

20th. Sunday in Ordinary Time August 20, 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
Saji Mathew (Secretary) 917-574-9267

ST. MARY'S CATECHISM DIRECTOR

James Kanacherril 845-267-0353

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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

Aug 19 & 20	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	Sue & Charlie Fabrizio
Sun 9:00AM	John Kapral Sr.

Mon 9:00AM	
Tues 9:00AM	
Wed 9:00AM	John King
Thurs 9:00AM	Carlito Crespo
Fri 9:00AM	

Aug 26 & 27	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	Owen Lennon
Sun 9:00AM	Vincent Conigliaro

St. Mary's Masses

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

Weekly Collection

August 13th. Attendance	182
August 13th. Collection	\$ 1894.00
Parish Pay	\$ 370.00
August 13th. Total	\$ 2264.00



Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date:

Goal	Pledged	Paid	# of Gifts
\$27,500.00	\$18,400.00	\$17,120.00	60

Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary (St. Mary's)

Friday September 1 at 7PM
 Saturday September 2 at 9AM
 Sunday September 3 at 11AM
 Monday - Thursday September 4 - 7 at 7PM
 Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Friday September 8 at 7PM
 Saturday September 9 at 7PM
 Sunday September 10 at 4PM

Let us pray for the sick:

John Ragusa	Anthony Kulik
Shirley Dickerson	Peter Huebner
Dorothy Bigard Spooner	Angelina Pineda
Deacon Tom Colton	Andrew Conachey
Melanie Di Domizio	Annette Irving
Eileen Riebow	Alyssa Lombardo
Dawn Riebow	Michael Martin
Stephanie McGuire	Rita Ell
Stephanie Dee	Elisa Pomeranz
Kristen Turner	Walter Cekleniak
Maria Seminario	Thomas McHale
Audrey & Joseph Joynt	Zenaida Ermita
Josephine O'Shea	Ralph Mascia Jr.
Anthony Senerchia	Thomas Wissman
Romayne Melnick	Frank & L aura Maggio
Giovanni Toribio	Nicholas Johnson
Edward Daly	Megan Hughes
Minerva Echeverria	Dorothy Crapanzano
Bill Martin	Bob Cozzi
Julie Martin	The Gravinos
Jim Krokus	John L. Lebinski III
Berle Geronemus	Kim M. Crowley
Kenny Ladd	Justin Rogers
Orlando Pentrelli	Matthew Meehan
Shajan Jacob	Lucretia LoRusso
Dirce Bauco	David Nash
Micheline C. Birdsall	Nicholas Urban
Marie Donnelly	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.

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First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

A new tone emerges here; one of reconciliation and unity, along with a clear invitation to Gentiles to enter the house of the Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

In God's plan, mercy is to be shown to all, including the Jews. Gentile Christians have no monopoly on how to view human history.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

The Canaanite woman had two things against her in this encounter with Jesus: she was a woman alone in a man's world and a Gentile, therefore "unclean." Jesus explains His rather strange initial silence toward her plea.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

The late comedian Don Rickles specialized in insults. Displayed often on the old “Dean Martin Roasts” (now available on YouTube) he targeted his “victims”—usually celebrities—with mean one-liners that were usually funny. I recall him addressing George Burns, by then an octogenarian, by simply saying, “George, it’s over!” But always at the end of his spiel, Rickles would explain that it was all done in fun, and that love for others was a part of life we should always practice.

Jesus taught us how to react to insults. We remember His injunction to “turn the other cheek if slapped on one.” Yet today we find Him at first seemingly ignoring a poor woman’s plea for help for her daughter. He calls her “a dog.” It may be that He believed for awhile that His mission was only to the Jews. In that light He couldn’t give the children’s bread to dogs.

Now here is where we have to admire this unnamed woman’s reaction. Remember that she already had “two strikes” against her. First, she was a woman, apparently alone, living in a man’s world. Second, she was a despised Gentile, a Canaanite, calling out in a crowd of Jews. Instead of a nasty response to Jesus, or issuing the threat of a feminist revenge lawsuit such as we might expect today, or running away in tears of disappointment, she humbly retorts with a clever remark that incorporated Jesus’ characterization of her as a dog. “Even the dogs get to eat the scraps!” I admire her for that courage.

That sparks in Jesus an admiration of His own. He cites her great faith. In so doing, He acknowledges an expansion of His views about His mission. By granting the woman’s request, He includes all people as welcome in God’s family, and having a dwelling place in God’s house.

Now comes the gospel imperative for this twenty-first century. In a figurative lineup of all the so-called “marginized” people of our time, often so labelled by prejudice, we would find their numbers staggering. Think of war refugees eking out a living in makeshift camps. Immigrants from countries with cruel regimes. Then of addicts of all kinds, or those with different sexual attraction, or the physically and mentally disabled, and believers in unpopular religions. Dare we call them “dogs?” Dare we engage in insults to these our neighbors in the way Jesus described a neighbor?

Here is where we must remain ever grateful for the Holy Eucharist. It feeds our good side with strength against the “beast” in all of us. Along with the ever relentless Word of Scripture speaking the whole truth and nothing but to our ears, we are doubly equipped to accept God’s perspective and His judgment, no matter what the current popular opinion proffers.

To close with a salute to that Canaanite woman’s perseverance, and to all who struggle to live by Jesus’ opinions, I quote an old adage easily remembered: “By perseverance the snail reached the ark.”

Capuchin Youth Leadership Training, Aug 25-27, 2017

Join the thousands of teens CYFM has helped become more confident in themselves and skilled in public speaking, communicating effectively, understanding group dynamics and facilitating groups, developing and delivering effective presentations, enhancing self-esteem, and time management--as well as how to combine all those skills for utilization in Evangelization as authentic Christian leaders.

Even those who don’t consider themselves leaders WILL benefit from the authenticity and skill-training offered in this motivational and inspiring program. Be prepared to be transformed into the person that God is calling you to be!

Fee \$125.00 per person includes lodging, meals, and materials; application and non-refundable \$60.00 deposit due by 8/22/17 Find more info on web: cyfm.org. Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries, 781 Route 9D, PO Box 192, Garrison, NY 10524. (845) 424-3609. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Flocknote: CYFMGarrison.

August Ministries

8/20/2017	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Neil, C.Acuna	DiBartolo	Neil, Follini, Galvin
9:00 AM	Matos, Mendes,	Negron	J.Cary, Handler, Cherveney

8/27/2017	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Vettamvelil, Maduekwe	Kelly	Bonanno, Ball, Maralit
9:00 AM	L.Martin, K.Negron	Cherveney	Echeverria, Revesz, B.Negron

St. Boniface Mission Statement

As members of our parish, we believe that we share in the mission of Jesus through our baptism and commitment to the values expressed in the gospel.

The dedication of our parish to the Holy Spirit calls us to be particularly attentive to the inspiration and guidance of the Spirit as we:

Gather as a community that worships together and supports one another in spiritual growth;

Witness to our belief through sharing our faith with others and providing for education in faith to our members;

Respond with compassion to both the spiritual and corporal needs of those around us;

Care for the many gifts we have been given and seek to use them wisely.

WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER

At One to One Learning 640 N. Midland Ave, Upper Nyack to teach beginner, intermediate, advanced English, GED and Citizenship preparation.

To help with the children's program in the evening while parents are in class.

Please call Sr. Cecilia at 845-512-8176 or
Email: clpangel59@gmail.com.
Website: One2One-Learning.org

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.

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 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.

**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.)

August 21, 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

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 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 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
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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