



Saint  
**Boniface**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish  
Weekly

March 10th, 2019

**Reconciliation**

Sundays  
10:15 - 10:45 AM

**Sunday Mass**

8:30 & 11 AM

**Office Hours**

9 AM - 2 PM  
Monday - Thursday

**March 10th ~ First Sunday of Lent** (Fr. Adam)

8:30 AM ~ People of the Parish

11 AM ~ Andrew DeGrella +

**March 17th ~ Second Sunday of Lent** (Fr. Adam)

8:30 AM ~ Ella Schnurr +

11 AM ~ People of the Parish

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**Welcome to Saint Boniface!**

Everyone is invited to be a member of the parish by registering as either a member or associate member. Cards are available at the doors of the church.

**Change of Address?** Please notify Patty in the Parish Office of any changes to your family records.

**Stewardship**, lifetime of opportunity, responsibility, and accountability.

**Have you remembered** Saint Boniface in your will?

Saint Boniface is a Roman Catholic Church in the heart of downtown Louisville and has been ministering to the local community *since 1836*. We are a community formed by the Word of God, the Sacraments and the Tradition of the Catholic Church. We strive to be a catalyst for positive change in our neighborhood. We put the faith we have received into action through a variety of social outreach programs, namely: Saint John's Day Center for Homeless Men, Central Louisville Community Ministries (CLCM), and by assisting Nativity Academy in their mission to educate at-risk youth. In these efforts we strive to be a refuge for those in need, and offer hope to our surrounding community.

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***"Moses spoke to the people, saying:  
'The priest shall receive the basket from you  
and shall set it in front of the altar of the LORD, your God.  
Then you shall declare before the Lord, your God...  
'Therefore, I have now brought you the firstfruits  
of the products of the soil  
which you, O LORD, have given me.'  
And having set them before the Lord, your God,  
you shall bow down in his presence.'"***

Lent has begun: ashes on our foreheads, purple vestments, fasting, abstaining from meat on Fridays, giving something up, adding some prayer or reading, preparing for the Easter sacraments, going to confession, and not singing alleluia! These are the familiar marks of this season, but they are not the journey. Our journey through Lent should be more personal and profound. How do we encounter God, grow deeper in our relationship with Jesus, trust more fully in the work of the Holy Spirit? Where will this journey of Lent take us? And where do we start?

The trick is that it doesn't really start with us. It starts with God. Perhaps it is to remote for us to think about regularly, but our universe was created by the overflowing love of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Each of us were formed in our mother's wombs by that same love. Everyday, we are held in existence by that same love. That love brought a people out of slavery, formed covenant after covenant with them, brought them back from exile, and prepared them for the birth of a messiah. It is by that love that Jesus was born, called disciples, taught in synagogues, healed the sick, ate with sinners, suffered, died, and was buried. Love even conquered death, brought belief to a doubting Thomas, and gave us all the gift of the Holy Spirit. God has worked and continues to work in history, even as it unfolds each day, this day. His love is poured out for us. That is where it starts.

So, it starts with God. Okay, but how do we respond? Let's not move too fast. It starts with God. Dwell there for a bit. Look for his action today. Seek his presence in those whom we encounter and in our own hearts. Take some time to be mindful of God's presence and action. Reflect more on his love for you and me and everybody. Think about his goodness, beauty, truth, mercy, and love. Become more aware of the still small voice and the gift of silence. Recognize the many gifts we have received and the great gift of our own lives. See the love that is all around. It starts with God.

Okay, okay. Now what?

Gratitude!

Gratefulness seeps into us through a mindful reflection on God's love. It is our first response. Thank you, God! It is more than an attitude or a feeling, though. More than words on a page or coming from our mouths. Our gratitude is giving ourselves to the one who has given himself to us. It is love for love, life for life. It is not esoteric or theoretical, but tangible and real. We give our firstfruits, the very best we have to give, to the one who has given us everything: every moment, every ability, every relationship, every opportunity. That gift to God of ourselves is gratitude. That is worship. "It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God." Thanks be to God. Start there.

Fr. Jeff

## Servers for this Week

8:30 a.m. Mass

Server: Ed Hilbert

Lector: Fred Williams

Gift Bearers:

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Ellen Hilbert, Maggie Spink, Kaelin Grimes

Hospitality Ministers: Carol Cook, Kim McCoy

11:00 a.m. Mass

Server:

Lector: Jean Skaggs

Gift Bearers: Nick and Judy Perri

Eucharistic Ministers: Carlotta Ingram, Charlotte Barton, Jean Skaggs

Hospitality Ministers: Susan Foley

*If you are interesting in serving  
please contact Charles Gazaway at  
502.553.0317 or  
cgazaway@outlook.com*



## Prayer Requests

Precious Adams

Bob Camfield

Scott McCoy

Al Pepper

The Family of Ronald Wick

*If you would like to add someone to the  
prayer list, please call the church office at  
584.4279.*



**Save the Date....**The 2019 Nativity Auction "Celebrating Our 15 Year Anniversary" will be held on Friday, March 22nd at Mellwood Arts and Entertainment Center. Here are some of the ways you can help make this event a success!

- Join us for an evening celebrating with Friends "Nativity's 15th Anniversary"
- Purchase a \$50.00 raffle ticket for a chance to win \$10,000
- Make a cash donation or donate a Gift Card for our Silent Auction.

You can also go online and view our live auction items, purchase an admission tickets, or take a chance on our wheel items. Visit [www.nativitylouisville.org/auction-items/](http://www.nativitylouisville.org/auction-items/) or contact Jeri Johnson 502.855.3315 or [jjohnson@nativityacademy.org](mailto:jjohnson@nativityacademy.org) for more information.

