

**MARCH 8TH 2009  
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**



**ST. BONIFACE  
CHURCH**

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Deacon Peter Venezia**

**Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00am to 2:00pm  
Parish Secretary: Rosann Glommeau**

**MASSES**

Weekdays during Lent: 9:00AM & 7:00PM

Saturday: 9:00AM & 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:30AM, 10:00AM, 11:30AM

Coffee & cake in Boyd Hall after all Sunday Masses

Holy Day: 9:00AM, 7:00PM day of & night before

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday: 4:00PM - 4:30PM

**BAPTISMS**

Only by appointment

Saturdays at 11:00AM or Sundays at 1:00PM

**WEDDINGS**

Couples should contact the rectory as soon as a wedding is planned.

**PARISH COUNCIL**

Rich Morreale, Chairperson 845-708-0461

2nd Monday of month at 8:00PM in Rectory

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Kay Olive-Kelly, Director 845-354-7039

**CLASSES**

Grades K-5: Tuesday 4:15-5:45PM

Grades 6-8: Tuesday 6:45-8:15PM

Grades 1-5: Thursday 4:15-5:45PM

Grades 6-8: Thursday 6:45-8:15PM

**SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE**

3rd Monday of the month at 7:00PM in Rectory

Helen Flynn, Moderator 845-627-1664

**ROSARY**

Every Wednesday at 8:00PM. Open to all.

**EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT**

1st Wednesday of month at 8:00PM in Church, followed by the rosary.

**TELEPRAYER NETWORK**

For prayer needs: Rose Alessi 845-290-1670

**306 CLUB/FUNDRAISING**

Ongoing Parish Support

Rich and Marie Morreale 845-708-0461

**MUSIC PROGRAMS**

Ellen McNamara, Director of Music Ministry

Adult Choir 845-369-3279

**YOUTH GROUP**

Christine Borsinger, Minister 845-709-2313

Email: [saintbonifaceym@yahoo.com](mailto:saintbonifaceym@yahoo.com)

**BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP**

Kay Olive-Kelly: Call for Details 845-354-8375

Meets Saturday Mornings in Boyd Hall at 8:00AM

September through June



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*Tabernacle candle lit for the intentions of  
William Riebling (Living)*



3/8/2009	INTENTIONS	CELEBRANT	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTOR	E. MINISTERS
5:00 PM	Teresa Balsamo	Fr. Jim	The Gedeons & Follini	Mallavarlupu	Morreale & Follini
8:30 AM	Gerard Armstrong	Fr. Jim	Heavner, Bischoff & Jimenez	Laico	Eckert & Richards
10:00 AM	Rosario Adragna (Living)	Fr. Grace	The Bulfamantes & Hines	T McNamara	Felske & Ortiz
11:30 AM	Gerard Armstrong	Fr. Grace	The Polancos & Fazio	DiBartolo	Armstrong & Fazio

DAILY	INTENTIONS	CELEBRANT
<b>Monday</b> 9:00AM 7:00PM	Dailey Family Victoria Amon	Fr. Grace
<b>Tuesday</b> 9:00AM 7:00PM	Andrea Mafalda Federici	Fr. Grace
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00AM 7:00PM	George Beutel Gerard Armstrong	Fr. Grace
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00AM 7:00PM	Shiela Baldwin (Living) Isreal Santiago	Fr. Grace
<b>Friday</b> 9:00AM 7:00PM	John Kelly	Fr. Grace
<b>Saturday</b>	Margaret Murphy & John Twohie	Fr. Grace

### READINGS: Total Devotion

*I know now how devoted you are. -Genesis 22:12*

In our first reading today, Abraham prepares to sacrifice his son Isaac, in obedience to a command from God. God does not want Isaac to die; he wants to test Abraham's obedience and trust. Does Abraham love God with all his heart? As soon as Abraham picks up the sacrificial knife, God stops him. "I know now," God says, "how devoted you are to God."

