

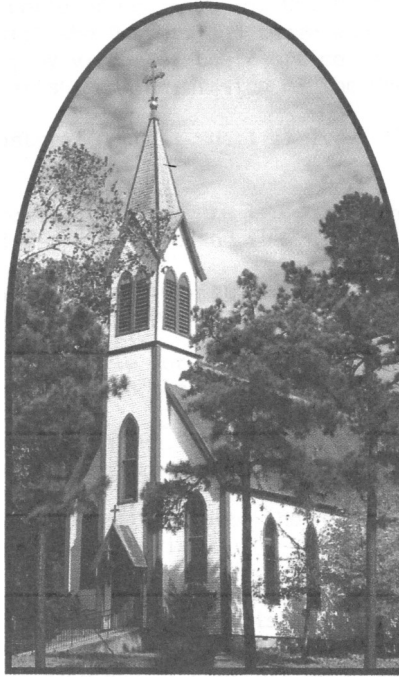
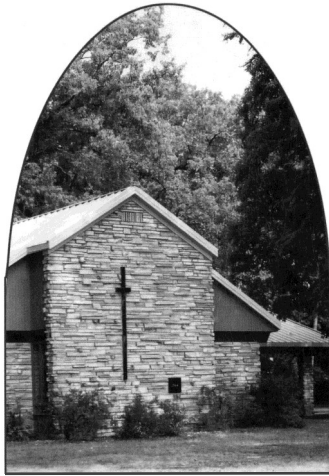
# St. Boniface Catholic Church

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February 14, 2021—6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## MASSES

Saturday—5:00 p.m.      St. Francis  
Sunday—8:00 a.m.      St. Boniface  
Sunday—10:30 a.m.    St. Elizabeth

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## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday—4:30 p.m.      St. Francis  
Sunday—7:30 a.m.      St. Boniface  
Sunday—10:00 a.m.     St. Elizabeth

## MARRIAGE

Canon law requires all Catholics planning to marry to contact a priest for the necessary preparation, dispensations (if needed), and formal permission. Diocesan law requires *at least* six months' notice be given to the pastor of the Church in which you are a member. Please *do not* set a date or make plans until you have met with the Pastor.

## ROSARY

St. Boniface— before Sunday Mass  
St. Elizabeth—before Sunday Mass

## BAPTISMS

By appointment

## RCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the church office.

## MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please contact our pastor at 501-504-6950 if you or a family member are seriously ill and in need of anointing of the sick and would like to be placed on the prayer list.

## OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday & Friday 9 a.m. - Noon

## BULLETIN

Bulletin articles must be submitted by Noon on Tuesday. Please call Kristy Eanes 501-831-1618 or email articles to: [triparishesbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:triparishesbulletin@gmail.com)

**RCIA CLASSES**—The next class is on Tuesday, February 16th at 6:30 pm following the Mass at St. Boniface Church. The topic for study is: “A Catholic Moral Vision: Virtue, Grace, & the Path to Happiness.”

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**—Starting the week of February 21st, Stations will be immediately following the Tuesday 6pm Mass at St. Boniface; Wednesday following 6pm Mass at St. Elizabeth; Thursday following the Noon Mass at St. Francis during Lent.

**USCCB RESOURCES FOR LENT**—Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday. Click below to view our 2021 calendar with daily reflections and quotes from Scripture, Pope Francis, the saints, and more to help you on your Lenten journey. <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year-and-calendar/len>

**INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY FOR WEEKDAY MASSES**—If the Catholic Schools and local public schools are closed, there will be no Mass. Please monitor your parish social media sites for further announcements and updates.

**ASH WEDNESDAY COLLECTION** Wednesday, February 17, 2021—Your support of the Ash Wednesday collection February 17, 2021 will directly fund priests, nuns and others in ministry in our diocese to serve parishes and communities that by themselves would be unable to cover their costs.

