

**The 3rd. Sunday of Lent**

**March 19, 2017**



**Church of St. Boniface**  
And  
**St. Mary's Syro Malabar Mission**

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Weekdays: 9:00am in the Chapel  
Friday: 5:30pm Syro Malabar Rite  
Saturday: 9:00am Syro Malabar Rite  
5:00pm Mass  
Sunday: 9:00am  
11:00am Syro Malabar Rite  
12:30pm Syro Malabar (English)  
Holy Day: 9:00AM, 7:30PM day of & night before

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays: 4:00PM - 4:30PM or by Appointment

**BAPTISMS**

By appointment

**WEDDINGS**

Couples should contact the rectory 6 months before the date of the wedding.

**MUSIC PROGRAMS**

Jim Coakley, Director of Music Ministry  
Adult Choir 845-216-2768

**ROSARY**

Saturday at 9AM - Religious Ed. Room - Open to all

**FUNDRAISING**

Dennis Dale, Chairperson (845)354-1981

**PARISH COUNCIL**

Dennis Dale, Chairperson (845)354-1981

**SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE**

Peggy Noble, Chairperson 845-596-2861

**TELEPRAYER NETWORK**

For prayer needs: Rose Alessi 845-290-1670

**BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP**

Saturdays in Religious Education room  
at 8AM September-June  
Kay Olive-Kelly: Call for Details 914-552-5246

**RESPECT LIFE/FAMILY LIFE**

Bill Martin 914-906-4291

**ST.BONIFACE TRUSTEES**

Rick Eil 845-548-4476  
Maire Liberace 845-354-3291

**ST. MARY'S TRUSTEES**

Jain Jacob 845-661-0084  
Chacko Joseph (Siby) 845-558-9415  
Rajesh Mathew 201-707-9512  
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**ST. MARY'S CATECHISM DIRECTOR**

James Kanacherril 845-267-0353

**ST. MARY'S CATECHISM JOINT DIRECTOR**

Sindhu Thomas 845-270-3011

**MARY MATHA MALAYALAM SCHOOL DIRECTOR**

Nirmala Joseph 845-634-1801

**SUNDAY LUNCH DIRECTOR**

Lijo Joseph 845-270-0855

*Tabernacle candle lit for:*



## Mass Intentions

<b>March 18 &amp; 19</b>	<b>Intentions</b>
<b>Sat 5:00PM</b>	Skylar Miller
<b>Sun 9:00AM</b>	Lisa DeLuca

<b>Mon 9:00AM</b>	
<b>Tues 9:00AM</b>	Marko Pecovic
<b>Wed 9:00AM</b>	
<b>Thurs 9:00AM</b>	John King
<b>Fri 9:00AM</b>	

<b>March 25 &amp; 26</b>	<b>Intentions</b>
<b>Sat 5:00PM</b>	Louisa Domenico Bauco
<b>Sun 9:00AM</b>	Lisa DeLuca

### St. Mary's Masses

Friday: 5:30PM  
 Saturday: 9:00AM  
 Sunday: 11:00AM  
 Sunday: 12:30PM (English)  
 (When there is CCD)

### Weekly Collection

March 12th. Attendance	169
March 12th. Collection	\$ 1953.00
Parish Pay	\$ 370.00
March 12th. Total	\$ 2323.00



**the CARDINAL'S**  
 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL  
*Sharing God's Gifts*

### Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date:

Goal	Pledged	Paid	# of Gifts
\$27,500.00	\$8515.00	\$4975.00	30



## Stations of the Cross

**Fridays in Lent, 7:30 PM**

**Daily Mass 9AM Mon. - Fri.**

### Let us pray for the sick:

Stephanie Dee  
 Kristen Turner  
 Erwin Brunner  
 Maria Seminario  
 Audrey & Joseph Joynt  
 Mary Ahokas  
 Josephine O'Shea  
 Anthony Senerchia  
 Romayne Melnick  
 Giovanni Toribio  
 Edward Daly  
 Minerva Echeverria  
 Bill Martin  
 Julie Martin  
 Nancy Panebianco  
 Jim Krokus  
 Berle Geronemus  
 Kenny Ladd  
 Barbara Madar  
 Orlando Pentrelli  
 Shajan Jacob  
 Dirce Bauco  
 Micheline C. Birdsall  
 Daniel Meehan  
 Marie Donnelly  
 Anthony Kulik  
 Peter Huebner  
 Angelina Pineda

Andrew Conachey  
 Annette Irving  
 Alyssa Lombardo  
 Michael Martin  
 Rita Ell  
 Elisa Pomeranz  
 Walter Cekleniak  
 Thomas McHale  
 Zenaida Ermita  
 Regina Nowinski  
 Ralph Mascia Jr.  
 Thomas Wissman  
 Frank Maggio  
 Laura Maggio  
 Nicholas Johnson  
 Emmett Green  
 Megan Hughes  
 Dorothy Crapanzano  
 Bob Cozzi  
 The Gravinos  
 John L. Lebinski III  
 Kim M. Crowley  
 Justin Rogers  
 Matthew Meehan  
 Lucretia LoRusso  
 David Nash  
 Nicholas Urban  
 Jared Scheringer

What better gift than Mass prayers and to light the Tabernacle candle to have friends and family remembered for birthdays, anniversaries, and so many other occasions. Mass intentions and candles are not only for the deceased, but also as a Special Intention for the Living. Feel free to call us with a date. There is a list of available dates. You can leave your \$15 donation for Mass stipends or \$10 for the tabernacle offering in the rectory.

