

Saint
Boniface
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish
Weekly

March 3rd, 2019

Reconciliation

Sundays
10:15 - 10:45 AM

Sunday Mass

8:30 & 11 AM

Office Hours

9 AM - 2 PM
Monday - Thursday

March 3rd ~ The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Fr. Adam)

8:30 AM ~ People of the Parish 11 AM ~ Ann Trott +

March 6th ~ Ash Wednesday ~ Noon ~ Marietta DeGrella Bowman +

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

8:30 AM ~ People of the Parish 11 AM ~ Andrew DeGrella +

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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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***"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.
For every tree is known by its own fruit.
For people do not pick figs from thornbushes,
nor do they gather grapes from brambles.
A good person out of the store of goodness in
his heart produces good, but an evil person
out of a store of evil produces evil; for from
the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."***

It's easy to get caught up in appearances or externals. We certainly do so in relation to the clothes we wear, the cars we drive, the homes we live in and the companies we work for. We often get caught up in the symbols of our success, our salaries and bank accounts, the schools we have graduated from or sent our kids to, our favorite restaurants or where we go for vacations. We can sometimes do so in relation to matters of the heart and our behaviors: the quality of our families, the care we provide children or parents, the marriage anniversaries we celebrate, our long lasting friendships or our progeny. We can even do so with our spirituality, the prayers we pray, the service we render, our commitments and faithfulness, our contributions or history.

It's not just about our own pride or thinking more highly of ourselves than we ought. It's not simply that we get caught up in how we appear to others or our own insecurities, but that we often turn that lens on others and how we judge them. Certainly, we can recognize that this form of judging on appearances tends toward the shallow and, occasionally, the salacious. We fail to see the person, the deep humanity and dignity at the heart of every woman and man. We have all had the experience, as well, of judging the good of a person based on appearances, only to be deeply disappointed by a hidden life or betrayed by secret actions. Even the apparent goodness of a person's actions can be a facade that conceals a life of turmoil, selfishness, sinfulness, or evil. The bad can hide the good and the good can hide the bad.

And, yet, we hear today that a tree is known by it's fruits. There seems to be an integrity between what is inside and what is outside. "...from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks," Jesus says. So what about when it's not congruous? What about when the bad hides the good or the good hides the bad? Of course, this is too simplistic because the wheat and the weeds grow within each of our hearts, but the real key here is not to view these as a tool for judging others. Jesus tells us this himself when he says, just a few verses earlier, "Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?" Do we use these verses as a tool to see the reality of our own lives, internal and external?

Am I living a life of integrity? Do my appearances reflect the reality of my heart? What might need to change, either in the story I tell the world or the real condition of love within? Can I be a tree that bears good fruit because the branches, trunk, and roots are healthy and holy? Can I prune the areas that are fruitless and let my words and actions align more clearly with the goodness of God within? Can I be honest about my struggles and challenges so that others can see the real me and help to bind up my wounds or carry my burden? Am I producing evil from evil or good from good? Is my life authentic? Can we get past appearances to the truth? It will set us free. He will set us free.

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

Hospitality Ministers: Carol Cook, Kim McCoy

11:00 a.m. Mass

Server: Charles Gazaway, Paul Wright

Lector: Jean Skaggs

Gift Bearers: Nick and Judy Perri

Eucharistic Ministers: Charlotte Barton, Clare Radaker, Kaelin Grimes

Hospitality Ministers:

*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.*





TODAY... March 3rd, our New Director Of Worship and Organist Ryan McEldowney will be here

at St. Boniface to visit. He will be cantoring the 8:30 and 11:00 am Masses and also will be playing the organ. Since this is also hospitality Sunday, you will have a chance to meet and talk with him after Mass. Please join us today as we celebrate this somewhat historical event in the life of our parish. *Bill Lincoln*

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/ or contact Jeri Johnson 502.855.3315 or jjohnson@nativityacademy.org for more information.

The Office of 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 or call 502.636.0296 ext. 1260.

Parenting Pointers... "You hypocrite!" (Luke 6:42) Our kids are watching us. Don't give them a reason to say (or think) you're a hypocrite by not practicing what you preach. Talk kindly to them—even though you may need to be firm. Forgive—even though you may have to enforce consequences.

Marriage Moments... "You hypocrite!" (Luke 6:42) You say, "I love you" but you won't do the laundry, watch the kids, refrain from criticizing me...(Fill in the blank) don't be a hypocrite with your spouse—at least for one day.

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/

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.



Black and Indians Mission Collection...

Next weekend, 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.

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 of Mary at 502.609.0923.

Next week's readings....

1st Reading—Deuteronomy 26:4-10

2nd Reading—

Romans 10:8-13

Gospel Reading—Luke 4:1-13



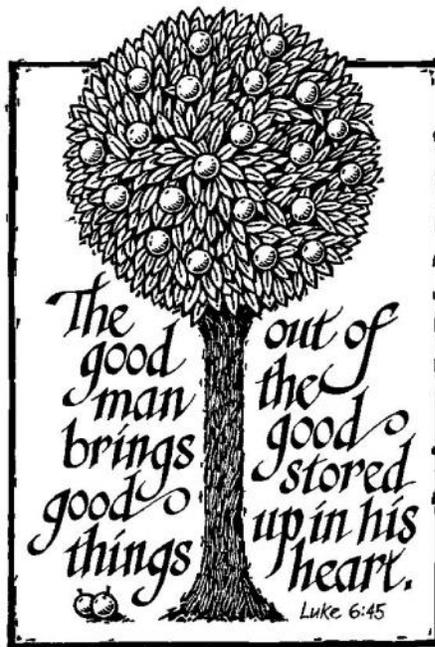
February 24th, 2019 Collection Report

\$4,230.00	Weekly Budget
\$3,393.00	Stewardship
\$-837.00	Under 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

Lent is just around the corner, so today is a good day to think about our character as we approach this holy season. Am I prone to judge others, more likely to recognize others' faults rather than my own? Jesus points out that when we overlook our own faults, not only are we ourselves left deficient, but our judgmental outlook distorts our view of others.



Today's Focus: What's in a Word?

Though we make think that actions speak louder than words, we still express the truth using words. Our words can be potent, for good or evil, to promote the gospel message, or impede it.

Reflection on the Gospel

Jesus' teaching and preaching was fundamental to his ministry. He was considered a sage and a prophet. His understanding of human beings moved the crowds. His insight into how we behave versus how we ought to behave, encapsulated in pithy and memorable sayings, was profound. And certainly after his death and resurrection his teachings carried new meaning. In light of his undergoing the paschal mystery, he is the Son of God raised to new life. His words are more than homespun wisdom. They are light and life.

"Therefore, my beloved brothers, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord you labor is not in vain." 1 Corinthians 15:58

Consider/Discuss

How do I use my words, to invite healing or inflict hurt?