St. Liborius Catholic Parish

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St. Boniface Catholic Church

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St. Liborius Catholic Parish

Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday,

Thursday8:30 AM—3:30 PM

Mass Schedule—see page 2

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday...... 8:30 AM and 3:30 PM Friday7:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 8:30 AM—9:30 AM

St. Boniface Catholic Church

Office Hours

Tuesday.....8:30 AM-3:30 PM

Mass Schedule—see page 2

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday......9:00 AM Sunday8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday...... 9:00 AM-10:00 AM



Solemnity of All Saints—Saturday, November 1 See page 2 for Mass schedule.

Sunday, October 26 2025
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 25

4:30 PM • St. Liborius

Doris Wison, Mary & Joe Volpe, & the People of our Parish

Sunday, October 26—30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM • St. Boniface

† Frances Bogs Req. by the Bogs family

The People of our Parish

10:30 AM • St. Liborius

Bob Jones & Joseph & Marie Skummer

12:30 PM • St. Boniface (Spanish)

For Vocations to the Priesthood

Monday, October 27

8:00 AM • St. Liborius

† James Wojcikiewicz

8:30 AM ● St. Boniface—Communion Service

Tuesday, October 28

8:30 AM ● St. Boniface

Birthday intentions of Alexis Diaz-Albertini *Req. by Bogs-Haser family*

7:00 PM • St. Liborius

† Sal Gulotta

Wednesday, October 29

8: 00 AM • St. Liborius

Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, October 30

8:00 AM • St. Liborius

† Rev. David Krolczyk Reg. by Barb Wojcikiewicz

8:30 AM • St. Boniface—Communion Service

Friday, October 31

8:00 AM • St. Liborius

The people of St. Liborius & St. Boniface

8:30 AM • St. Boniface—Communion service

Saturday, November 1—Solemnity of All Saints

8:00 AM • St. Liborius

The Souls in Purgatory

4:30 PM ● St. Liborius

David Peebles Sr. & the People of the Parish

Sunday, November 2—Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

8:30 AM ● St. Boniface

Living & deceased members of our parish

10:30 AM ● St. Liborius

Deceased members of the Carlsson family & Jose P. Rivera

12:30 PM • St. Boniface (Spanish)

Living & deceased members of our parish

Scripture Readings

Sunday October 26, 2025

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23;

2Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday, November 2, 2025

Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

Liturgical Ministers

St. Liborius • November 1 & 2

Lector

4:30 PM—Chuck Gromala

10:30 AM - Pat Schanaberger

Eucharistic Ministers

4:30 PM - Bob Baumgartner, Maureen Bruns,

Jeanette Gromala

10:30 AM—Patty Heiss, Barb Herzic, Christian Jimenez

Altar Servers

4:30 PM— experienced volunteer needed

10:30 AM—Fiona Smith, Kenia Hernandez

St. Boniface • Sunday, November 2

Lector

Tracy Sheehan

Eucharistic Minister

Kathy Short

Ministers of the Cup

Deacon Mark Otten, Jennifer Duncan, Phyllis Huske

Altar Servers

Mike Falcioni, Anita Otten

Solemnity of All Saints

The Solemnity of All Saints is celebrated on Saturday, November 1st, and the holy day obligation has been abrogated. Masses on Saturday, November 1st will be at 8:00am and 4:30pm at St. Liborius. The 4:30pm Mass on November 1st fulfills the Sunday obligation.





From Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners of Saint Liborius parish and Saint Boniface church,

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Dave Rudofski who received the Ministry of Lector last Friday evening. The ministry of lector is one of the steps preceding ordination to the permanent diaconate. Please take a moment to congratulate Dave and offer a prayer for perseverance in his vocation.

