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“We live [our] faith by coming together to share our diverse gifts.”

—from the Assumption mission statement

“Blessed by God’s strength, we sustain our community through gifts of time, talent, and treasure.”

—from the St. Boniface mission statement

**Fifth Sunday of Lent
17 & 18 March 2018**

Assumption: 5:00pm

PRESIDER/PREACHER: Fr. Joel Warden
INTENTION: Silvio Pluchinotta
READER: Tanner Kroeger
EM: Gabriel LeBlond
MC: Bill Powers

St. Boniface: 9:00am

PRESIDER/PREACHER: Fr. Joel Warden
INTENTION: Norris Perry Rader, Sr.
READER: Neil Scriptunas, Colette Desbas, Ramona Candy
EM: Jon Batkay, Lorelei Rowars
HOSPITALITY: Ann Currier, Colette Price
MC: Bill Vinicombe

Assumption: 10:00am

PRESIDER/PREACHER: Fr. Mark Lane
INTENTION: Fr. Mark Lane
READER: John Morgan
EM: Annette Anglisano, Colleen McGrath
MC: Elizabeth DiGuglielmo

St. Boniface: 11:15am

PRESIDER/PREACHER: Fr. Joel Warden
INTENTION: Pro Populo
READERS: Pam Keating, Marita Downes, Anna Schiavone
EM: Carole VerEecke, Dory Hottensen
HOSPITALITY: Brenda Becker, Laurie Chaumont,
Claude Piaubert, Robert Regan
MC: Bob Lenartz
ALTAR SERVERS: Julian, Jackie, Kennedy

St. Boniface: 6:00pm

PRESIDER/PREACHER: Fr. Mark Lane
INTENTION: Pedro Echevarria

READINGS: Jer 31:31-34, Heb 5:7-9, Jn 12:20-33 (35)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, 19 March

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Assumption: 8:00am
INTENTION: Anthony Thomas, Jr.
St. Boniface: 12:10pm
INTENTION: Joseph Mondel

Tuesday, 20 March

Lenten Weekday
Assumption: 8:00am
INTENTION: Dr. Gil Vasquez
St. Boniface: 12:10pm
INTENTION: Family Members of the Coutinho Family

Wednesday, 21 March

Lenten Weekday
Assumption: 8:00am
INTENTION: Leslie Greene
St. Boniface: 12:10pm
INTENTION: Raymond Gallagher

Thursday, 22 March

Lenten Weekday
Assumption: 8:00am
INTENTION: Sylvia Fitzarkerly
St. Boniface: 12:10pm
INTENTION: Family Members of the Coutinho Family

Friday, 23 March

Lenten Weekday
Assumption: 8:00am
INTENTION: Raul Navarro
St. Boniface: 12:10pm
INTENTION: Hilda Toomey

WEEKDAY READINGS: <http://www.usccb.org/>

Assumption, Prayers For Those Who Are Sick: Courtney Fernandez, William Lizesey, Paige Anglisano, Maria Fe Liwag, Dorothy and Ray Soluri, Tom Reynolds, Jean Torrell Hughes, Emily Vingara.

Assumption, Prayers For Those Who Have Died: Father Sean Cunneen

St. Boniface, For Those Who Are Sick: Irma Coles, Edward Stephens, Charles Cole, Joanne Bianco, Mary Jane Jones, Marge King, Peter Grivas, Kelly LaBruna, Edie Brown, James Leung, Catherine Crowley, Christopher Hayes, Lisa Gonzales, Anne Canterbury.

St. Boniface, For Those Who Have Died: Father Sean Cunneen, Roy McKenzie, Raul Navarro, Joseph Creech, Alex Ramos, Kat Bagley.

Confessions at Assumption: Saturdays, 4:30pm- 4:45pm or by appointment.

Confessions at St. Boniface: Wednesdays and Fridays, 11:45am - noon or by appointment.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL SERVICES:

The special services and Mass times for Holy Week appear below for both of the Oratory parishes. Please note that if someone from Assumption would like to attend the full Easter Vigil this year at St. Boniface, transportation can be provided by parish volunteers. Contact Fr. Joel for details or to make that request: jm.warden.co@gmail.com, or 718.875.2096, ext. 103.