### The 3rd. Sunday of Lent March 19, 2017

#### First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

The people forget God's loving protection and pick a quarrel with God through Moses about not having drinking water. Moses then obeys God's command and strikes the rock in Horeb and water flows out.

#### Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

The peace that we experience as believers comes from Christ, who has reconciled us to God the Father. There is no such thing as misplaced hope in the Christian belief. Christ died for us when we were still sinners.

#### Gospel: John 4: 5-42,

The fascinating story of the Samaritan woman at the well finds her engaging in a dialogue with Jesus that changes her whole life and that of her neighbors.

## **Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson**

Do not ever doubt that we are social creatures. Even the shyest of us eventually need to interact with our fellow human beings. Talk shows on TV and Facebook online are modern examples of how and where we do so even if only virtually or secondarily. We listen, we argue, we sympathize and speculate, laugh and lambaste, and certainly render our opinions all the time.

In Jesus' day, meeting at the town well was like meeting at the mall or the coffee shop today. However, the law stipulated that the sexes are not to mingle at the well. Nor was there much business there after the morning for the women of the town, for they had their multiple household chores. Finally, Jews and Samaritans never intermingled because religious differences between the two were strong and deep.

All of this comes into play as we moderns try to understand the unusual circumstances of the social interaction that long ago day when a Samaritan woman comes to the well, alone and at noon and runs into a greeting Jesus. His disciples had gone into town to get lunch supplies.

So the Jew speaks to the Samaritan. The man to the woman. In broad daylight. Those facts alone will stun the disciples when they return. In the meantime, Jesus asks the woman for a drink; promises living water; predicts the future style of worship that will heal the divide between them, and even addresses the woman's marital situation, to her great surprise.

All of this convinces the woman that this Man is special. As a result, she goes and broadcasts what has happened to her fellow townspeople, and they respond not only with conversion to Jesus but also an invitation to stay with them awhile.

Why do we hear this story? And why in Lent? I think because that Samaritan woman represents all of us at times in living or not living out our baptism into Christ. A wall goes up, so to speak, between Jesus and us, built by us by our stubborn decisions to sin and be alienated from the one Person who will do us the most good.

That woman at the well was trapped by invincible ignorance, which is to say that she did not realize the futility of her life without Jesus and how much she needed "living water". Jesus was not only at the well, but He was and is forever the well of life and truth.

In Lent, we strive to rid ourselves of vincible ignorance, that is, pretending that we don't know what is expected of us as a Christian, especially as we interact with the wide world. Or not trying to find out more through prayer and study. We have been given the "living water" but sometimes we don't want to drink it or we complain about the taste.

There is an old African proverb that applies here. "The sin worse than murder in the desert is to know where the water is and not to tell it."

### **Catholic Education**

Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of New York are Christ-centered, academically excellent, and welcoming communities that teach students to be life-long learners and leaders energized by fidelity to Christ, the Church, and one another.

To locate a faith-based Pre-K, Kindergarten or elementary school program near you, visit [www.CatholicSchoolsNY.org](http://www.CatholicSchoolsNY.org) or call 646-794-2885 to speak with a Catholic School representative.

### **Father Boyd Hall is available for rental**

The hall has been outfitted with a new kitchen, bathrooms including handicapped access and a freshly decorated main hall with new lighting and a new modern entrance way.

For more information and available dates, please call the rectory office.

**If you are planning to use the Church or Fr. Boyd Hall for meetings or any other purpose in the evenings, please notify the office at least 24 hours in advance so arrangements can be made for access.**

## March Ministries

3/19/2017	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Neil, C.Acuna	Wojnicki	Neil, Follini, Galvin
9:00 AM	Matos, Mendes,	Liftin	J.Cary, Handler, Cherveney

  

3/26/2017	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Vettamvelil, Maduekwe	Liberace	Bonanno, Ball, Maralit
9:00 AM	L.Martin, K.Negron	Echeverria	Echeverria, Revesz, B.Negron

