# St. Liborius Catholic Parish

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# St. Boniface Catholic Church

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### Pastor

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### St. Liborius Catholic Parish

### Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday,

Thursday ......8:30 AM—3:30 PM

### Mass Schedule—see page 2

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday...... 8:30 AM and 3:30 PM Friday .......7:00 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 Sunday .....8:00 AM

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

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



December 7, 2025
Second Sunday of Advent

# Mass Intentions

### Saturday, December 6

4:30 PM ● St. Liborius

Helen Zarante & Deceased members of the Carlsson Family

### Sunday, December 7—Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM • St. Boniface

Richard & Barbara Schultz (D) & the People of the Parish

10:30 AM ● St. Liborius

Edward Walker, Joseph & Marie Skummer, & the People of the Parish

12:30 PM ● St. Boniface (Spanish)

For the Souls in Purgatory

### Monday, December 8—Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

**8:00 AM ● St. Liborius**—the People of the Parish

8:30 AM • St. Boniface—the United States of America

**12:00 Noon** ● **St. Liborius**—the United States of America

7:00 PM • St. Liborius—the United States of America

**7:00 PM** • St. Boniface (Spanish) - the United States of

America

### Tuesday, December 9—St. Juan Diego

8:30 AM ● St. Boniface

The People of the Parish

7:00 PM • St. Liborius

Louis Bidese (D)

### Wednesday, December 10—Our Lady of Loreto

8: 00 AM • St. Liborius

Theresa Rummele (D)

### Thursday, December 11—Pope St. Damasus I

8:00 AM • St. Liborius

Rev. David Krolczyk (D)

9:00 AM ● St. Boniface—Communion Service

### Friday, December 12—Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 AM ● St. Liborius

Deceased members of the McManamon family

**8:30 AM ● St. Boniface**—Communion service

7:00 PM ● St. Boniface (Spanish)—the People of the Parish

### Saturday, December 13—St. Lucy

8:00 AM • St. Liborius

Paul Rizzuto (D)

4:30 PM ● St. Liborius

Irene Kaim & family, Bob Ruhnke, Bebe Molina

### Sunday, December 14—Third Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM • St. Boniface

Eleanor Ebert (D), the Village of Monee, & the People of the Parish

10:30 AM ● St. Liborius

Judy McKenna & the People of the Parish

12:30 PM ● St. Boniface (Spanish)

For World Unity

### **Scripture Readings**

### Sunday, December 7, 2025

**Second Sunday of Advent** 

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rm 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

### Monday, December 8, 2025

# Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gen 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

### Sunday, December 14, 2025

### **Third Sunday of Advent**

Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146: 6-7, 8-9, 9-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

### **Liturgical Ministers**

### St. Boniface • Sunday, December 14

Lector

James Lehnerer

**Eucharistic Minister** 

Colleen Domke, Donald Domke

### Ministers of the Cup

Deacon Mark Otten, Phyllis Huske, David Schmidt

### **Altar Servers**

Therese Bogs-Haser, Wayne Haser

### St. Liborius • December 13 & 14

Lector

4:30pm—Jeanette Dargert

10:30am—Ted Kulma

**Eucharistic Ministers** 

**4:30pm**—Jim Betourney, Jamie Smart, Dave Rudofski, Bob Baumgartner

10:30am—Kathy Krebs, Ted Kulma, Art LeMere, Clint Mann

**Altar Servers** 

4:30pm—Experienced volunteers needed

10:30am—Kenia Hernandez, Isabella Bova, Slaney Chavez

### **Baptized in Christ**

Welcome to the following children who received the Sacrament of Baptism:

Jackson Philip Senese Harley Quinn Slover Ivy Rose Slover

There will be a special collection next weekend for the Retirement Fund for Religious. If you would like to participate in this collection, please use the specially designated envelopes and return them in the Sunday Offertory.



# From Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners of Saint Liborius parish and Saint Boniface church,

### Advent

Although we anticipate hearing the account of Saint John the Baptist preparing the way in the desert, we find, on the first Sunday of Advent, our Lord exhorting his followers to "watch!" Make certain you are ready. I am quite certain that he was not telling them to get their Christmas shopping done or our decorations up. He is speaking about the state of our souls.

