

## 2nd. Sunday in Ordinary Time



**January 18, 2015**

**Church of St. Boniface**

And

**St. Mary's Syro Malabar Mission**

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8:30am to 1:30pm

### 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 and 10:30am  
12:00pm Syro Malabar Rite  
1:30pm 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.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Kay Olive-Kelly, Director 845-354-7039 office  
914-552-5246 cell

### CLASSES

Pre-K and K: Tuesday 4:15-5:30PM  
Grades 1 - 5: Tuesday 4:15-5:45PM  
Grades 6 - 8: Tuesday 6:45-8:15PM

### 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

### PARISH COUNCIL

Bob Chamberlain, Chairperson 845-548-2643

### 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

John Kapral 914-557-5073  
Maybelle Twohie 914-980-4511

### 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 :



## Mass Intentions

1/18/2015	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	
Sun 9:00AM	Caroline Sun
Sun 10:30AM	
Sun 12:00PM	St. Mary's (Malayalam)

Daily	Intentions
Mon 9 AM	
Tues 9 AM	
Wed 9 AM	Antonina & Antonino Alessi
Thurs 9 AM	
Fri 9 AM	
Fri 5:30 PM	St. Mary's
Sat 9:00 AM	St. Mary's

1/25/2015	Intentions
Sat 5:00PM	
Sun 9:00AM	
Sun 10:30AM	Mildred McNamara
Sun 12:00PM	St. Mary's (Malayalam)
Sun 1:30PM	St. Mary's (English)

## Weekly Collection

January 11th. Attendance: 310	
January 11th. Collection	\$ 2,599.00
Parish Pay weekly:	\$ 447.50
January 11th. Total	\$ 3,046.50
Catholic Communication & University	\$ 678.00
Christmas Offering	\$ 300.00



### Weekly Donor Listing Summary to Date:

Goal	Pledged	Paid	# of Gifts
\$35,500.00	\$44,175.00	\$42,940.00	108

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or text stbon to 84576 from your phone

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## Let us pray for the sick:

Elisa Pomeranz	Dorothy Magrino
Walter Cekleniak	Ralph Mascia
Dorothy McClintock	Nicholas Johnson
Tom McNamara	Emmett Green
Thomas McHale	Megan Hughes
Irene Kelly	Dorothy Crapanzano
Zenaida Ermita	Bob Cozzi
Regina Nowinski	The Gravinis
Mary Dudzinski	John L. Lebinski III
Kenny Ladd	Kim M. Crowley
Christina Vitaliano	Justin Rogers
Sam Cerone	Matthew Meehan
Ralph Mascia Jr.	Frank Eckert
Thomas Wissman	Lucretia LoRusso
Oscar Richards	David Nash
Frank Maggio	Nicholas Urban
Laura Maggio	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 office. Cards are available. Please do not place these donations in the collection basket.

## The 2nd. Sunday in Ordinary Time January 18, 2015

### First Reading: I Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

A young Samuel hears the Lord calling in the night, and when prompted by Eli, responds to the third call by saying "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."

### Second Reading: I Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Casual sex was rampant in the community, which Paul had to fight against by a powerful statement that "our bodies are not our own," and are instead temples of the Lord.

### Gospel: John 1:35-42

Right at the start of His public ministry, Jesus attracts people. His cousin John the Baptist directs his own disciple Andrew, the brother of Peter, to Jesus by calling Him "the Lamb of God." When they meet, Andrew and his unnamed friend hear Jesus ask: "What are you looking for?"



Dear friends in Christ,

Christmas celebrations have come and gone; but the spirit of the holy season will stay with us the whole year. The liturgy, music, decorations and illuminations were all well done by our devoted volunteers and staff. Thank you all for making the Advent and Christmas of 2014 a wonder filled spiritual experience.

This weekend the Gospel tells us the story of the first disciples who followed Jesus leaving their master John the Baptist. Andrew and his brother Simon, though fishermen, were already following John. After Jesus was baptized, a new era opened up and John lets his disciples join Jesus in order that he can vanish out of sight for Jesus to become the focus. The lesson we learn is this: Changes are always difficult and painful. The disciples those left John and joined Jesus were not promised anything better regarding their physical life. Jesus asked them to come and live with him for a day and night and gave them the choice to decide.

When changes happen and we lose control of our situation, we get upset and react a bit. God understands our confusions in life more than what we know about them. Trust is what is needed. No decision that others take in relation to our personal lives are neither perfect nor appealing. God's greater plans and those whom He has given us to guide us are to be taken into confidence.

The same is applicable to our church life. St Mary's Mission has been with us for close to three years. It has been a very enriching experience for me to be the priest for both groups. Thank you to all who cooperated with the plan of our Archbishop for us. It helped us to stay open, have a resident priest and enjoy the amazing experience of having the universal church under one and the same roof. St Mary's Mission is grateful and happy about our mutually warm relationship. Fr. Hugh Grace and Msgr. Jim Cox and many other priests like Fr. Santhosh, Fr. Tom, Fr. Joseph and Fr. Abraham have been very generous with their assistance with Masses and Sacraments.

I cannot do it alone, you cannot do it alone. We can together make it a wonderful experience for all of us. I thank everyone from both ritual groups who supported me, our trustees, parish council, finance committee, CCD teachers, tele prayer network, worship and fundraising committees, choirs, sacristans, ministers of worship, members of staff and all volunteers in our pursuit to maintain unity and harmony at St Boniface and St Mary's within the limits of all our diversities relative to racial and ritual backgrounds.

The Making All Things New decisions (merging or closing of many parishes) have been announced in November. What my current understanding is that our coexistence with St Mary's will last for several years to come until St Boniface parish reaches the stage if and when it has to assume the status of becoming a mission of St Mary's. (I personally believe that it will be the best course of action when the time comes.)