**Holy Week & Easter 2018
With The Brooklyn Oratory Parishes**

- Palm Sunday - March 25**
Blessing and distribution of Palm at all Masses
Assumption 5:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass
St. Boniface 9:00 am Mass
Assumption 10:00 am Sung Mass
St. Boniface 11:00 am Sung Choir Mass, Solemn Procession
St. Boniface 6:00 pm Mass

- Monday Day of Reconciliation - March 26**
St. Boniface 3:00 pm - 6:30 pm Confessions
7:00 pm *Community Reconciliation Service*
Assumption 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm Confessions

- Holy Thursday - March 29**
Assumption 7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper for Families
St. Boniface 7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper with Oratory Choir

- Good Friday - March 30**
St. Boniface 12 Noon Stations of the Cross
11:00 am - 12 pm & 1pm - 2pm Confessions
3:00 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
Assumption 4:45-5:45 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Stations of the Cross

- Holy Saturday - March 31**
Assumption 12 Noon Blessing of Easter Foods & Midday Prayer
St. Boniface 9:00 pm Great Vigil of Easter with the Oratory Choir

- Easter Sunday - April 1**
Assumption 10:00 am Solemn Mass with the **Oratory Choir**
St. Boniface 11:15 am Mass with Organ, Cantor and Brass
St. Boniface 11:20 am Mass Newman Hall, Cantor and Strings

♪ Bring your own bell to ring at all Easter Masses ♪

Note: NO 9:00 am & 6:00 pm Mass at St. Boniface.

**2018 EASTER FLORALS
ABVM & ST. BONIFACE**

EASTER PLANTS may be given by individuals who wish to offer a gift of **best wishes** in the name of a relative or friend, or as a **memorial** of a deceased relative or friend.

The suggested offering for each plant is \$20.

We must receive requests with offering no later than **Tuesday, March 20**, to permit printing of names in the **Easter bulletin**. You can either place your request with your offering in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office, The Brooklyn Oratory, 109 Willoughby Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

BEST WISHES

ASSUMPTION NEWS AND EVENTS

ABVM Hospitality Ministers Needed - Looking for a way to contribute to the life of our parish? Please consider becoming a Hospitality Minister at Assumption. Hospitality Ministers welcome parishioners to Mass, take up the collection, ensure there are parishioners to bring up the gifts and straighten out the pews after Mass. Adults and children in Grade 5 or higher are welcome to serve in this role. Your commitment will be minimal but your contribution to the life of our parish great! If you are interested, please contact Coleen McGrath at 347-414-0209 or coleen.mcgrath@gmail.com or Dr. Lut Vasquez at lutvasquez@earthlink.net.

PRE-EASTER CHURCH CLEANING AT ABVM Please come on Saturday morning, March 24th to help Fr. Joel and Fr. Michael prepare the church and parish hall for Holy Week and Easter. Please email Fr. Joel (jm.warden.co@gmail.com) or call the parish office at 718-625-1161 if you intend to come.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND If there is someone you know who would like to receive the Eucharist an extraordinary minister can bring it to them, please contact: Annette 718-625-8899 or Mary 347-529-4599.

ABVM PARISH OFFICE UPDATE: To be in touch with the parish office for Mass cards or normal parish business you can call either the number for Assumption (718.625.1161) or St. Boniface (718.875.2096). In case of sacramental emergency, the after-hours emergency pager is 917.727.1254.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT [b] (March 17-18)
The readings for Mass can be found in the hymnal at margin #896.

