

The 30th. Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 23, 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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George Edattel 845-354-0790
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ST. MARY'S CATECHISM DIRECTOR

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Joseph Vaniapillil 845-353-3213

Tabernacle candle lit for:



Mass Intentions

October 22 & 23	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	
Sun 9:00AM	Ralph Mascia
Mon 9:00AM	Charles Regalbuto
Tues 9:00AM	
Wed 9:00AM	
Thurs 9:00AM	
Fri 9:00AM	

October 29 & 30	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	Joseph Caccamo
Sun 9:00AM	Ralph Mascia

St. Mary's Masses

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

Weekly Collection

October 9th. Attendance	579
October 9th. Collection	\$ 3585.00
ParishPay	\$ 370.00
October 9th. Total	\$ 3955.00

October 16th. Attendance	185
October 16th. Collection	\$ 2630.00
ParishPay	\$ 370.00
October 16th. Total	\$ 3000.00
St. Joseph Seminary	\$ 230.00



Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date:

Goal	Pledged	Paid	# of Gifts
\$34,000.00	\$20,850.00	\$19,540.00	81

Thank you for your generosity!

Let us pray for the sick:

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
 Ben Costa
 Micheline C. Birdsall
 Daniel Meehan
 Marie Donnelly
 Anthony Kulik
 Peter Huebner
 Angelina Pineda
 Andrew Conachey
 Annette Irving
 Alyssa Lombardo
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 Marie Brennan

Rita Ell
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 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 30th. Sunday in Ordinary Time October 23, 2016

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14; 16-18

Ben Sira warns against taking unfair advantage of the poor, the weak, orphans and widows. Why? Because they enjoy the special love and concern of the Lord, who always hears their cry.

Second Reading: II Timothy 4:6-8; 16-18

The author imagines Paul writing between trials, in his final days on earth. He recalls that God stayed faithful to him when others did not. More than that, he believes that God guarantees him a place in the heavenly kingdom for having "kept the faith."

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

Self-righteousness is condemned in the person of the Pharisee. He was not really praying but only boasting. His opposite number, the tax collector, was not only praying but also acknowledging his dependence on God's mercy.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

If your biographer were to ask about the parts of your morning routine how would you answer? Well, I take a shower? I brush my teeth? Whatever you would say, I hope it would include morning prayer. That's not only good but it's a great way to start the gift of a new day in your life.

Devout Jews in Our Lord's time observed two or three prayer times every day—in the morning and evening and sometimes at noon. Their prayer was held to be especially efficacious if it was offered in the Temple, so many people climbed the steps to the Temple courts to do their praying. That's where we find the two men in Jesus' story.

First, the Pharisee. He did not really go to pray to God but "with himself." He went to inform God how good he was. He was giving himself a testimonial before God.

Regarding fasting, he did more than the only obligatory one on the annual Day of Atonement. He wanted to gain the merit of fasting on the optional Mondays and Thursdays. Those were the market days when Jerusalem was crowded with country people. Those who were fasting whitened their faces and wore disheveled clothes, so on those two days they would have had the biggest audience for their chosen piety. (Recall what Our Lord said about washing one's face when fasting so that you won't appear to be fasting.) This man's whole attitude was the opposite of Our Lord's.

The tax collector "who stood afar off," did not even lift his eyes to God. Humbly he prayed "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner." Some scholars claim the better translation of the original is actually "O God,

be merciful to me the sinner," meaning "the sinner par excellence." Either way, his prayer forms an acceptable act of contrition. And what does Jesus say of him? "This man went home justified."

We can derive at least two unmistakable qualities of true prayer, no matter when in our day we do it:

(1) No one who is proud can pray. Recall the legend of the cave at Bethlehem. Its entrance was so low that one had to bend down to get to see the Infant Jesus. We must "bend down" from any position of pride to reach God in prayer.

(2) No one who despises others can pray. If there is someone in your life, be it a family member, neighbor, acquaintance, political figure, office holder, TV commentator, columnist, etc. etc., who is on your list of "detestables" you have to forgive them before praying. Period.

Once upon a time a traveler made a train journey to England. As he passed through Yorkshire he saw a little white-washed cottage that seemed to shine with an almost radiant whiteness. A few days later he made the journey back to Scotland. The snow had fallen and was lying deep all around. When he came again to pass the little white cottage, its whiteness seemed drab and dirty and almost grey in comparison with the pure whiteness of the driven snow.

It all depends on with whom or what we compare ourselves. When we set our lives beside the life of Jesus and the holiness of God, all that is left to say, any time we pray is: "O God be merciful to me, a sinner."

Welcome Reception/Sprinkle Shower

You are cordially invited to attend a Welcome Reception/Sprinkle Shower for the two newest members of the Meehan family, Cailine and Meiline.

The Reception will take place on Sunday, October 30th after the 9:00 Mass downstairs in the Church Hall.

As you know Irene Meehan recently returned from China with her two new precious additions. Big sisters Christine, Janine, Jeweline are overjoyed to welcome their two new sisters to the family.

We hope you will be able to join us. Refreshments will be served.

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 one's 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

October Ministries

10/23/2016	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Vettamvelil, Maduekwe	Kelly	Bonanno, Ball, Maralit
9:00 AM	Matos, J.Negrin	K.Negrin	Eckert, Revesz, B.Negrin

10/30/2016	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Vettamvelil, L,Martin	Liberace	E McNamara, A.Martin, Hanusik,
9:00 AM	Mendes, K.Negrin	Cheverney	Echeverria, Dale, Kapral

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.

Don Bosco Prep Open House Sunday, October 30, 2016

Don Bosco Prep will host an open house on Sunday, October 30, 2016 from 1:00 to 3:00pm. Preceding the open house, a 12PM Mass will be celebrated at Don Bosco Prep's St. John's Hall Chapel.

Prospective students and their families will learn about the school's illustrious history, the Salesian order, the academic achievements of our students, and our academic and admissions requirements. Campus tours, opportunities to meet the faculty, Salesians and coaches will be available. Register online at www.donboscoprep.org

Families may register online at www.donboscoprep.org under "Admissions."

For information, please contact the Don Bosco Prep Admissions Department at admissions@donboscoprep.org and 201-327-8003. Don Bosco Prep is located at 492 N. Franklin Turnpike, Ramsey, NJ 07446.

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

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.

**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.)

November 21, 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: _____

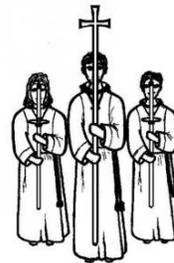
Phone: _____

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

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You will be able to choose what info you would like
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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 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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