Even after that St Boniface may have to go through different phases of changes before anything happens to 'our church' as many of us are so concerned about. That means, there is no reason to worry and for waste of time discussing the future of our parish after we observe some changes or additions here and there on our altar, on the building or certain surprises that happen unintentionally due to communication gap or imperfect calendaring of events. Do not feel insecure or be afraid. If you have a question or concern come and see me to discuss the matter in a peaceful and positive manner. Please do not try to solve any issues by talking to individuals, but I ask that you may bring them to my attention first after making an appointment. I also have to protect myself from the proverbial 'priest-burnout' and support the viability of our church by consolidating our available resources. Considering all things I had explained above, in the immediate future, after having due consultation with the parish leadership and getting permissions from the Archdiocese, I will be taking decisions regarding some significant changes in the areas of liturgy/Masses and Catechism. These two areas have been in discussion in our committees over the past year and now it is time for all of us to get ready to accept some changes and make some sacrifices. I will keep you updated about all of it in the forthcoming weekends. Please pray with the understanding that everything happens in the best interest of our parish's viability.

Stay tuned to the voice of the Holy Spirit!

**- Fr. Thad**

<b>JANUARY MINISTRIES</b>			
<b>1/18/2015</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
<b>5:00PM</b>	Acuna, Neil	Liberace	Neil, A.Martin, Follini
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Mesones (2), Vale	Cherveney	J.Cary, Handler, Cherveney
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Matos, Troncoso	T.McNamara	E.McNamara, L.Armstrong, K.Kelly
<b>1/25/2015</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
<b>5:00PM</b>	Vettamveilil, Hirst, Wojnicki	Wojnicki	Bonanno, Ball, Maralit
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Negrin, Hernandez, Vale	Ashe	Eckert, Buttinelli, Dale
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Negron, Maduekwe, Mendes	Echeverria	Echeverria, Revesz, B.Negron

### 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.

Thank you.



- 1/20 Mid-term Exams  
Report cards given to teachers
- 1/27 Report cards distributed to students

We would like to thank our "decorating committee" for all their hard work in decorating St. Boniface for Christmas.

John & Peggy Noble  
Ron & Judie DiPaola  
Chris Healy  
Marion Dale  
Ed Negron  
Paul Neil  
Howie Hohlfield

And special thanks to Grace Vettom of St. Mary,s for her attention to detail.

We extend our sympathy to Helen Affinito. Her Husband of 61 years, Ralph, died on January 2, 2015.

All of St. Boniface extends our prayers to Helen.

### Garden of Memories

Brick Donations of \$170.00  
to cover the expenses

Contact the Rectory Office for details

**Our Lady of Fatima Travelling Statue is now available to families.**

**Call the rectory For details**

On Thursday, Jan 22nd thousands of New Yorkers will heading south to Washington, D.C. on pilgrimage and will join with hundreds of thousands from throughout our nation. We will go to the capitol to witness for life and to pray asking God to have mercy and restore us to a culture of life. Don't miss out and sign up today since seats are limited. 40+ buses will do down for the day from every part of the Archdiocese – see here for a parish near you

<http://nyfamilylife.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/2015-Buses-to-March-for-Life-.pdf> .

Over 500+ young people will be traveling the night before to be present for various youth events. If you are not able to make the pilgrimage there will be some parishes hosting local events. You may also wish to sponsor someone financially if you yourself cannot attend.

### Volunteers Needed Summit Park Hospital

We are in desperate need of volunteers for Monday Mass. Right now we have no one to bring residents to Mass other than the staff who are not always available to do it. All that the volunteers would need to do is transport by wheelchair to and from the auditorium. You could arrive by 12:45 and leave by 2:45 on Mondays. If you are interested, you can call Cathy DelFierro, Director of Volunteers, 845-364-2846. Thank you

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 so arrangements can be made .



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.**

## ParishPay

As we embark on a New Year, ParishPay is launching a new and improved website. During the year, please don't overlook that our parish needs the consistent stewardship of parishioners all 52 weeks of the year.

ParishPay, the electronic offertory giving system that allows you to set up your monthly offertory commitment right from your home computer and have it automatically deducted from your bank account or credit card every month. No having to remember to send a check while on vacation or doubling your gift the next week. Other benefits to you include:

- Better control of your monthly gift like you have with bills you pay online.
- Securely transfers directly from your account with bank-level security encryption.
- End-of-the-year report on all your gifts that you can use for tax deductions.
- Earn reward points by using your credit card to pay your monthly gift.
- Helps the parish and environment – no more paper envelopes and checks!

Plus you feel good knowing you're still doing your part even when you're away. If you haven't already enrolled, why not sign up today? It only takes minutes to enroll at [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com) or call 1-866-PARISH1

## Lectors Needed

Attention to anyone interested in the ministry of the word.

We would like to invite you to be a lector at our Sunday masses.

You would be assigned to read at a Saturday 5 pm or Sunday mass about once every four to five weeks. No experience necessary. Just the will and the inspiration is all you need.  
E-mail [tony\\_dibartolo@yahoo.com](mailto:tony_dibartolo@yahoo.com)

Flu season is upon us and the best ways to prevent catching the flu is to get a flu vaccine and frequently wash your hands. Please remember that offering a "sign of peace" can take many forms. Some parishioners may prefer to offer the sign of peace verbally rather than with a handshake. The offering of a sign of peace in any form is a wonderful gesture and we thank all parishioners for accepting this gesture in whatever form it is given.

## Rectory Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 1:30pm  
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## ST. BONIFACE REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Schools Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

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