Opening Hymn: #501, Take Up Your Cross
Kyrie Eleison: #257, *Missa Oecumenica*
Responsorial Psalm: #896
Gospel Acclamation: #266, Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ,
King of Endless Glory
Apostles Creed: #148, second page
Preparation of Gifts: #349, Behold Before Our Wond'ring Eyes
Sanctus: #170, *Chant Mass, Mass XVIII*
Memorial Acclamation: #156, Save Us, Savior of the World
Great Amen: #270, *Danish Amen*
Agnus Dei: #272, *Missa Oecumenica*
At communion: #725, Unless a Grain of Wheat
Closing Hymn: #712, There's A Wideness in God's Mercy

Prayer & Devotions

Stations of the Cross on Lenten Mondays after the 8:00am Mass.

St. Anthony Novena Tuesday mornings following Mass.

The Rosary First Saturdays following the 8:00am Mass and every Thursday except the week of First Saturday.

Holy Hour - First Saturdays following the 8:00am Mass.

History

Over the first few decades of the nineteenth century, Vinegar Hill saw slow but steady growth thanks largely to these new Irish residents. However, this flow swelled to a tidal wave in the 1840s and the potato famine that devastated Ireland. This huge influx of newcomers to Vinegar Hill reached such a height that by about the time of the Civil War, the Brooklyn waterfront from the Navy Yard to Fulton Landing had become known as Irishtown. This eastern part of Assumption parish could not have been more different than Brooklyn Heights in the west. The A description of Irish Town from 1878 gives a striking sense of the reality of the poverty and desperation of Brooklyn's now famous Irish ghetto:

There are certain wards and districts in Brooklyn where...dirt, and filth and poverty reign triumphant...which in misery, squalor, and wretchedness, in noisome lanes, streets plastered with offal and houses dirty and ill-ventilated and overcrowded equal to lowest quarters of New York or any civilized city.

According to this account, Irishtown also filled with "homeless and vagabond children, ragged and dirty" who wandered about streets strewn with "decaying garbage, dead animals, [and] filthy and unclean privies." Because of the explosive growth to this area, in 1860 Bishop Loughlin created the parish of St Ann by separating out Assumption's territory east from Bridge Street to Wallabout Bay. While Assumption still had the pastoral care of a good swath of Irishtown and its residents, thanks to the new church's physical centeredness in the heart of the neighborhood, St Ann's soon became known as "the" parish of Irishtown. By the 1880s it had a congregation of about 3,500 people and an enrollment in its parochial school of 800.

In the last two decades of the nineteenth century immigration to the U.S. shifted with large numbers now coming from southern and eastern Europe. This new reality brought changes to Vinegar Hill with the settlement of growing number of Italian and Lithuanian families. Again responding to this change in demographics, in 1909 St George's church was established on York Street for Lithuanians.

In the 1970s the area between Bridge and Main Streets was christened "DUMBO" (Down under the Manhattan Bridge overpass) by artists who had set up studios (some of which they also lived in illegally) attracted by the low rents in the many empty and decaying warehouses and small factories in the area.

This new and rapidly expanding parish needed a leader with both vision and energy, and when Bishop Hughes named Father David W. Bacon as its first pastor, he sent the first parishioners just the man for the job. Only twenty-nine years old at the time of his appointment, Bacon was born in Manhattan. He did his training for the priesthood under the the Sulpicians in their seminaries in Montreal and Baltimore before his ordination in 1838. His first pastoral assignments were in rural parishes in upstate New York and northern New Jersey. However, his lack of experience working in an urban area proved to be no limitation when he arrived in the very urban neighborhood of his new parish.

ST. BONIFACE NEWS AND EVENTS

Coffee Hour today will be Italian themed in honor of St. Joseph. Meg Mazzeo is our host today. If you're interested in hosting coffee hour, contact Marie Bresnahan mariebres@hotmail.com.

Feast Day for Catherine of Siena and Mother's Day: - Be the last two groups to sign up for coffee hour. We have only two dates left to complete this year's calendar - please sign up today for either April 29th (feast day for Catherine of Siena) or May 13th (Mother's day). Honor a special woman in your life by hosting coffee hour. To sign up, contact Marie Bresnahan at mariebres@hotmail.com

Lenten Loose-Change Collection Schedule:
3/18 St. Joseph High School, 3/25 Oratory Music Ministry.
Thank you for your generosity!

