The People of God called to form the Christian Community of



St. Mary's Church

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Mass Schedule

Saturday eve: 5:30 pm Sunday: 7:45 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm Holydays (except Saturday): 7:00 am, 8:45 am, & 7:30 pm Weekdays: 7:00 am & 8:45 am Saturday: 8:30 am Holiday: 9:00 am on Major Civil Holidays

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 pm Private confessions at any time. Please call rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

Common policy of the Archdiocese of Newark asks that arrangements be made one year in advance. Engaged couples must call to make an appointment to speak to a priest.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should register for the Baptism Preparation Program at the rectory...even before the baby is born!

Religious Devotions

Miraculous Medal Novena: Saturday following 8:30 am Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month, 9:00 am - 7:00 pm, in the lower church.



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Mission Statement

We the Roman Catholic community of St. Mary's, united in the Eucharist and under the guidance of St. Mary of the Assumption, strengthen our faith by praising God, proclaiming His word, sharing His love with all people and serving those in need.

St. Mary: Pray for Us



Saturday 5:30PM	Sept. 7 - Vigil Willie, Elena and Elmer Padaloy (Living)
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Sept. 8 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Fr. Theodore Szelest Pedro Lepon Parishioners of St. Mary's
Monday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Sept. 9 - St. Peter Claver Valerio Laya (Living) Peggy Keating
Tuesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Sept. 10 - Weekday Phil O'Connell Peggy Keating
Wednesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Sept. 11 - Weekday Michael Sullivan Breeda O'Connor (Living)
Thursday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Sept. 12 - Weekday The Most Holy Name of Mary Timothy and Nora Sheehan Timothy Sheehan
Friday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Sept. 13 - St. John Chrysostom Martin Cain (Living) Michael McCabe
Saturday 8:30AM	Sept. 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Rene Magbanua
5:30PM Sunday	Parishioners of St. Mary's Sept. 15 - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Frances Zanker Frances Bishopp Andrea Banzil



In Loving Memory

The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Donald Murray requested by the Murray family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Josephine DeCristofaro requested by the Dore and Maurice families.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Asuncion (Anna) Mecca and Patricia O'Connor.

Sunday – Sept. 8 9:00AM Catechist Meeting/New Catechist Meeting Library-School Birth of the Virgin Mary. Social to follow after the 10:00AM Mass SFC. After All Masses Blood Drive Lower Lot Eastern Europe Collection Monday – Sept. 9 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 7:00PM Catechist Meeting/New Catechist Meeting Library-School 7:30PM Parish Council Meeting FDVRm Tuesday – Sept. 10 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 3:30PM Catechist Meeting/New Catechist Meeting Library-School 5:30PM Basketball SH

This Week

Wednesday - Sept. 11 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 7:00PM Knitters and Crochetters FDVRm 7:00PM OLPH Novena LC 7:30PM-9:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday – Sept. 12 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 7:30PM Yoga (Linda) SFC

Friday – Sept. 13 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 10:00AM St. John's Food Kitchen, Newark 7:00PM Basketball SH

Saturday – Sept. 14 After 8:30AM Mass Rosary LC 11:00AM Memorial Mass for Helen Timmers Food Collection Mission Appeal Feast of the Holy Cross

Sunday – Sept. 15 7:30AM Feeding at Missionaries of Charity Soup Kitchen, Newark 11:00AM New Parent Meeting Library-School All Masses Catechetical Blessing Food Collection Mission Appeal

Schedules:

<u>Daily Masses</u>

We are back to the regular schedule of two daily Masses - 7:00am & 8:45am.

Parish Office Hours

Beginning Friday, Sept. 13, the parish office will once again be open until 8:00 PM on Friday evenings.



