



The Spirit of  
**SAINT BONAVENTURE**  
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY  
LOVE GOD - LOVE OTHERS - MAKE DISCIPLES



Fall 2021  
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## Father James Installed as Pastor

Jodi Ketter

Saturday, July 24, at 4:30 p.m., Bernard Hebda, Archbishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis came to Saint Bonaventure to install Father James Chitteth, CFIC as our new pastor. Father James was supported by Father Benny and Father Jimmy, confrariars and fellow members of the Congregation of the Sons of the Immaculate Conception (CFIC), who concelebrated the Installation Mass.

The Installation Ceremony began after the Gospel when Archbishop Hebda formally presented and invited us to join him in welcoming Father James as our new pastor.

***“We might think that the gifts that we have are insignificant for the task at hand. But we need to be reminded by leaders like Father James that when we give whatever it is that we have, it is then that the Lord is able to work miracles. He doesn’t ask us to work the miracle. It’s indeed the Lord who works the miracle with the little gifts that we give to him. Now in assigning Father James to this parish, I certainly am doing it because I know of his gifts but also because I know of yours.” - Archbishop Hebda***



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After the homily, the following groups from our parish were presented to the new pastor: the staff, the Parish Pastoral Council, and the Trustees. Each group had the opportunity to come forward and welcome our new pastor.

***“It is a day of great joy and thanksgiving to God. We the community are so glad that God sent us here to the Saint Bonaventure family. My heart is full of thankfulness to God and to Archbishop Hebda, who welcomed me to the Archdiocese, assigned me as your pastor, and today came to bless me with the Installation.” - Father James***

After Mass, Archbishop Hebda and Father James stayed to greet and share hospitality with all in attendance. We invite you to join us in welcoming Father James and supporting him in prayer as he leads our parish.



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**A NOTE FROM  
SAINT BONAVENTURE**

*Love God - Love Others - Make Disciples*



Brothers and Sisters,

Our religious order, Sons of the Immaculate Conception (CFIC), was founded in 1857 in Rome, and our founder, Blessed Luigi Maria Monti, was born on July 24, 1825. And so, it was a joy and honor to be installed at Saint Bonaventure on July 24 as your pastor.

Perhaps many of you may not know there is a little connection between the Franciscan order and our religious order, CFIC. When CFIC was founded in Rome back in 1857, for the first 25 years, the spiritual care of our members was

taken care of by the Franciscan-Capuchins, at the request of Pope Blessed Pius IX. So here we are undertaking the legacy of the Franciscan Friars who have built this parish and served it for many long years. **Now we have to continue with more commitment to keep up the Franciscan spirit as well as the spirit of our Montian Marian spirituality. And I am sure that will certainly enrich our parish, whose patron and protector is Saint Bonaventure.**

Bonaventure, the great Franciscan Bishop, Cardinal & Seraphic Doctor of Church, was born at Bagnoreggio near Viterbo, in central Italy. I had the privilege to visit his home during my studies in Rome, as our religious order had a community and care center for mentally challenged children at Montefiascone, five miles away from his birthplace. He entered the Franciscan Order in 1243, studied at the University of Paris, and later was elected Minister General of the Franciscan Order.

In 1265, Bonaventure was made Archbishop of York. Pope Gregory X raised him to Cardinal Bishop of Albano and insisted on his presence at the great Second Council of Lyon in 1274. He is ranked along with Thomas Aquinas as the greatest of the Doctors of the Church.

Bonaventure was regarded as one of the greatest philosophers of the Middle Ages. He wrote on almost every subject treated by scholastic theologians. His writings and much of his philosophical thought show a considerable influence by St. Augustine of Hippo. With St. Thomas Aquinas, he shared numerous profound agreements in theological and philosophical matters. One of the unique achievements of Bonaventure lays in his attempt to balance the relations between reason and faith, as he always maintained all the sciences are but the handmaids of theology.

