



St. Boniface Parish Time & Talent Ministries

Mission Statement:

“St. Boniface Parish, a Catholic Christian Community, is called to witness Christ’s message of peace in His gospel presence and the Eucharist. We endeavor to accept all who seek this revelation of God’s love. We extend ourselves in response to all those who hunger and thirst for justice and peace.”

Each one of us has a unique set of talents given to us by God for our own good and to contribute to the common good. If we hoard these talents, we will not only deny our own happiness, but the common good as well.

Please give generously of the gifts of time and talent by participating in one of these ministries.

“The gift you have received, give as a gift.”
~ Matthew 10:8

ADMINISTRATION and DEVELOPMENT

- ❖ The **Pastoral Council** collaborates with the pastoral staff to maintain the integrity of the Parish mission. The Parish Council:
 - ~ creates and implements the goals and objectives that increase awareness of the Parish mission
 - ~ participates in the pastoral activity of the Parish
 - ~ advises the Pastor and the pastoral staff with an honest perspective of the pulse of the Parish.Contact: Rick Hennessy 978-582-0916 rhennessy@verizon.net
- ❖ The **Finance Committee** advises the Pastor on the financial condition of the Parish and oversees expenditures to ensure budget is maintained. (Diocesan guidelines require the Pastor to appoint Finance Committee members.) Contact: Bob Gardner 978-582-4674 baggardner4@comcast.net
- ❖ The **Property (Building and Grounds) Volunteers** help with general maintenance of Parish property and help to keep the grounds of the Parish beautiful. Contact: Greg Cucchiara 978-348-1188 jcucchia@comcast.net
- ❖ **Parish Web Site and Parish Directory:** volunteers maintain the parish website and produce the parish directory. Contact: Jo-Anne Poirier 978-582-7363 jopoirier@comcast.net

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

- ❖ **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** give the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation to God’s people during the liturgy of the Mass. They may also bring Holy Communion to shut-ins. (Diocesan guidelines require that the Pastor appoint these ministers.)
- ❖ **Lectors** proclaim the Word of God during the liturgy. (for high school freshmen and older) Contact: Deacon Anthony Fiore 978-772-3731 tony_and_helen@verizon.net

❖ **Altar Servers** assist with the liturgical celebrations (for young people, grade 4 and older, and adults).
Contact: Deacon Anthony Fiore 978-772-3731
tony_and_helen@verizon.net

❖ **The Music Ministry** is a wonderful medium for prayerful participation during Mass. Consider lending your voice (grade 9 and older) in praise of our Lord to make our music special for our liturgy every week. Contact: Scott and Gloria Dowty 978-668-5457 magic_keys@yahoo.com

❖ **Greeters** extend a warm welcome to attendees of liturgical celebrations; distribute Parish bulletins after Mass and assist with offertory collections at all weekend liturgical celebrations.
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tony_and_helen@verizon.net

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

❖ The **Baptism Preparation Teams** assist parents to understand the Sacrament of Baptism and the responsibilities of baptizing their children. Contact: Parish Office 978-582-4008
stbonifaceparish@verizon.net or Deacon Anthony Fiore 978-772-3731 tony_and_helen@verizon.net

❖ The **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) Team** prepares people to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) and assists them and people who are baptized in other faith traditions through a journey which leads to a deeper relationship with Jesus within the Catholic Church. Contact: Parish Office 978-582-4008
stbonifaceparish@verizon.net or Deacon Anthony Fiore 978-772-3731 tony_and_helen@verizon.net

❖ The **Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC) Team** prepares children ages 8 through high school who have not received any or all of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and

Confirmation. Contact: Loretta DiPietro, Director of Religious Education, DRE, 978-582-6650 stbonifacereled@verizon.net

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

❖ **Catechists** share their faith in Jesus Christ in age-appropriate ways with students of all ages. Training is provided for new volunteers. **Substitute Catechists** fill in as needed. Contact: Loretta DiPietro, DRE, 978-582-6650 stbonifacereled@verizon.net