This Sunday we celebrate the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time and we also celebrate the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our patroness. We continue to look to Mary for guidance and encouragement as a parish and see in her the perfect disciple of Christ. For 99 years Mary has been guiding this parish and she continues to do so through all the ups and downs that life brings to us as a parish. St. Francis of Assisi composed this beautiful prayer to St. Mary during the Thirteenth Century:

Hail, O Lady, holy Queen, Mary, holy Mother of God: You are the Virgin made Church, And the one chosen by the most Holy Father in heaven Whom he consecrated with his most holy beloved Son And with the Holy Spirit the Paraclete, In whom there was and is All the fullness of grace and every good. Hail, his Palace! Hail. his Tabernacle! Hail. his Home! Hail. his Robe! Hail. his Servant! Hail, his Mother! And hail all you holy virtues which through the grace and light of the Holy Spirit are poured into the hearts of the faithful so that from their faithless state you may make them faithful to God. Amen

We begin a new parish year. Summer went by so fast but hopefully it afforded us the rest and relaxation we all deserve. As we move forward to this upcoming year our Religious Education program will begin in a few weeks. Pastoral Council, PALAD, Rosarians and Social Justice Committee have many events planned and our choir will begin soon. A pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. will take place next month as well as an upcoming trip to the College of St. Elizabeth in Convent Station to visit the chapel where the remains of Venerable Miriam Teresa are and to walk the grounds where she walked. Scripture Study and other Adult Formation programs are also planned. This is just the tip of the iceberg, as they say, to what is expected this Fall here at St. Mary's. Let our Light shine forth as a parish this coming year!

Have a great week!

May God be Praised, Fr. Dominic

Mission Appeal - Sept. 14 - 15

Next weekend, Sr. Mary Beth Lloyd from the Religious Teachers Filippini (M.P.F.), will be with us to preach for our annual Mission Appeal. Each year, we welcome a member of a religious community who has worked in mission territories and who is here to ask our prayers and financial support. She has been in several mission countries and have personally seen their needs..Your support will help the kids, the poor, the crippled, and the diseased from countries such as Africa, Ethiopia and Brazil.

Your support is always appreciated and very much needed.

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Serving in Afghanistan

We ask God to keep in his care all those who are serving overseas in our armed forces, especially in Afghanistan. They are listed below and we ask your prayers for them.

Wayne Lawton...Michael Bianco...Kyle Zownir Alicia Newball...Angelica Peji...Anthony Hacket, Jr. Donald Dickson...Edward Bryan Frago Anthony Dunkin...Christopher Lynch...Brian Collins Tyler Thompson...Michael Whitford James Phillips...James R. Melady...Ryan Shireman Joshua M LaBazzetta...Aidan Nugent Alvin Joseph Garabiles...Christopher Cookson Christopher Minayn...Christopher Kishbach Major David Christopher Pierson Capt. Peter Messina

If you have a relative serving in Afghanistan, please call the rectory so that we can add his/her name and offer a prayer for him/her.

Pray for our Sick

Peter Ramzi...John Ramzi...Dona...Larry Rubin Roberto Choi...Helen Smyth...Yolanda DiCola Sara Kinzler...Ali McMahon...Anita Harry Donald Trainor...Suzanne West...Bob Jackson Bob Dondero...Emily Stevens...Brian J. Murphy Rita Crowley...Lorraine Riordan...Vivian Peene Sr. Peggy McGaffney, SSND...Bill Bochicchio Eileen O'Leary...Melody Andres...Kathy Gallagher Lidia Belulovich...Peggy Dunshee...Richie Eileen & Marcus Flaherty...Richard Fitzgibbon Hailey van Weathering...Melody Andres Lyla McMahon...Kristi Marie Carbonaro William, Robert and Mildred Dellner...Nancy Quiroz Deborah Gallager...Mary Fuhrman...Kathy Jury

<u>Rosary Linen Schedule:</u> <u>September - October 2013</u>

Sept. 8	Mary Boyle
Sept. 15	Eleanor King
Sept. 22	Roz Callahan
Sept. 29	Margaret Kennedy
Oct. 6	Joan DiPaola
Oct. 13	Sue Schettino
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The following offerings are still available for :

<u> 2013:</u>

Sanctuary Lamp - Nov. 17.