The Social Justice Committee monthly meeting is held the 2nd Sunday of the month in the Library from 10 am to 11am. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

5 Day Memorial Candles available only through the Parish Office, 109 Willoughby St. Monday- Friday or call the office to make arrangements.

SHARED EVENTS

**An Important Message from the Provost,
Father Dennis, C.O.**

On behalf of the Fathers and Brothers of our Brooklyn Oratory, I am pleased to announce that for the next academic year (2018-2019) Fr. Anthony Andreassi has been named the interim principal of Regis High School.

Fr Daniel Lahart, S.J., President of Regis, has asked Fr Anthony to take on this position as the school begins a search for a permanent replacement of the current principal who recently announced his retirement. After consultation with me as his Canonical Superior and his brothers in the community, Fr. Anthony has received our full support for this affirmation of his skills as an educator and leader.

Over the next few weeks, we will begin the process of re-aligning most of Fr Anthony's parish pastoral and administrative duties in anticipation of the new position which will begin in July.

Of course, he will continue his pastoral duties here as a regular presider and homilist in rotation of the weekend and weekday Masses. Our Oratory supports this honor for Fr Anthony- albeit for a limited time- as it aligns with the education of Catholic youth. This ministry has been a part of the Oratory charism since the time of St Philip Neri. As many of you know, Fathers Anthony and Mark have worked at Regis High School now for a number of years.

In addition, the Oratorians and the Jesuits have had a long, close history and friendship since the days when St. Philip and St Ignatius lived and worked in 16th century Rome.

These saints visited one another frequently and knew one another as close colleagues.

We ask your prayers for Fr Anthony as he assumes this new role that God who has begun the good work in him (as in all of us who were baptized in Christ Jesus) bring it to grace filled fulfillment.

BAPTISM DATES FOR PASTORAL YEAR 2018:

Please be in touch with either Fr. Joel or Fr. Anthony for more information on arranging to be part of a baptism group at the Oratory Parishes. All upcoming dates are Sundays: **April 8**, 11.15 AM Mass at St. Boniface (contact Fr. Anthony); **May 6**, 10.00 AM Mass at Assumption (contact Fr. Joel); **June 10**, 11.15 AM Mass at St. Boniface (contact Fr. Anthony). 718.875.2096 (Fr Joel, ext. 103; Fr. Anthony, ext. 109) or Fr. Joel: jm.warden.co@gmail.com; Fr. Anthony: adaco28@gmail.com.

St. Boniface Food Pantry The Social Justice committee collects non perishable not expired food 12 months a year for pick up and distribution by City Harvest for the needy throughout NY City. All donations can be put into the SEAT BOXES in Newman Hall. They are labeled FOOD PANTRY. Thank you in advance.

The Immigration Committee is a subcommittee of the Social Justice Committee and works to educate ourselves and others on immigration and refugee issues, support our NY immigrant community through direct actions, and advocate for immigration reform. We have started a google group to communicate and share information and opportunities for actions. If you would like to join the google group please contact Ann Currier at fotannet@gmail.com

Zen Meditation/Christian Spirit - Wednesdays, 6:15pm, 111Willoughby St. (Newman Hall), beginners welcome, instruction provided, starts on time, sign-up or regular attendance not required. Info: Christopher Smith 646-228-8520.

SHARED EVENTS

Holy Week's Reconciliation Monday, March 26, 2018, Simple Soup Supper at 6:00 PM before the Penance Service at 7:00 PM. Join Fr. Anthony Andreassi for a simple soup and bread supper at 6:00 with a discussion on the meaning of Reconciliation, followed by the communal prayer service at 7:00 in St. Boniface Church. Confessions will be heard at St. Boniface from 3:00 to 6:00 PM, and after the service.

Buy Your Tickets! CHANTICLEER RETURNS TO THE ORATORY! SAVE THE DATE -Friday, April 27th, 2018. For online ticket sales by using a credit card go to: tinurl.com/oratorychanticleer2018

ARE YOU A NEW CREATION?

