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**November 9, 2008**

**Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome**

**HOLY MASSES: November 8-9**

Sat. 4:00PM Henry Schroeder & Ryan Voss

Sun. 9:00AM Veterans/Agnes Eversgerd/Michael Gebke

**HOLY MASSES: Nov. 10-16, 2008:**

Mon. NO MASS

Tue. 7:45AM Parish

Wed. 7:45AM Joe & Alvira Poettker

Thu. 7:30AM Parish

Fri. 7:45AM Florence Beckmann

Sat. 4:00PM Herman & Christine Schniers

Eugene Schoendienst

Sun. 9:00AM Smiley Haake/Ralph Beckmann

**NEXT WEEKEND (November 15-16):**

**LECTOR**

Sat. 4:00PM Joan Theising

Sun. 9:00AM Larry Spirek

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER**

Michael & Phyllis Miller, Lorinda Jansen, Phyllis Beer, Walter Beer

Ruth Eversgerd, Brian Kenow, Deb & Paul Kohlen, Dennis Loepker

**GIFTBEARERS**

Sat. 4:00PM Schniers/Schoendienst Families

Sun. 9:00AM Hakke/Beckmann Families

**MASS SERVERS**

Kristen Gebke, Brooke Kniepmann, Mary Jo Hollenkamp

Ben Lampe, Anna Lampe, Travis Wuebbels

**ROSARY LEADERS**

Sat. 4:00PM Verena Haake, Jeanette Beckmann

Sun. 9:00AM Florence Jansen, Lorraine Linnemann

**USHERS**

Vince Albers, Mike Beer, Mike Tonnies

Ken Albers, Ron Becker, Butch Beer

**GREETERS**

Sat. 4:00PM Helen Leonard, Henrietta Koch

Sun. 9:00AM Leroy & Jean Diesen

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS**

Nov. 16 Lynn Tonnies, Nancy Weems

Travis Wuebbels, Kevin Haar

**Mon. Nov. 10** 7:00PM Bible Study Class, rectory basement

**Tue. Nov. 11:** 7:15AM Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

6:30PM Novena and Rosary Devotions

7:00PM Choir practice. The Choir will sing at the 9AM Mass on Nov. 23

**Thu. Nov. 13:** 7:00PM Time & Talent Meeting, rectory basement

**Sat. Nov. 15:** 3:00PM Confessions

**STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS:** Envelope: \$4463; Loose: \$255; candles: \$43; TOTAL: \$4761. World Mission: \$25; All Saints: \$242; Sister Parish: \$1101; Cemetery: \$1462; Thanksgiving (St. Vincent de Paul): \$45. Thank You! Thank you to the family of Florence Beckmann for their memorial donation to St. Boniface Cemetery.

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT.** Nearly 37 million people in the United States live below the poverty line, and 13 million of those are children. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) works to create lasting solutions to the problem of poverty through real community change. Please donate prayerfully and generously to CCHD the weekend of Nov. 22/23 to help those in poverty help themselves.

**WELCOME** to the newest members of our parish family ALI CLARE BRUGGEMANN, daughter of John & Amy (Koopmann) Bruggemann who will be baptized at the 4PM Mass on Nov. 22 and PEYTON MARTHA GUTIERREZ, daughter of Victor & Casey (Thoele) Gutierrez who will be baptized on Nov. 23.

**MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR:** During the month of November, the Church remembers our beloved deceased family members. The St. Boniface Parish Book of the Dead is placed by the communion rail, next to the poster of deceased parishioners from the past year. You are invited to write down the names of any family members, from any parish or town, that you want remembered in prayer. Names that are written in our parish book of the dead will be remembered in prayers of the faithful during the month of November. Have you noticed the new ambry in church? And what is an ambry? An ambry is the cabinet that holds the sacred oils blessed by the bishop during Holy Week at the Chrism Mass. When St. Boniface Church renovated in 2000, the Frank & Christine Beckmann family made a donation for a new ambry. For whatever reason, the ambry was never made. This past summer I asked Butch Beer if he would undertake the project. You can now see the end result. The ambry is attached to the wall next to the baptistery, by the ramp. It's beautiful. I will check with the Christine Beckmann family to find an appropriate Sunday when the family can be present for the blessing of the ambry.

**FROM THE DEACON'S BENCH. BIBLE STUDY.** This week the St. Boniface Faith Formation Bible Study group continues to study *1 Corinthians 12-14*. St. Paul tells us that we are many parts but all one body, that is, individuals who belong to the Body of Christ. In Christ's Eucharist we are made one, so we must adjust our lives to accept others as part of the Body. So let's go out and be the best fingers, toes, hearts and hands, eyes and ears and tongues that we can be in order to become worthy of membership in the Body of Christ. **TIME & TALENT.** Just a reminder to ministry contact people that our Time & Talent Ministry meeting will be held Thursday, Nov. 13 at 7PM in the rectory basement. Come to share your successes, your hopes, your good news with us and help us to look forward to the future of ministry to the parishioners at St. Boniface Parish. We are truly blessed.

God's Peace, Deacon Rich.

**KNC VETERANS & COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**, today at the Germantown Legion, 8 to 11:30AM. All Veterans eat free!  
**ROGER KARBAN.** Many, many thanks for your prayers and thoughts. As of last week, my oncologist has “officially” declared me to be in remission. (Or as my great niece is telling people, in “recession”). My pet-scan showed the infected lymph nodes in my neck, chest and groin have disappeared. I still must have monthly infusions of Rituxan (an anti-cancer therapy and antibody) for at least two years, a pet-scan every six months and frequent visits with my oncologist. Some of the effects of the chemo will remain in my system for several months. But overall I’m feeling ok. Though my hair and beard are slowly returning, I still might not be able to play Santa Claus this year without some “artificial help.” Can’t tell you how much I’ve appreciated all your cards, notes, emails and calls through the last five months. They were a terrific help in my struggle. I had no idea there were so many of you “out there.” I’d be grateful if you’d continue your prayers for me. Still not totally out of the woods. But a big hurdle has been overcome. You are true friends. Roger Vermalen Karban.

