

The Fifth Sunday of Lent March 18, 2018



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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
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ST. MARY'S CATECHISM DIRECTOR

James Kanacherril 845-267-0353

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Sindhu Thomas 845-270-3011

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SUNDAY LUNCH DIRECTOR

Lijo Joseph 845-270-0855

Tabernacle candle lit for :



Mass Intentions

March 17 & 18	5th. Sunday of Lent
Sat 5:00PM	Richard Galante
Sun 9:00AM	John King

Mon 9:00AM	Manju Mundanchira (Living)
Tues 9:00AM	Joseph father of George
Wed 9:00AM	Marko Pecovic
Thurs 9:00AM	Joseph father of George
Fri 9:00AM	Lisa DeLuca

March 24 & 25	Palm Sunday
Sat 5:00PM	Marko Pecovic
Sun 9:00AM	Daniel Meehan

St. Mary's Syro-Malabar Masses

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

Weekly Collection

March 11th. Attendance	191
March 11th. Collection	\$ 2088.00
March 11th. Parish Pay	\$ 370.00
March 11th. Total	\$ 2458.00
Catholic Relief	\$ 800.00



Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date:

Goal	Pledged	Paid	# of Gifts
\$27,500.00	\$19,570.00	\$19,264.00	63

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.

Let us pray for the sick:

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

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 18, 2018

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

This passage has been called by scholars "one of the most moving passages in the entire bible." The new covenant will not be written on stone but "upon hearts." Yahweh speaks of universal love and forgiveness.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Jesus our High Priest was able to sympathize with us sinners because He experienced temptation and trials like we do. His obedience to the Father enabled Him to be our Savior.

Gospel: John 12:20-33

The "grain of wheat" proverb refers to the fact that Jesus' death makes our salvation possible. His "lifting up" on the cross will therefore be His moment of glorification.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Whether it's those first four notes of Beethoven's fifth symphony or the theme song of our favorite TV show, music speaks to us. Perhaps we stop speaking for a few moments. We drop whatever else we're doing and listen.

Today's combined Readings from Scripture are like a symphony on a familiar theme. First comes Jeremiah and the great words: "I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts. I will be their God and they will be my people." Then the overlay of "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies it produces much fruit." Love mingles with death. Death undergone out of love.

These concepts are well-known and accepted by believers as part of their heritage. The Letter to the Hebrews explains that Jesus is the Son of God who learned obedience through suffering.

During Lent especially those quotes remind us that suffering in our own lives comes with our decision to walk with Jesus. Another way to think about discipleship is that the straight and narrow path is not an easy one to walk. From time to time we wonder why bad things happen to good people. People like us.

No explanation of that truth is ever fully satisfying. "Why oh why this death of my spouse? Or why this cancer? Why this layoff from work?" In the end, we are as grains of wheat that have to fall to the ground to discover our better angels.

There is a story from the Middle Ages about a young woman who was expelled from heaven. As she left, she was told that if she would bring back the gift that is most valued by God, she would be welcomed back. She brought back drops of blood from a dying patriot. No entry.

She brought back some coins that a destitute widow had given to the poor. No entry. She brought back a remnant of a Bible that had been used for years by an eminent preacher. Still no entry. She brought back many similar things but was turned back repeatedly.

One day she saw a small boy playing by a fountain. A man rode up on horseback and dismounted to take a drink. The man saw the child and suddenly remembered his boyhood innocence. Then, looking

in the fountain and seeing the reflection of his hardened face, he realized what he had done with his life. And tears of repentance welled up in his eyes and began to trickle down his cheeks. The young woman took one of these tears back to heaven and was received immediately with joy and love.

Holy Week Schedule 2018

Palm Sunday, March 25th

Saturday 5:00pm, More Solemn Celebration
9:00am St. Boniface Mass
11:00am St. Mary's Syro Malabar
Palms blessed at all masses

Reconciliation Monday

Monday, March 26th
3:00pm-9:00pm

Holy Thursday, March 29th

9:00am Tenebrae
Mass of the Lord's Supper
6:00pm St. Boniface
Procession Visits to Repository until Midnight
in Msgr. Keogh Commons
8:00pm St. Mary's Syro Malabar

Good Friday, March 30th

9:00am Tenebrae
Liturgy of the Passion & Death of Our Lord,
3:00pm Holy Communion & Stations of the Cross
6:00pm St. Mary's Syro Malabar
Passion of the Lord, Holy Communion & Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, March 31st

9:00am Tenebrae
10:00am St. Mary's Syro Malabar
12:00pm Blessing of Food
4:00-4:30pm Confessions
5:00pm St. Boniface Mass
7:30pm St. Mary's Syro Malabar

Easter Sunday, April 1st

9:00am St. Boniface Mass
11:00am St. Mary's Syro Malabar

March Ministries

3/18/2018	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Neil, C.Acuna	McNamara	Neil, Follini, Galvin
9:00 AM	Mendes, Chen	Liftin	J.Cary, Handler, Cherveney

Palm Sunday

3/25/2018	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Vettamvelil, Maduekwe	Pierce, Wojnicki	Bonanno, Ball, Maralit
9:00 AM	L.Martin, Matos	Kelly, Cherveney	Echeverria, Revesz, B.Negron

HolyThursday

3/29/2018	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
6:00PM		McNamara	

Good Friday

3/30/2018	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
3:00PM		Echeverria, Liberace, Pierce	

Holy Saturday

3/31/2018	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	C.Acuna	Liberace, Di Bertolo, Wojnicki, Kelly	K.Kelly, Bonnano

Easter Sunday

4/1/2018	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
9:00 AM	Mesones, Chen	Cherveney	Mesones, Dale, Rast

The Annual Day of Recollection Sponsored by the Altar Rosary Society

When: Saturday, March 24th 2018
 Where: Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 120 Kings Highway, Tappan
 Time: 9:15am - 2:30pm
 Suggested donation: \$10.00 per person

The day will consist with a light breakfast, a talk & discussion with our own Fr. Ravi Dasari, followed by confessions, healing Mass and lunch.

For reservations, call the rectory @ 845-359-1230 or Donna Bodner @ 845-548-2596

The Children of Mary Nursery-Kindergarten, located at the Marian Shrine in stony Point, will be holding its annual Open House on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 9:30 AM.

To register, please call 947-3183.

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land.

Please be Generous!

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.

The Catholic Widows and Widowers Club of Rockland County will be meeting on March 18, 2018 at 6:30PM at 1 Squadron Blvd Office (Opposite New City Library Parking Lot, New City. Dessert and coffee will be served. New members/guests are welcome. For information, call Janet at (914) 661-8599.

**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.)

March 19, 2018

****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

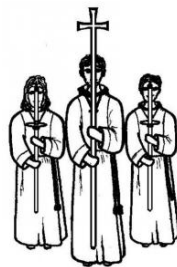
Please take the time to check it
out. You will find a wealth of useful
information. If there is anything you would like to
see added, please e-mail Bob Chamberlain at:
n2kbc@aol.com with your suggestions.



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.



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.

**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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Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

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Number of Children: _____ Ages: _____

Schools Attending: _____

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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 Pen-
ance, 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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