**As members of a catholic community named after Bonaventure, we have a task to deepen our knowledge about him, promote his thoughts, and imitate his virtues, as he is called "Seraphic Doctor," renowned for his purity of heart and intellectual excellence. May he guide our journey to holiness!**

## Let's talk...

**If you ever start a sentence with, “The Church needs to...” then this is for you!** Be part of the Synod process that will shape our local Church. Small groups will discuss the three focus areas that arose from feedback given in the Prayer and Listening events. Your prayer, conversation and feedback on priorities within these focus areas will inform the topics selected for the Synod Assembly in June 2022.

- Forming parishes that are in the service of evangelization.
- Forming missionary disciples who know Jesus's love and respond to his call.
- Forming youth and young adults in and for a Church that is always young.

Saint Bonaventure will be holding Synod Small Groups on Thursdays this fall. You can come to one session or all—join us after Daily Mass from 9:30-11:30 a.m. OR in the evening from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Ambrose Hall on the dates below. Registration will be available in early September at [saintbonaventure.org/synod](http://saintbonaventure.org/synod) and appreciated but is not required.

### Saint Bonaventure Synod Small Groups

**Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m. OR 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Ambrose Hall in the Activities Building**

**The Heart of the Gospel—“Kerygma” and Forming Missionary Disciples**  
September 23

**Life-long Discipleship and Universal Call to Holiness**  
September 30

**Welcoming Parishes and Collaboration in Parish Ministry**  
October 7

**Liturgy and Sunday Experience and Sharing the Gospel in Word and Deed**  
October 14

**Parents as Primary Educators and Helping the Young Encounter Jesus**  
October 28

**Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry**  
November 4

***“The potential is boundless when we all put our heads and hearts together  
and allow the Holy Spirit to lead.” - Archbishop Hebda***



## Faith Formation at Saint Bonaventure

Our Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation year begins with class at 6:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, September 29**. We look forward to sharing the joy of knowing and living the love of Jesus Christ with you. To register and make a payment online visit us at [saintbonaventure.org/faith-formation](http://saintbonaventure.org/faith-formation).

*Saint Bonaventure is planning to have in person classes at this time; however, the Bloomington Public School Guidelines will be followed and we will update you with any changes.*



### Saint Bonaventure Parishioners

I was ordained a deacon September 25, 1999 at the Cathedral in St. Paul. Many of you were present at that ordination Mass. It was my good fortune to be assigned to my home parish, Saint Bonaventure, as your deacon for the past 22 years and I have never looked back. It has been a joy to serve all of you through the years assisting many fine Friars as deacon of the Mass and administering the sacraments of baptism and marriage. It has been a special privilege to serve at wake services, funeral Masses and graveside services for your loved ones.

I loved being assigned here as deacon and will carry with me many good memories of serving. There are many fond memories of the events Joan and I put together to unite parishioners in a social setting. Joan & I heard your requests to put together both spiritual and social events; starting such events as: Divine Mercy Services, Friday morning Stations of the Cross at St. Boni's and at MLCC, Game nights, Valentine Dinner/Dances, Saint

Bonaventure Picnic and Dance on the grass and Veteran's Dinners. I enjoyed seeing how much the parish grew and bonded and enjoyed being together at these wonderful social gatherings.

Archbishop Hebda approved my request for retirement from active diaconal ministry here at Saint Bonaventure effective August 3, 2021. It was not an easy decision to make but Joan and I thought it was the right time to close out my deacon ministry. I am 74 now; Joan and I would like to spend more time with family and do some things we have put off these past 22 years.

My final weekend serving will be September 25-26, in honor of my ordination anniversary. I will retain my diaconal faculties and may continue to serve as a deacon on occasion as I am able, with the permission of the Pastor. As a retired deacon, I will not be scheduled to serve at the altar during Mass, but Joan & I plan to remain parishioners. After all, it has been like our second home. May God bless you all. Let us go forth to love God, love Others and make Disciples.

