



**Weddings:** Please arrange at least 6 months prior to the desired date.  
**Baptisms:** Please arrange no less than one month prior to desired date.

**Reconciliation:** Any time by appointment or Saturdays  
 3 - 3:45 PM - St. Boniface Church Sacristy.

## St. Therese Mass Schedule

Saturday	Dec 10,2016	5:00 PM	Pat Emmendorfer - Leo and Mary Wiederholt
Tuesday	Dec 13,2016	8:30 AM	Clark Platt - His Family
Wednesday	Dec 14,2016	8:30 AM	For all Parishioners,Living & Deceased - at <i>Richmond Healthcare &amp; Rehab</i>
Thursday	Dec 15,2016	8:30 AM	Healing for Rev. Paul Frank - Sr. Loretta Roeckers
Saturday	Dec 17,2016	5:00 PM	Happy Birthday for Sr. Mildred - Sr. Loretta Roeckers

## Assignments – 12/17/16

## Stewardship

**Lectors:**

Gail and Debbie Kueser

**Offertory Collection: 03 December 2016**

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Gail and Debbie Kueser, Gerard Weber

Regular Collection - \$677.00  
 (Envelopes - \$505.00 and Plate - \$172.00)  
 Votives - \$14.00  
 Catholic Campaign for Human Development - \$100.00  
 Christmas Decorations - \$100.00  
 St. Therese Building Fund Donation - \$1,000.00

**Richmond Care Center:**

Sr. Loretta Roeckers

**Hospitality:**

Judy Wall

**Counting Team: C**

**Church Cleaning:**

Helen Feuerborn, Jackie Hiles

## St. Boniface Mass Schedule

Sunday	Dec 11,2016	9:00 AM	Clark Platt - His Family
Monday	Dec 12,2016	8:30 AM	Teresa Rockers - Hilda Lankard
Wednesday	Dec 14,2016	8:30 AM	For all Parishioners,Living & Deceased - at <i>Richmond Healthcare &amp; Rehab</i>
Friday	Dec 16,2016	8:30 AM	Taiwan Irvin - Ray Mader
Sunday	Dec 18,2016	9:00 AM	Bob and Kathleen Guilfoyle - Alan Sunderland

## Assignments – 12/18/16

## Stewardship

**Lectors:**

Michelle Rockers, Tony Mersman

**Offertory Collection: 04 December 2016**

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Cheryl Strobel, Nancy Hermreck, Keith Hermreck

Regular Collection - \$1,292.00  
 (Envelopes - \$1,103.00 and Plate - \$189.00)  
 Votives - \$9.00  
 Christmas Decorations - \$325.00  
 Cemetery Upkeep - \$1,500.00

**Servers:**

Will Mechnig, A. J. Schaffer, Emma Jument

**Richmond Care Center:**

Sr. Loretta Roeckers

**Counting Team:** Vicki Mersman

# I am filled with a jealous zeal for the Lord God of Hosts



## Pastor's Notes

**CONDOLENCES** - are extended to Peg Pearson and the Cunningham family on the passing of Dorothy, who was buried from St. Boniface last Wednesday. Let us keep Dorothy and her family and friends in our prayers at this time of grieving. And may Dorothy rest in eternal peace!

**THANK YOU** - to the parishioners of St. Therese for their compassionate care of the family of Dorothy Cunningham, and providing the funeral luncheon for their guests following the funeral liturgy. Your works of mercy are greatly appreciated by all!

**SECOND COLLECTION** - There is a special collection this weekend, for the Retirement Fund for Religious. **This is a very important special collection, through which we can help support the medical, housing, and care needs of the Religious Women and Men who served the needs of generations of our ancestors with minimal support. It is a most opportune time for us to show our gratitude for their lives of sacrifice and service.** There is a special envelope for this collection in your packets, and additional envelopes at the entrance of each church. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