We don't hear about souls much these days. We tend to be more concerned with what is outside than what is inside. We prepare for the second coming of Jesus Christ at the end and this preparation must occur deep down in the core of our being and our Church helps us with this.

She invites us to hear His word and receive the Word made flesh on the altar in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. She invites us to prepare for this coming by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation, laying before the Lord all that which keeps us from Him and then to hear the words, "Your sins are forgiven. Go in peace."

Confessions during Advent are heard at Saint Liborius on Saturdays at 830 am and 330 pm, Sundays at 10 am, Fridays at 700 am and at Saint Boniface on Tuesdays at 900 am and Sundays at 800 am and 1200 pm (Spanish).

### **Giving Tree**

Please do not forge to take an ornament and provide a gift to those in need this Advent. Outreach has worked hard to provide our giving tree found in the Narthex of Saint Liborius church.

### December 7<sup>th</sup>, 1941

We remember on this day all those who served our country in the Second World War on this day and thank them for their service! We all want peace for our community, nation and our world and remember all those who suffered during this conflict in our prayers.

### **December 8<sup>th</sup> – Holy Day of Obligation**

Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. The Immaculate Conception is the Patronal Feast of the United States of America and so it is never abrogated. **Saint Liborius** will have Mass at 8:00 am, Noon and 7:00 pm. **Saint Boniface** will have Mass at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm (Spanish).

### December 12<sup>th</sup> – Our Lady of Guatelupe

The Feast of Our Lady of Guatelupe celebrates the visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Saint Juan Diego. She is the patroness of the Americas and of the unborn. Please join us for Mass on that day at 8:00 am at Saint Liborius or for a special celebration in Spanish at 7:00 pm at Saint Boniface with a play and reception to follow.

May Almighty God bless you and keep you.

Prayers.

In Christ,

Fr. Thomas Milota

# 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 amurray@mtcacademy.org

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.

### **December school Masses:**

December 8 (Immaculate Conception); December 12 (Our Lady of Guadalupe; December 18

# Please Pray For...

Roy Blakey, Kathy Boswell, Bill Brennan, Joan Cleghorn, Don & Kathy Dornhecker, Tammy Downen, Liz Greene, Barbara Gromala, Julie Hoyda, Kate Kendrick, 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, Fr. John McGeean, Angela Mills, Barb Mitchell, Elyse M., Carmin M., John Novak, Fred Nunez, Lloyd Pierce, Nancy Pilotto, Chad Pinnegar, Robert Prete, William P., Eligha Sain, Luis Santiago, Ray Smith, Bob Staniec, Arnie Szudarski, Julie Szudarski, Mary Truss, Bill Wogan, RW, Fred Zagone, SJ, Colleen Zwolinski, Debbie Zwolinski, Raymond A. Zwolinski,

- Crete Police, Detectives, Fire and Paramedic Departments
- Monee Police, Detectives, Fire and Paramedics, and Emergency Management Agency
- Steger Estates Fire and Paramedic Departments
- Steger Police, Detectives, Fire and Paramedic Departments

### **Rest in Peace**

Monique Sulei

# Our Stewardship

Thank you for your generosity!

### Week ending November 23

### St. Liborius

Sunday Offertory	\$7,062.00
Children's	\$0.50

### St. Boniface

Sunday Offertory	\$1,743.00
Spanish Mass	\$255.00

### Week ending November 30

### St. Liborius

Sunday Offertory	\$3,873.00
Children's	\$2.00

Sunday offertory for 11/30 for St. Boniface will be posted next week.

### NEW ENVELOPE COMPANY

Dear Parishioners,

Merry Advent!

Thank you for your support of Saint Liborius parish and Saint Boniface church and the continued support of our Saint Mary parishioners.

During our first year as a combined parish, we wanted to make certain that everyone received a proper accounting of their giving for their taxes. As a result we made the decision to keep everyone's envelope numbers the same through December 31, 2025. All of our Saint Liborius, Saint Mary and Saint Boniface parishioners will receive your tax letter for your charitable giving by the end of January as usual.

Because our parishes are now combined and we will need to make a small change to your offertory envelopes beginning January 1, 2026. You will still receive your 2-month supply of envelopes in the mail as usual, but both church names will now appear on the envelope and you will receive a new envelope number.