❖ **Hall Monitors** help maintain order in class by watching the halls on a bi-weekly basis. Contact: Loretta DiPietro, DRE, 978-582-6650 stbonifacereled@verizon.net

OUTREACH

❖ **Food Pantry** volunteers take the food collected at our church to either Catholic Charities or the Lunenburg Food Pantry to be distributed to those in need. Contact: Sue Cote 978-582-0404
sj33@msn.com

❖ By **Visiting Shut-ins**, parishioners bring them much needed companionship. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion can bring Holy Communion to them. Contact: Deacon Anthony Fiore 978-772-3731 tony_and_helen@verizon.net

❖ **Hospital Ministry** volunteers are part of a team of Eucharistic Ministers who visit and bring Communion to Catholic patients at Health Alliance Hospital in Leominster. Contact: Catherine Pimley, Director of Chaplain Services at Leominster Hospital, 978-466-2195 cpimley@healthalliance.com

❖ In the tradition of Catholic Social Teachings and in the light of the Gospel, **Social Action Committee** strives to inform the parish about issues that affect our lives as Christians and to provide opportunities for reaching out to others. Contact: Deacon Anthony Fiore 978-772-3731 tony_and_helen@verizon.net

- ❖ **Our Father's House** volunteers prepare and serve supper on the last Wednesday of each month to residents at OFH. Contact: Michelle McCauliff 978-348-1678 mccfam610@comcast.net
- ❖ In the **Interfaith Hospitality** ministry, parishioners act as hosts to homeless families in temporary housing. Contact: Allison Lilly 978 582-7395 allison.lilly@comcast.net
- ❖ **Domestic Violence Prevention** – If you are interested in this ministry, or for information about local agencies that provide help to victims of domestic, teen, or elder violence, contact: Allison Lilly 978-582-7395 allison.lilly@comcast.net
- ❖ Through the **Christmas Giving Tree**, parishioners provide clothing and toys to needy children in our community and beyond. Contact: Marc Raboin 582-6818 marc.raboin@hotmail.com
- ❖ The **Clothing Drive** collects gently used clothes, shoes, blankets, and linens to help those in need. Contact: Deacon Anthony Fiore 978-772-3731 tony_and_helen@verizon.net
- ❖ **KIVA** lets individuals lend as little as \$25 to help create opportunities to alleviate poverty around the world. To contribute as a member of St. Boniface visit www.kiva.org and you will be taken to the St. Boniface page. For more information contact Deacon Anthony Fiore 978-772-3731 tony_and_helen@verizon.net
- ❖ The **Ecumenical Good Friday Walk** is a 5 mile walk that takes place in Harvard on Good Friday. Loaves and Fishes on Devens receives about 75% of the proceeds from the walk to benefit its hunger programs while Sharing Inc. the remaining 25%. Contact: Deacon Anthony Fiore 978-772-3731 tony_and_helen@verizon.net or Sue Cote 978-582-0404 sj33@msn.com

FOSTERING COMMUNITY

- ❖ The **Italian Festival & Fair Committee** plans and organizes all facets of this annual Parish fair. To make the festival a success the committee needs your help in the kitchen, setting up, serving, etc. Contact: Parish Office 978-582-4008 stbonifaceparish@verizon.net
- ❖ The **Hospitality Committee** organizes fellowship and refreshments after Sunday morning Masses on the last Sunday of the month. Contact: Lucy or Amanda Marcil 978-696-5230 lmarcil419@gmail.com
- ❖ The **Women's Guild** invites the women of the parish to come together to build a sense of Christian community. Activities include the annual apple pie baking the weekend prior to Thanksgiving, Christmas parties for local rest homes, and serving dinner at Our Father's House. There are also social activities such as crafts, dinners out and attending local events. The Women's Guild also uses its resources to donate to local community organizations, such as the Community Council, the Food Bank, as well as other causes that may arise. Contact: Sue Cote 978-582-0404 sj33@msn.com or Mary Powers 978-582-6532 rpmp74@gmail.com

Note

The Diocese mandates that any adult who participates in any of these ministries must be CORI'd. This requirement does not apply to the Women's Guild.

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