



Saint
Boniface
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish
Weekly

November 24th, 2019

Reconciliation

Sundays
10:15 - 10:45 AM

Sunday Mass

8:30 & 11 AM

Office Hours

9 AM - 2 PM
Monday - Thursday

November 24th ~ Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (*Fr. Jeff*)

8:30 AM ~ Tony Marasa +

11:00 AM ~ People of the Parish

November 28th ~ Thanksgiving Day (*Fr. Tony Smith*) ~ 10:00 am ~ People of the Parish

December 1st ~ First Sunday of Advent (*Fr. Steven*)

8:30 AM ~ JoLee McGrath +

11:00 AM ~ Josephine Hanley +

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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 its 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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"Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, 'Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us.'

The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, 'Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for

the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied to him, 'Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'"

Three men hanging high on crosses to be easily seen and mocked by the crowd. One, innocent, identified as the King of the Jews, surrendered to the will of God, hangs there with arms outstretched in love to embrace the whole world. Two thieves, guilty, justly condemned, hang serving the punishment for their crimes. All three meant to be an example and a spectacle. None are coming down alive. All, even the crowd, are in a desperate situation, under the rule of a foreign and merciless power. Mocking the men hanging on crosses is a sign of loyalty, join in or be suspect, "We have no king but Caesar." The day drags on, the suffering grows, and the one speaks, "Father, forgive them; they know not what they do...Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise...Woman, behold, your son...Behold, your mother...My God, my God, why have you forsaken me...I thirst...It is finished...Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Pierced hands and feet, broken legs for the thieves, a crown of thorns and a lance thrust into his side for the king. Love and mercy flow. They die.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is alive. He broke the bonds of death and rose from the grave, surpassing the plane of time and space, matter and energy, and ascended into heaven, where he sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty, and from where the Holy Spirit proceeds, descending as gift and advocate to dwell within us. That's a lot. Before that, Jesus was incarnate, born of the Virgin Mary, grew up, was baptized and tempted in the desert, called his disciples, taught, told stories, healed, cast out demons, raised the dead, prayed, walked on water, overturned tables in the temple area, ate with sinners and tax collectors, saved a woman from stoning, spoke to another woman at a well, went up to Jerusalem, washed his disciples feet, gave them himself in a final meal, was betrayed, arrested, put on trial, and scourged, and carried his cross. That's a lot, too. The center and key to the whole thing, to everything about Jesus, is his crucifixion. Even the art and architecture of our church make this point.

In today's gospel, we get an intimate glimpse into this experience seen through the eyes of two thieves. How do they respond to being crucified with Jesus? One mocks, reviles, and demands that the king save him from the pain of the cross, "Save yourself and us." Get us down from here! The other also asks to be saved, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." From a place of acceptance, the good thief doesn't ask to be saved from his cross, but through it. One demands to be saved from his cross, the other asks to be saved through it, to have life on the other side of it. We all have crosses. The way to life is through them, not running from them. Jesus is right there with us. What is your cross? And what are you asking?

Fr. Jeff

Servers for this Week

8:30 a.m. Mass

Server: Charles Gazaway

Lector: Doug Korfhage

Gift Bearers: Gary and Cathy Zirnheld

Eucharistic Ministers: Doug Korfhage

Hospitality Ministers: Carol Cook, Kim McCoy

11:00 a.m. Mass

Server: Charles Gazaway

Lector: Susan Foley

Gift Bearers: Jim and Diana Duggins

Eucharistic Ministers: Carlotta

Ingram, Charlotte Barton

Hospitality Ministers: Nick Perri, Chris Hellman

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



Prayer Requests

Precious Adams
Marty Bedoian
Bob Camfield
Deacon Brian Karley
Scott McCoy
Al Pepper
Marty Severance
Gene and Joyce Trott

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





Thanksgiving Day Mass... will be held at 10 am. Please joins us as we give thanks at this annual Mass , and have the blessing of the bread loaves.

Parenting Pointers... "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself." (Luke 23:37) what does it mean to be a King, President, Pope, Captain of a team, or any kind of leader? Does it mean you are important or get special privileges? Talk with your child about how to be a humble but effective leader. Can you name anyone who is?

Marriage Moments... Thanksgiving Week. As we approach the thanksgiving holiday, plan together how to share the chores of hosting, traveling, or being grateful guests. Think ahead about how to ease potential family tensions.

