



ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH EDWARDSVILLE, ILLINOIS

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| 2019 JUBILEE SCHEDULE | |
| Jubilee Brunch | January 1 |
| Parish Mission | January 20-23 |
| Children's Program | March 31 |
| Confirmation | April 5 |
| Bonifest | May 24-25 |
| Feast of St. Boniface | June 5 |
| Confirmation | August 24-25 |
| Grand Jubilee Celebration | September 15 |
| Dinner Auction | October 19 |
| Jubilee Closing Mass | December 31 |



\mathcal{U} elcome to Christmas at Saint Boniface!

Since the first Christmas Mass celebrated in 1869, the greeting "Welcome to Christmas at Saint Boniface" has continuously welcomed visitors from near and far, extended family home for the holidays, and of course, faithful parishioners of Saint Boniface to celebrate the Incarnation of our Savior.



By sending us His beloved Son, this great feast of Christmas reminds us in unmistakable ways that our God is *always here* among us. Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life. He welcomes us to bring all that we are, and find in Him a place where we can find rest, a place where we know peace, and a place where we seek grace.

Over the past fifteen decades, I believe, Saint Boniface Parish has been such a place. This parish has always been here as a *Place of Grace* where countless pilgrims have been nourished by Word and Sacrament and commissioned to go forth as disciples to love and to serve one another.

On this holy day, we celebrate the birth of Jesus, the place of rest for our restless hearts. This is not a one day celebration in our parish. Day after day, we keep seeking Jesus who is rest for the weary, hope for the hopeless, and strength for the weak. All of us together, as disciples of Jesus, continually help one another rediscover Jesus and enter into His life.

Finally, to our many visitors, be assured that Jesus is *always here* among us, and you are always most welcome at Saint Boniface Parish, *a Place of Grace*!

On behalf of Reverend Paul Habing, Reverend Robert Johnson, Deacon Daniel Corbett, Principals Laura Kretzer and Joe Lombardi and the entire Parish and School Staff, I bid you a Blessed Christmas and Joyful New Year!

Very Reverend Jeffrey H. Goeckner Pastor

St. Boniface Parish Jubilee Prayer

Holy God, we praise Your name. You are Always Here among us.

150 years ago you guided our forebearers with a clear vision to create Saint Boniface Parish; for that we offer prayers of everlasting thanks and praise.

Lord of All, we are grateful for the fond memories our jubilee celebrations will revive, and for the parishioners who have made this 150th anniversary a joyful occasion. Grant us a spirit of gratitude too, for the sacrifices of those who have gone before us, in order that we now find ourselves within this Place of Grace.

Holy Lord, we pray that you will continue to make Your Love known among us. May we continue to see the needs both of those around us, and of those who shall come after us, as we leave a legacy as your faithful disciples. Through your guidance, may our parish remain a blessing to the community and inspire us to move forward in holy accord through Your divine majesty.

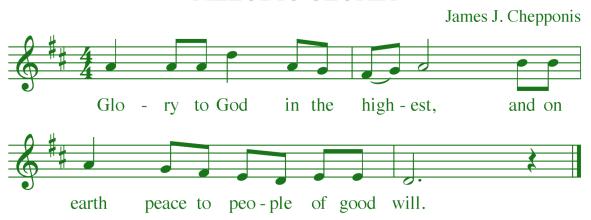
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL



Glory to God

MELODIC GLORIA

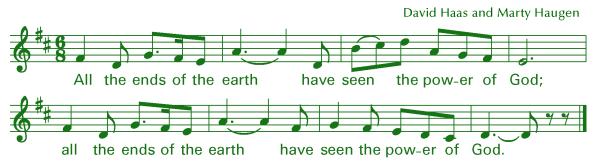


First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

God's salvation is announced to the world.

Responsorial Psalm

PSALM 98: ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH



Second Reading: Hebrews 1: 1-6

God now speaks to us through His Son.

Festival Alleluia



Gospel: John 1: 1-18

John announces that, in Jesus, the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

Homily

O TANNENBAUM

O Tannenbaum, O Tannenbaum, wie treu sind deine Blätter!

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Du grünst nicht nur zur Sommerzeit, Nein auch im Winter, wenn es schneit. O Tannenbaum, O Tannenbaum, wie treu sind deine Blätter! O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree How loyal are your needles!

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You're green not only in the summertime, No, also in winter when it snows. O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree How loyal are your needles!