(I'll still) see you in church!  
Deacon Jon DeLuney



***“Deacons share in Christ’s mission and grace in a special way. The Sacrament of Holy Orders marks them with an imprint which cannot be removed and which configures them to Christ, who made himself the ‘deacon’ or servant of all. Among other tasks, it is the task of deacons to assist the bishop and priests in the celebration of the divine mysteries, above all the Eucharist, in the distribution of Holy Communion, in assisting at and blessing marriages, in the proclamation of the Gospel and preaching, in presiding over funerals, and in dedicating themselves to the various ministries of charity.”***  
***(Catechism of the Catholic Church; 1570)***

## Bloomington-Richfield Grief Support

Fall 2021: Thursdays, 4:30 - 6 p.m. September 23 - November 11

St. Luke’s Lutheran Church | 1701 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55431 | 952-881-5801

Dealing with Being Grief Stuck - September 23

Multiple Loss - September 30

Anxiety Disorder - October 7

The Courage to Ask: Embracing Help on the Path to Healing - October 14

Mastering the Art of Being Broken - October 21

Grief and Shame - October 28

Understanding Grief - November 4

A Time of Remembrance - November 11

# Appalachia Christmas Shoe Box Mission Project

Becky Running

Thank you to all who have graciously participated in the Appalachia Christmas Shoe Box Mission Project in the past, many of you year after year! We are so very grateful for your immense generosity, which has touched the lives of many children and families in one of the poorest regions of our country.

We have been waiting for word that this year's mission project will take place and are so excited to learn that we can begin collecting packed shoeboxes and gifts to be included in shoe boxes the week after the Fall Festival. The Shoe Box Mission Project is a wonderful mission project for children, families, and people of all ages, so be creative and have fun!

We sincerely appreciate shoe boxes already packed, as the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic prevented us from meeting in person to pack boxes (and we are unsure if we will face these same challenges this year). Please label which category your gift is for, and we suggest each box include a mixture of necessary items as well as fun Christmas gifts.

## PAPAL FOOTPRINTS



APPALACHIA  
KENTUCKY  
SHOE BOX  
MISSION

### Boy or Girl

- 2-4
- 5-9
- 10-14
- 15-18
- Infant
- Adult

### Shoe Box Ideas:

- Washcloth
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Soap
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Combs
- Small Hand Towel
- Socks
- Hats
- Mittens
- Small games
- Stationary
- Books
- Stickers
- Craft Items
- Legos
- Matchbox Cars
- Dolls
- Beanie Babies
- Coloring Books
- Markers

Parishes receiving our gifts are Catholic, so please include rosaries and spiritual gifts such as bibles and books about Jesus, Mary, St. Joseph, and other saints or small pictures and crosses they can hang on their walls.

School supplies and backpacks are also sincerely appreciated, and recipients love candies and Christmas treats like candy canes, suckers, and other wrapped hard candies.

**Please refrain from** packing chocolates, items that may melt, and violent toys.

### It is very helpful if:

- Your boxes are wrapped in Christmas gift wrap
- Boxes are wrapped in a way they can be viewed
- Liquid toiletries are packed in zip lock bags (*to prevent leaking*)

If you would rather not pack a shoebox, we can accept items to be included in a shoebox later.

Collection bins wrapped in gift wrap will be in the Gathering Space and the entrance of the Activities Building the week after the Fall Festival.

**Thank you so very much for joining us in this year's Appalachia Christmas Mission Shoe Box Project!**

Contact Becky, Health and Wellness Coordinator, 952-297-8423, [beckyr@saintbonaventure.org](mailto:beckyr@saintbonaventure.org) with questions.



# Summer Activities

## JumpStart 2 School

Brian and Ann Shields

In July and August, many donations and hands came together to pack **1,000 backpacks for Bloomington Public School families** to help them enter the school year prepared. On August 19, our parking lot was FULL of excitement and cars as we hosted the JumpStart 2 School drive-thru event for the third year in a row at Saint Bonaventure. By the end of the day, volunteers distributed 705 backpacks full of school supplies to students to get their school year started right. Bloomington Public Schools will give out remaining backpacks to kids in need that missed the event.

This event was a collaboration between the City of Bloomington, Bloomington Public Schools, Volunteers Enlisted to Assist People (VEAP), St. Michael's Lutheran Church, and Saint Bonaventure Catholic Community. It was beautiful to see so many people working together to serve our community. You made a positive impact and a huge difference in how the year will get started for these kids!



## Mass on the Grass

We know, whenever any changes take place, some are happy while some others are less happy. What began as a creative solution to create worship opportunities at Saint Bonaventure during the COVID-19 pandemic, Mass on the Grass, brought us together to celebrate the Eucharist as a community while enjoying our beautiful grounds over the last two summers.