Young Adult Bible Study... All young adults and medical/dental students are invited to join Fr. Steven for a Bible study of 1 Corinthians. We will meet in the parish office for fellowship, discussion, and prayer from 5:30 to 7:00 pm, on the following Wednesdays: November 20th and December 4th. Contact Fr. Steven at sreeves@stpatlou.org if you have any questions.



Angel Tree for Nativity... Thank you for considering participating in our annual Angel Tree. All Angels are from students

families at Nativity Academy. Suggested gifts are written on each angel. Please attach the angel as a gift tag on your wrapped gift and return it church on Sunday, December 8th. If you prefer to use our volunteer shoppers, you may choose to attach your check to an angel and return it to church or school before December 8th. The suggested amount for angels for the children is \$60.00.



Kroger and Amazon Smile programs... Would you like to help the church while you shop? Then sign up for these two wonderful programs! Using your Kroger card, go to Kroger.com and click on community rewards and designate St. Boniface. To donate to St. Boniface through Amazon, you must use their website: www.smile.amazon.com, and designate St. Boniface Church.

What is PAL?... Parents of Addicted Loved ones is a support group of parents helping parents. We meet every week on Sundays. Our primary goal is to provide hope through education and support, at no charge, for parents dealing with addicted loved ones. We meet on Sunday evening at 6 pm at St. Raphael the Archangel Church in the Raphael Room from 6—7:30 pm. If you have questions contact mmeeks13@bellsouth.net (Michelle) or call 502.609.0926 (Mary).

Discover Catholic Schools Week... is November 19th-23rd. Parents are invited to visit Catholic elementary schools on Tuesday, November 19th anytime during the school day and discover the Catholic school difference. Catholic High schools are also having open houses. These interactive open houses will be:

- Holy Cross: 11/24, 4 to 6:30 pm
- Presentation Academy: 11/24, noon to 3 pm
- Assumption: 12/5 at 6:30 pm
- Mercy Academy: 12/7, 10 am to 1 pm
- Sacred Heart: 12/8, 2 to 4:30 pm
- Bethlehem: 12/11, 5 to 8 pm

Deacon Brian Karley... is currently staying at Nazareth Home—Clifton. He had a stroke in October. If you'd like to send cards, please send to: Deacon Brian Karley, Nazareth Home Clifton, 2120 Payne St, #616, Louisville, KY 40206



Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection... TODAY our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 46 million people in the United State live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address obstacles as they work to make permanent and positive changes for the communities.

St. John Center

Collection... will be on the First Sunday of the month, which is next weekend. They are in need of Coffee creamer (powdered, bulk, no packets) Ground Coffee (unflavored) Coffee Filters, artificial sweetener (packets, not bulk), ceramic coffee mugs—8 oz, dishwasher safe, mens white athletic socks (crew length). You can order these items and more on St. John Center's Amazon Wish List.





Next week's readings

1st Reading—Isiah 2:1-5
2nd Reading—Romans 13:11-14
Gospel Reading—Matthew 24:37-44

November 17th, 2019 Collection Report

\$3,750.00	Weekly Budget
\$3,960.00	Weekly Stewardship
\$210.00	Budget Over (Under)
\$70,922.37	Stewardship Year-to-Date
\$74,750.00	Budget Year-to-Date
\$(3,827.63)	Year-to-Date Over (Under)

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

Christmas is still a month away, but you wouldn't know it if you turned on the television or walked into a department store. But here and now we celebrate a very different holy day and listen to a passage from the other end of Luke's Gospel. "Jesus,

remember me when you come into your kingdom," the criminal executed with Jesus asks. Let us resolve today, no matter the distractions, to set our eyes on the kingdom of heaven

Today's Focus: The Royal Portrait

We can better imagine God to be like earthly royalty than a divine royalty who is unlike any on earth: poor, humble, serving others.



"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

LUKE 23:42

Reflection on the Gospel

The two thieves on either side of Jesus have remarkably different attitudes toward Jesus. One reviled Jesus, prodding him into saving himself and them. The other placed faith in Jesus with a simple request to

"remember me when you come into your kingdom." that request belies a faith statement that Jesus is a king. What was said in mockery on the cross is true. Not only will Jesus remember him, but he promises to be with him in paradise that day.

*"And he was saying, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom!'"
Luke 23:42*

Consider/Discuss

How do the images of Christ the King today affirm or challenge you?