As our Lenten days hasten toward Easter, it is encouraging to remember that God has promised in the Word to form us as *new creations in the resurrected Christ*. (2 Cor 5:17) What does this promise mean to you? How do you claim this promise and inherit all that God has lovingly intended for you in Christ? Come seek answers as we dive into the book of Galatians, and let God's wonderful revelations change your mind, life and heart. **Details: Coffee Hour and Bible Study March 18, Assumption Church Basement**, after the 10am mass. Bible study session will minister to both adults and children.

PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH

Liturgy of the Word for Children (LWC)

LWC is a short liturgical celebration for children through gospel storytelling, prayer and song. Children are led from the church with LWC presiders at the start of Liturgy of the Word during Mass and return to their families during the Preparation of the Gifts (all are welcome).

Dates for Assumption are: March 25; April 8, 15, 29; May 5, 20; June 3, 17, 24

Dates for St. Boniface are: March 25; April 8, 22, 29; May 13, 20; June 3, 17, 24

Family, Faith, and Fun: On Family Fridays we will share a meal and socialize. Parents and extended family members will then discuss the topics and challenges of raising our kids Catholic. Younger kids will play while supervised in another room; teens/preteens will do activities with our Family and Youth Ministers. The dates are as follows: April 20. **6:30 – 8:15pm Newman Hall.**

Sundays at Assumption

Socialize with families over brunch and activities for adults and children in the ABVM Parish Hall. The dates are: March 18, April 22, May 13 –11:00am-12:00pm, June 9 – 6:00pm-7:00pm.

March For Our Lives NYC - Please join members of the Social Justice Committee on Saturday, **March 24 at the March For Our Lives NYC**. We will march in solidarity with students and all victims of gun violence to champion comprehensive effective gun safety legislation. **Departing from Newman Hall at 10:00 am**. All welcome! (Would you like to come early to make a sign? Committee members will arrive at 9:00 am with supplies.) Please contact Julie Fissingner at juliecfm@msn.com with any questions.

Book Club with Fr. Dennis: March 25 *Big Mouth* Blanaid Mc Kinney; April 29 *The Relic Master* Christopher Buckley; May 20 *There Your Heart Lies* Mary Gordon ; June 18 *The Dubliners* James Joyce. 1:00pm Aula Maxima.

RCIA in the Oratory and Lent - Each week, the RCIA candidates and catechumens meet to help form those who are considering Baptism, joining the Catholic Church or completing the Sacraments of Initiation. We study, pray and grow together in our understanding of God and participation in the life of the Church. Please keep us in your prayers that Christ may deepen their desire and bless their discernment. And may we, as a community, reach out in welcome and friendship to Victoria Savanh, Chantee Parris, LaCresha Neal, Parker Seybold, Tony Meehan, Brad Kerr, Rita Razalan, Alina Castillo and Emily Salas.

St Philip Neri Feast Block Party: Sunday, May 20

For many years the members of the Oratory Church of St Boniface have gathered on a Sunday near the Feast of St Philip Neri (May 26) to come together to celebrate our patron with food, friendship and fun. We will do this again on **Sunday, May 20** following the 11:15 Mass but would like to expand our gathering. This year we are inviting our neighbors in Downtown Brooklyn, especially those who may find themselves on the margins of our community such as the residents in the Tillary Women's Shelter, the children served by Helen Keller Services and other area group and organizations who serve those in need. This year's celebration will include food, games and activities for kids (e.g. face painting, bouncy castle) and our funny hat contest as well as information about the various groups and services the Oratory provides and information as how to become more involved. We also will have a short performance of the Brooklyn Youth Chorus. The organizing committee will have plenty of hot dogs, burgers (veggie ones too) and drinks. And we are hoping our parishioners (individuals or groups) will bring a side to share with the neighbors we have invited so that they begin to feel welcome in our community not only on this day but in the future also. Please let us know if you plan to come and bring a side or if you would like to help with set-up, clean-up or to help with one of the activities. We can be reached at sbblockparty@gmail.com

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