**MINISTRY TRAINING.** On November 12 at 7PM in church there will be training for NEW Eucharistic Ministers and on November 19 at 7PM there will be renewal training for experienced Eucharistic Ministers in church. This invitation is being extended to all parishes in the Diocese who wish to participate.

**COAT DRIVE.** St. Mary’s Altar Sodality here at St. Boniface is sponsoring a Coat Drive. We will be collecting NEW or GENTLY USED CLEAN COATS ONLY, size infant through adult. Coats will be donated to Catholic Social Services and will be given as Christmas gifts to needy families in Southern Illinois. Please drop off your coats in the back of church between November 15-30. For more information, please contact Jackie Boeckmann at 523-4436 or Melinda Knobloch at 523-4781. **THE ALTAR SODALITY CHRISTMAS PARTY** is scheduled for Wednesday, December 3 at 6:30PM in the Legion Basement. Details will be in next weekend bulletin.

**QUILT SOLICITORS** have been busy contacting you in regards to quilts for next year’s picnic. If you promised a monetary donation please make sure to get it dropped in the collection basket marked “Quilt Committee” soon.

#### READINGS & QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: Christ as the Foundation

Reading I: Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12 (water flowing out)

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 3: 9c-11, 16-17 (God’s temple)

Gospel: John 2:13-22 (The temple of His Body)

Adults: Do I realize that my worship in church loses its validity if it does not influence the way I live? What must I change before I pray?

Children: How do I need to love better?

**RITE OF ENROLLMENT & INTENT** will take place next Sunday, Nov. 16 at the 9AM Liturgy. Both 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students along with their parents and sponsors will attend this Liturgy. Sponsors and Confirmands will gather in the school cafeteria immediately following.

**ST. BONIFACE YOUTH MINISTRY** will hold its monthly meeting on Sunday, Nov. 23 in the rectory basement after the 9AM Mass. All High School youth and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders are invited. Plans are being made to participate in a SKI TRIP to Paoli Peaks on Feb. 7 & 8 with Sts. Bernard/Damien Youth Ministry. High School youth from St. Boniface who are interested must attend this Nov. 23 meeting to participate.

**8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PSR CLASS NEEDS YOUR HELP WITH A SERVICE PROJECT:** if you have any old beaded costume jewelry or craft beads to donate, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade PSR class, along with Mrs. Karla Scheer’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Class, will put the beads to good use. These classes will be joining “Beads for Life” volunteers, who make bracelets, necklaces, and earrings to sell in order to raise money to buy mosquito nets to protect the people in Uganda from malaria-carrying mosquitoes. Rev. Christopher Michael Mujule, a native of Uganda, who serves the Belleville Diocese, has indirectly asked for our help. Please contact Mrs. Scheer (523-0076 or Ruth Eversgerd (523-4431 if you have any beads to donate, or simply drop them in the container at the church entrance. Thank you!

**HIGH SCHOOL NEWS. Mater Dei:** Nov. 10: Mothers & Friends Meeting, 7:30PM; **Central:** Nov. 12: PAWS Meeting, 7:30PM; Nov. 17 Board Meeting, 7:30PM.

**MATER DEI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL** cordially invites prospective students and their parents to an Open House on Sunday, Nov. 9 from noon to 2PM. Information regarding the academic, extracurricular, and spiritual programs will be available as well as guided tours of the school and Edline demonstrations. For additional information please call Mater Dei at 526-7216.

**CC SERRA CLUB MEETING**, Mon., November 10 at St. Augustine Cafeteria with Rosary at 7:15PM followed by a meeting.

**NOVEMBER IS THE “NATIONAL MONTH OF ADOPTION.”** Beginning Nov. 13, through the end of the month, the Respect Life Office will host a virtual event with Denise Brown, the Catholic Social Services Director of Adoptions. At [www.respectlife.catholicweb.com](http://www.respectlife.catholicweb.com) she will share information on the current face of adoption in the Diocese of Belleville, summarizing the process involved for families seeking to receive a child, pregnant mothers considering placing a baby, and foster children needing families. The Respect Life Blog will include personal stories from families on this journey; with an open invitation encouraging participation by anyone with an adoption experience to share. If you have a story that may be a blessing and/or an encouragement in the face of challenges, please consider sharing (participation can be anonymous). If you don’t have computer access, or unfamiliar with blogging, engage a parish/community teen! Visit the Blog periodically to read new stories and comments.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITY: THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact Jeff Niemeyer, General Agent, at 618-210-0365.

**BOY/CUB SCOUT ALUMINUM CAN DRIVE**, November 29th, have cans out by 10AM. Help recycle! **SCOUTING FOR FOOD BAGS** will be distributed on November 15 and will be picked up again from the end of your driveway on Nov. 22. All food and paper goods goes to our local food pantry. Please be generous!

**GERMANTOWN LIBRARY** invites everyone to celebrate Family Reading Night with us on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 7PM. It’s a pajama party/bedtime story hour with Ardy the Clown. We’ll have stories, games and snacks, plus plenty of new books to share. So bring a pillow, wear your pj’s and enjoy some free, fun, family time at the library.

**CHICKEN DINNER**, Nov. 9, 11AM to 5PM at St. Felicitas Parish Hall, Beaver Prairie. Sponsored by Wheatfield Fire Dept.