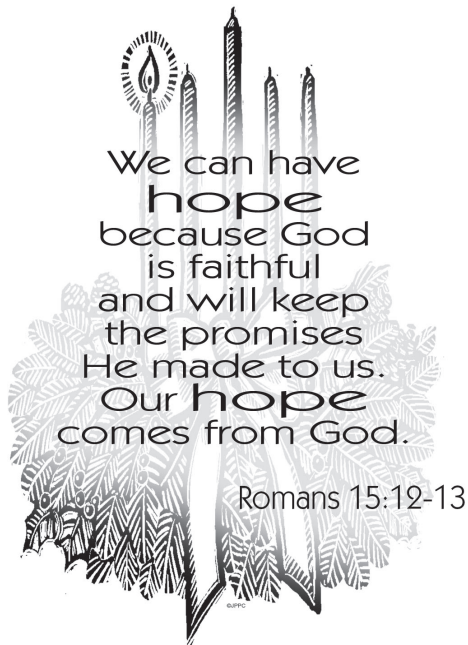


First Sunday of Advent



November 29, 2015

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

Wednesdays at 8:00PM in Chapel. 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 8:00am
September-June

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

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Sajan Thomas 845-321-0781

Degy Philip (Secretary) 201-374-7080

ST. MARY'S CATECHISM DIRECTOR

James Kanacheril 845-267-0353

MARY MATHA MALAYALAM SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Joseph Vaniapillil 845-353-3213

Tabernacle candle lit for :



Mass Intentions

November 28 & 29	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	John King
Sun 9:00AM	Rick Ell
Mon 9:00AM	Francis & Dorothy Madden
Tues 9:00AM	
Wed 9 :00AM	
Thurs 9:00AM	
Fri 9:00AM	

December 5 & 6	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	Isobel-Margaret Logan
Sun 9:00AM	Gloria Finelli

St. Mary's Masses

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

Weekly Collection

November 15th. Attendance	202
November 15th. Collection	\$ 2160.00
ParishPay weekly:	\$ 370.00
November 15th. Total	\$ 2530.00



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CARDINAL'S
ANNUAL APPEAL
Sharing God's Gifts

Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date:

Goal	Pledged	Paid	# of Gifts
\$32,500.00	\$44,735.00	\$44,275.00	88

Thank you for your generosity

Let us pray for the sick:

Marie Donnelly
 Paulie Jimenez
 Anthony Kulik
 Peter Huebner
 Angelina Pineda
 Andrew Conachey
 Annette Irving
 Alyssa Lombardo
 Gino DiDomezio
 Michael Martin
 Marie Brennan
 Rita Ell
 Elisa Pomeranz
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 Thomas McHale
 Zenaida Ermita
 Regina Nowinski
 Ralph Mascia Jr.
 Thomas Wissman

Frank Maggio
 Laura Maggio
 Dorothy Magrino
 Ralph Mascia
 Nicholas Johnson
 Emmett Green
 Megan Hughes
 Dorothy Crapanzano
 Bob Cozzi
 The Gravinis
 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 .

First Sunday of Advent November 29, 2015

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The prophet (or a later redactor) describes the future king of David's line as a bringer of both security and justice to the land of Judah.

Second Reading: I Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Paul prays for his community to have an increase of love. Then he exhorts them to behave according to his prior instructions.

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus speaks of cosmic signs accompanying His return, which will be frightening but in no way above His control. His disciples can therefore be confident but remain vigilant in behavior as they prepare.

**Weekend Masses are at 5:00 PM
Saturday and 9:00 AM Sunday.**

Certain lengthy jury trials and courts martial fit the description of being either “the beginning of the end” or “the end of the beginning” of the case in hand. Today, at the beginning of another Liturgical Year, the First Sunday of Advent, the Church offers us a little of both in the chosen Readings from the bible.

The Jeremiah selection speaks of “a new beginning” for Judah with a new king, who will be her messiah. St. Paul prays that his Thessalonian converts will continue to behave as they believe with even greater zeal. Then we hear Luke’s gospel passage, wherein Jesus speaks of the somewhat frightening cosmic signs of the end time. We learn that amid “the shaken powers of the heavens” will come the Son of Man with power and glory for our redemption. Jesus also warns against hearts that become “drowsy by sinful indulgence.”

This Reading ensemble practically demands that we step back, as it were, and take a collective breath. It may be the perfect antidote for the annual pre-Christmas frenzy that grips many of us with a stranglehold that tends to choke the real meaning of the season.

Many people dislike the Fall because there are so many reminders in nature of their own death. Fallen leaves, stark shrubbery and longer nights do bear that interpretation. But in these last weeks of Fall, before the official start of Winter might just be a perfect opportunity to ask ourselves some basic questions and ponder the answers.

