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SEPTEMBER 11

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Contact the pastor 1-2 months Prior to date.

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Contact the Pastor.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults desiring baptism, confirmation or full membership in the Catholic Church, contact Father. Sessions begin in Fall.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the parish office or fill out one of the Family Registration sheets in the back of church. They can be handed in the weekend collection

VISITATION

Please notify the pastor when a hospitalized / homebound parishioner desires holy communion.

ANointing of the Sick

Call the church office or the Pastor.

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

23RD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

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Office Hours

Immaculate Conception:

Mon, Wed, & Fri | 9 am - 2:30 pm

St. Boniface:

Tues & Thurs | 9 am - 2 pm

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- St. Lawrence Catholic Church
- St. Boniface Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 7:30 pm (SB)

Sunday: 8:00 am (SL) & 10:00 am (IC)

Tuesday: Adoration an hour before mass
5:30 pm (SB)

Wednesday: 8:00 am (SL)

Thursday: Adoration an hour before mass
8:00 am (SL)

Friday: Adoration an hour before mass
8 am (IC)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 7:00 pm (B)

Sunday: 7:30 am (L)

Sunday: 9:30 am (IC)

KEY Immaculate Conception =(IC) | St. Lawrence Parish =(SL) | St. Boniface Parish =(SB)

FROM OUR PASTOR

The first words we hear from Jesus in this Sunday's Gospel passage might almost startle us. They are spoken by the Lord to convey without the shadow of a doubt, a very important message to his followers. The words of Jesus are these: "if any one comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple." Those are very tough words and what are we to make of them? Why does Jesus say we must "hate" our loved ones and even ourselves? The strong language used by the Lord stems from his setting and times, what we would now call a Semitic worldview, where very strong language was used to convey a teaching in no uncertain terms. so, without a doubt we can say the term "hate," as we normally understand the word, is not to be taken literally but what is the underlying message?

Jesus wanted to make clear the vital point that for those who wish to follow him, namely, that nothing and no one other than God should take precedence or first place in our lives. That place is reserved for God alone. should we actually hate those who are not God? No, for the law of love is clearly at the heart of the Gospel teaching. Another way to express the words of Jesus in our daily life is that we are to prefer God to everything and everyone else and at the same time never neglect the supreme law of love for one another. In fact, that is one of Jesus' parting words to his chosen band: "Love one another as I have loved you"

Handing over our lives to God is going to entail all our effort but it is truly worth it. Jesus wishes to give us lasting and true happiness, peace and joy unending and everlasting life, but it comes at a price. we must be willing

to give all we have to possess what in fact is everything we will ever need. this is what has been called, "The Gospel with compromise." It is not about dollars and cents, though, but spiritual riches, awaiting those who will carry their cross and actually find themselves being cared for and carried by God. In comparison with the love of God has for us, clinging to any earthly treasures and pleasure is like walking in utter darkness without a flashlight. when we are meant to be walking in the full light of a sunlit day. God is to hold first place in our life. Jesus told his followers elsewhere in the Gospels that to do so, to strive to do God's will, qualifies such ones as brothers and sisters of Christ. Jesus goes on in the Gospel today to make a comparison. If someone wishes to construct a tower, he or she must calculate the cost to determine the go ahead. no one wants to be laughed at for a barely-begun or half-finished project.

in the same way, our commitment to belong completely to Christ must not be half-hearted, but one hundred per cent, knowing we have sufficient funds, namely God's active grace, alive and at work in hearts that belong fully to God. our decision to follow Christ is to be serious, permanent and definitive and Jesus promises we will not be disappointed in our expectations. we live in times when commitment to anything and anyone is not fashionable or easy. nevertheless, in the depths of our hearts we are all seeking something that will last and offer us hope in a world asphyxiated by strife, unhappiness, brokenness and despair.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday –9/8/25

NO MASS

Tuesday – 9/9/25 - St. Boniface

5:30 pm † Joe & Florence Fedie by Dorothy Pronschinske

Wednesday – 9/10/25 - St. Lawrence

8:00 am † Diane Servais by Curt & Kathryn Noll

Thursday – 9/11/25 - St. Lawrence

8:00 am † Holly Stiehl by Emily Brommer

Friday – 9/12/25 - Immaculate Conception

8:00 am † All Entrusted To Our Pastor's Care

Friday– 9/12/25 - St. Boniface

11:00 am † Mike & Cheryl Benusa

Saturday – 9/13/25 St. Boniface

7:30 pm † Cyriac & Rita Bork by The Family

Sunday – 9/14/25 St. Lawrence

8:00 am † Dennis Speltz by His Family

Sunday – 9/14/25 Immaculate Conception

10:00am † Aaron Bagniewski by Eugene & Diane Bagniewski & Family



MINISTRY SCHEDULE | SEPT 13-14

SATURDAY | 7:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Les Brommer

Dan Brommer & Bob Baecker

Lectors: Teri Putz

Servers: Abby Pronschinske - Esther Burrow

Ushers: Kyle Pronschinske - Joe Slaby

SUNDAY | 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Max Bachhuber

Ellie Taverna & Heidi Baader

Lectors: Darlene Auer

Servers: Volunteer

Ushers: Gary Pronschinske - Dave Earney

SUNDAY | 10:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Lori Beseler

Lectors: Duella Murphy

Servers: Goettings

Ushers: Jim Semling

Roman Kujak

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEEDED:

We are in need of an elementary religious education teacher. They can either teach 3 & 4 grade or 5 & 6 grade. We have to have faith formation for our youth to help preserve and maintain our faith. Look into yourself and share your faith with the young minds of our parish. It would be each Wednesday, during the school year, from 4 to 5pm. Give Carrie Venner-Adams a call at 608-687-3228 or email her at treeclesiae.red@gmail.com. Or contact Connie in the office. We can not have religious education classes without our wonderful volunteers.