### Holy Week Schedule 2017

#### Reconciliation Monday

Monday, April 10th.  
3:00pm - 9:00PM

#### Palm Sunday, April 9th.

More Solemn Celebration, Saturday 5:00PM  
St. Boniface Mass: 9:00AM  
St. Mary's Syro Malabar Mass: 11:00AM  
Palms blessed at all masses

#### Holy Thursday, April 13th.

Tenebrae 9:00AM  
Mass of the Lord's Supper  
St. Boniface: 6:00PM  
Procession Visits to Repository until Midnight  
in Msgr. Boyd Hall  
St. Mary's Syro Malabar: 8:00PM

#### Good Friday, April 14th.

Tenebrae 9:00AM  
Liturgy of the Passion & Death of Our Lord,  
Holy Communion 3:00PM  
Stations of the Cross 6:00PM  
St. Mary's Syro Malabar: 7:30PM  
Passion of the Lord, Holy Communion  
and Stations of the Cross

#### Holy Saturday, April 15th.

Tenebrae 9:00AM  
Mass: St. Mary's Syro Malabar: 10:00AM  
Blessing of Food 12:00PM  
Confessions 4:00 - 5:00PM

#### Easter Vigil Mass Saturday, April 15th.

St. Boniface Mass: 7:00PM  
St. Mary's Syro Malabar Mass: 9:30PM

#### Easter Sunday, April 16th.

St. Boniface Mass: 9:00AM  
St. Mary's Syro Malabar Mass: 11:00AM

### The Annual Day of Recollection

SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2017  
OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART  
120 Kings Highway Tappan, New York 10983

SPONSORED by OLSH Rosary & Altar Society

Program for the Day  
Light Breakfast – 9:15am  
Talk & discussion – 9:45am  
Confession in church – 10:50am  
Healing Mass church - noon  
Lunch - 12:45pm  
Talk & discussion 1:20pm to 2:30pm

Speaker:  
Father Thomas Kunnel, C.O.  
Pastor, St. John's Piermont

Suggested donation \$10.00  
For reservations please call Laraine @ 359-1615 or OLSH Rectory – Sec. Kathy @ 359-1230

### Women Volunteers Needed at St. Zita's Villa

If you can spare 2-hours just once or twice a month, St. Zita's Villa for adult women needs volunteers to help serve meals and assist with arts & crafts and other recreational activities for the residents.

Located at 50 Saddle River Rd, Monsey, NY, St. Zita's Villa is operated by the Roman Catholic Sisters of the Reparation of the Congregation of Mary.

The volunteers program is coordinated by Catholic Daughters Court John Paul II, headquartered at St. Zita's.

For information, please contact Jeanne Flaherty Ph.(917) 572-8345 Email [jeanne@geocap.com](mailto:jeanne@geocap.com).



**Help to those who have lost  
a baby at birth or prior to birth.  
Free and Confidential**

This Ministry takes place at the Marian Shrine  
(Lomagno Hall- adjacent to Shrine Church.)

March 20, 2017  
\*\*THE TIME IS 7:00p.m.\*\*

For more information e-mail  
RachelMinister1@aol.com

### St. Boniface Website



Our new St. Boniface website is  
now available at:  
[www.saintbonifacechurch.org](http://www.saintbonifacechurch.org)

Please take the time to check it  
out. You will find a wealth of useful  
information. If there is anything you would like to  
see added, please e-mail Bob Chamberlain at:  
[n2kbc@aol.com](mailto:n2kbc@aol.com) with your suggestions.



### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

**“Beloved: See what love the Father has be-  
stowed on us . . .”**

Take time to be with your beloved on the next  
Worldwide Marriage encounter Weekend. For  
more information go to: [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or call  
toll free: 877-NYS-WWME ext 3.

**There is a Pro Life Mass celebrated every  
1st Monday night of the month at 7:30pm at  
St. Francis of Assisi Church, 128 Parrott  
Road in West Nyack.**

### ST. BONIFACE REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Schools Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Enroll me in: [ ] Envelopes [ ] ParishPay



We need more altar servers.  
If your son or daughter would like  
to be an Altar Server, please  
contact the Rectory Office for  
additional information.

The only requirement is to have  
completed First Holy Communion.  
Training will be provided.

**Get important updates from the parish  
Go to: [www.Flocknote.com/stboniface](http://www.Flocknote.com/stboniface)  
or text stbon to 84576 from your phone**

You will be able to choose what info you would like  
to receive via email or text message  
You can unsubscribe at any time

### The Sacraments

Are you or anyone you know, in need of receiv-  
ing a Sacrament? Has time gone by and you  
suddenly realize that you or a loved one, has  
yet to receive the Sacrament of Baptism, or  
Penance, or the Eucharist, or Confirmation?  
Please call the rectory if you would like to re-  
ceive a sacrament that you have not participat-  
ed in yet.

### Garden of Memories

Brick Donations of \$170.00

to cover the expenses

Contact the Rectory Office for details

### Rectory Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 1:30pm

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