As the sun begins to set on summer and we prepare for the Fall Festival, our 10 a.m. Sunday Mass has moved back into the church.

Thank you for your open hearts and cooperative spirit!



## Feast of Saint Bonaventure Picnic

Gini Bergstrom

We had a great turnout and weather at the Mass and picnic celebrating Saint Bonaventure's feast day on July 15. Nearly 100 folks gathered for our picnic after Mass. It was wonderful to see everyone's smiling faces again! Our community welcomed our new pastor, Father James, and the other priests living in our friary, Father Benny, Father Antony, and Father Jimmy. The food and company were great, as always and no one went home hungry.

If you would be interested in planning the annual picnic next year, contact the Parish Office, 952-854-4733. It doesn't take a great deal of time, and this event is a great get together for our community. If you are interested but have questions, we'd love to answer them for you!





## Garage Sale

Sue Weberg

Our Saint Bonaventure community is committed to reaching out to those in need. Thank you to all who donated, worked, and shopped at the garage sale, making these **gifts from our proceeds of \$11,179.36 to help those in need** possible!

- Feed My Starving Children - \$1,000
- Beacon Interface Housing - \$1,000
- Catholic Charities Higher Ground - \$1,000
- Meals on Wheels - \$1,000
- Every Meal (Formerly The Sheridan Project) - \$1,000
- VEAP - \$1,000
- Franciscan Brothers of Peace - \$1,000
- Christo Rey Jesuit High School - \$1,000
- Sharing and Caring Hands - \$1,000
- Good Counsel Learning Center - \$590
- Friends of the Poor (Sister Rose's Vietnamese Orphanage) - \$590



## #ShoeMeTheLOVE

Celio and Marian Daculan

ANswering the Cry Of the Poor (ANCOP), an outreach program of Couples For Christ, partnered with Funds2Orgs to launch a shoe drive in April 2021. **Within two months, we collected 103 bags with 25 pairs in each bag—2,575 pairs of shoes in total!**

Shoes collected were shipped to Haiti and distributed to less fortunate people who sell the shoes for a little profit, so they will be able to live more comfortably. Funds2Org paid us \$0.40 per pound for the shoes and the funds received during this fundraiser to ANCOP National to purchase medical supplies sent to COVID-affected areas in the Philippines.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who generously dropped off shoes in the Gathering Space to help us in this cause.



## Thank You for Supporting the Craft Boutiques!

Craft Group

**With hands for crafting and hearts for God**, our Craft Group is dedicated to creating items that can become treasured keepsakes. Thank you to all who made donations, especially those who made purchases at the Christmas and Spring Craft Boutiques. As a result of your generosity, we were able to donate to the following:

- Bridging
- St. Jude
- St. John Vianney College Seminary
- St. Paul Seminary
- Eastside Learning Center
- Faith Formation materials at Saint Bonaventure
- Box lunches for the Farewell to the Friars Event
- Donations to two individual seminarians

Our craft group meets every Tuesday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Activities Building. Your ideas are needed, and your talents are appreciated. Craft Group is a fun way to socialize and use your skills or learn new ones as we gather to make items for our craft sales.



## Saturday Daily Mass

Join us for Mass on Saturday mornings at 8:45 a.m. Fr. James wanted to bring the tradition of offering Mass every Saturday morning here to Saint Bonaventure as The Congregation of Immaculate Conception is a Marian religious order.

If you'd like to learn more about this tradition, University of Dayton has a historical background of Saturdays in Honor of Mary at [udayton.edu/imri/mary/s/saturday-devotions.php](http://udayton.edu/imri/mary/s/saturday-devotions.php)



## Why haven't we been using the music of David Haas?

Karen Thompson

In June 2020, GIA Publications, Inc. announced they were severing their relationship with David Haas because of, at the time, accusations of sexual predatory behavior.

*"GIA takes these reports seriously and continues to closely monitor any developments with regard to these charges... GIA supports and stands with victims. We must join together to address and prevent sexual abuse."*

Reports in the months to follow this announcement raised the number of accusations to 52 separate reports. In light of this overwhelming pain and suffering, the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis announced they would not use any music of David Haas (including pieces authored with other musicians) at the Cathedral of St. Paul or for all archdiocesan liturgies or events.

