

**26th. Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**September 30, 2018**



**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

**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  
for the Week*

<b>Sept 29 &amp; 30</b>	<b>26th. Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Sat 5:00PM</b>	John Fiore
<b>Sun 9:00AM</b>	Joey Walsh

<b>Mon 9:00AM</b>	
<b>Tues 9:00AM</b>	
<b>Wed 9:00AM</b>	Ellen Keena
<b>Thurs 9:00AM</b>	Christy Ryan
<b>Fri 9:00AM</b>	John & Florence DeLuca

<b>October 6 &amp; 7</b>	<b>27th. Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Sat 5:00PM</b>	Carlito Crespo
<b>Sun 9:00AM</b>	John King

**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**

September 23rd. Attendance 180  
 September 23rd. Collection \$ 2340  
 WeShare \$ 400  
 September 23rd. Total \$ 2740



**the CARDINAL'S**  
 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL  
*Sharing God's Gifts*

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:**

Dennis Murphy	Kenny Ladd
Dorothy McNamara	Orlando Pentrelli
Luisa Isirnia	Shajan Jacob
Michael Mahonic	Dirce Bauco
Maria Pecovic	Micheline C. Birdsall
Rocky Navarro	Anthony Kulik
Patricia Ruiz	Angelina Pineda
Marion Dale	Andrew Conachey
Ann Schmidt	Annette Irving
Gaston Jean Louis	Alyssa Lombardo
Anthony Lazzara	Michael Martin
Dorothy Bondone	Rita Ell
John Kapral	Elisa Pomeranz
Maria Pentrelli	Walter Cekleniak
Jack Hughes	Thomas McHale
Veronica Nicoletti	Zenaida Ermita
John Ragusa	Ralph Mascia Jr.
Shirley Dickerson	Thomas Wissman
Melanie Di Domizio	Laura Maggio
Stephanie McGuire	Nicholas Johnson
Stephanie Dee	Megan Hughes
Maria Seminario	Dorothy Crapanzano
Audrey & Joseph Joynt	Bob Cozzi
Josephine O'Shea	The Gravinos
Romayne Melnick	John L. Lebinski III
Giovanni Toribio	Kim M. Crowley
Edward Daly	Justin Rogers
Minerva Echeverria	Matthew Meehan
Bill Martin	Lucretia LoRusso
Julie Martin	David Nash
Jim Krokus	Nicholas Urban
Berle Geronemus	Jared Scheringer

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**First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29**

Moses accepts the prophetic work of Eldad and Medad, and teaches that the Lord gives that gift to whomever He chooses, and is not bound by human restrictions.

**Second Reading: James 5:1-6**

A strong denunciation of the rich is meant as a warning to the faithful about what will happen to those who abuse their wealth. This is also a comfort to anyone abused by the rich.

**Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48**

Jesus teaches the Apostles that the power to drive out devils is not limited to themselves. Anyone who so acts in Jesus' name is blest. Jesus also offers a way, dramatically exaggerated to make a point, of what to do with body parts (personal or communal) that cause sin and block entrance to the kingdom (life).

## Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

One of the problems most governments seek to prevent in the economic sphere are so-called “mega mergers.” This threat comes when two major companies want to combine to form a new, more powerful and profitable entity. What is the threat? Monopolies. An example would be if one entertainment empire were to merge with another. Here we would have two entities whose combined presence in the marketplace becomes so dominant that not only does one philosophy emerge, but also consumers are denied options.

The word “monopoly” comes from the Greek word “monopolion”, meaning one (mono) sell (poleo). It means the exclusive possession or control of trade or a commodity. The idea is the limitation of choice and the end of competition, with little or no care about consumer interests or experience with the goods in question.

The same applies when we consider spiritual entities, like the gift of healing. No one has a “lock”, so to speak, on that gift. Jesus told us that “The Spirit blows where He will.” Sometimes the results of that are surprising to say the least. In our gospel passage for Mass this weekend we find the Apostles a bit disconcerted that someone “who does not follow us” was seen driving out demons. They thought they had a monopoly on such actions. Jesus is quick to educate John, presumably His favorite among the Twelve, not to worry or try to prevent these “outsiders” from performing such mighty deeds. The key words Jesus uses are that were doing this “in my (Jesus’) name.” He added that someone can’t be both for and against Him at the same time. Finally, we get the beautiful interpretation of what befalls a person giving a mere cup of water to a fellow Christian.

St. Mark moves on to Jesus’ memorable metaphor of cutting off whatever body part causes one to sin and blocks entrance into the kingdom of God. In the Greco-Roman era in which Our Lord lived, the body was also a metaphor of the community. Jesus uses that hyperbole that precludes any literal self-mutilation.

So, we have monopoly madness and spoiling scandal in the same passage. For us, spiritual monopoly could come down to holding one’s opinion as the only correct one in a hypothetical discussion. Scandal could arise by a sarcastic cocktail party description of parish personnel, or even Church teaching, especially when people of other religions are also sipping martinis with you. Same evils, present contexts.

