



Saint  
**Boniface**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish  
Weekly

November 14th, 2021

Sunday Masses: 8:30 am and 11:00 am  
Reconciliation on Sunday 10:15 - 10:45 am

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November 14th~ Thirty—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time *(Fr. Jeff)*

8:30 am ~ People of the Parish/Jerry Camfield + 11:00 am ~ Don Mudd+

November 21st~ Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe *(Fr. Quan)*

8:30 am ~ Richard Doran+ 11:00 am ~ People of the Parish/Bettianne and Bob Davies +

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### 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 Patty in 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?

**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.**

***“Jesus said to his disciples:  
'In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.***

***And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.”***

The end is coming. It is hard to believe that this is the second to last Sunday in the Liturgical Year. In just two short weeks we will begin anew with Advent. Each liturgical year is comprised of Advent, Christmas and the Christmas season, Ordinary Time, Lent, the Holy Triduum, Easter and the Easter season, Pentecost, and then back into Ordinary Time until the final Sunday Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (more commonly known as Christ the King). Ordinary Time is simply our calendar put in order to the three synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke) over a three year cycle. It is time “ordered” to God and the good news of his work of salvation. This past year, the Gospel of Mark was supplemented with readings from the 6th chapter of the Gospel of John. We begin in Advent with preparation for the coming of Christ, primarily in the celebration of his incarnation, birth, or nativity. Ordinary time is mostly a sequential journey through the gospels, but as we approach the end of the Liturgical Year, the readings gain a sense of the real end, the final return of Jesus Christ in glory. It is apocalyptic and eschatological. It is the final consumption of time and space with eternity. It's kinda hard to put into words.

Even though the end is coming, it's important to remember the great mystery of our faith, the Paschal

Mystery. Most simply, it is the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus. More broadly, it is the Christ event: the incarnation, teaching, actions, suffering, death, resurrection, ascension, and sending of the Holy Spirit. It contains within it the idea that death leads to new life, that those who lose their life will find it, that a seed that falls to the ground and dies will bear much fruit, that the first will be last and the last will be first, that the greatest of all must serve all, and that we must take up our cross daily to follow Jesus. Death, we discover, is not the end, but a beginning. In God's plan, every sacrifice, ending, failure, or death contains within it the promise of something more. It is a doorway to something greater. In God's economy, it is a doorway to love. In each and every ending, love wins. Love is the measure of all else that is. It is the key that unlocks every door. It is the kiss of justice and mercy. Love never fails.

When all else passes away, love remains. In whatever darkness we might find ourselves, whatever tribulation may befall us, whatever sacrifice we are called to, or whatever death we are facing, always pull on the thread of love. It may be difficult to find, but it is the true, good, and beautiful thread to new life. While it may unravel all we have previously known, pulling the thread of love actually weaves a new tapestry into existence. This end is a new beginning. The end is a new beginning in love. Death leads to new life. Love is all and God is love. If we are at the end, shall we begin?

Fr. Jeff



## Prayer Requests

Precious Adams  
Margaret Barton  
Marty Bedoian  
Bob Camfield  
Betty Chambers +  
Don Hess  
Louis Manion  
Twilight Mayes  
C.M. Rodes +  
Greg Ross Smith  
Dean Scott Toller

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

## Ministers for this Week

8:30 a.m. Mass

Server: Doug Korfhage

Lector: Bob Springer

Gift Bearers: Carol Cook, Kim McCoy

11:00 a.m. Mass

Server: Nick Perri

Lector: Judy Perri

Gift Bearers: Pat Robison, Sally Lenihan

*If you are interested in serving,  
please see the sign up sheets*



### **Parish News**

**Presents with a Purpose....**We have been asked by Catholic Charities of Louisville to participate in their program again this year. All items need to be dropped off at church or the office by Sunday, December 5th. All gifts should be new and left unwrapped. Families will then shop from the selection. This is the list we were given for this year: *Board games, superhero toys, stuffed animals/pillows, sports sandals, refillable water bottles, young adult books, LED string lights, hygiene gift sets, bikes, volleyballs, basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, bath bombs and body washes, gift cards for Target, Walmart, Kroger in \$25 increments, and coats (especially larger sizes for both kids and adults).*

**Note from Fr. Jeff and Fr. Quan...**regrettably, there are some who try to take advantage of your generosity through scams. We regularly see email or text scams asking for you to help, usually leading to a request for gift cards. Our phone and emails have never been compromised, but scammers have become more sophisticated through the information available online and seek to exploit our relationship. We will never contact you to directly ask for gift cards or cash. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the parish office.