We know how attached you were to your envelope number so we apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but it will allow us to continue to give you an accurate accounting of your giving for your taxes.

Thank you for your support and may the Lord bless you and keep you.

In Christ,

Fr. Milota

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### **Misas Especiales**

Lunes, 8 de diciembre de 2025 a las 7:00pm: Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María

(Fiesta Patronal de los Estados Unidos) — DÍA DE PRECEPTO

Viernes, 12 de diciembre de 2025 a las 7:00pm: Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

·Miércoles, 24 de diciembre de 2025 a las 4:00pm: La Natividad del Señor (Misa vespertina de la vigilia) o Nochebuena— DÍA DE PRECEPTO

·Jueves, 25 de diciembre de 2025 a las 12:30pm: La Natividad del Señor (Misa del día) o Navidad— DÍA DE PRECEPTO

Jueves, 1 de enero de 2026 a las 12:30pm: **Solemnidad de María Santísima, Madre de Dios** — DÍA DE PRECEPTO

NB: Cada Misa estará en San Bonifacio Iglesia Católica.



The Daughters of St. Liborius council 14562 received this notice to share with you and also would like to add Thank You for your support!

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

OF OUR BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER.

The Daughters of
St. Liborius and St. Boniface
raised \$2,936.46
to support Aid for Women.

- 📞 (312) 621-1107
- □ contact@aidforwomen.org
- helpaidforwomen.org



Any additional bottles collected will still be donated to Aid For Women!





PLEASE JOIN
THE
ST. LIBORIUS
CHOIR AT
10:00PM
DECEMBER
24<sup>TH</sup> JUST
BEFORE THE
CHRISTMAS
EVE MASS FOR
AN OLDFASHIONED
CHRISTMAS
SING ALONG.

# NO ESTOY YO AQUÍ, QUE SOY TU MADRE ? AM I NOT HERE, I WHO AM YOUR MOTHER?

Acompáñanos a Celebrar: Join us to Celebrate:



Misa en Honor a Nuestra Virgen de Guadalupe, Diciembre 12 a las 7:00 pm. En el templo de San Bonifacio.

Despues de Misa tendremos el baile de la Danza y la representacion de las apariciones de la Virgen, seguido de un convivio con comida y antojitos Mexicanos.

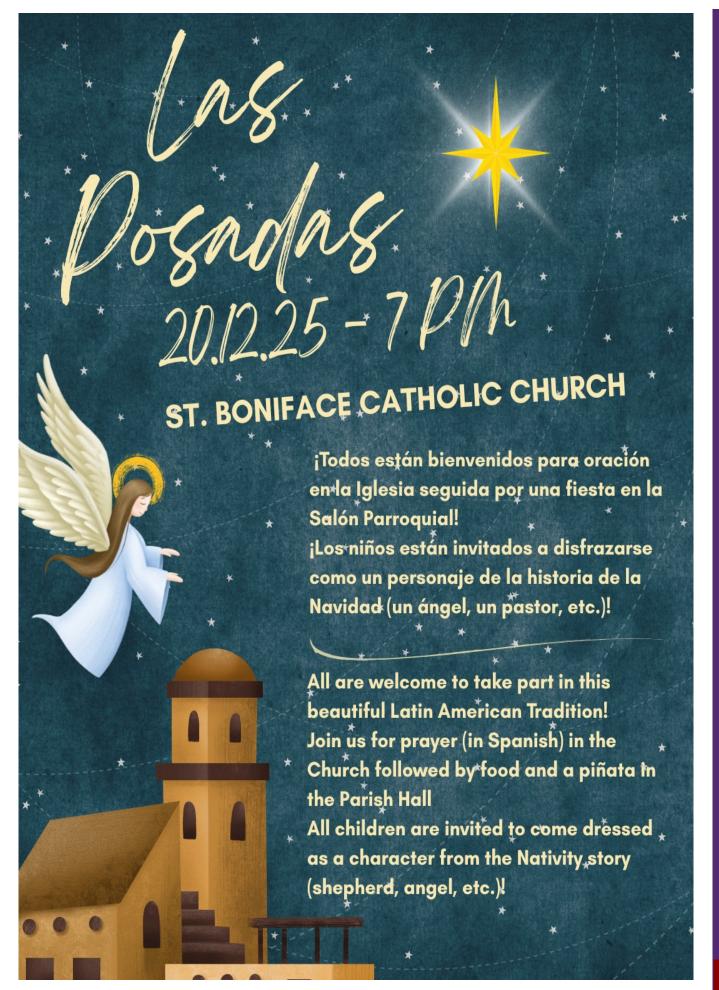
Mass (Spanish) in Honor of Our Virgin of Guadalupe, December 12 at 7:00 pm. In St. Boniface Catholic Church.