- 1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled." Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
- 2. Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord; Late in time, behold him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail th'incarnate Deity! Please as man with us to dwell; Jesus, our Emmanuel!
- 3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness! Light and life to all he brings, Ris'n with healing in his wings. Mild he lays his glory by, Born that we no more may die, Born to raise us from the Earth, Born to give us second birth!

GLORIA

Refrain

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Communion Song

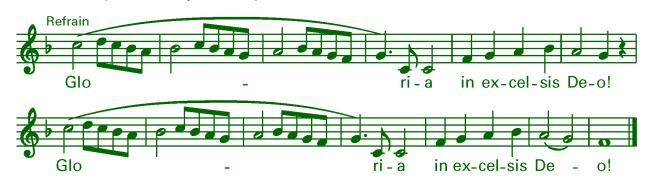


Verses An - gels we have heard on high Sweet-ly sing-ing o'er the plains,

- joy ous strains pro-long? 2. Shep-herds, why this ju - bi-lee? Why your
- Beth-le hem and see Him whose birth the 3. Come to an - gels sing;
- See him in a man-ger laid Whom the an - gels praise a - bove;



- 1. And the moun-tains in re - ply Ech - o back their joy - ous strains.
- 2. Say what may the tid ings be Which in-spire your heav'n-ly song. 3. Come, a - dore on bend-ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new-born King.
- Jo-seph, lend your aid, While we raise our hearts in 4. Ma - ry,



- Silent night! Holy night!
 All is calm, all is bright
 Round yon Virgin Mother and child!
 Holy Infant so tender and mild,
 Sleep in heavenly peace,
 Sleep in heavenly peace.
- Silent night! Holy night!
 Shepherds quake at the sight;
 Glories stream from heaven afar;
 Heav'nly hosts sing "Alleluia!
 Christ the Savior is born,
 Christ the Savior is born."
- 3. Silent night! Holy night!

 Son of God, love's pure light

 Radiant beams from thy holy face,

 With the dawn of redeeming grace,

 Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,

 Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

- 1. Stille Nacht! Heilige Nacht!
 Alles schläft, einsam wacht
 Nur das traute hochheilige Paar,
 Holder Knabe im lokkigen Haar,
 Schlaf' in himmlischer Ruh'!
 Schlaf' in himmlischer Ruh'!
- 2. Stille Nacht! Heilige Nacht!Hirten erst kundgemachtDurch der Engel Halleluja,Tönt es laut von ferne und nah:Christ der Retter ist da!Christ der Retter ist da!
- 3. Stille Nacht! Heilige Nacht!
 Gottes Sohn, o wie lacht
 Lieb' aus deinem göttlichen Mund,
 Da uns schlägt die rettende Stund'.
 Jesus in deiner Geburt!
 Jesus in deiner Geburt!





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Spotlight on Liturgical Music



Jill Griffin,

Director of Worship & Music

There is a Yiddish proverb that says, "Man plans, and God laughs." I feel like this saying is a reflection of my life. I began playing the organ for weekend Masses at age 8, but my heart's desire

was to be an orthopedic surgeon and biomechanical engineer after undergoing 12 knee reconstructive surgeries (to date) for a congenital issue that was exacerbated by my playing Varsity tennis & soccer in high school. My orthopedic surgeons from a young age were so kind to me and were like the father figure I never had. I wanted to be like them.

I applied to and was accepted to Washington University in St. Louis and received a full-tuition scholarship to study mechanical engineering/premedicine, and not wanting to give up my love for playing, I also studied music. This must have been God's hand guiding my path because, after years of trying, I never gained admittance to any medical school no matter how hard I tried. "Man plans, and God laughs."

I ended up working for nearly 15 years in the engineering field, frequently traveling to Las Vegas to oversee projects such as hospitals, schools, and the McCarran Airport Concourse D addition. Through the years I continued volunteering as the music director of my parish. In late 2005, however, my parish closed and I thought I would take a break for a while...until Fr. Jeff called me in early 2008. As things were changing in the corporate world, I was also ready for a change and had actually been praying that God would open a door, but I had no idea what would be behind that door!

It's been a crazy ride, but I wouldn't change any of it! Next year, I will celebrate my 40th year as a church organist. I have been blessed to play in cathedrals in the United States as well as throughout Italy. Who could have ever dreamed of this from a quirky kid with crummy knees from Granite City?

