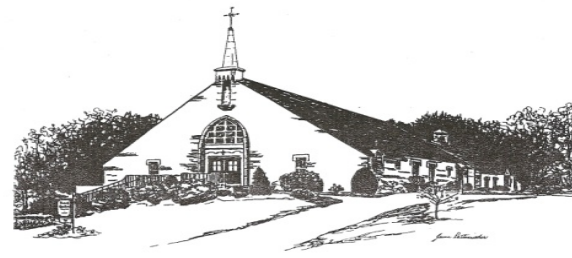


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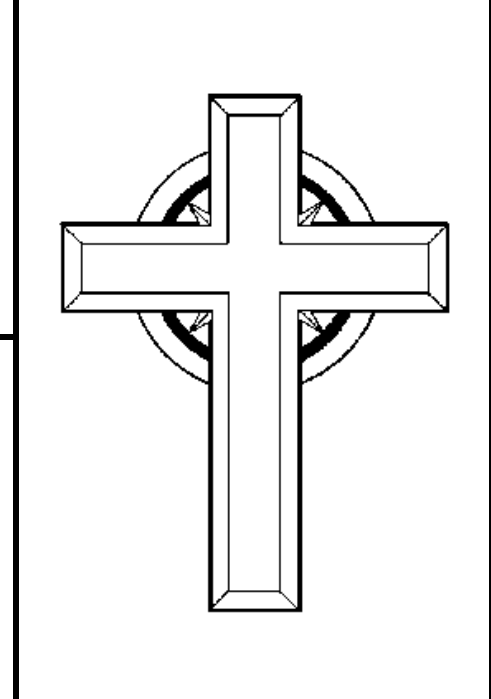
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If the heavens opened right now and you saw a mysterious dove-like bird descend on somebody next to you, how would you react? Then a voice, (the Voice of GOD!), says to that person "you are my beloved son (or daughter), with you I am well pleased"...how jaw dropping could that be? Hearing the voice of God? What does it sound like?

The Baptism of Jesus is a historical fact. I would have liked to be there in the background just to watch and see the reaction on people's faces who were present when this happened.

How is it that Jesus is assured of this status: *most beloved, the one who pleases God?* How does he make God's A list? At the top of God's *My Fav's* list? How hard that can be? We all know what it takes in the contemporary world to be on someone's *most favorite list?* Actually ask yourself right now who are the people who make up your list and why?

God's criteria as we all suppose is different. It is not those *who like me* or those *who are like me* or those *who let me do whatever I like* — No! Jesus is God's Beloved Son and He truly pleases God because of one word: 'others'. Jesus will live his life for one mission — to share with 'others', God's world. He will keep nothing to himself; every word, every action is beyond the 'purely personal'. He lives for 'others'. Jesus will fulfill the words of the Isaiah: 'Comfort, bring comfort to my people'; he will be a voice that if many listen to it will create a way in the desert. He will herald of good news. John the Baptist says he will indeed be the only one to meet the expectations and longings of many. Why? Because He thinks and lives for 'others.'

At our baptism we are all assured of the status of God's beloved and we in God eyes are pleasing to him. But the challenge remains to be vigilant that we witness what it truly means to be God's beloved. This means we must 'live for others'. We must share with others, God's world. We must live beyond the purely personal. It means we will reject much, or deny much and we must be eager to do what is good. To be baptized is 'work'.

Do those who encounter you find the qualities and character of God's beloved. What do you think those qualities and character are? Do your actions and words, really please God? What do you do for 'others'?

A Blessed week!



Martin Luther King Sunday
20 Jan 2019

Installation of New Altar Servers
10:30am Mass

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NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome packets are available at the entrances of the church. Call or stop by the Parish office to register.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Please call the parish office to make arrangements for the Sacrament of Baptism (978-582-4008).

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(RCIA) welcomes all who may be interested in learning more About the Catholic Faith. For more information contact Fr. Anthony Mpagi at stbonifaceparish@comcast.net 2

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY It is the policy of the Diocese of Worcester that a couple should contact the parish **at least one year** prior to the anticipated date of their wedding to allow sufficient time to carry out the various steps of the marriage preparation process. It is important that arrangements be made with the church **before** plans are made with reception halls, caterers, etc.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession) Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

PRAYER LINE MINISTRY If you or someone you know needs prayers or if you would like to be a part of this ministry of those who pray for the needs of neighbors, please contact Sue Cote 978-582-0404 sj33@msn.com

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St Boniface Mass from the previous week will be broadcast at 10:45 every Sunday on **Lunenburg Public Access Channel 9** ...anyone interested in helping video tape should contact ... tmurphyesq@aol.com

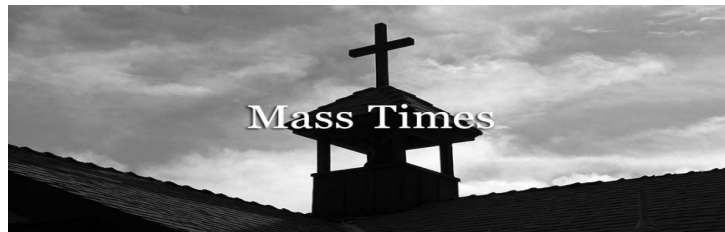
SICK OR HOMEBOUND We would like to bring them Communion and minister to them on a regular basis either at home or in a health care facility. Please call the parish office 978-582-4008 or email Fr. Anthony at stbonifaceparish@comcast.net or Nancy Cieri 978-582-6983 nancycieri@comcast.net to arrange these visits.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

In Service to One. In Service to all.

