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LOVE GOD - LOVE OTHERS - MAKE DISCIPLES

Welcome

Our mission is to *Love God—Love Others—Make Disciples*. Many hands, feet, and hearts come together to make our Christian community vibrant. We invite you to join our Saint Bonaventure community in worship and fellowship.

February 28, 2021

Second
Sunday
of Lent

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Worship

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

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

Daily Mass Times

Tuesday–Friday 8:45 a.m.

**First Saturday of each month.*

Adoration

Adoration is open all day every day

EXCEPT FOR the following times:

Sunday, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Monday—Friday, 8 - 11 a.m.

Saturday, 3 - 6 p.m.

Sacraments

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:15-4 p.m. or by appointment,
contact the Parish Office.

Baptism, RCIA, Anointing, Marriage

Contact the Parish Office.

Confirmation, Holy Communion

Contact the Faith Formation Office.

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Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

(Closed for Daily Mass 8:45-9:15 a.m.)

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Prayer Line

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Saint Vincent de Paul (SVdP)

612-323-7391

Order of Worship

Entrance

Greeting

Penitential Act

Priest: ...And so to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries:

Deacon: Lord Jesus...Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

Lord Jesus...Christ, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Lord Jesus...Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,

forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen

Collect Prayer

First Reading

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Responsorial Psalm 116

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Second Reading

Romans 8:31b-34

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-10

Homily

GOSPEL MEDITATION

February 28, 2021—2nd Sunday of Lent

A pregnant woman was walking in the store and met an old friend. Her friend exclaimed, “You are absolutely beaming!” The new life God placed in her womb radiated throughout her body. It was brightly visible on her face and in her eyes. Transformation and change usually happen from the inside out. It is very rare that simply imposing structure from the outside does any good. Yes, it is true that routines and habits can change when things are done differently. But, for this change to last there has to be an interior renewal and metamorphosis as well. Simply regulating behavior and bringing someone into conformity with accepted protocols doesn’t mean their heart and soul come with them.

Peter was a homeless man who lived in a very remote and rudimentary tent community. He was happy to make his daily trip to McDonald’s and always welcomed a gift card or two so that he could buy some coffee and something to eat. A generous advocate worked to secure him an apartment in hopes of moving Peter out of his makeshift housing and into something safer. Peter finally got the grand tour of his new “digs,” received his own key, remarked how wonderful the place was, closed the door behind him when they left and never returned. He preferred his tent. No matter how much things changed on the outside, Peter was happy where he was. A poignant lesson was learned that day.

How is your Lent going? By now you ought to have a sense of whether you’re really “into it” this year and something transformational is happening. For many, it’s only the stuff on the outside that changes for a few weeks and then they return to business as usual. For others, there are some real inner changes happening that are deepening their relationships with God, others, self, and creation. If we are serious about moving to a new place and radiating with the presence of new life and joy, then we have to clear the way to listen for God’s call. Then, there is God’s request to change things up a bit and order our lives differently. After realizing we have been called and given a mission, we have to trust that this is where we need to be. And then, after all of this hard work we are asked to act. The fruit that is revealed will indicate whether our journey is authentic. The brilliance of conversion will begin to shine on our faces as we contemplate the One to whom we are asked to listen.

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God. Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*profound bow through "and became man"*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and Became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Prayer of the Faithful

Our response: **Lord, hear our prayer**

Prayer Over the Offerings

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

The people rise and reply

All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name for our good and the good of all his holy church**

The priest prays the Prayer Over the Offerings, and we acclaim

All: Amen

Eucharistic Prayer

Priest The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit

Priest Lift up your hearts

All: We lift them up to the Lord

priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right and just

Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith (Memorial Acclamation)

Priest The mystery of faith.

A **We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again.**

B **When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

C **Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.**

Lord's Prayer

Priest At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

Priest Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ

All **For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever**

Sign of Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be with you always
All **And with your spirit**
Deacon Let us offer one another the sign of peace
All exchange a sign of peace with a nod or a friendly wave.

Lamb of God

All **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

Communion Rite

Priest Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb
All **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Distribution of Holy Communion during Mass

Please socially distance as you approach the minister in your section. Masks must be worn until after you receive the Holy Eucharist in your hand, then step to the side, remove your mask, consume the Eucharist, replace your mask and return to your pew for closing prayer and final blessing.