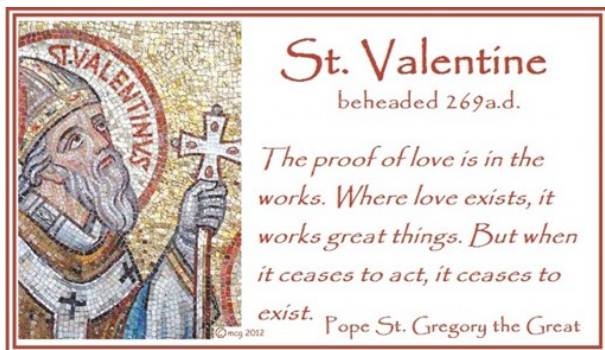
One hundred percent of every dollar given to the Ash Wednesday collection is used to support missionary work that reaches out and serve Catholics in Arkansas. Please be as generous as you can when you give so that the great gift of our faith can be nourished among our Catholic brothers and sisters in all parts of our state. Thank you.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS	
February 6 & 7	
St Boniface .....	\$2,230.00
St Elizabeth .....	\$2,645.09
St Francis .....	\$1,831.00

**43RD ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE RE-SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 14**—The 43rd Annual March for Life will be held on Sunday, March 14, 2021 in Little Rock at 2:00 p.m. The observance is a peaceful and prayerful event that attracts thousands of Arkansans from across the state including churches and families to remember the estimated 60+ million unborn children who have been killed by legal abortion. Staging begins at 1:30 p.m. between Battery and Wolfe Streets on West Capitol Avenue behind the Arkansas State Capitol. At 2:00 p.m. President Andy Mayberry will lead the marchers along with elected officials, invited dignitaries and others special guests to the steps of the State Capitol for a brief program.

**TRI-PARISH ‘MY OWN CHURCH’ SYSTEM**—Update your family information! Visit [littlerock.parishsoftfamilysuite.com](http://littlerock.parishsoftfamilysuite.com), and create an account. Once the church office approves your account, you’ll be able to update all of your family information. Need help? Watch this Detailed Instruction Video: [vimeo.com/102551875](https://vimeo.com/102551875) . For more information, please contact the church office.

Arkansas Right to Life, the state’s oldest and largest pro-life organization, is an affiliate of the National Right to Life Committee. For more information or to volunteer call 501-663-4237 or email [artl@artl.org](mailto:artl@artl.org)



**Made Clean:**

*Scott Hahn Reflects on  
the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

In the Old Testament, leprosy is depicted as punishment for disobedience of God's commands (see [Numbers 12:12-15](#); [2 Kings 5:27](#); [15:5](#)).

Considered "unclean"—unfit to worship or live with the Israelites, lepers are considered "stillborn," the living dead (see [Numbers 12:12](#)). Indeed, the requirements imposed on lepers in today's First Reading—rent garments, shaven head, covered beard—are signs of death, penance, and mourning (see [Leviticus 10:6](#); [Ezekiel 24:17](#)).

So there's more to the story in today's Gospel than a miraculous healing.

When Elisha, invoking God's name, healed the leper, Naaman, it proved there was a prophet in Israel (see [2 Kings 5:8](#)). Today's healing reveals Jesus as far more than a great prophet—He is God visiting His people (see [Luke 7:16](#)).

Only God can cure leprosy and cleanse from sin (see [2 Kings 5:7](#)), and only God has the power to bring about what He wills (see [Isaiah 55:11](#); [Wisdom 12:18](#)).

The Gospel scene has an almost sacramental quality about it.

Jesus stretches out His hand—as God, by His outstretched arm, performed mighty deeds to save the Israelites (see [Exodus 14:6](#); [Acts 4:30](#)). His ritual sign is accompanied by a divine word ("Be made clean"). And, like God's word in creation ("Let there be"), Jesus' word "does" what He commands (see [Psalm 33:9](#)).

The same thing happens when we show ourselves to the priest in the sacrament of penance. On our knees like the leper, we confess our sins to the Lord, as we sing in today's Psalm. And through the outstretched arm and divine word spoken by His priest, the Lord takes away the guilt of our sin.

Like the leper we should rejoice in the Lord and spread the good news of His mercy. We should testify to our healing by living changed lives. As Paul says in today's Epistle, we should do even the littlest things for the glory of God and that others may be saved.

**ST. BONIFACE**

- The current Caretaker of the Saint Boniface Cemetery is Rick Egger. Please contact him with anything pertaining to the Cemetery. Rick's contact information is: Cell 785-250-2838; Voicemail 501-759-3747; Email [egger.rickj@gmail.com](mailto:egger.rickj@gmail.com)

**ST. ELIZABETH**

- ST. ELIZABETH SUPER RAFFLE has begun. Tickets are now available. Grand Prize \$3,000, 2nd prize \$1,000, 3rd prize \$500, 4th prize \$250 and 5th prize \$250. Tickets are \$100 each. Only 200 tickets sold. Contact Kimberly Moore 501.289.0545 or message on Facebook, Joellen Dunlap 501.208.1416 or Donald Crain 501.554.6783 to purchase a ticket at this time. Tickets will be handed out after Mass Sunday February 7th & February 14th to parishioners to sell. You can contact Kimberly Moore before Sunday 2/7/2021 she will have you a package of tickets to sell already ready. Drawing will be April 18, 2021.