Meanwhile, we’re so good at making excuses. I thought it might be some comic relief from these heavy thoughts to close with some five allegedly real excuses that someone collected, and which were offered to police officers in relation to automobile accidents. Pick your favorite.

*“An invisible car came out of nowhere, struck my car and vanished.”*

*“I had been driving my car for forty years when I fell asleep at the wheel.”*

*“I pulled away from the side of the road, glanced at my mother-in-law, and headed over the embankment.”*

*“The pedestrian had no idea which direction to go, so I ran over him.”*

*“Suddenly a tree was there, where no tree had been before.”*

## St. Zita's Villa for Women

When your loved one needs a Home away from Home. NYS certified St. Zita's Villa for women in Monsey NY, provides private rooms with three meals a day, in a clean and comfortable environment.

Catholic setting with housekeeping and some medical assistance.

Please call 845-356-2011. Rosa Gorman, BS & MHA

Director of Residential Services, St. Zita's Villa

## September Ministries

9/30/2018	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM		Wojnicki	
9:00 AM		Roberts	

Immaculate Heart Academy will be hosting its Fall Open House on Sunday, Oct. 14 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Discover how IHA empowers girls through excellence in academics, including a robust STEM curriculum, athletics, the arts, service, and much more. Members of our administration, faculty/staff, and coaching staff will be on hand to answer questions. A second Fall Open House will be held Thursday, Oct. 25 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Do you belong @theheart? Online preregistration is requested at [www.ihanj.com](http://www.ihanj.com). Call 201.445.6800 for more information. IHA is located at 500 Van Emburgh Ave. Township of Washington, NJ 07676.

The Vincent Crotty Memorial Foundation is hosting a Designer Pocketbook Bingo on Friday, October 5, 2018 at the Vincent Crotty Memorial Foundation Building, 16 Ramapo Avenue, Suffern, NY. Doors open at 6pM, and games begin at 7:30. Tickets are \$40 per person and should be purchased in advance by contacting Denise Aiola at (914) 309-2233 or via e-mail at [diamondaiola@gmail.com](mailto:diamondaiola@gmail.com). Admission includes 8 games of Bingo, coffee, and dessert. Soda and water are available for purchase, as are tickets for basket raffles and a 50/50. BYOB and snacks. Please join us!

**Paramus Catholic High School**, an academic community which combines both faith and education, cordially invites 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students and their parents to visit us during one of our Open Houses on Sunday, September 23, 2018 from 1:00-4:00 PM, and Wednesday, October 17th from 7:00-9:00 PM.

The school is located at 425 Paramus Road, Paramus NJ. For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at 201-445-4466 ext. 104.

### Bereavement Sessions (Ministry of Consolation)

St Francis of Assisi, West Nyack, Tuesdays, October 2 through November 13, 7pm - 8:30pm. Please call the rectory at (845)634-4957 to register. If you have lost a loved one, come for discussion, understanding and faith in healing.

**OPEN HOUSE:** on Sunday, September 30, from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., Saint Joseph Regional H.S., Montvale, NJ will be hosting an Open House for prospective students (6th, 7th and 8th grade boys) and their families to gain more information concerning St. Joseph Regional, its programs & the people who make up the SJR community. SJR students will provide tours (beginning at 11:15 a.m. & 12:15 pm) and guests will have the opportunity to speak with SJR faculty, administrators & parents. For more information & directions please call the school at 201-391-3300 or register at [sjrnj.org](http://sjrnj.org)

### Parish Hall Chairs

Our chairs are old and some are broken and we don't want to take any chances with the safety of our people. Therefore we ask your support in buying new chairs for Fr. Boyd Hall. A chair costs \$25. We purchased 200 chairs. St Mary's has agreed to cover a good percentage of the cost. We welcome you to do as much as you can with this parish need.

**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.**

### 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.)

October 19, 2018

**\*\*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](http://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.**

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL CORNER**

A warm welcome back to all students and families! May teachers return to their classrooms renewed and refreshed as they guide our young ones with academics and faith. Applications are still being accepted for the 18/19 school year!

Blessings for a rewarding and fulfilling academic year from your Rockland County Regional Catholic Schools!

Sacred Heart School (UPK, PreK – Gr. 8)  
60 Washington Avenue, Suffern

St. Anthony (PreK3 – Gr. 8)  
34 West Nyack Road, Nanuet

St. Gregory Barbarigo (UPK - Gr. 8)  
29 Cinder Road, Garnerville

St. Margaret (PreK3 – Gr. 8)  
34 North Magnolia St., Pearl River

St. Paul (UPK, PreK3–Gr. 8)  
365 Kings Highway, Valley Cottage

**St. Boniface Website**



Our new St. Boniface website is now available at:  
[www.saintbonifacechurch.org](http://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](mailto: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.

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**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 9:00am to 2:00pm  
Fr. Thadeus e-mail address is:  
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