Prayer After Communion

Concluding Rites

Priest The Lord be with you.
All **And with your spirit.**
Priest May almighty God bless you; the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.
All **Amen**

Immediately following Mass, the church is cleaned and sanitized in preparation for Adoration and other scheduled events. This process takes time, so we respectfully ask you to leave the church immediately after Mass. If you are seeking fellowship, we invite you to visit outdoors.

"Here I am!" he answered."- Genesis 22:11

It is easy to say, "Here I am, Lord," when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord," when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

A Lenten Journey Through the Mass - Introductory Rites

Last week, I did an introduction to the Mass: I spoke about having humble hearts and forgiving hearts. I also spoke about the clothes I wear and what the colors mean. Now it's time to delve into the Mass itself. There are essentially four parts: the Introductory Rites, the Liturgy of the Word, the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and the Concluding Rites. On to Part One. The Introductory Rites consist of the entrance procession and song, a greeting, the Sign of the Cross, the penitential act, the Gloria, and an opening prayer.

When entering a Catholic Church for Mass, you should first bless yourself with holy water. Easiest way to do that at Saint Bonaventure is to enter through one of the sets of doors, there is a font at each entrance. As you proceed into church, you should genuflect or bow before entering a pew. And then, it is appropriate to kneel or sit in quiet reflection and consider the event that is about to take place.

At Saint Bonaventure, we begin Mass by greeting each other. Then, there is the entrance song or hymn, during which the presider and other ministers enter. In his book *Rediscover Catholicism*, Matthew Kelly mentions that the entrance song begins "after the people are assembled." If we waited until all were present, Mass would never begin, since we don't really know week-to-week who is coming. The key here is that the "song opens the celebration and is designed to bind us together as a community." (Arriving after the song defeats this purpose.) If there is a baptism happening at Mass, the Entrance Rite begins at the Baptismal Font, followed by the Gloria being sung during the procession.

Let me repeat when Mass begins. It is when the opening announcements are made and the Entrance Song is sung. I realize there will be days when arriving at Mass on time is difficult if not impossible: kids are not cooperating, unexpected accidents happen at the house, maybe a train causes a delay. However, there are some who arrive late or nearly late every weekend and that's not respectful to the rest who are already in church. If your children or grandchildren were in a sporting event or play or dance competition, would you arrive even one minute tardy? I seriously doubt it. Back to the Mass.

When all have reached the steps, the presider and other ministers reverence the altar with a bow and/or a kiss. The altar is a symbol of Christ at the heart of the assembly and so deserves this special reverence. Once all have reached their places, all make the Sign of the Cross and the presider extends a greeting to the assembly. The Penitential Act follows, usually done from the chair. This is the moment when we acknowledge our sinfulness and identify specific thoughts, words or actions that created obstacles between us and God. During the Easter season, a sprinkling ritual may take the place of the Penitential Act. Outside of Lent and Advent, the Gloria is then sung.

The Introductory Rites conclude with the Opening Prayer, where the presider invites the assembly to pray, placing ourselves in the presence of God and guiding us to focus on the themes that will emerge in the readings that day; this prayer gathers the prayers of all into one and disposes all to hear the Word of God in the context of the celebration. And then comes the Liturgy of the Word.

Fr. Bob

Giving Update

Collection for the week of February 21, 2021

Actual: \$ 13,268.22

Year to Date Actual: \$ 515,709.68

Budget for March 7: \$ 17,250.00

Year to Date Budget: \$ 488,500.00

Catholic Services Appeal

Thank you for contributing to the Catholic Services Appeal; **your gifts bring hope**. The Catholic Services Appeal Foundation partners with fellow Catholics to share Christ's love with neighbors in need through ministries that serve the poor, support life, and strengthen the Faith. As of February 22, we have pledged and received \$26,980 towards our goal of \$46,734. We are grateful for the 99 givers who have already contributed this year. In 2020, 212 donors helped us exceed our goal, giving \$51,996.

Ministry Activities

Baby Bottle Boomerang Respect Life Ministry

Our "Baby Bottle Boomerang" for the Robbinsdale Women's Center has, once again, been an enormous success. Thanks to all of you who have given so generously! You have helped save babies and their mothers from the tragedy of abortion. Your sacrificial giving was most apparent with many very generous gifts making our total donation \$8,270.00 for this year! Over the last 19 years, our community has given a cumulative total of \$142,078.00 to this wonderful project. Especially noteworthy is that this year's total even surpassed the 2020 total despite the challenges of the past year. Thanks so much!