All Souls Day and Memorial Booklet

We remember in a special way all those parishioners who have died in the last year on All Souls Day, November 2nd. We have record of all those whose funerals were offered at Saint Liborius, Saint Mary and Saint Boniface and will include those names in the prayers of the faithful. We will also remember all those whose names written in the Book of Remembrance that is located at the front of the church near the Crucifix (Fatima Statue at Saint Boniface). Please feel free before or after Mass to write the names of your loved ones who have died in the Book of Remembrance at Saint Liborius or Saint Boniface. These prayers will be offered at the 830 am Mass at Saint Boniface, the 1030 am Mass at Saint Liborius and the 1230 pm Spanish Mass at Saint Boniface on Sunday, November 2nd. Please notice that the Saturday, 430 pm Mass, on November 1st is the Mass of All Saint Day.

Parish Pastoral Council

We have now finalized the roster for the **New Saint Liborius Parish Pastoral Council**. The Pastoral Council will meet quarterly on the Third Tuesday of September, November, February and May. The Parish Pastoral Council is an **advisory** body to the pastor of the parish to assist him in addressing the needs of the parish and a conduit to keep parishioners informed of parochial activity.

Our first **Pastoral Council Meeting will be Tuesday, November 18**th **at 7:30 pm** in the rectory. Any parishioner may be in attendance. Any parishioner wishing to speak (3 minutes) at a parish council meeting may do so as long as they inform the pastor of this desire, in writing, no less than one week prior to the meeting. If you have a concern, please contact the pastor by emailing fathermilota@outlook.com.

Two topics presently on the agenda for this meeting are the discussion of the constitution and by-laws governing the Pastoral Council and the Evangelization initiatives of the parish in the light of Bishop Hick's Pastoral Letter: "Make."

Ex-ufficio non-voting members: Fr. Thomas Milota, Fr. Frank Pusateri, Deacon Mark Otten, Deacon David Prete, Deacon Frank Ciscato.

Voting Members: Finance Council – Deacon Frank Ciscato, Christian Service Commission – Char Reimer, Worship Commission – Julie Smith, School Board Rep – Tim Seese, Religious Education Commission – Christian Boyd, Parish Life Commission – Jill Raymond, Saint Boniface Reps - John Porpora, Jr. and Craig Quick, Saint Mary Rep – Amy Wegrzyn, Hispanic Community Rep – Christian Jimenez, At-Large Members – Sue Brown, Nancy Rita Kaz, Julie Einhorn.

Please notice that voting members of the council will typically serve a 3-year term. Although staff members can serve on the parish pastoral council, employees or members of their family do not serve on the council as voting members. An employee may be asked to offer a report to the council on their area of service should the pastor decide this would be helpful.

May Almighty God bless you and keep you.

In Christ.

Fr. Thomas Milota

Congratulations
Dave Rudofski







Reception of Ministry of Lector

Sacraments

Sacrament of Baptism

All parents asking for their children to be baptized must attend a Baptismal Prep class. Classes are held on the third Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. @ St. Liborius in the Church, with a reminder notice in the parish bulletin. If a child has already been baptized here no need to attend class again.

Please register for the class by calling the St. Liborius Parish Office at 708-754-1363. Godparents are also encouraged to attend the class. Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays immediately following the 10:30am Mass. Families and attendees of the Baptism are encouraged to attend Mass as the Baptisms will commence immediately after Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage preparation must begin a minimum of six months prior to the actual wedding date. Contact the parish office—St. Liborius (708-754-1363) or St. Boniface (708-534-9682) to begin the process.

Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the Sick is the sacrament that is received by those who are ill or suffering. By the sacred anointing and the prayer of the priest, the whole Church commends those who are sick to Christ.

Due to the Privacy Act, hospitals can no longer inform us when a parishioner is admitted to the hospital. A close relative needs to call either Parish Office—St. Liborius (708-754-1363) or St. Boniface (708-534-9682) to request an anointing.

Our Parish School:

Mother Teresa Catholic Academy 24201 S. Kings Rd., Crete. Phone: 708-672-3093 www.mtcacademy.org

Dr. Kevin Burns, PhD, President

Mrs. Annie Murray, Principal

All parishioners of St. Liborius / St. Boniface are invited to attend the weekly school Masses at Mother Teresa Catholic Academy on Thursdays at 9:45am when school is in session.