Every church musician in the United States has been asked to stand in support of these victims and all those who share in their pain and suffering. In solidarity, we discontinued the use of any of Haas' music at Saint Bonaventure.

This fix is not temporary. Please note we recognize the desire of many of you to extend the gift of forgiveness sometime in the future. However, it is more urgent than ever that we continue to hold in our prayers the 52 known victims (and since the allegations cover more than three decades, consider those who may not have come forward), their family and friends, and the many unknowing friends and coworkers. We need to support them by, yes, offering prayers for forgiveness, but, even more telling, by choosing to no longer use Haas' music. Someday there may be real forgiveness and reconciliation. We will need to allow time to heal those living with their pain and to David Haas himself as he seeks counseling and repentance.

## Change Me Lord.

Change me Lord.

As I flip over the calendar to a new year,  
Let me flip over a new attitude in my life.

Change me Lord.

Help me to let go of the baggage that is  
attempting to push its way into my future.

Change me Lord.

Let me see and believe in all the  
possibilities that a new year and a  
new attitude can bring to my life.

Take my hands Lord.

Let my fingers never type or post words of division  
and hurt. Renew my fingers to release words of  
hope, encouragement and love. Let my hands  
never be a part of ill-will or a cause of discord.  
Renew my hands to be used to bring comfort,  
friendship and aid to others.

Take my feet Lord.

Let my feet never lead to places of  
discouragement, despair or separation.  
Renew my steps and lead me where I can share  
your love and hope in the world.

Take my eyes and ears Lord.

Let me never limit my mind to only what I think or  
hear. Open my eyes and ears to see and hear the  
cries of those who need my help within my small life  
and within the larger world.

Take my heart Lord.

Take my heart of stone and apathy. Give me a  
heart so full of awe and love for what You have  
created that I will burst forth from my cocoon to  
live fully in Your Spirit.

Take my life Lord. Change me Lord.

Amen.

January 11, 2021

Kathy Taormina, Secular Franciscan  
St. John XXIII, OFS fraternity,  
Saint Bonaventure Church



St. Boni's

# Fall Festival

*Always the first weekend after Labor Day!*

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

Hot Broasted Chicken Dinner  
**Take-Outs Available!**

4:30-7 p.m.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

**Festival Fun for Everyone! 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.**

Superb food, cold beverages, silent auction, craft boutique, kids' games, inflatables, The Baron of Bubbles, Tom the Tall Man, Hula Hoop Lady, bingo, games of chance, and much more!

## Live Entertainment Schedule

26th Annual Car Show	7 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Parade (Awards at 10:30 a.m.)	10 a.m.
Sonar Worship	10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Dakota Ramblers	1:15 - 3:15 p.m.
Wayne and the Boys Band	3:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Raffle Drawing: <b>\$5,550 value - 15 chances!</b>	6:30 p.m.
Mass	7 p.m.



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## Prayer Line

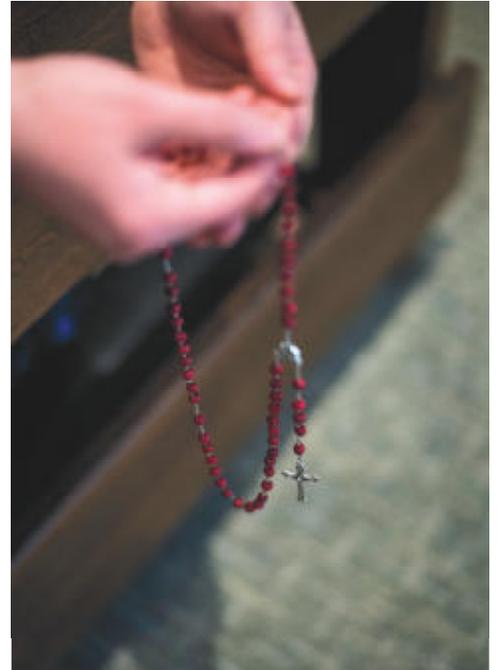
Marilyn Mantel

Did you know Saint Bonaventure has two prayer lines? We have a telephone chain with nine intercessors and an email list with 18 persons praying! Our Prayer Line has been available to parishioners for many years. A ministry of intercession, we pray to help and encourage those in need of support and facing challenges such as surgery, disease, a crisis in the family, loss of employment, accident, death, or even on behalf of a friend in need. Anyone may request prayer at any time.