The members of St. Boniface Knights of Columbus Council #16480 meet in the Parish Hall on the first Wednesday of each month at 7pm. Any Catholic men over 18 who are interested in joining the Knights should contact Grand Knight James Dijak (978) 534-7956 or Deputy Grand Knight Brian Cusick (978) 534-2326, or you can email the Council at kofc16480@gmail.com



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

4PM Saturday Vigil Mass
8am & 10:30am Sunday Morning Mass

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

All Masses are at 6:30pm
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8am-12pm & 1- 4pm

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Weekend January 6, 2018

Sunday Ordinary:	\$2,952.00
Maintenance:	450.00
Fuel Envelopes:	540.00
Christmas Offering:	50.00
Total Contributions:	\$3,992.00

2018 Christmas Collection: \$3,946.00

Diocesan Collections

Retired Religious: \$850.00
Catholic University of America: \$233.00

Sunday Ordinary Previous Year Comparison:

December 2017: \$15,664.00
December 2018: \$11,786.00

Thank you for your continued support!

ELECTRONIC GIVING PROGRAM

An alternate means of supporting St. Boniface Parish instead of envelopes is electronic giving. In lieu of weekly collections, our electronic giving program allows you to make automatic contributions from your checking or savings account monthly. There is NO cost to you for participating in the program. Electronic giving is a convenient way to consistently support your parish. We encourage you to take advantage of this program. Not only is this a consistent support for you it helps us to have a consistent revenue throughout the year that the parish can count on.

Thank you for considering this means of supporting your parish. If you are interested please contact the parish office at 978-582-4008 or email: stbonifaceparish@verizon.net.

MASS INTENTION

Sat	Jan 12	4pm	Peter Charpentier, by the family
Sun	Jan 13	10:30am	Michael Marcil, (5 th Anniv) by the family
Sun	Jan 20	8am	Anne Rivard, by John & Mary Alatalo
Sun	Jan 27	8am	Anne Rivard, by Ray and Mary Powers
Sat	Feb 2	4pm	Louis Arruda(14 th Anniv) by the family
Sun	Feb 3	8am	Anne Rivard, by the Dillon Family
Sat	Feb 9	4pm	Michael Brisson,(5 th Anniv) by his mother Louise
Sun	Feb 17	8am	Anne Rivard, by Pat Paton

2018 ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Grand Annual Appeal. **61 parishioners have contributed \$37,450.00 towards our goal of \$55,000.** We ask that you prayerfully consider contributing to this important appeal. Pledge forms are located in the pews. They may be returned by placing it in the collection basket or mailed to the parish office.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #16480
SECOND CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT** on

Sunday, January 27, 2019 from 1pm-5pm in the St. Boniface Parish Hall. First prize is \$100 and second prize is \$50. For more information and to register contact the Knights at kofc16480@gmail.com or 978-430-7600



"KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

DIAPER DRIVE: The Knights of Columbus Council #16480 is conducting a diaper drive to benefit Care Net during the month

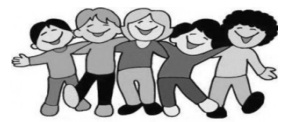
of January. Please bring your donations of diapers, baby wipes, and formula and place them at Mother Mary's altar. The knights will collect these items at the end of January and transport them to the Care Net Pregnancy Center for use by their clients. Thank you for helping unwed mothers make the right decision."

WELCOME PACKETS

If you wish to register as a St. Boniface parishioner, please pick up a Welcome Packet at either door of the church and after filling out the appropriate information return it to the parish office.

TAX STATEMENT FOR 2018

If you would like a statement of your 2018 church contributions for income tax purposes, please call the parish office at 978-582-4008 or email stbonifaceparish@verizon.net. Please leave your name, telephone number and envelope number.



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JANUARY 27TH**

WILLS & ESTATES: The whole parish community is most grateful to you when you consider remembering St. Boniface Parish as you draw up your wills and prepare your estate planning. Your gift will help support our parish family for future generations.

**MONTACHUSET
INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY
NETWORK (MIHN)**

Many thanks to all the parishioners who contributed to the food and supplies needed for last week's rotation at the MIHN. There were four homeless families in the shelter last week. Also, due to the generosity of parishioners we were able to provide 15 gift cards to families during this holiday season. We also gave several donated gifts. We received a note of thanks from the Director of MIHN, Dr. Jon Hogue. A special thanks to Lionel and Cecile Tarbel, Lori Craig, Carol Archambault, Monica Robles and Marcela Coronel who cooked a meal for the families this past week.

AS A REMINDER, our parish follows the guidelines of the National Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and policies of the Diocese of Worcester in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a church employee or volunteer in the past. Please contact Victim Services Coordinator for our diocese at 508-929-4363 (direct line & confidential voicemail). If you are concerned about a current case of abuse, please contact the local civil authorities immediately.



**ATTENTION YOUTH BASKETBALL
PLAYERS!** St. Leo's Council is hosting

the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship on January 26 at the St. Leo's Gym at 120 Main Street in Leominster. The event begins at 9:30 and is open to boys and girls ages 9 – 14. Proof of age must be provided. Call Bert Uschold at 978-660-6791 for more information.