**Thanksgiving Day Mass...**will be held on Thanksgiving morning, November 25th at 11 am.

**Marriage Moments...**"Heaven and earth will pass away...But of that day or hour, no one knows." (Mark 13:31-32) Although this scripture probably refers to the end of the world, in marriage the day one of you dies is the end of your earthly marriage. It's hard to think about this, but it will happen. Dare to take a moment this week to write a sentence to your beloved about how you will feel upon their death.

**Central Louisville Community Ministries update...**Our ability to provide emergency rent and utility assistance to our neighbors in need has greatly expanded during the pandemic due to increased federal and local grants. We're grateful to St. Boniface donors and the network of other congregations who are supporting us in this work. We continue to ask for donations of personal care items (but NO over-the-counter medications). ***Needed items can now be brought to the church and we will deliver them.***

**Parenting Pointers...** As the weather becomes colder in the northern hemisphere (or warmer in the southern hemisphere) we often change our clothes and homes to adjust to different levels of heat. Ask your family members what they like most and least about this season.

### **Diocesan News**

**Sitio Clothing Ministry...**will hold a meeting for new volunteers on Monday, November 22nd from 10 am to noon at St. John Vianney Parish at 4231 Southside Dr. Volunteers are needed to sort clothes and fill orders and can volunteer for any amount of time they have free. Sitio is open from 10 am—2 pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Please contact Linda at 502.969.0018 for more information.

**CSA 2021...**The theme of this year's Appeal is from sacred scripture, Psalm 39:8 – ***Lord, for What Do I Wait? My***



***Hope Is in You.*** These words invite us to hope in the Lord as we faithfully respond to God's call. We humbly ask that you support the 2021 Catholic Services Appeal. Your gift is a tangible way to put your faith into action, making a difference in YOUR parish and throughout the Archdiocese of Louisville. ***For what do we wait?*** Your offering to the Catholic Services Appeal will help bring Christ to others, in every corner of the Archdiocese of Louisville. ***Our hope is in Him.*** Our hope is indeed in the Lord, and we are called to place our trust in Him. Your gift, in any amount, is a faithful expression of your hope and trust in the Lord and will be received with my deepest gratitude.



**Help for Your Marriage –** Retrouvaille (pronounced retrō-vī) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you, too. For confidential information about or to register for the February program beginning with the weekend of February 18-20, 2022, call 502-479-3329; email: [3012@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:3012@helpourmarriage.org); or go to [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

## Next week's readings...

1st Reading—Daniel 7:13-14

2nd Reading—revelation 1:5-8

Gospel Reading— John 18:33b-37



## November 7th, 2021 Collection Report

\$4,294	Weekly Stewardship
\$3,750	Weekly Stewardship Budget
\$544	Budget Over (Under)
\$62,377	Stewardship Year-to-Date
\$59,750	Budget Year-to-Date
\$2,627	Year-to-Date Over (Under)

### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Today we are reminded that one day Jesus will return in glory as the world comes to an earth-shattering conclusion. As frightening as the warnings are in today's readings, they are accompanied by assurances that God remains with us. Always. Indeed, soon we will be reminded that Emmanuel means "God is with us." Jesus—Emmanuel—will return in glory at the end of time. Let us pray in thanksgiving today for God's abiding presence with us here on earth.

### Today's Focus: Visions of the End

The world around us has an effect on the way we speak about, portray, and envision the end of our lives and the world. Can we allow the eternal virtues—faith, hope, love—to have an even greater effect?

MY  
WORDS  
WILL NEVER  
PASS  
AWAY.  
MARK 13:31, NIV



### Reflection on the Gospel

Death is coming for each of us, whether we confront it in our own personal eschaton or in the cosmic apocalyptic drama as described in the Gospel of Mark. Even if "the end" does not occur in our lifetime, and even if another group of end-time prophets falsely calculates Jesus's return and offers precise dates that do not come to pass, we will still come to our end. How are we preparing for it?

*"Every priest stands daily at his ministry, offering frequently those same sacrifices that can never take away sins...Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer offering for sin." Hebrews 10:11, 18*

### Consider/Discuss

*Has your perspective about the end-times changed since five or ten years ago? Have recent tribulations altered your perception of God? If so, how? If not, why not?*