



Saint
Boniface
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish
Weekly

March 30, 2025

Sunday Masses: 8:30 am and 11:00 am
Reconciliation on Sunday 10:00 - 10:30 am

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March 30th ~ Fourth Sunday of Lent (*Fr. Steven Henriksen*)

8:30 am ~ People of the Parish

11:00 am ~ Bettianne, Bob and Sinclair Davies+

April 6th ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent (*Fr. Steven Henriksen*)

8:30 am ~ People of the Parish

11:00 am ~ Gerald, Bobby, Dorothy Camfield+

Administrator~

Fr. Steven Henriksen

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Interim Organist ~ Bill Lincoln

Welcome to the Parish!

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

Change of Address? Please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible of an address change or any other changes to your family records.

Stewardship, A Lifetime of Opportunity, Responsibility, Accountability.

Have you remembered St. Boniface Church in your will?

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

St. 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: St. 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.

From the Desk of Father Steven

Our Partnership with Nativity Academy

St. Boniface is proud to host Nativity Academy on our campus. Nativity Academy is a private, independent, Catholic middle school (grades 6-8).

Students at Nativity attend traditional educational classes during the school day; participate in after-school enrichment programs; and benefit from a Graduate Support Program after completing the eighth grade.

85% of Nativity Academy graduates enroll in Louisville Catholic high schools and 80% participate in postsecondary education. The Academy sponsors tours for those interested in a first-hand look at their amazing programs.

I was privileged recently to visit with school administrators, faculty and students as a step in learning more about the Academy. Academy folks also attended our recent Ash Wednesday Mass and, later this spring, I look forward to hosting them for a tour of the St. Boniface Church. Later, most likely starting in the fall, I plan on celebrating monthly Masses with the students.

We have a strong historic link to the Academy! I encourage you to get to know and appreciate the work of the Academy over the coming weeks and months.

Sincerely,

Father Steven Henriksen

Church Tours...Tours are available after the 11:00 mass. If interested meet with the tour guide at the rear of the Church.

CLCM (Central Louisville Community Ministries)... is collecting Macaroni and Cheese. Please place in the baskets located at each of the entrances.

Lenten Volunteers Needed..We need volunteers for washing of the feet. Candle and incense holders and readers for Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday and Good Friday. If interested, please let Fr. Steven or Charles know.

St. Vincent DePaul Society News...Please go to the St. Vincent DePaul Society web site and consider purchasing tickets to their 7th annual Roses and Rose' event on Sunday, April 27th from 1-3 p.m. at the Olmsted. The event celebrates all of the women in our lives with the proceeds benefitting SVDP's Violence Transitional Housing Program.

Attendees can enjoy a buffet, mimosas and rose' wine, a Vendor Village, silent auction and a wine pull. Plus raise funds for a great cause!

For more information, please contact Makenzie Greenwell at mgreenwell@svdpou.org.

Senior Pre-Derby Extravaganza...will be on Tuesday April 8, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This event is one of the largest of its kind in West Louisville. Seniors typically sellout the event the day tickets go on sale. All seniors who participate receive a gift bag, and of course their "CEC money", which is used to bet on races and bid in live auctions. Local celebrities are the "jockeys" in the races, riding giant stick horses to the finish line. Seniors also enjoy a light luncheon as they participate in the festivities. Tickets are \$20 each and go on sale Tuesday, March 18th 3-6 p.m. and Wednesday March 19th 11-2 p.m. at the Catholic Enrichment Center (CEC).



Ministers for this Week

8:30 am Mass

Server: Bob Springer

Lector: Ian Davison

Gift Bearers: Carol Cook, Kim McCoy

Eucharist Ministers: Bonnie Davison, Kim McCoy

11:00 am Mass

Server: Nick Perri

Lector: Dawn Wibbels

Gift Bearers: Pat Robison, Sally Lenihan

Eucharist Ministers: Judy Perri, Mary Ellen Hilbert

*If you are interested in becoming a Lay Minister,
please contact Charles Gazaway:
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Next week's readings...

1st Reading ~ Ezekiel 37:12-14

2nd Reading ~ Romans 8:8-11

Gospel Reading ~ John 11:1-45

March 23, 2025 Collection Report

\$ Unavailable	Weekly Stewardship
\$ 4,800	Weekly Budget
\$ Unavailable	Budget Over (Under)
\$ Unavailable	Stewardship Year-to-Date
\$ 162,200	Budget Year-to-Date
\$ Unavailable	Year-to-Date Over (Under)

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Three and a half weeks into this forty-day journey through Lent, we may have become lost. Perhaps we have returned to our normal habits, chafing under the disciplines of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Perhaps we've slipped and found ourselves rationalizing our failures. The story of the prodigal son, which we hear today, reminds us that no matter what we have done or failed to do, God stands always ready to welcome us back. No matter how far we have strayed, rejoice! For we are never too far gone to return to God.



Reflection on the Gospel

As a figure of the divine, the father in today's gospel parable offers a gift of reconciliation that shatters the too-narrow vision of children vying for a bigger piece of the pie, when all along the whole of the inheritance is offered to each and all, with no bounds. This gift begins a process of healing that expands our puny estimation of our inheritance and opens our capacity to be transformed by the Giver, enlarging our capacity to pass on that heritage to others.

Today's Focus

Whenever we are sent to be healed ~ in reconciliation or other sacraments ~ the healing comes from Jesus, who then sends us out to share our joy.

Question of the Week

How can I be merciful like the father in this parable? What resentments do I need to overcome? Can I be truly forgiving to someone who has hurt me or those I love?



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