***In Romans: 15:30, Saint Paul says: "I urge you, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit to join me in the struggle by your prayers to God on my behalf."***

A Prayer Request is made by notifying me at 952-835-3945 or through our new email, [prayer@saintbonaventure.org](mailto:prayer@saintbonaventure.org). Typically first names are used, although last names will be used if authorized to do so. I then activate the phone chain by calling the first person on the list and it continues until the last person receives it. Email prayer requests and notifications are sent out to the group.

**If you have a prayer request or wish to join one of the prayer lines to intercede for others, please contact Marilyn by phone at 952-835-3945 or by email at [marilynmantel@yahoo.com](mailto:marilynmantel@yahoo.com).**



## Cans for the Poor

Art Breitbarth

Cans and more cans are needed! We collect aluminum cans for missions in the fenced area between the Parish Office and Church. We are grateful for all the folks who so diligently save and bring cans for our collection. Please continue to do so!

A few reminders:

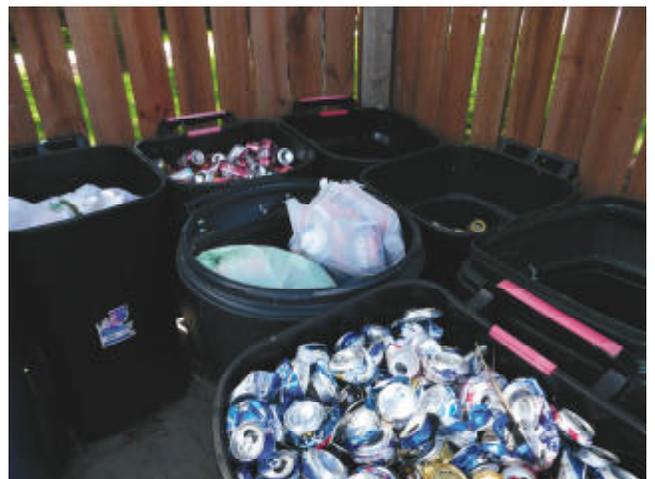
- **We can ONLY accept cans.** No aluminum pans or trays, plastic bottles, or steel cans.
- **Empty small bags into the big tubs.** Please throw plastic bags in the trash container nearby.
- **Big bags of cans can be put into the tubs**

***Dear Saint Bonaventure Community,***

***I am very grateful for your loving support in helping God's poor children in Viet Nam. Right now, they are suffering because of COVID-19. Your gift of \$129.75 (Cans for the Poor) will help them to have food to eat because they cannot go to work to feed their families. May God bless you for your kindness and love.***

***Sincerely in Christ,  
Sr. Rose Hang Vu, RGS***

**Thank you for your part in this valuable ministry!**





## Bill, Kari, Joseph, Matthew and Aaron Sifferle

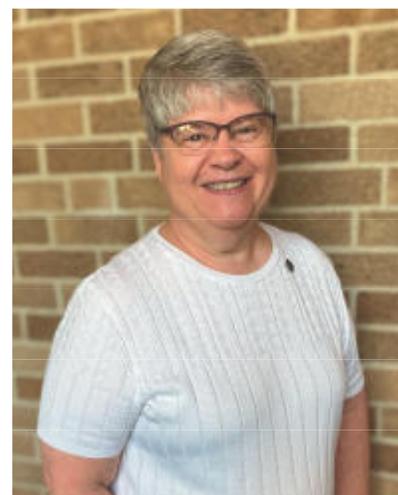
Hi! We are the Sifferles, and we live in Lakeville. Bill manages his family's manufacturing business in Bloomington. Kari is a former teacher and now a stay-at-home mom. Joseph is in 5th grade, Matthew is in 3rd grade, and Aaron starts Kindergarten this fall. Baseball is a big pastime in our family where we cheer on the Twins either on TV or in person, and the boys enjoy playing on their Lakeville teams. Kari and the boys also volunteer as 1900s costumed interpreters at Dakota City Heritage Village. Kari is active in the Women in the New Evangelization (WINE) group. Bill is looking forward to once again taking his turn driving the Boni Bus on Sunday mornings. You can find the Sifferle family at 10 a.m. Mass on Sundays.



