

Fourth Sunday of Easter



April 17, 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
Maire Liberace 845-354-3291

ST. MARY'S TRUSTEES

George Edattel 845-354-0790
Shajan Thottakara 845-548-6066
Sajan Thomas 845-321-0781
Degy Philip (Secretary) 201-374-7080

ST. MARY'S CATECHISM DIRECTOR

James Kanacherril 845-267-0353

MARY MATHA MALAYALAM SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Joseph Vaniapillil 845-353-3213

Tabernacle candle lit for:



Let us pray for the sick:

Mass Intentions

April 16 & 17	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	Anthony & Antonetta Alessi
Sun 9:00AM	John King
Mon 9:00AM	Mary & Ignacio Puma
Tues 9:00AM	Erlinda M. Alfonso
Wed 9:00AM	
Thurs 9:00AM	
Fri 9:00AM	John King

April 23 & 24	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	John DeLuca
Sun 9:00AM	Deдре Baker

St. Mary's Masses
 Friday: 5:30PM
 Saturday: 9:00AM
 Sunday: 11:00AM
 Sunday: 12:30PM (English)
 (When there is CCD)

Weekly Collection

April 10th. Attendance	202
April 10th. Collection	\$ 2284.00
ParishPay	\$ 370.00
April 10th. Total	\$ 2654.00
Military Services	\$ 745.00

*We are Easter People
 and Alleluia is Our Song*



Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date:

Goal	Pledged	Paid	# of Gifts
\$34,000.00	\$14,625.00	\$10,805.00	52

Thank you for your generosity!

Orlando Pentrelli
 Shajan Jacob
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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 .

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First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52

We hear of Paul's first visit to Antioch, an important government center. There he finds Jews jealous of his effective preaching to the Gentiles. Paul quotes Isaiah to the hostile Jews to explain himself.

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

The vision of salvation of a multitude refers to the turning to Christ of all the Gentile nations. These loyal people sing a victory song to God and the Lamb. Their baptism has led them to salvation, as symbolized by their white robes.

Gospel: John 10:27-30

Jesus is identified as the Good Shepherd. His disciples experienced Him as such. We learn that the unity of the Father with the Son includes the faithful in the "flock."

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

"Identity theft". It's a pair of words that were never put together as a crime until there were credit cards and computers. But it's an element of modern life with lots of victims. If you've never been one of those, you would not know how scary and upsetting such theft can be. It brings on a very intrusive correction process in its wake, and a residual fear that stays with you for a while. Something akin to that happens when Satan leads us into losing our spiritual identity as members of Christ's flock.

When Our Lord identified Himself as the Good Shepherd, He took on a title with rich meaning for the people of His time. It takes some effort on our part to appreciate that today. We might think instead of titles like "Good father and family man", or a "CEO with a heart." What we must appreciate is the fact that by baptism we became as connected to Christ as a herd of sheep was to their shepherd in those bygone days. That is the heart of our Christian identity.

Just as we have to keep track of our online purchases and monitor our credit cards, so we have to be on guard against all of Satan's attempts to steal our spiritual identity. One of them is over familiarity in our faith practices. We have been told in so many homilies and referred to in so many retreats and religious publications that we are "the Good Shepherd's flock" that it has no impact. We tend to view it as a cliché. Our practice of the faith could become rote.

So we skip Mass almost casually, or let too much time intervene between confession, and so forth.

In those early day of the Church, when merely being a Christian was daring and dangerous, there was nothing cliché about it. Your identity marked you for martyrdom if you were found out. It was so serious a matter that the early Christians were very guarded as to whom they would trust.

All of this leads us back to the obligation we all have to keep the main thing as the main thing in our lives. That translates into keeping God as "numero uno" in our lives and everything else ranked lower.

The Easter miracle we are celebrating this season has to be understood as more than a personal triumph for Jesus, although that is true enough. But it is our victory too. Our basis for hope. Our motivation for the struggle it is these days to remain loyal members of the "flock."

Our Christian identity is not safe from theft just because we declare it. We can forfeit it by sin and in that way rob ourselves. But we have been given our faith and the sacraments to help us in the effort to prevent that from happening by striving each day to live better than we did the day before. Then, when the number of our days runs out, we will be glad for the struggle. We will have arrived at that great day when we will stand outside heaven's gate and hear Jesus say, "I recognize you. Please come in."

EVENING FOR VOCATIONS

For Young Men Ages 15 - 25

Thursday, April 28, 2016

5:00—Tours

6:00—Evening Prayer with Cardinal Dolan

6:30—Buffet Dinner

Office of Vocations
Saint Joseph's Seminary
201 Seminary Avenue
Yonkers, NY 10704

RSVP by April 14th
Phone: 914-968-1340 Fax: 914-968-6671
E-mail: vocations@archny.org

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.

April Ministries

4/17/2016	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Neil, C.Acuna, G.Acuna	Kelly	Neil, Follini, Liberace
9:00 AM	Mendes, Matos	Echeverria	J.Cary, Handler, Cherveney
4/24/2016	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00PM	Vettamvelil, Maduekwe	McNamara	Bonanno, Ball, Maralit
9:00 AM	J.Negrin, Matos	K. Negron	Echeverria, Revesz, B.Negron

Welcome to our Newest Eucharistic Minister
Patrice Galvin
 Thank you for Volunteering



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

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & PARISH
 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS
 with \$3 MILLION**

**ENRICHING OUR YOUTH THROUGH FAITH
 AND TEACHING**

The schools in the Department of Education serve more than 88,000 students in rural, urban and suburban settings. In addition to course-work in Catholic religious and sacramental preparation, the schools also provide young people with service opportunities.

“Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they *shall be satisfied.*”
 —Matthew 5:6

Please consider making a sacrifice today.

To make an online contribution visit
www.cardinalsappeal.org

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

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.

ALBERTUS MAGNUS HIGH SCHOOL SPRING OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, April 19, 2016
 6:30 pm Tours 7:15 pm Presentation
 Register at:
www.albertusmagnus.net/admissions/openhouse

Bereavement Sessions (Ministry of Consolation)

St Francis of Assisi, West Nyack, Tuesdays, 7:00 PM- 8:30 PM, May 3 through June 7. Please call the rectory at 634-4957.

If you have lost a loved one, come for discussion, understanding and faith in healing.

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.)

April 18, 2016

****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 use-
ful 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: _____

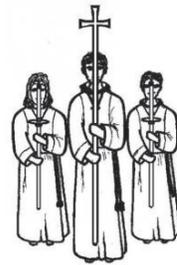
Phone: _____

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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or text stbon to 84576 from your phone**

You will be able to choose what info you would like
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You can unsubscribe at any time

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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