October School Masses: October 30

Please Pray For...

Roy Blakey, Joan Cleghorn, Gert Dileo, Don & Kathy Dornhecker, Tammy Downen, Barbara Gromala, Julie Hoyda, Peter Klakow, Terri Koepke, Nancy Koepke, Patti Koopman, Louise Kopaczewski, Tim Kornacki, Dennis and Brenda Lileikis, Amber Mangan, Anthony Mangan, Bethany Mangan, Corrie Mangan, Ivy Mangan, Jeremy Mangan, Maykala Mangan, Nasya Mangan, Jimmy Martin, Brenda McCann, Barb Mitchell, Elyse M., Carmin M., John Novak, Fred Nunez, Lloyd Pierce, Nancy Pilotto, Chad Pinnegar, Robert Prete, William P., Eligha Sain, Luis Santiago, Gary Schott, Ray Smith, Bob Staniec, Arnie Szudarski, Julie Szudarski, Bill Wogan, RW, Colleen Zwolinski, Debbie Zwolinski, Raymond A. Zwolinski,

- Crete Police, Detectives, Fire and Paramedic Departments
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- Steger Estates Fire and Paramedic Departments
- Steger Police, Detectives, Fire and Paramedic Departments



Our Stewardship Thank you for your generosity!

Week ending October 19, 2025 St. Liborius Sunday Offering \$5,708.00 Children's \$1.00 St. Boniface Sunday Offering \$2,710.00 Spanish Mass \$559.00



Día de los Muertos

All are welcome to take part in our celebration of Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) on November 2nd! We will have hospitality after the 12:30pm Spanish Mass at St. Boniface Church. We will also prepare the Altar of the Dead in the St. Boniface Parish Hall with photos of our deceased loved ones to remind us to pray for them. If you would like to place a photo of one of your deceased loved ones on the altar, please bring the photo with your name clearly labeled on the back to the Parish Office. After the celebration is over, we will use the names on the back to return your photos to you. If you have any questions or would like to help decorate the altar, please email Betty Botello at elizabeth.botello01@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at 708-754-1363.

Día de los Muertos

Todos están bienvenidos a participar en nuestra celebración del Día de los Muertos el 2 de noviembre. Tendremos la hospitalidad después de la misa de 12:30 en español en la Iglesia de San Bonifacio. También tendremos un Altar de Muertos en el Salón Parroquial de San Bonifacio con fotos de nuestros seres queridos fallecidos para recordarnos a rezar por ellos. Si le gustaría poner una foto de su ser querido fallecido en el altar, favor de llevar la foto con su nombre claramente escrito en el reverso a la Oficina Parroquial. Después de la celebración, usaremos los nombres para devolverle sus fotos. Si hay preguntas o le gustaría ayudar con la decoración del altar, puede Botello contactar Betty elizabeth.botello01@gmail.com o llamar a la Oficina Parroquial al 708-754-1363.

During the month of November, there will be a "Book of Remembrance" in the main vestibule of each parish for anyone who would like to write the names of their loved ones who have died. Those who are included in these books will be included in a general petition read at the Masses during the month of November.



Special Mass of Remembrance on All Souls Day - Sunday, November 2nd

All are invited to join us for Mass at 8:30am at St. Boniface or at 10:30am at St. Liborius on Sunday, November 2nd, as we remember all those who have been buried from our parish (St. Liborius, St. Boniface and St. Mary's) in the past 12 months, as well as those whose names are included in the Book of Remembrance at the back of each church.

Those whose names have been written in the Book of Remembrance at Mother Teresa Catholic Academy will be prayed for at the 12:30pm Mass at St. Boniface.

Parish Bulletin deadlines:

Please send items for publication in the parish bulletin to connections@stliborius.org. Items must be submitted by no later than Thursday (ten days prior to the publication date). We reserve the right to edit or re-format content as space allows. Acceptable formats are MS Word, Publisher, Excel, PDF or jpg files.



Pies by FASANO Fundraiser!

