

The 26th. Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 25, 2016



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

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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
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ST. MARY'S TRUSTEES

George Edattel 845-354-0790
Shajan Thottakara 845-548-6066
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ST. MARY'S CATECHISM DIRECTOR

James Kanacherril 845-267-0353

MARY MATHA MALAYALAM SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Joseph Vaniapillil 845-353-3213

*Tabernacle candle lit for:
Ellen Keena*



Mass Intentions

September 24 & 25	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	Mafalda & Andrea Federici
Sun 9:00AM	Adele Scotti
Mon 9:00AM	Ellen Keena
Tues 9:00AM	
Wed 9:00AM	Mina Lotito
Thurs 9:00AM	
Fri 9:00AM	

October 1 & 2	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	John King
Sun 9:00AM	Lisa Jayne DiLorenzo

St. Mary's Masses

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

Weekly Collection

September 18th. Attendance	176
September 18th. Collection	\$ 2105.00
Parish Pay	\$ 370.00
September 18th. Total	\$ 2475.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 30.00



Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date:

Goal	Pledged	Paid	# of Gifts
\$34,000.00	\$20,850.00	\$18,720.00	79

Thank you for your generosity!

Save the Date
October 8, 2016
St. Boniface 50th Anniversary
Mass with Cardinal Dolan
Followed by "pot-luck" Supper

Let us pray for the sick:

Nancy Panebianco
 Jim Krokus
 Berle Geronemus
 Kenny Ladd
 Barbara Madar
 Orlando Pentrelli
 Shajan Jacob
 Dirce Bauco
 Ben Costa
 Micheline C. Birdsall
 Daniel Meehan
 Marie Donnelly
 Anthony Kulik
 Peter Huebner
 Angelina Pineda
 Andrew Conachey
 Annette Irving
 Alyssa Lombardo
 Michael Martin
 Marie Brennan
 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 \$15.00 donation for Mass stipends or \$10.00 for the tabernacle offering in the rectory.

The 26th. Sunday in Ordinary Time **September 25, 2016**

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

The prophet warns the idle rich of his day that, since they had been the first to receive Israel's bounty, and spent it on themselves, so it is only right that they should be the first to "go into exile."

Second Reading: I Timothy 6:11-16

St. Paul tells Timothy how, as a pastor, he should act. He must fight "the good fight" just as he, Paul had done. He must also stay faithful to his baptismal profession of faith.

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Jesus proposes that the Pharisees He is addressing should care for the poor, as opposed to the selfishness of the anonymous rich man in His example story. That behavior was against their Scriptures and Jesus' own teaching as well.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Ah, their faces! How well they reflect the surprise, the wonder, and the near disbelief of people who hold that winning lottery ticket! You've undoubtedly seen them over the years on TV and felt a twinge of envy. As you watched, didn't your imagine kick in to give you images of yourself? Haven't you thought about what you would do with your winnings? Surely there would be some "big ticket" items on your list like a new home, a fancy car, or a dream vacation. Or something I have not named

What disappoints me so often is the fact that these winners rarely mention that they are going to donate to their church or a worthy cause. I know that sounds self-serving coming from me, as a Churchman. But I am thinking there are so many needy churches; so many agencies that help the poor, the disabled and the homeless that always seem short of funds. Or a good student prospect whose parents cannot take on the cost of his/her education.

Of course there have been some glowing exceptions. But not enough to buck the trend. This is sad. Especially when one hears this relevant story that Jesus told about the rich man and Lazarus. Combining that with the selection from the Book of Amos where the prophet comes down hard on the rich people of his day for their reprehensible behavior, and you have a "one, two" punch, so to speak, at the prevailing culture in the West.

The majority of us Americans who would never classify ourselves as "rich", actually enjoy so many privileges that would be marked as luxuries in other societies. Just a simple glass of pure water

from a faucet is one of them denied to so many.

Of course, when we refer to the poor, we should not limit the list to people without money. The poor are the needy everywhere who lack a natural part of human living, such as having a person to listen to them. I daresay the rich man's problem in Our Lord's story was that he did not even see Lazarus, much less help him out of his misery. Such near-sightedness can ruin a life. So can moral deafness.

Once upon a time it was high noon in Manhattan, and the streets were, as usual, buzzing with crowds, cars, taxis, horns blowing, brakes screeching, sirens wailing. Two men were making their way together through the crowd. One was a native New Yorker, and the other a visiting farmer from Kansas.

Suddenly the farmer stopped in his tracks. "Hold on," he said, "I hear a cricket." His friend replied, "Are you kidding?" Even if there were a cricket around here, which isn't likely, you would never be able to hear it over all this noise." The farmer remained quiet for a few moments, then walked several paces to the corner where a bush was growing in a large cement planter. He turned several leaves over and found the cricket.

