

# Erie Times News

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Many of you have requested a copy of the article from the Erie Times news that I read during my homily on our festival weekend, so here it is. Honoring all of St. Boniface parishioners who worked on our festivals over the years is one of our remembrances for All Souls Day. It also speaks to our history at St. Boniface and our capacity for hospitality since the founding of our parish. Enjoy the article!

Deacon Tim

## St. Boniface Festival Set For June 25

**THE ANNUAL St. Boniface Summer Festival and chicken dinner will be held Sunday, June 25 on the St. Boniface church grounds, located on the Wattsburgh Road, four miles from the city limits. Serving will begin after the 11:30 o'clock mass and continue until 2 o'clock. Round and square dancing will follow the dinner and continue until 12:30 p. m.**

The famous "Beechwood Chicken Dinners" have been in existence since 1858 when the parishioners prepared the food at home and brought it to the church grounds to be served. This home flavored cooking has been retained thru the years and has attracted as many as 3200 patrons in one day.

There will be free bus service from 24th and Parade sts., every hour on the hour beginning from 11 a. m. until midnight.

This year an outstanding "musical program" has been outlined with continuous entertainment from 12 o'clock noon until midnight with the "Musical Keyboards" featuring Buddy Russell and Tom Maddox making music with 562 keys; Bud Moore and his Hilldale Hillbillies and Hayseed Trio; Benny Santo Pietro and his harmonica and the St. Boniface grade school Accordion Band; Rusty the Clown and his calliope.

This eventful day in the country will be concluded with a mammoth display of fireworks which will last for 45 minutes and the largest ever to be shown in Erie county.

General supervision of the festival is under the direction of Rev. F. Schlindwein and Rev. S. Mitchell with Mrs. Alfred Halm in charge of the kitchen; Mrs. Peter Kennerknecht heads the dining room committee; Frank Lackovic supervising the booth arrangements; Parking--Greene township state police and publicity--Mary Ann Allgeier.