**What do you love about Saint Bonaventure?** We love that it is a welcoming community where we can be active and have met so many great people, plus Matthew says, "I love the doughnuts after Mass!"

## Sister Cheryl Marie Wagner

Greetings! My name is Sister Cheryl, and I am a School Sister of Notre Dame of the Central Pacific Province (formerly Mankato, MN). As the youngest of eight children, I grew up on a farm in the small German Catholic community of New Market, MN. For me being a teacher and a Sister were one in the same. After 40 years of being a teacher and a principal in Catholic elementary schools, I am presently teaching English to adults at Learning in Style School in Minneapolis. I moved to Bloomington three years ago at which time I became a member of the Saint Bonaventure Catholic Community. Most weekends at Mass, you will find me in the choir loft as a member of the adult choir, a cantor or an instrumentalist on string bass. Recently I started lecturing at Mass on Fridays.



**What do you love about Saint Bonaventure?** I appreciate the many ways Saint Bonaventure's has enriched my faith life through meaningful liturgies, opportunities for ministry, and a lively welcoming community spirit.

## Gary Russell

Hi, I'm Gary Russell. I've been the Director of Religious Education at Saint Bonaventure for over 20 years so most of you know me but I thought I'd share a few things about me that perhaps you didn't know. I enjoy all sorts of outdoor activities, especially during the summer. I have a small class B camper that I take camping whenever I have the time. I enjoy biking, hiking, kayaking and spending time with family and friends. In 2010, I finished my doctorate in integrative medicine and have maintained a healing practice since then. I strive to live a balanced and healthy lifestyle by eating right, exercising regularly and staying connected spiritually, physically and mentally.



**What do you love about Saint Bonaventure?** The people, I have been blessed to work with some of the best staff and outstanding catechists during my time here. I have always said the youth of Saint Bonaventure are special; they are the reason I've stayed here for so long. I am proud of each and every one of them and know I am blessed to have been part of their lives and spiritual journeys.

# The Church of Saint Bonaventure of Bloomington, Minnesota

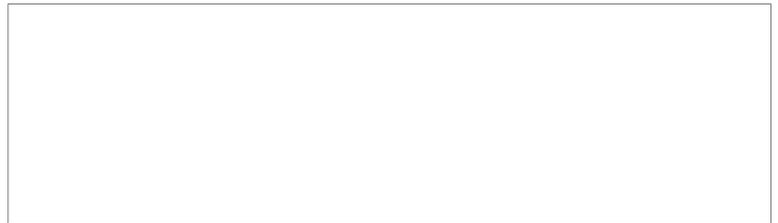
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## Fall 2021 Newsletter

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### Saint Bonaventure Upcoming Events

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|-----------------|------------------------------|
| September 10-11 | Fall Festival                |
| October 31      | Trunk or Treat               |
| October 3       | Transitus of St. Francis     |
| November 1      | Solemnity of All Saints      |
| November 6-7    | Christmas Craft Boutique     |
| November 7      | Service of Remembrance       |
| November 13     | Military Appreciation Dinner |
| November 20     | Turkey Bingo                 |
| December 4      | Seniors' Christmas Luncheon  |
| December 18     | Breakfast with Santa         |

Please check [saintbonaventure.org](http://saintbonaventure.org) for the calendar of events.

### Mass

**Tuesday-Saturday:**  
8:45 a.m.

**Saturday:**  
4:30 p.m.

Livestream at:  
[saintbonaventure.org](http://saintbonaventure.org)

**Sunday:**  
8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

### Reconciliation

**Wednesday:**  
8 - 8:30 a.m.

**Friday:**  
8 - 8:30 a.m.

**Saturday:**  
3:15 - 4 p.m.