THE TRAIN IS COMING.....

Alma Council 6789, Knights of Columbus, is sponsoring it's second annual Mini-train ride fundraiser. Event happens on Saturday, September 27, 8:00 am till Noon.

Don't miss an opportunity to ride this historic mini-train, the only one like it in the United States. Teamed with area history, Train, and DNR presentations.

Cost is \$40 per person, with only 60 seats available. If interested, or for more information, call or text; 715-495-0488, or email; blisowski@tds.net, with "train ride" as subject.



PILLOW CLEANING

St. John's Catholic Church in Whitehall will be holding a pillow cleaning on Monday, Sept 15 @ 6-8 pm & Tuesday, Sept 16 @ 7:30 am to 3pm. They will also have custom made new pillows & down comforters available for sale. More info on the bulletin board in back of church.

FALL BIBLE STUDY AT THE CATHEDRAL OF THE SACRED HEART , WINONA

Lectio: Evangelization: In this 10-part Bible Study, Dr. Mary Healy combines insightful biblical study with Church teaching and practical advice to show how modern Catholics can effectively impart their world for Jesus Christ. She explores topics such as the call of Jesus to evangelize, the power of the Sacraments, the role of charisms for building up the Body of Christ, techniques from St. Paul for reaching a secular culture, and more. They will be held Thursdays 6:30-8:30 pm, starting Sept 18 in the St. Augustine room at the Cathedral. Book/Study Guide cost is \$20.00. Facilitator is Jean Skime. Register by Sept 8th at caswinona.org/adult-faith-formation. Contact: Anna Therneau atherneau@cathedralwinona.org

ST. FELIX FALL FESTIVAL

On Sunday, September 14, St. Felix Church & School will be hosting their Annual Fall Festival from 9am to 5pm in the St. Felix Auditorium and School Grounds in Wabasha. The day will feature a Fireman Water Fight, grilled chicken dinners, the farm store, general and specialty auctions, a bounce house, tootsie roll booth, lots of raffles, tons of prizes and so much more. Join us for food, fun and friendship. All proceeds go to St. Felix School. For more information call 651-565-4446.



JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

"Those Who Hope in the Lord Will Renew their Strength" (Isaiah 40:31).

Another promise that God made to Abraham was that He would make his name great. (Gen 12:2) This promise was kept through King David who was a man after God's own heart. David faithfully submitted to the will of God, was fervent in his prayer, including the writing of the psalms and humbly repented when his sin was pointed out to Him. His prayer was a faithful adherence to the divine promise and expressed a loving and joyful trust in God, the only King and Lord. God fulfilled His promise as He blessed David's efforts to unite the Holy Land to be a great nation while making David's name great.

Let us ask Jesus to deepen our loving and joyful trust in God – the promise keeper – during this Jubilee Year of Hope 2025.



SEPTEMBER IS DEVOTED TO THE SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY.

PARISH FINANCIALS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION		ST. LAWRENCE		ST. BONIFACE	
29 Env	\$ 815.00	27 Env	\$ 551.00	17 Env	\$ 732.00
Plate	\$ 161.00	Plate	\$ 209.00	Plate	\$ 103.00
Vigil Lights	\$210.00	Vigil Lights	\$ 80.90	Vigil Lights	\$ 107.00
Energy	\$50.00	Energy	\$ 20.00		
Total	\$ 1,236.00	Totals	\$ 860.90	Totals	\$ 942.00
Attendance	86	Attendance	120	Attendance	73

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

ST. MARY'S QUILTERS



The quilters will meet again next Tuesday, Sept 9th, at 1PM. All are welcome to come and join in on this fun filled time of laughter.

PCCW



The next meeting of the PCCW is Monday, September 8th at 2 p.m. in Hansen Hall. All women of the parish are automatically members and there are no dues. We would just like you to attend to get new ideas or suggestions. All are welcome and we hope to see you there. If you cannot attend but have ideas to share, please email me at rbechly@centurytel.net.

SAINT BONIFACE

DONATIONS



The St. Boniface staff and students would like to thank The family of Norm & Betty Zych for their \$1,000 donation to the school. Also, a thank you to the Dorothy Pronschinske for her \$1,000 donation for the parish altar needs.

ORGANIST/PIANIST WANTED

St. Boniface is looking for a new organist. Janice has decided to retire and her last day will be Sept 27th. If you know someone able and willing, please let Connie know.

"What smells the best at Grandma's house for dinner?"

"Your nose!"



Tradition says that Mary's parents were named Anne and Joachim. They are the patron saints of grandparents, since they were Jesus' grandparents!

GLP

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

All grades will start on Wednesday, Sept 10th.

**The 1st-6th grade students meet every Wednesday until 5pm at St. Mary's Parish Life Center in Fountain City.

**Grades 7th thru 10th will meet every other Wednesday from 7-8pm starting in Waumandee.

This week the 9th & 10th graders will meet in the St. Boniface Rippley Hall. **Both, a parent & the student, must be present.**



If you have any questions, please contact the office or Carrie Venner-Adams at 608-687-3228 or email at treeclisiae.red@gmail.com.

SAINT LAWRENCE

PCCW



Today, Sept 7, there will be a PCCW meeting after mass. All ladies are invited and encouraged to attend. Your input is greatly appreciated.

COME ONE-COME ALL!
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