Sale starts *Tuesday, October 14th* and ends *Monday, October 27th*

All orders & payments (check payable to MTCA)

are due no later than October 28th.

Pie Pick Up will be at 3pm on Tuesday, November 18th!

(Please remember we do not have storage space, so all pies must be picked up at this time.

If you are unable to pick up yourself, please be sure to make other arrangements.)

Choose from Apple, Dutch Apple, Pumpkin, and Cherry

Please note: All Pies are \$25.

To order please contact Stephanie Oviyach <u>soviyach@mtcacademy.org</u> at the MTCA office. (708)672-3093

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PANCAKE BREAKFAST

presented by Knights of Columbus St. Liborius Council #14562

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH 9AM-1PM



Pancakes, Sausage, and a choice of Coffee, Milk, or Juice

Adults \$8 Seniors \$7 Kids (under 12) \$5

St. Liborius Parish Hall 71 W 35th Street Steger, IL





Congratulations to Knights of Columbus Raffle Winners for October:

\$150 #18 Spencer Wysocki \$100 #160 Robert Astroth \$50\$ #304 Colleen Domke \$50 # 467 Tracy Sheehan \$25 #641 Dave Zenere \$25 # 269 Mary Ann Batterman

Good Luck next month!



CPR / AED Classes

We will be holding a CPR/AED Certification class in the near future. We will be posting sign up sheets at both churches. If anyone is interested in taking the class please sign up on those sheets. The date of the class and location are still being decided.

VOCATIONS OFFICE

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How to Support Your Priests

Parishioners can encourage the priesthood by praying daily for vocations and for priests, by encouraging men they know to consider the priesthood, and by actively supporting the church's vocation ministry. Encouraging a priestly vocation includes recognizing spiritual commitment, such as regular participation in prayer and spiritual events, and speaking to potential candidates to offer support and invite them to explore the possibility of a vocation. A supportive community that fosters openness to God's call is crucial for men and women to discern and respond to a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

The Four Dimensions of Priestly Formation

BY FR. STEVEN BORELLO DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS DIOCESE OF JOLIET

When a man enters seminary to discern the priesthood, he begins a journey of conversion and formation that touches every part of his life. The Church, through the Program for Priestly Formation (PPF), outlines four key dimensions—sometimes called "pillars"—that shape this journey.

The first is human formation, the foundation of it all. A priest must be a man of integrity, balanced and virtuous, capable of relating well to others. Next comes spiritual formation, which roots him in friendship with Christ through daily prayer, the Eucharist, and a life centered on holiness. Intellectual formation, the rigorous studies in philosophy and theology, prepare the man to explain the faith clearly and faithfully. Finally, pastoral formation prepares them to be shepherds—through hospital visits, parish ministry, encounters with the poor, and hands-on experiences of serving God's people.

These dimensions aren't separate boxes to be checked. They are woven together so that the seminarian is gradually shaped into a man configured to Christ the Good
Shepherd.
Formation
is not just
training
but transformation
— a work
of grace, in
cooperation

with human effort. In the end, priestly formation aims at this: a man so conformed to Christ that he can lay down his life for the flock.

This is Part 1 in a 3-part series of columns on the importance of your help in the formation of new priests

ABOUT FATHER BORELLO

Fr. Steven Borello is a priest of the Diocese of Joliet currently serving as the Director of Vocations.

Fr. Steven grew up in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, and is the oldest of 4 children.

He attended the University

of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana where he studied chemistry and chemical engineering.

While there, he received a call to the seminary to discern the priesthood.

He received his Bachelors in Theology and Masters of Divinity from Mundelein Seminary and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Joliet in 2011.

He first served as an associate pastor at Notre Dame Parish in Clarendon Hills and was then transferred to Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Naperville in June of 2014.

In August of 2015, he began

serving at St. John Vianney College Seminary as a spiritual director, director of human formation, and instructor to over 120 men discerning a priestly vocation.

He returned to the Diocese of Joliet in August 2018 to begin as the Director of Vocations.



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