**The Office or Worship...** is offering formation sessions for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on March 18th and 25th from 7—9 pm at St. Albert the Great, 1395 Girard Dr. Communion Minister Formation is a four hour program for those preparing to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, as well as those who are presently serving in this role but have not attended this program in the past. The sessions include the Theology of the Eucharist, Liturgical Ministry and the practical aspects of the role of Communion Minister. The program fulfills the training portion of the canonical mandate (5 year) required for this ministry. To register email: [worship@archlou.org](mailto:worship@archlou.org) or call 502.636.0296 ext. 1260.

**Parenting Pointers...** The Spring Equinox will be Wednesday, March 20 when we have nearly equal light and dark. Why should you care? It determines the date of Easter. Easter is always the first Sunday after the full moon following the Spring Equinox. That's why it changes every year. Explain this to your child and you'll probably sound pretty smart.

**Marriage Moments...** It's Lent—a time to take stock of our lives both spiritually and physically. Many people give up bad habits or even harmless pleasure to join with Jesus' suffering on the cross. What you choose to do (or not do) is unique to you, but consider one Lenten action that you both do. You can be a support to each other.

**Mark Your Calendar...**Catholic Men's Conference "Allowing Jesus to Find Me" will be held on Saturday, April 6th at St. Michael Church, 3705 Stone Lakes Dr., Louisville. Check-in and breakfast from 6—8 am. Conference from 8:15 am—1 pm. Keynote speaker is Steve Angrisano and Most Reverend Joseph E. Kurtz, D.D. Pre-register prices are Adults \$30, and students \$15. Register online at [www.archlou.org/mensconference/](http://www.archlou.org/mensconference/)

**Black and Indian Mission Collection...**TODAY, we will take up the annual Black and Indian Mission Collection.



This Collection exists to help diocesan communities build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaskan Native people of God. Your donations help fund parish-based catechetical programs, support teacher and catechist professional development, encourage vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and create diocesan structures in these diverse cultural communities. Please be generous.

**Conversations with Archbishop Kurtz...**For the March episode of Conversations with Archbishop Kurtz, Chancellor Dr. Brian Reynolds and Archbishop Kurtz discuss Pope Francis' Lenten message and a new video series, *Works of the People: The Catholic Mass*, produced by the Archdiocese to promote full, conscious, and active participation in the Mass. Archbishop also welcomes guest Father Wayne Jenkins to talk about the role of the pastor and how it has changed over the years.

**Assumption High School's...** Junior Class Beta Club members will be hosting the 17th annual "Senior Prom: That's Amoré" for senior citizens on Saturday, March 23rd from 2:00—4:00 pm in the Assumption Gym. The Prime Time Band with Horn will play music enjoyed by the seniors. There will be food and dancing at no cost. Please call in advance to reserve your place: Terry Langley or Erica Lasley, Assumption High School, 502.271.2531.



**P.A.L. Parents of Addicted Loved Ones...**is a support

group of parents helping parents. We will meet every week to offer addiction education and support, at no charge, for parents who are trying to save a son or daughter

from addiction. We will begin on Sunday, March 10th at 6:00 pm at St. Raphael the Archangel Church, 2900 Bardstown Rd. We will meet in the Raphael Room. For more information please contact Michelle: [nmEEKS13@bellsouth.net](mailto:nmEEKS13@bellsouth.net) of Mary at 502.609.0923.

**St. John Center Collection....**will be on the First Sunday of the month, which is next weekend. They are in need of ground coffee, coffee creamer, sugar, artificial sweetener, coffee stirrers, 55 gallon drumliners, Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towels, rain ponchos, disposable razors, bathroom deodorizer spray, q-tips, copy paper, stamps, gift cards (Kroger, Walmart, Target, etc)

## Next week's readings....

1st Reading—Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

2nd Reading—

Philippians 3:17—4:1

Gospel Reading—Luke 9:28b-36

## March 3rd, 2019 Collection Report

\$4,230.00	Weekly Budget
\$4,653.00	Stewardship
+\$423.00	Over for the week

*Regular use of your offertory envelopes assures that you are kept as an active member of the parish.*

## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Always on the First Sunday of Lent we hear Jesus being tempted by the devil during the forty days he spent in the desert. We too are beginning a forty-day period during which we are challenged to repent and reorient ourselves toward God. We face temptations every day that distract us from following the Lord or lead us away from God. May our gathering together to celebrate the Eucharist inspire us and nourish us in the weeks ahead.

### Today's Focus:

#### Choosing to Remember and Not Forget

How much we want all of life to be easy and pain-free! Yet our experience of life teaches otherwise, and our faith shows us how the pain of the past can lead us to hopeful futures.



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**HOLY SPIRIT...**

WAS LED BY THE SPIRIT  
**INTO THE WILDERNESS,**

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**HE WAS TEMPTED**  
BY THE DEVIL.

**LUKE 4:1-2, NIV**

## Reflection on the Gospel

Human beings are faced with temptations that concern our well-being (bread), our own power and glory (kingdoms of the world), or the limits of God's power (throwing oneself off the parapet of the temple). Jesus overcame each of these temptations with the power and knowledge of Scripture, and secure in his relationship with God as his son. If we, like Jesus, can be assured of our relationship with God as his son. If we, like Jesus, can be assured of our relationship with God, secure in our filial relationship with the divine, we can overcome temptation as well.

*"Therefore, I have no brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given me." Deuteronomy 26:10*

## Consider/Discuss

*When has recalling a painful memory freed you to find hope and healing?*