Scarborough

Dinner includes entree, beverages and dessert

Ticket Reservations:

*Tina - homebase_40@yahoo.ca
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