

#### Fifth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2017



## **Church of St. Boniface**

#### 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 Mil Adult Choir	nistry 845-216-2768
ROSARY Saturday at 9AM - Religious Ed. F	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

For prayer needs: Rose Alessi 845-290-1670

BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP Saturdays in Religious Education room

at 8AM September-June

TELEPRAYER NETWORK

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

May 13 & 14	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	Quinlan, Grant & Santiago Families
Sun 9:00AM	Deidre Baker, Isobel-Margaret Logan & Helen Baker
Mon 9:00AM	Msgr. Cox
Tues 9:00AM	Mother's Day Remembered
Wed 9:00AM	Mother's Day Remembered
Thurs 6:00PM	Mother's Day Remembered
Fri 9:00AM	Mother's Day Remembered
May 20 & 21	Intentions

## May 20 & 21 Intentions Sat 5:00PM Mary & Ignazio Puma Sun 9:00AM 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

 May 7th, Attendance
 171

 May 7th, Collection
 \$ 2790.00

 Parish Pay
 \$ 370.00

 May 7th, Total
 \$ 3160.00



#### **Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date:**

Goal	Pledged	Paid	# of Gifts
\$27,500.00	\$14,080.00	\$9,670.00	46



Saturday, June 24, 2017

St. Boniface and St. Mary's joint parish picnic.

Stay Tuned for details!

#### Let us pray for the sick:

Melanie Di Domizio Eileen Riebow Dawn Riebow Stephanie McGuire Stephanie Dee Kristen Turner Maria Seminario Audrey & Joseph Joynt Josephine O'Shea Anthony Senerchia Romavne Melnick Giovanni Toribio **Edward Dalv** Minerva Echeverria Bill Martin Julie Martin Nancy Panebianco Jim Krokus Berle Geronemus Kenny Ladd Orlando Pentrelli Shajan Jacob Dirce Bauco Micheline C. Birdsall Daniel Meehan Marie Donnelly Anthony Kulik Peter Huebner

Angelina Pineda Andrew Conachey Annette Irving Alvssa 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 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.

### 5th. Sunday of Easter May 14, 2017

#### First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

The mission of the nascent Church begins to spread outward from Jerusalem. Seven Hellenists (Greek-speaking Jews) are chosen by the community for service to widows needing food and support.

#### Second Reading: I Peter 2:4-9

Peter exhorts the new community to live as a "spiritual house." He then applies to them four Old Testament titles of Israel: chosen; royal; priest; people of God.

#### Gospel: John 14:1-12

Jesus promises His Apostles places in "the Father's house." Thomas and Philip question Jesus, and He answers both men, and promises them new powers.

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

Tears often flow in departure scenes at airports, train stations and bus terminals as loved ones come to the unwelcome dreaded moment of "goodbye." One of the oft-forgotten joys of dwelling in eternity will be the decisive end of such scenes and no more "goodbyes." Why? Because eternal means "never-ending."

For the hand-picked Twelve who formed Christ's original entourage, these post-Easter days were so full of joy that none of them wanted such times to come to an end. Can we blame them? Six weeks in the company of the risen Jesus! All the gloom of Good Friday gone. All their doubts about Jesus' return destroyed. All their hopes for the future reinforced, even though that future was, like all futures, to be determined.

Then there came that day and time when Jesus put an end to it all by saying "I am going to the Father." If there were a soundtrack provided for that moment, it would have been something like a thunderclap or the loud bang of a drum. Not that Jesus hadn't said those words before His Passion and Death; not that He hadn't warned the Apostles that His earthly stay had an endpoint. It's just that they, like us, often fell under the spell of wishful thinking.

But if, as St. Peter wrote in his letter, we are a "chosen race, a royal priesthood and a people set apart" then an element of our makeup has to be a realistic appraisal of our situation replacing any daydreams. Nostalgia is fine in its place but we cannot linger there or wish for a return to the past in every detail. As a Church, we have to be focused on the here and now while at the same time being loyal to Tradition.

Jesus only left the Twelve (and us) in His physical Body. His promise was to be "with us 'til the end of time." How He does it is up to Him. We should thank Him for His promise.

Meanwhile, we have our mission: to make Jesus known by our preaching, with St. Francis' reminder that we are to use words only when necessary. Our good example is our best sermon.

While we think about this, there is, of course, another side to the coin. Call it "bad example." Such can steer an onlooker the wrong way every time. Here is an example from everyday life. Forget about today's cable technology to get the point.

Once there was a TV repairman who didn't like to think about his job when he came home. As a result, he never bothered to properly install the TV antenna on the top of his house, or fix it when one

arm broke in a windstorm.

One day a new family moved in next door, and the owner went up on his roof to install an antenna. Knowing that his neighbor was a TV repairman, he put his up exactly the same way and turned his antenna to face in the same direction as his neighbor's. Then, after studying his neighbor's antenna for a while, he reached up and broke one arm off his new antenna!'

As disciples, living with Jesus, we teach by example, whether we intend to or not.

#### **Revive Mission**

This fall, the Archdiocese of New York will launch an exciting mission and evangelization program called Revive: Faith Every Day, throughout the parish clusters. The three-day program will be led by a priest from one of our religious communities that specialize in preaching missions.

Looking forward to Revive? We are too. We encourage you to bring a friend. Invite a neighbor, a cousin, or coworker. Our evenings of reflection will be on Monday- Wednesday from 7pm-9pm. At St. Boniface. Please visit www.FaithEveryDay.com for more information and to register.

# We Are Easter People.. ...Alleluia Is Our Song

#### 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.

#### **May Ministries**

5/14/2017	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Vettamveilil, L.Martin	Kelly	E.McNamara, A.Martin, Liberace
9:00 AM	Matos	Negron	Eckert, Buttinelli
5/21/2017	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Neil, C.Acuna	McNamara	Neil, Follini, Galvin
9:00 AM	Matos, Mendes,	Echeverria	J.Cary, Handler, Cherveney
5/28/2017	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Vettamvelil, Maduekwe	Liberace	Bonanno, Ball, Maralit
9:00 AM	L.Martin, K.Negron	Roberts	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.

#### Golden Jubilee Mass Alert!!

Due to the upcoming Puerto Rican Day Parade, there is a date change for this year's Golden Jubilee Mass.

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 18th at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish for registration. Couples currently registered for the original June 11th date should contact their parish to confirm their attendance.

The closing date to register for the Mass is Friday, May 19th, 2017. This event is sponsored by the Family Life † Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

#### 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, head-quartered 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.)

May 15, 2017 \*\*THE TIME IS 7:00p.m.\*\*

For more information e-mail RachelMinister1@aol.com



#### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed 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.

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Schools Attending:	

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#### 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.



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 receiving 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 receive a sacrament that you have not participated 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 Fr. Thadeus e-mail address is: Fr.Thadeus.Aravindathu@archny.org Office e-mail: r399@archny.org