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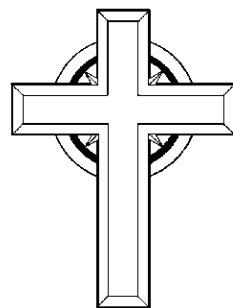
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May 5, 2019

Third Sunday of Easter



Reading I: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

Responsorial Psalm: 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

Reading II: Revelation 5:11-14

Gospel: John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

"Come, have breakfast"

Focusing the Gospel

Key words and phrases: they caught nothing, cast your net, full of...large fish, do you love me, glorify God, Follow me

To the point: To the point: The Gospel hints at two failures: the fishermen coming back with no fish, Peter's denial of Jesus before his death. Yet these failures became occasions for Jesus' gift of abundance: a large catch of fish, a fuller love that would "glorify God." Faithful discipleship is not measured by absence of failure, but by openness to obeying new commands from Jesus, recognition of God's abundant gifts, and willingness to grow into new life.

Connecting the Gospel ...

... to the First Reading: Strict orders from the Sanhedrin did not deter the disciples from obeying "God rather than men." Ever faithful to Jesus' command to follow him, they even rejoiced that they were able to "suffer dishonor for the sake of the name."

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A Stewardship prayer (*My parish, my home*)

My church is composed of people like me.

I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am

Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them

It will do great work, if I work,

It will make generous gifts to many causes,

if I am a generous giver.

It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship,

if I invite and bring them.

It will be a church of loyalty and love

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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).

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (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

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

LUNENBURG PUBLIC ACCESS TV

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 ... tmurphesq@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 April 28, 2019

Sunday Ordinary:	\$3,246.00
Easter	65.00
Maintenance	40.00
Fuel	536.00
Divine Mercy Collection	370.00
Total Contributions:	\$4,257.00

Thank you for your continued support!

ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS

We are excited to announce that we now offer a quick, easy, and automated way for you to offer your tithe to the parish!

Instead of trying to remember your checkbook or cash each week, simply click on the "Online Giving Options" link located on the Quick Links bar on the St. Boniface website.

You can make a one-time offering, or better yet, set up a convenient recurring Sunday Offering for consistent giving. We thank you for your support



PIC update: We are \$4,757.00 away from reaching our goal of \$22,500. We ask that you please prayerfully consider giving to this important appeal so that we may meet our goal. Envelopes are

available in the pews and may be returned to the parish office or in the collection basket.

TEXT GIVING: This is an easy and most secure way to give. If you know how to send a text message, you can make a gift to Partners in Charity in seconds on your phone. Best yet, **St. Boniface will receive credit!** Text the word donate to 84576. You can also make your gift online at partners-charity.net. Thank you for your continued support!

MASS INTENTION

Sun	May 5	10:30am	Patricia Alario, by Paul & Sharon Fontecchio
Sun	May 19	10:30am	Patricia Alario, by Judy Alario
Sun	May 26	9am	Patricia Alario, by Joan Pena & Jeff Resnick
Sun	June 2	9am	Richard & Frances Hebert, by the Laford family
Sun	June 9	9am	Antoinette Grasso, by Joan Pena & Jeff Resnick



Ascension of Jesus - Mass

Please join us on Thursday, May 30, 2019 for celebration of Mass for the Ascension of Jesus Christ. Catholic Holy Day of Obligation

CONFIRMATION DAY

On Monday May 13th, 2019 at 7 PM, the Confirmation Class will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at Saint Cecilia's Church, 168 Mechanic Street, Leominster, MA.



All families and friends of the Confirmation students are welcome to attend.

Confirmation Students must be at Saint Cecilia's Church by 6:30 PM.



Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network (MIHN)

4TH ANNUAL WALK FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES

FAMILIES On Saturday, May 11, 2019 from 8:30 AM to 10 AM, The Montachusett

Interfaith Hospitality Network is sponsoring their 4th Annual Walk for Homeless Families. Please join and register for the walk to help support MIHN.

RED SOX TICKET RAFFLE TO BENEFIT MIHN

Chance to Win 4 Red Sox Tickets by entering Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network Raffle.

Support a great cause and support the MIHN homeless center by entering this raffle.

Raffle Drawing will be held on May 20th, 2019 for **4 Red Sox Seats for the May 27, 2019 game vs the Cleveland Indians.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED DURING THE WEEK OF MAY 26, 2019, to prepare and deliver meals to the Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network (MIHN) located in Leominster.

Also, prior to May 26th look for donation tags in the church for volunteers to generously purchase food goods for MIHN. Please, return any donated goods to the back of the church next to John the Baptist carving by May 26th. You will see a MIHN sign. Thank you. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

THE PATH TO A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY LUNENBURG

On Monday May 20th, 2019, from 6 PM to 8 PM, Please join the Lunenburg Dementia Friendly Action Team and your local legislators to learn about the effort to create a

more inclusive and supportive community. This info session will be held at the Lunenburg Library and will detail the plan to make Lunenburg dementia friendly, what that label means, and how we will get there. Refreshments will be served. Please bring questions, ideas, and much support.



OKTOBERFEST: our second meeting will be held on Thursday, May 23, at 6:30 pm, in the Parish Hall. We invite anyone

who would like to join our team to help organize this annual parish fundraiser. This event has become a fun time as we plan, pray together, and get to know some of the "characters" who participate every year. This will be our third Oktoberfest and we look forward to another successful year. Remember, we can't do it without our parishioners. That's YOU! (I promise meetings will be 1 hour or less!)

White Elephant Again This Year: we will have a White Elephant Sale in the parish hall. We will be collecting donations for this sale beginning Sunday, July 21 after each Mass, enter from the lower side parking lot door. Please place items on the stage. So... clean out those attics, basements, and closets! Items must be clean, new or gently used, and ready to sell. Some of the items we are looking for (though not limited to) are small furniture, sports equipment, bikes, hanging pictures, kitchen items, blankets, tools, holiday items, etc. No clothing, pillows, mattresses, electronics, large appliances or large furniture will be accepted.



THE MONTACHUSETT CHORALE

presents its Spring Concert this Sunday, May 5 at 2 pm, at Leominster City Hall. With 50 plus members (3 from our own choir) a 16 pc orchestra and a fun,

eclectic program of music, our audience is sure to be delightfully entertained. The best part? Every cent of ticket and baked good sales goes to benefit the rebuilding of Lunenburg's beloved Cherry Hill Farm. Tickets can be purchased at Elena's and Stillman's Farm Store. Kids attend for Free!

Call Claire at (617)823-4237 for more information.