In the gospel, another father, another son. Jesus is transfigured before his disciples, and the Father's voice resounds: "This is my beloved Son" (Mark 9:7). The scene is a turning point: Jesus is about to set out for Jerusalem, where he will lay down his life for us. Jesus' total gift of himself will be, at the same time, the Father's gift. "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life" (John 3:16). Jesus' death will be the Father's unimaginably great gift to us – the gift of his own, deeply loved Son. Looking at Jesus on the cross, each of us can say to God, "Now I know how devoted you are – to me!"

Kevin Perrotta

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### Remember Our Sick

#### Let us pray to the Lord:

Doris Burns, Karen Revesz,  
Vincenzo Ruta, Carmine  
Centorino, Michael Kosloski,  
Matthew Conachey, Stacey

Crow, Gino Colangelo, Larry Schultz, Anne Ell, William Riebling, Anne Del Biondo, and Frank Flynn.

March 1, 2009 Collections:	\$ 4,303.00
Weekly Goal:	\$ 5,000.00
March 1st Mass Attendance:	531

3/15/2009	INTENTIONS	CELEBRANT	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTOR	E. MINISTERS
5:00 PM	Cesare Riccardi	Fr. Jim	The Pierces & Cumento	Liberace	D'Antonio & Dreu
8:30 AM	Gerard Armstrong	Fr. Jim	The Ryans	Liftin	Robinson & Scully
10:00 AM	John Troy	Fr. Grace	The Pietruchs & Negrin	Affronti	Cary & Handler
11:30 AM	Gerard Armstrong	Fr. Grace	The Brancas & Wojnicki	Martin	Greppo & Maralit

## From the Pastor's Desk:

Hi, it's me again. Listening to Jesus should move us to make changes in our lives. Are we listening to Jesus? We are to listen to all that Jesus taught and then live according to those teachings.

Jesus during our Lenten Journey invites us to be transformed not just on the outside, but from within. This transformation arises from being in the presence of God.

The transfiguration of Jesus in the Gospel caused the Apostles to become aware of God with and within Him. They wanted to stay and prolong the joy of that moment. And when they went forth from that experience, it was with a new resolve to listen to what Jesus had to say. What about our experience of God?

In what ways can we say we listen to Jesus? And have sensed being blessed by God in our life? What we are doing for Lent should help us answer these questions.

There have been a lot of ideas mentioned recently to make our parish better. New ideas should bring new volunteers, but so far that has not happened. Please let me know why. Don't forget our Lenten Program: 9:00am Mass Mon-Sat., and 7:00pm Mass Mon-Fri, followed by Stations. Rosary Wed. night at 8:00pm and the Scripture session on Sat. 8:00am. One of these should fit let's pray for each other. Carry on.

## St. Boniface Scholarship Awards 2009

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide families of the parish with help in the cost of education; and to reward those students who have excelled in their studies, and in their church community activities.

As a fundraiser, you can order a Palm Grave Cross, for which proceeds will go to the scholarship fund (see order form on page 7). On April 4th & 5th we will be collecting donations for the Scholarship Program in the vestibule.

This year we will be awarding four scholarships totaling \$6,000.00 in the following amounts (per family): \$2,500.00, \$1,500.00 and \$1,000.00 to qualified high school seniors entering college and a \$1,000.00 scholarship to a qualified parochial or private high school applicant.

### Qualifications are as follows:

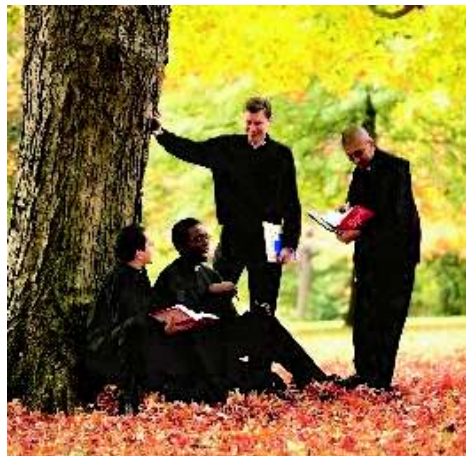
A family must be registered and an active member of St. Boniface for at least one year in the parish. Current members or family of Scholarship Committee members are not eligible. The scholarships are open to anyone already attending or applying for the first time to a tuition charging institution. They don't necessarily have to be an entering Freshman.