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

- Lector for February 13<sup>th</sup>: Chris Dorer; February Altar Preparation: Martha Starks/Pegge McCracken
- ! MEGA CASH RAFFLE ! St. Francis Parish is sponsoring a Mega Cash Raffle fundraiser beginning the first week of February through May 1st, 2021. The drawing will be held after 5pm Mass at St. Francis Saturday May 1, 2021. Only 200 tickets will be sold and 5 cash prizes are available resulting in 40:1 odds of winning a prize. Tickets are \$100 each. All families are asked to participate in this fundraiser by buying and/or selling tickets. To request tickets for sale or to purchase, please contact: Barbara Penney at (501) 944-4334 or email: [barbarap711@gmail.com](mailto:barbarap711@gmail.com) Or RJ Moore at (501) 416-7878 or email: [mooreronjr@gmail.com](mailto:mooreronjr@gmail.com) Prizes: Grand Prize- \$3,000; 2nd Prize-\$1,000; 3rd Prize- \$500 4th & 5th Prize-\$250. All proceeds benefit St. Francis Parish. Prizes are subject to applicable taxes.

## THIS WEEK

### LITURGY SCHEDULE & HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER: If schools are closed there will be no Mass.**

#### Saturday, February 13

St. Francis 4:30 p.m. Adoration & Confessions  
St. Francis 5:00 p.m. Mass—+Franklin Zulpo

#### Sunday, February 14—6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Boniface 7:30 a.m. Adoration & Confessions  
St. Boniface 8:00 a.m. Mass—+John A. Gunther  
St. Elizabeth 9:30 a.m. Adoration  
10:00 a.m. Confessions  
10:30 a.m. Mass—For All Parishioners

#### Monday, February 15—No Mass

#### Tuesday, February 16

St. Boniface 6:00 p.m. Mass—+MJ Davenport

#### Wednesday, February 17—Ash Wednesday

St. Francis Noon Mass—+Linda Gordon  
Womack Thomas  
St. Elizabeth 5:30 p.m. Mass—+George Hamling  
St. Boniface 7:15 p.m. Mass—+Clem Hartman

#### Thursday, February 18—No Mass

#### Friday, February 19

St. Boniface 8:00 a.m. Mass—+Lauretta  
Koenigseder

#### Saturday, February 20

St. Francis 4:30 p.m. Adoration & Confessions  
St. Francis 5:00 p.m. Mass—For All Parishioners

#### Sunday, February 21—1<sup>ST</sup> Sunday of Lent

St. Boniface 7:30 a.m. Adoration & Confessions  
St. Boniface 8:00 a.m. Mass—Fr. Richard Davis+  
St. Elizabeth 9:30 a.m. Adoration  
10:00 a.m. Confessions  
10:30 a.m. Mass—Fr. Richard Davis+

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

2/15—Monday	Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1+8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
2/16—Tuesday	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a+2, 3ac-4, 3b+9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
2/17—Ash Wednesday	Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
2/18—Thursday	Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 9:22-25
2/19—Friday	Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
2/20—Saturday	Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5:27-32
2/21—Sunday	Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

### SAINT FEAST DAYS

February 18 Blessed Fra Angelico

Blessed Fra Angelico (c.1400 – 1445)

Fra Giovanni da Fiesole, known as Blessed Fra Angelico, was an early Renaissance painter. After joining the Dominicans in 1420, he began illustrating manuscripts and choir books, beginning each new work with a prayer. His religious altarpieces, paintings and frescoes exploited color for spatial and emotional effect. Fra Angelico, meaning “angelic brother,” decorated an entire Florentine monastery and two Roman chapels. Notable works include his “Annunciation” and “Descent from the Cross.” He declined an appointment as archbishop of Florence and was officially beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1982. Art students often leave written prayers near his tomb in the Church of Santa Maria Sopra Minerva in Rome. He is patron of artists. Copyright © 2020, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved.

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