The story is told about the late great physicist Albert Einstein on a train from his beloved Princeton frantically searching his suit for his ticket when he saw the conductor coming his way. Without success, he then checked the empty seat beside him and the floor below. The friendly conductor tried to reassure him when he said, “Professor Einstein, I know who you are, and I’m sure you have a ticket, so don’t worry about showing it to me.” So the great man relaxed for a bit.

But just as the conductor was about to head for the next car, he happened to turn around and see Einstein on the floor of the car feeling around anxiously. The conductor rushed back to reassure Einstein that he need not worry about having a ticket. Einstein stood up, smoothing out his now rumpled suit and said, “Thank you. I need the ticket because right now I don’t know where I’m going.”

Not knowing where one is going in life can be a terrible situation for anybody. Advent is a season that wants to help us find out. Because this life on earth is really prelude to an eternal one in heaven with God. Our death is not so fearsome a prospect when we take it as the end of the beginning of our arrival there. If you think in terms of a railroad trip, the Lord has already given us our ticket, and we have the inner peace of knowing exactly where we are going. Aren’t you glad about that?

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

LESSONS AND CAROLS



Music rehearsals have been going well and if you still want to sing with us, please call Jim Coakley. In addition we are asking for people to read the lessons at the service. There is no singing involved and you will proclaim one Scripture pas-

sage during the service on December 11. In the past these readings have been assigned, but last year we decided ask for volunteers and it worked out well so we are doing that again. Please call Jim Coakley, whose number is in the bulletin.

St. Boniface Advent Retreat

Back by popular demand
St. Boniface Advent Retreat, give by Diane McSherry on December 5, 2015, from 2:30-4:30pm.
Sign up in the vestibule of the church.

Advent Pot Luck Family Dinner

There will be a pot luck dinner in Fr. Boyd Hall on December 5, 2015, following the 5pm Mass. Bring your favorite hot dish/and or dessert. Do early Christmas shopping at our vendor tables.. Cup cake decorating!!
Sign up in the vestibule of the church.

November Ministries

11/29/2015	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	L.Martin, Maduekwe	McNamara	McNamara, Hanusik, M.Cary
9:00 AM	Mesones (2), Peter	Cherveney	Twohie, Mesones, K.Negron

Volunteers Needed for Pre Christmas Activities

We are planning a number of Advent and Christmas activities. Volunteers are needed to help set up for the Advent Retreat, Pot Luck Dinner, Christmas Tree Lighting and to decorate the church.

If you would like to help to prepare for the Advent and Pre Christmas activities, please sign up in the vestibule.

We will contact you with details regarding the set-up and preparation for these events.

We need you, so please consider adding your name and contact information to the list for these committees.

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.

"Greater love hath no one than this...." El Salvador Martyrs Mass

A LIVESTREAMING broadcast of the Maryknoll Sisters' 35th Anniversary Martyrs Mass will be shown at 10:30 AM, Sunday, November 29, 2015 at: www.maryknollsisters.org/livestream

Please join us online as we celebrate the lives of four churchwomen who paid the ultimate price.

Catholic Young Women's Leadership Forum June 7-12, 2016 Washington, DC

The Sisters of Life <http://www.sistersoflife.org/> (Sr. Mary Gabriel, S.V. is the Event Chair), along with Sisters from other religious communities, are planning and coordinating a first of its kind event -- GIVEN givenforum.org -- The Catholic Young Women's Leadership Forum ~ Cultivating authentic femininity for the life of the Church.

It is being sponsored by the Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious (CMSWR) <http://cmswr.org/>, in collaboration with the Hilton Foundation and this event will help unleash the gifts of young women within the Catholic Church and the world! GIVEN will bring 300 rising leaders, selected by application, together with Religious and lay leaders from various disciplines for a full scholarship, week-long immersion in faith formation, leadership skills training and networking.

Apply now at givenforum.org. Women who are accepted to attend GIVEN will receive a scholarship covering the cost of the Forum, including food, lodging and travel. The deadline for applications is Feb 2, 2016.

"Count Your Blessings!"

I am appealing to all the parishioners of St. Boniface and St. Mary's to support a fund raiser for improvement and repair to the walkways of our church.

"Count Your Blessings" raffle will be drawn on December 20, 2015. Donations are \$10 each.

There will be 4 cash prizes totaling \$300. Tickets will be available from our committee after Mass.

Thank you for your support and I hope this will be a Blessing for all.

Maybelle Twohie 914-980-4511

**Help to those who have lost
a baby at birth or prior to birth.
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This Ministry takes place at the Marian Shrine
(Lomagno Hall- adjacent to Shrine Church.)

December 21, 2015

****THE TIME IS 7:00p.m.****

For more information e-mail
RachelMinister1@aol.com or call 845-492-6709



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 sug-
gestions.

**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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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 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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