After graduating from Washington University, I went on to receive a Master's Degree from SIUE and later a Certificate in Vocal Pedagogy in 2016. Here at St. Boniface, God has blessed me with wonderful people of all ages, from the Children's Choir, to the Handbell Choir, Adult Choir, Cantors, Instrumentalists, and awesome support, assistance, and expertise from Drs. Marc Schapman & Mary Jo Pembrook. I also teach Band & Choir at McGivney Catholic High School and direct the Chorus at St. Boniface School. In my spare time, I enjoy reading true crime documentaries, working crossword puzzles, solving word problems, and spending time with my 6 nieces & nephews, and rooting for The Ohio State Buckeyes (GO BUCKS!) Although this isn't the road I prayed for, in the end it was the road I really wanted all along.



The *Handbell Choir* provides an opportunity for those who wish to participate in Music Ministry but may lack training in a particular instrument.

The Handbell Choir plays at one weekend Mass every month, as well as at special liturgical celebrations, such as Christmas, Easter, Confirmation, and First Communion.

Since a Handbell Choir requires that all members be present in order for the music to be properly played, membership is limited to Fifth Graders through adults who are able to make a commitment to attending weekly rehearsals and all required Masses at which the Choir performs. Although helpful, it is not necessary to be able to read music. Rehearsals are held weekly on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00 PM in the church.

The *Children's Choir* sings twice a month at the Saturday 4:15 PM Mass, as well as at special liturgical celebrations, such as Christmas Eve and Easter



morning. Children learn how to cantor and fulfill their role as song leader, how to read music, and how to sing in parts.

The Children's Choir is open to all youths of the parish in Grades 3 – 8. It is not necessary that children attend St. Boniface School in order to participate. Rehearsals are held every Friday during the school year from 3:00 - 4:30 PM in the church. Accommodations can be made for those students attending public school and having trouble making the 3:00 PM start time.



The *Adult Choir* leads the congregation in song at the Sunday 10:15 AM Mass and at all special liturgies, such as Confirmation and

First Communion. The choir sings a mixture of traditional, spiritual, and contemporary liturgical music, and has sung in Cathedrals in the United States and throughout Italy, including St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice.

Membership is open to all men and women of the parish, ages 14 & up. Rehearsals are currently held Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 9:00 PM in the church. The Choir is conducted by Dr. Marc Schapman, Assistant Choir Director and Associate Professor of Voice at SIUE.

Henry & Helen Haarmann Family, 1971

SPOTLIGHT ON THE HAARMANN FAMILY Four Generations at St. Boniface

Generations of families have come through the doors of St. Boniface Catholic Church. Today we honor one family, consisting of four generations; the Haarmann family. It began with Henry and Helen Haarmann in 1955, when they moved from Missouri to Edwardsville. Helen and the late Henry became very active members of the church, and Helen continues to practice her faith and attends Mass at Hitz Home in Alhambra. Henry and Helen raised their six children in the Catholic faith at St. Boniface Church and are proud that all of them also attended St. Boniface Catholic School. A tradition that began more than sixty years

ago continues with their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Three of the Haarmann children are still members of St. Boniface; Steve (Mary) Haarmann, Judy (Roger) Frank, and Patty (Dale) Frank. Nine grandchildren and their families are also members, eight grandchildren have graduated from St. Boniface, and nine great-grandchildren are current students.

Judy and Roger Frank have raised and educated all six of their own children here at St. Boniface. All six were married at St. Boniface Catholic Church, too. Judy said she has seen many changes over the last sixty years at St. Boniface. One change Judy noticed, while working in the parish office, is the increase of families joining St. Boniface Catholic Church. In just the last year, nearly one hundred new families have registered at St. Boniface. Judy believes the increase shows the importance of St. Boniface Catholic Church to the people and to the Edwardsville community!



Frank Family Bluejays, 2016

STB CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

PRESERVE OUR PAST, FORM OUR FUTURE, LEAVE YOUR LEGACY



Our Capital Campaign, Preserve our Past, Form our Future, Leave your Legacy, started this past year with the preservation of the 1869 church and updates to the newer

portion of the church. Thus far, the projects completed are the restoration of the 1869 church and steeple, masonry work and sealing of the church, as well as the 1912 school building and parish office building, a new roof on the parish office, updated HVAC and sound system in the church, and the much needed addition of the Twin Oaks parking lot. All these projects have been fully funded through the capital campaign that will run through our 150th anniversary. While a lot of work has already been done to preserve the current facilities and

honor the past that comes with them, there is still a need for expansion on the parish campus. The next phase of this capital project includes ADA compliance of the 1912 school building, a new playground, administrative offices, a multipurpose gymnasium, and renovation of the existing gym. If you would like to make a sacrificial gift or find more information, please visit www.aplaceofgracestb150.com.