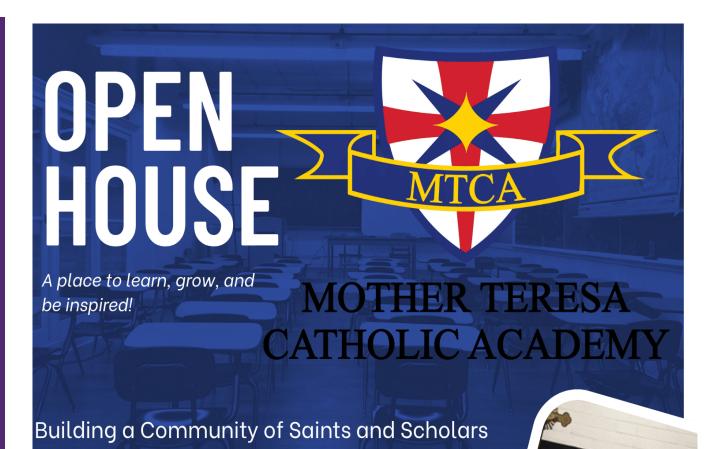
After Mass, we will have a dance to honor Our Lady and a play representing the Apparitions at Guadalupe, followed by a get-together with Mexican food.

Bajo tu manto. Virgen de Guadalupe. Encontramos Refugio.. Paz y Amor Eterno.

Under your Mantle. Virgin
of Guadalupe. We Find
Refuge. Peace and
Eternal Love.





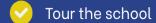


January, 14th January, 27th

12:15pm-6:15pm

24201 S King Road Crete IL.





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### **Community Outreach**

# Giving Tree 2025



### Hark, Ye Elves ... time for being called to duty. Santa needs you!

The Giving Tree Project again needs Santa's Elves to continue the work of bringing joy to those with little or none. 'He' cannot do this without your help.

Our gifts this year will again be going to:

- Beecher Manor that benefits over 115 elderly residents
- Misericordia, run by the Sisters of Mercy, provides residential and day care for those of all ages
  with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Many of those served come from poverty-stricken
  homes or are wards of the state.

### How you Elves can help ...

Pick a tag from the Giving Tree in the narthex of Church. Purchase a gift, as printed on the tag. Gifts for Beecher Manor are not to exceed \$30. If you wish to spend more, take another tag or take a GOLD or SILVER envelope tag for a monetary donation (NO MORE ENVELOPES? Use your own, and mark it: **GIVING TREE**). There are Angels waiting to shop for those who could not shop, for the tags not taken or for the more expensive requests for Misericordia (which are posted on the board next to the Drum).

Monetary gift envelopes are to be placed in the collection basket.

### **ALL GIFTS ARE TO BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 21ST**

**FOR BEECHER MANOR - Only a size will be listed.** You may use it to gift clothing or ignore it and gift a non-clothing item. ALL Beecher Manor gifts must be returned **WRAPPED**, **WITH ITS TAG SECURELY ATTACHED**, **AND PLACED UNDER THE TREE**.



Tags for Beecher Manor **WOMEN** will have the Mrs. Claus picture. Only a size will be listed.



Tags for Beecher Manor **MEN** will have the Santa Clause picture. Only a size will be listed.

FOR MISERICORDIA - ALL gifts must be UNWRAPPED and PLACED IN OR NEXT TO THE DRUM opposite the tree.



Tags for Misericordia will have the Reindeer picture. Some gifts are used by many, some are for individual use and some are for staff to keep equipment in repair for use by all.

Other suggestions not on tags, will be posted next to the drum.