**CHRISTMAS PLANNING** - With Christmas fast-approaching, I'd like to offer a few comments to help us better prepare for the celebration. Christmas this year is on Sunday - and the times for Masses on Christmas will be the same as they have been in the recent past. Christmas Eve Mass at St. Therese will be at 4:00 PM, and 7:00 PM at St. Boniface. Christmas day Mass will ONLY be at St. Boniface, at 9:00 AM. In your envelope packet, you will notice that there are three envelopes for Christmas. One is for Catholic Charities, one is for a Christmas Offering for the parishes, and the third is the regular weekend offering envelope. There will be two collections at all of the Christmas Masses; one for the weekly offering as well as the Christmas offering if you choose to make one; the second will be for Catholic Charities. ***It would be most helpful if you used your envelopes that weekend so your donations can be properly directed and recorded. Thanks for your help and cooperation with this!***

**LOST AND FOUND** - a silver and turquoise women's bracelet was found in St. Boniface Hall following the post-Confirmation reception. If this is yours, please contact Fr. Jerry to retrieve it!

**NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULING** - It is time once again to prepare the next Liturgical Ministry schedule for both parishes. This list will run from Christmas through the month of March. If you know of dates that you will be away, or if you have any particular dates that you would like to be scheduled, please let Misty Wheeler know as soon as possible at: [moews@hotmail.com](mailto:moews@hotmail.com) or text/call at: 913.908.5339. ***As always, this is also a good time to consider joining in as a liturgical minister. If you would like to serve as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or Altar Server - please let Misty know and Fr. Jerry will be in touch with you for some guidance and training. There is also a great need for additional counting team members and Greeters from St. Therese. If you would consider doing either of these ministries, please let Fr. Jerry know!*** These are wonderful ways for you to put your God-given talents at the service of the Community - please do consider this request, and Thank You all for your commitment to our shared responsibility for our liturgies!

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS** - There is an envelope in your packet for making a donation for Christmas flowers and decorations. ***There will be NO special collection for this offering!*** If you would like to contribute, please use this envelope, or any other envelope indicating that your donation is for flowers and your envelope number, and place it in the regular collection at any time that it is convenient for you.

**ADVENT** - You will notice the Jesse Tree in each church. ***As we have done in the past, if you wish to participate, either take an ornament from the tree, or simply write down some of the items that are being sought after, and bring them to church sometime during the Advent season - the non-perishable food bins will also remain throughout Advent and they will be delivered by Christmas....a wonderful way to share Christmas with those who are in need - and to extend the Year of Mercy that has just concluded!***

**IMPORTANT DATES** - The Richmond Christmas Festival will take place this Saturday, December 10th. The festivities begin with the tree lighting at 6 PM, followed by dinner, story-telling, a visit from Santa, and raffle drawings following in the Community Building. ***The Garnett Area Community Band will have a Winter Concert this Sunday, December 11th, at 3:00 PM at the Anderson County Junior-Senior High School auditorium.*** Our Advent Communal Reconciliation Service and individual Confessions will be held at St. Boniface next Sunday evening, December 18th, at 5 PM.

**HOME VISITS** - weekly visits and Holy Communion for our homebound and hospitalized members ***generally*** takes place on Wednesdays, following the Mass at Richmond Healthcare and Rehab and my Communion calls at Anderson County Hospital Residential Care and Guest Home Estates in Garnett. If you know of anyone who would like for me to stop and visit them on a regular basis or even an occasional visit, please let me know or have them call me. And let's all keep our elderly, sick, and homebound parishioners in our thoughts and prayers!

**St. Isidore, patron of farmers, intercede for us as we pray for safety and favorable weather!**



On Monday of this week,  
December 12th - we celebrate  
the feast day of  
**Our Lady of Guadalupe.**  
Reflect on these words as we  
honor Mary:

"When the image of the Virgin  
appeared on the tilma (cloak) of  
Juan Diego, it was a prophecy of  
an embrace: Mary's embrace of  
all the peoples of the vast  
expanses of America....that is  
the message of Our Lady of  
Guadalupe....I ask all the people  
of the Americas to open wide  
their arms, like the Virgin, with  
love and tenderness."

Pope Francis - 12/11/2013

Have a blessed week! Fr. Jerry