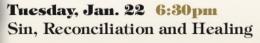


St. Boniface Parish 2019 Jubilee Mission Experiencing the Saving Presence of God



Sunday, Jan. 20 6:30pm God's Plan of Salvation & Our Response to God's

Deepening our awareness of God's great love for us Veneration of Bible



Experiencing the reconciliation and healing offered to us through the Redeemer

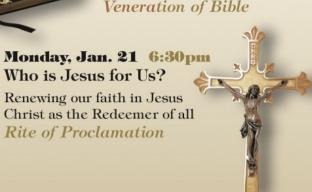
Service of Light (Sacrament of Reconciliation)

Wednesday, Jan. 23 6:30pm

Sealing our Covenant at the Altar and Nourishing our Faith as Baptized Disciples

Renewing our commitment to live the Eucharist by giving daily testimony of our faith

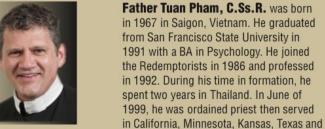
Celebration of Mass



About the Mission Presenters

Father Patrick Keyes, C.Ss.R. comes from Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He professed his first vows in 1985 and was ordained to the priesthood in 1989. Since his ordination he has worked in Latino Parishes in Colorado, Illinois & Kansas. He was the director of the Redemptorists College Seminarians for nine years. He was a part of the Redemptorist Hispanic Initiative to the Mississippi Delta

before joining the evangelization team in Minneapolis. He has a Masters in Moral Theology from Catholic Theological Union and a Doctor of Ministry in Pastoral Counseling from Fordham University.



two years in Mexico. In 2011 Father Tuan served as the formation director of the Theologate level in Chicago. He has been part of a fourmember evangelization initiative based in Minneapolis since 2015.



ReNew ReConnect ReCommit

January 20-23, 2019 6:30-8:00pm

All sessions will be held in St. Boniface Church in Edwardsville. While the topic each evening will differ, all services will include the Word of God, prayer, song and a presentation by the Redemptorist.

Families and children in the 3rd grade or higher are encouraged to attend together. Child care will be provided for younger children.

Fellowship and refreshments will follow each session.

For more information call: St. Boniface Parish Office at 618-656-6450 or check the website: www.St-Boniface.com

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Adoration and Blessed Sacrament

by Clyde Nosser

Think for one minute...you're living your life the best you can. You get up in the morning. You take the kids to school or go to work. You face the challenges that most people run into in their daily lives...children, social issues, work deadlines, aging parents, not feeling satisfied, family concerns, life's stresses, financial challenges, boredom, health concerns, etc. You try talking to people you can trust to find a way around how you are feeling or what you should do. What decision should you make? How are your kids going to turn out? How is your life going to transpire?

After you have this conversation, you feel a little better, but you have the same issues, frustrations, and concerns that you had when you started. Maybe you consult another confidant who has a slightly different twist on the solution to the problem; unfortunately, they may be having the same issues that you are. Now you're more confused than ever.

What if you could find Someone who is timeless? Someone who has wisdom

that puts Solomon to shame. Someone who is everywhere, all the time. Someone who thought that a day is as a thousand years and a thousand years is as a day and who even understood everything in between. Someone who has experienced every possible situation and outcome of every problem before you even open your mouth. Someone who can see all that has ever been and ever will be... Would you seek their insight? Would you seek their council? Would you ask them face to face how would They approach this decision? What should I do? Who is this person?

Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration.

Eucharistic Adoration is the Exposed Blessed Sacrament. This is the Eucharist, the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Jesus Christ as promised to us in the Last Supper.

To celebrate the New Year and the beginning of our Jubilee Year in 2019, St. Boniface Parish Pastoral Council will host Eucharistic Adoration. Adoration will begin after 4:15 PM Mass on Monday, December 31, 2018, and conclude at 11:50 PM, with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at midnight.

Please consider spending one hour of your day in prayer, having that ultimate trusted conversation with our Lord Jesus Christ in the precious silence of Adoration. Listen to Him and let Him help you live out the words of Psalm 23 to you... "The Lord is my Shepherd, There is nothing I Shall want."