Faith Formation

Operation Rice Bowl is underway. Throughout the Lenten season opt for simple meals (recipes are in the calendar) and donate money to the Rice Bowl and help support this worthy program. Money collected through this program goes to third world countries to bring food and water to those who otherwise have none; it brings education, immunizations and hope to those less fortunate. Rice Bowls will be collected in class on Wednesday, April 14.

Those preparing for First Communion this April should be working on the home-study materials every week. You should be through chapter 5 in the home-study materials at this point.

We will meet for our in-person Faith formation class on Wednesday, March 10. Parents and those in grades 1-5 will meet in the church. Those in grades 6, 7 & 8 will meet in Ambrose Hall. Confirmation (Year 1) will meet in the Gathering Space and confirmation (year 2) will meet in the Youth Room). It is vitally important that all those in attendance follow the Covid-19 safety guidelines outlined on the first night of classes. These guidelines are also on our website.

Spring Boutique: March 20-21 Craft Group

The first day of spring is Saturday, March 20, so what better way to celebrate than to shop at the Spring Boutique in Ambrose Hall, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The sale continues on Sunday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. You'll find all the usual favorites like dish towels, scrubbies, placements, seasonal creations, baby gifts, woodcrafts, American Girl doll clothes, jewelry, baked goods, and more. Hope to see you there!

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Curbside Pick-Up: Friday, March 19

The Knights of Columbus Marian Council is sponsoring Take-Out Fish Dinners Fridays in Lent with Friday, March 19 designated as Saint Bonaventure Night. A portion of ticket sales for that night will be donated in support of our parish. Tickets cost \$15 each and are available from the Knights of Columbus, 952-881-1492, kofcbloomington.com or in the Parish Office. Curbside Pick-up will be Friday, March 19: 4:30-7 p.m. at the Bloomington Event Center, 1114 American Blvd W. Bloomington MN 55420.

Friends of Saint Bonaventure

Bimonthly Report of Parish Donations to St. Vincent de Paul Society

Thanks to generous donations from parishioners, the St. Vincent de Paul Society at Saint Bonaventure was able to help the poor during the months of **November and December** as follows:

Donations were received amounting to \$5053 including the Thanksgiving Collection of \$1052. \$7235.49 was used to buy food which included \$2324.13 from the CARES Grant, \$2326.62 was spent on helping 6 people with Housing problems, \$342.49 went to Excel Energy for a person with a crisis in their electric bill, \$193.04 went for "Coats for Kids", and \$401.75 was used to help with transportation, clothing, housewares and miscellaneous items.

Our Food shelf is doing very well. Our clients are served while waiting in their car outside Ambrose Hall which has so far allowed us to avoid any problems with the COVID-19 Virus. We served 295 households which included 995 people.

Perpetual Adoration in the Church



Adoration is open all day every day
EXCEPT FOR the following times:
Sunday, 7 a.m.-1 p.m.
Monday - Friday, 8-11 a.m.
Saturday, 3-6 p.m.

Monday, March 1

12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8
7:30 p.m. AA in Room 8

Tuesday, March 2

8:45 a.m. Mass († Carmel & East Oshima)
9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting in Youth Room
9:30-11:30 a.m. Craft Group in Room 1
11 a.m. - 1 p.m. SVdP Food Shelf drive thru
12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8

Wednesday, March 3

8:45 a.m. Mass (Seeberger/Vessel Families)
12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8

Thursday, March 4

8:45 a.m. Mass († Diane Dahlen)
9:15 a.m. Prayer Group in Youth Room
12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8

Friday, March 5

8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Corpus Christi Home School
8:45 a.m. Mass († Joseph Hubner)
9:15 a.m. Stations of the Cross
12 p.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8
2 - 4 p.m. SVdP Food Shelf drive thru

Saturday, March 6

8:45 a.m. Mass († Jan Butz)
9:30 a.m. Thunderbird AA in Room 8
3:15 - 4 p.m. Reconciliation in St. Francis Room
4:30 p.m. Mass (Saint Bonaventure Community)

Sunday, March 7

8 a.m. Mass († Margaret Simboli)
9 - 9:30 a.m. Drive Thru Communion Distribution
10 a.m. Mass († Gerald Poppler)
11 a.m. Respect Life in St. Francis Room
7 - 8 p.m. Youth Group in Ambrose Hall
8 p.m. AA in Room 8

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Safe Environment

Saint Bonaventure is committed to creating and fostering a safe environment for all.

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SECOND WEEK OF LENT

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