The city man was flabbergasted. "What great hearing you have!" he said. "No," the farmer replied. "It's a matter of what you've been conditioned to listen for. Look, I'll show you." With that, he pulled a handful of coins from his pocket and let them drop to the sidewalk. As if on signal, every head on the block turned. "You see," said the farmer, "you hear what you want to hear. It's a matter of what you're listening for.

Our Goal Has Been Met

We were asked to make a one-time-donation to our church in order to cover the projected \$15,000 deficit for this year (ends by Aug 31).

We exceeded this goal! We raised \$20,663.00

Heartfelt thanks to those who were able to contribute to make this campaign a total success.

With this "jump-start" combined with ongoing fiscal responsibility and increased weekly offerings from those who can, we will be able to keep our parish financially stable for a short term. We will publish a half-yearly report in July.

Your continued co-operation and support are appreciated.

50th. Anniversary Celebration

In recognition of our parish's 50th anniversary, Cardinal Timothy Dolan will be here at St. Boniface to celebrate the 5:00 Mass on Saturday, October 8th.

We will be serving a pot luck supper to share with the Cardinal and the St. Boniface and St. Mary's congregations in the newly renovated Fr. Boyd Hall after the Mass.

Please sign up to attend and, if you can, please bring a hot entrée to share.

Sign up sheets and serving pans will be available in the vestibule

Let us all work together to make this day a special celebration in honor of our wonderful parish.

September Ministries

9/25/2016	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Vettamvelil, Maduekwe	DiBartolo	Bonanno, Ball, Maralit
9:00 AM	J.Negrin, Matos	Echeverria	Revesz, B.Negrin, K.Negrin



The bell choir is looking for 2 or 3 new members.

Any student 6th grade or higher is invited to join us.

We play twice per month at the 9AM Mass on Sunday.

If you are interested, Please call Mary Beth Coakley at 645-304-5870.

The Separated/Divorced Ministry offers a "safe place" during a critical transition in the lives of those separated or divorced.

During the seven-week sessions, this ministry will provide a prayerful transition from feelings of hurt and loss toward an eventual restructuring of life. The sessions are based on the premise that through sharing ones thoughts, feelings, and experiences with others in similar situations, the healing process will begin. Sessions are small group gatherings and are led by parishioners who are trained as facilitators and share this life experience. A commitment to attend is necessary. To register call Sr. Pat 634-4957.

When: Thursday evenings, September 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 6, 13
 Where: St. Francis Rectory Chapel Office
 Time: 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Dear Lessons & Carols Singers,

Thank you for making our Lessons & Carols concerts into wonderful events which inspired and entertained the parish. We will again be having Lessons & Carols and we would love you to be part of it again. The concert is on December 9 and the first rehearsal is November 7.

However, this letter is about something else. The St. Boniface Adult Choir starts next Monday and this will be a special year. I think we have a good group but we don't have as many as we used to, and YOU are the logical people to ask to join us. We rehearse every other Monday and sing every other Saturday at 5:00 Mass. The commitment is not that much and it makes a large difference in the Mass so please consider joining us. But I mentioned that this fall includes a special event. In honor of our 50th Anniversary as a parish St. Boniface will have a Mass on Saturday October 8 celebrated by Cardinal Dolan. Obviously the Choir will be singing so this might be another reason to join us. If you do, we would love you to stay with the Choir but if you can't, that would be OK too.

Please consider being with us for our 50th Anniversary Mass, Lessons & Carols, Christmas, Holy Week, Easter and by then you have been part of most of the year anyway. We all want to keep St. Boniface just as great a parish as it has always been and that requires all of us. This might be a good way for you to accomplish that.

Thanks for being you
 Jim

Please join the Rockland County Life Chain on Respect Life Sunday, 10/02/16 to be held at the intersection of Route 59 and Middletown Rd in Nanuet from 2pm - 3:30pm.

The theme is God Creates Life. All Lives Matter!

Thank you Ed !
We would like to thank Ed Negrin for the repairs of the (25) chairs and the hanging banner in the storage space closet.

For cancer patients, survivors, their families, friends and the medical community:

14th annual healing Mass in honor of St. Peregrine, patron saint of those with cancer, followed by a social will be held on Thursday, September 29th at 7 PM in Mt. Alvernia Chapel in Wappingers Falls.

The communal rite of the anointing of the sick will be celebrated during the Mass followed by a blessing with his relic. For directions to Mt. Alvernia Retreat Center visit www.mtalvernia.org or call (845) 297-5706.

**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.)

October 17, 2016
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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