Visit www.st-boniface.com for more information and to sign up for our upcoming New Year's Eve Adoration, Monday, December 31.



Feast Day: June 5

Saint Boniface, our Patron

Saint Boniface, known as the apostle of the Germans, was an English Benedictine monk who gave up being elected abbot to devote his life to the conversion of the Germanic tribes to Christianity. Saint Boniface bears out the Christian rule: To follow Christ is to follow the way of the cross.

During a winter ritual that took place under the "Thunder Oak" tree, Saint Boniface chopped down the great oak tree with an axe. Next to where the Thunder Oak had stood was a small evergreen tree. Saint Boniface told the crowd that this little tree would be the holy tree. They were called to gather around an evergreen tree in their homes and share gifts and acts of kindness. This custom spread throughout Germany and the rest of the world and has continued to the present day.

Landings International

Welcoming Returning Catholics

LANDINGS is a program for Catholics who have been away from the Church and may be interested in becoming more active again.

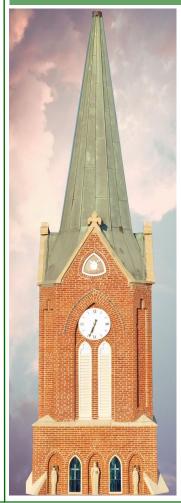
A small group of active Catholics, some of them "returnees" themselves, meet with a small group of inactive or returning Catholics for eight consecutive weeks. The meetings consist of one part faith sharing and one part reflecting on Catholic themes such as Baptism, Eucharist, vocation, suffering, and so on. It gives a chance for those who were hurt or disillusioned with the Catholic church to come together with others who walked that same path. They help guide them through and walk alongside them in their journey of faith.

Many people who are thinking about returning to Catholicism want to discuss what it is to be Catholic, what we believe, and how to engage those beliefs in an adult way. LANDINGS gives everyone a place to engage honestly and confidentially as we struggle with our faith together. We recommend that you commit to the entire series.

We are scheduled to start in February, 2019. If you are interested, or know someone who may be, we can meet at a time that is convenient for you. Contact Kathleen Hankins at (618)444-1065 or khankins674@gmail.com for more information.

BONI facts

by the numbers



1869

80 - Registered Households

1869-2018

23 - Pastors

2018

1,703 - Registered Households

80 - Baptisms

106 - First Holy Communions

80 - Confirmations

25 - RCIA

13 - Marriages

28 - Deaths

237 - St. Boniface School Students

255 - St. Boniface PSR Students

34 - St. Boniface Preschool Students

202 - Fr. McGivney High School Students

In his own words: Deacon Dan Retiring

On December 31, 2018, I will officially retire and be released from my bishop's decree to assist the pastor of St. Boniface Church. There is no ministry that I was performing before retirement that I cannot do after retirement. When I received Holy



Orders and was ordained a clergy in our Church, that is for life. Then what has changed? It is my scheduled duties that I will no longer perform: assisting at the Table of the Lord during Mass on each Sunday, writing a weekly column for our bulletin, teaching Baptism



a weekly column for our bulletin, teaching Baptism classes, membership in the Pastoral Council, and being on the RCIA team for the next RCIA group (I will finish my work with this year's group). All of those scheduled duties will cease. I was a parishioner here at St. Boniface before I became a deacon and will continue to be a parishioner as a retired deacon. As a parishioner, I will continue to be a member of our St. Vincent De Paul Conference, continue to carry Holy Communion to those who struggle to attend Sunday Mass, and remain an annulment advocate. Father Jeff has said that he will not hesitate to call on me when needed. I will be ready to answer his call, providing there is good cell phone reception on my boat!

Closing Song OY TO THE WORLD



Text: CM with repeats: based on Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1764–1748, alt. Music: T. Hawkes' Collection of Tunes, 1833; George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759; adapt. by Lowell Mason, 1792–1872, alt.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday—4:15 PM (Vigil)

Sunday—8:15 AM, 10:15 AM, 12:15 PM (Spanish) & 5:15 PM

Monday-5:45 PM

Tuesday-8:00 AM

Wednesday-6:45 PM

Thursday—8:00 AM & 6:45 PM (Bilingual)

Friday-8:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 6:00-6:30 PM

Thursday 6:00-6:30 PM

Saturday 3:30-4:00 PM and by appointment

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