Application Due Date is April 6th.



ONE COMMUNITY...  
ONE FAITH...  
ONE BODY IN CHRIST

## *the Formation of Our Clergy and the Care of our Retired Religious*



Through the Cardinal's Appeal, \$1.25 million is dedicated to our Seminary system. Our three Seminary programs - our Major Seminary Saint Joseph's, The Neumann Residence and Hall, and the Cathedral Prep Program - provide guidance and training to our young men as they prepare to live a life dedicated to Christ and His people here in the Archdiocese of New York.

Another \$1.25 million is set aside to assist our retired priests and religious.

Upon retirement, our elderly clergy receive loving care in places such as John Cardinal O'Connor and the Our Lady of Consolation Residences.

Please make your gift to support these important works!

### **2009 Cardinal's Appeal Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date**

<u>2009 Goal</u>	<u>2008 Pledge</u>	<u>2009 Paid</u>	<u># Gifts</u>
\$42,735.00	\$48,578.00	\$1,050.00	3









**Food Stamps for  
Working People Employees,  
Self-employed, Farmers,  
Singles, Families and YOU!**

**Did You Know?**

It doesn't matter where you get your income  
(A job, Social Security, self-employment, child support)  
You may still be eligible.

You can have a house and car, and still get food stamps  
There are no liens on your property.

Income guidelines might be higher than you think!

**How Can I Get Food Stamps?**

We can prescreen you for eligibility. You will be asked to  
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household members.

**How Do Food Stamps Work?**

You will receive an Electronic Benefit Transfer card that  
works just like a debit card. Easy and convenient.

***For a free & confidential prescreening to find out if you  
may be eligible, or need help applying, please contact:***

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**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Prayer shawls are labors of love knitted or crocheted by  
women of the parish while they pray for the recipi-  
ent. Praying for the recipient of the shawl may be done  
in groups or during your prayer time at home.

Please use this website as a source of information  
[www.shawlministry.com](http://www.shawlministry.com)

If you would like to be involved please either email  
Ana Echeverria (Felske) or call my cell 914-661-5759.

St. Boniface Church

**Scholarship Fundraiser  
Grave Crosses of Palms**



Cost of \$15.00, includes a \$3.00 donation to the parish

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Crosses Requested: \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make an additional donation  
to the scholarship fund in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I do not wish to purchase a cross, but will donate  
to the scholarship fund the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Enclosed is cash or check for a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Make checks payable to: St. Boniface Church, place in  
an envelope with order form clearly marked "Palm Cross"  
For info, contact the rectory or Scholarship Committee.

**A Prayer**

Heavenly Father, help us remember that the jerk who  
cut us off in traffic last night might be a single mother  
who worked nine hours that day and is rushing home  
to cook dinner, help with homework, do the laundry  
and spend a few precious moments with her children.

Help us remember that the pierced, tattooed, disinter-  
ested, young man who can't make change correctly  
might be a married 19 year old college student balanc-  
ing his apprehension over final exams with his fear of  
not getting his student loans for next semester.

Remind us, Lord, that the scary looking bum, begging  
for money in the same spot every day and who we  
think needs to get a job, might be a slave to addictions  
that we can only imagine in our worst nightmares.

Help us to remember that the old couple walking an-  
noyingly slow through the store aisles and blocking  
our shopping progress might be savoring the moment  
knowing that, based on the biopsy report she got last  
week, this will be the last year they go shopping to-  
gether.

Heavenly Father, remind us each day that, of all the  
gifts you give us, the greatest gift is love. It is not  
enough to share that with those we hold dear. Open  
our hearts not to just those who are close to us, but to  
all humanity. Let us be slow to judge and quick to  
forgive, show patience, empathy and love.

(Matthew 5:44) -Rola Boza