

21st. Sunday in Ordinary Time August 27, 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 Ell 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

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

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

Mon 9:00AM	
Tues 9:00AM	
Wed 9:00AM	
Thurs 9:00AM	
Fri 9:00AM	

Sept 2 & 3	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	
Sun 9:00AM	

St. Mary's Masses

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

Weekly Collection

August 20th. Attendance
 August 20th. Collection
 Parish Pay
 August 20th. Total



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 & Laura Maggio
Giovanni Toribio	Nicholas Johnson
Edward Daly	Megan Hughes
Minerva Echeverria	Dorothy Crapanzano
Bill Martin	Bob Cozzi
Julie Martin	The Gravinis
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 22:19-23

Eliakim replaces Shebna as "Master of the Palace", a title akin to "Secretary of State." Yahweh Himself makes this decision, thereby giving Eliakim the necessary authority.

Second Reading: Romans 11:33-36

St. Paul exclaims through a hymn his gratitude for God's merciful wisdom. While He has worked great connections between Jews and Gentiles in the new Church, God is nobody's debtor.

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

St. Peter's inspired answer to Christ's question leads the Lord to acknowledge the source of Peter's answer, and then to confer on Peter the awesome power of the keys of the kingdom.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Loveable, laughable, and “late-to-the party,” our dear St. Peter! Like a lot of us, he did not always “get” what Our Lord was all about. Recall how he started to sink at his first try at water-walking until a smiling Jesus stretched out His strong arms to rescue him. Then there was his excitement at viewing the Transfiguration, when Peter wanted to set up a small mountain top enclave of tents, far away from the world’s woes. This until the Lord directed him and his companions back down to “Reality Valley.”

Finally, we must list Peter’s less than saintly cowardice on that first Holy Thursday night while the Master was on trial before the high priest. A young serving girl recognized the big Fisherman as a disciple as he warmed himself by the fire against the chill of the evening. We know Peter then denied it with the force of his old dockside vocabulary hitting the young girl in the face.

But today we find St. Peter right where he is supposed to be and saying just what he is supposed to say. He answers Jesus’ ultimate question, the same one we get asked. We know Jesus’ words: “Who do you say that I am?” Note that “I am”, with its hint at the correct answer.

Our soul shivers and our hands get sweaty as we think about what to say, because this is the question everyone must answer. No matter our creed or circumstances we must make a reply. Here St. Peter comes through with perfect logic and language: “Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

On the strength of that answer, Christ Jesus goes on to set up the basic structure of His Church squarely on the shoulders of this loveable man. Today former Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio, now our Pope Francis, is the 266th successor of this same St. Peter. Naturally the pope is only a man, but a man chosen by the Holy Spirit as well as the conclave that elected him. Do you remember the pope’s answer when asked by a reporter who he was? The pope said, “I am a sinner.” Imagine that!

True, he is as capable as Peter of being wrong in areas outside faith and morals. But in this age of flash opinions, spread rapidly by electronic social media we have to be more informed than the media so we can get behind the sound bites. The pope stands in a direct line of those other 265 men before him like a link in a chain. The first link is held in the hand of Christ. Martyrs have died for this truth.

Meanwhile, we are left with that startling question that St. Peter had to answer. Who we say Christ is determines our lifetimes. As this piece is one that appears in your parish Sunday bulletin, I can rightfully assume that your answer sounds a lot like St. Peter’s. In any case, good Peter would be proud to stand next to you and join in. Words do matter. And the one before Peter’s name happens to be the goal of every Christian: to be a saint.

Saturday, September 2nd "You at Least Try to Console Me."

World Apostolate of Fatima, Blue Army Shrine, 674 Mt. View Rd. East, Asbury, NJ 08802, invites all. Honor Our Lady's plea of Dec. 10, 1925 requesting five consecutive First Saturdays of Reparation. Sin of Alienating Children will be explained this month. Confessions 10:30 am; 11:30 Rosary w/15 minute Meditation Fr. Charles Sabella; 12:00 Holy Mass/Homily Fr. Sabella; 2:00 Holy House: Confessions/ Children's Video/ Holy House Talk; 3:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet. Bring your family and friends to answer the call of the Child Jesus: "And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?" www.bluearmy.com 908-689-1700 Ext. 210

THE POPE'S CHOIR IS COMING TO NYC

The oldest, and most famous choir in the world is coming to St. Patrick's Cathedral in NYC. It's the first time in over 30 years!!

Date: Saturday, September 16, 2017

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: St. Patrick's Cathedral

Cost: Suggested Donation - \$50

Don't miss out on this heavenly experience. Get your tickets today at www.sistinechapelustour.com



Labor Day

Sept 4 9AM Mass
In the Garden of Memories
Followed by Fellowship

August Ministries

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

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.

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

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.

OPERATION SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Once again, I am calling on the parishioners of St Boniface to help provide a great start to the New School Year.

Your caring and kindness will assist in helping the children of our community .Please leave your donations in the vestibule on the following weekends of August 26th, September 2nd & 9th . Binders, notebooks ,folders, colored pencils, regular pencils ,pens , erasers, loose leaf paper, pencil cases and note pads. Back packs would be appreciated. Thank you for helping and know that all these supplies will be appreciated.

Maybelle Twohie

Open House & Family Fun Day Saturday, September 16

St. Zita's Villa, a Rockland County, Catholic owned and operated adult home for mature women, invites everyone to join them for its annual Open House and Gala Family Fun Day on Saturday, September 16, from 11am to 4pm. Co-sponsored by Catholic Daughters Court John Paul II, the festivities will include a Fall Bazaar, Chinese Auction, Bake Sale, Games and fun-filled activities for the entire family. The barbeque will be hosted by Knights of Columbus Joyce Kilmer Council 1177

Prospective residents and their families are encouraged to visit and experience the spirit of St. Zita's. In case of heavy rain, festivities will be held on Sunday, September 17 (same times). St. Zita's is located at 50 Saddle River Rd, Monsey, NY. For information, contact Sr. Maureen (845) 356-2011.

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.)

September 18, 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.

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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 partici-
pated 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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