<u> 2014:</u>

Bread & Wine - Jan. 5 & 12; Feb. 9; Mar. 16; Apr. 27; May 4,11,18, & 25; June 8 & 22. Sanctuary Lamp - Mar. 9, & 16; Apr. 27; May 4; June 22.

A Thought from

Ven. Miriam Teresa:



Since He is the Author of all law, He can dispense with His own rulings, if He so chooses. There are numerous cases: Magdalen, the penitent thief, Saul. In an instant God perfected in them that supernatural life which ordinarily He accomplishes, provided man consents, only in a lifetime. He had His own motives in so doing; it is for us not to question, but to admire and glorify.

(G.P., p. 83)

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#### **Prayer for Canonization**

Most Holy and Blessed Trinity, Whom Sister Miriam loved so ardently, grant that we, like her, may become ever more conscious of Your Divine Presence within our souls. We implore You to show signs that Your humble servant enjoys glory with You in Heaven, and to hasten the day when we may render her a public tribute of our veneration and love.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

# Archbishop's Annual Appeal



Thank you to our many parishioners who have already made their pledge to the 2013 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. As of Aug. 14th, 220 families pledged for a total of **\$42,546.00**. With your

help, we can reach and hopefully surpass our **goal** of **\$52,917.00.** 

If you have not done so, please remember to return your completed pledge envelope for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. You may place the envelope in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office.



# PACT/Religious Education Program

# Last call for PACT Program registration!

We are in the process of setting up for classes which begin in a few weeks. If you have not yet submitted your registration form, please do so at this time.

# Catechists Meetings



Catechists may attend any one of the following meetings: Monday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> 3:30 p.m.

# **Catechists Needed!**

Our reconfigured programs require only a once or twice per month commitment here at St. Mary's. We still have openings for catechists Sunday a.m., Monday p.m., and Tuesday after school. For more information, call us at (201) 384-3062 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org. Thanks!

# NEW Religious Education Families

Do you know any St. Mary's families with children who should be part of our PACT/Religious Education Program? Perhaps the family moved into Dumont or the children no longer attend Catholic school. Families who need to enroll in PACT/ Religious Education should call (201) 384-3062 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org

# Saint Mary's Youth Group (J-Walk)

Come join J-Walk Sunday evenings at 6:30pm. All high school students welcome! At J-Walk, we have food, fun and friends. We have a pool, foosball, air hockey and ping pong table in the Youth Group room located in the school building on the floor below the gym. Our first meeting is September 22nd at 6:30pm. Core team meeting will be September 15 at 6:30pm. There are volunteer opportunities to help needy families. Follow us on Twitter https://twitter.com/Team\_J\_Walk

Please contact the St. Mary's parish office at 201-384-0557 or *frnick@stmarysdumont.org* for more information.

# See you there!

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We will be going to St. John's in Newark on Friday, Sept. 13, to prepare and serve a meal for the hungry and homeless. *The special needs are white socks, toothpaste and plastic bags.* 

If you can help with these items that would really do so much good.



# Altar & Rosary Society

We invite all women of the parish to become a part of our beautiful ministry. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Spiritual Formation Center in the school building. If you are interested in becoming a member, please fill out the form located by the doors of the church and either mail or drop it off at the Rectory.

# Knitters and Crocheter

The Knitters and Crocheter will start up on Wednesday, Sept. 11th at 7:00pm at the parish office. Anyone who's interested in joining, please call the parish office. The knitters are also in need of wools. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office.

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# Line Dancing

PALAD will resume their line dancing on Wednesday, Sept. 11, at 7:30PM in Szelest Hall. Everyone is invited for a two-hour of exercise and also fun.

# PALAD Corner

You may still buy a raffle ticket for our 'Save Our Sound' project for our church's new sound system. Raffle ticket costs \$20 and gives you a chance to win \$50 in the remaining weekly drawings until Dec. 26 and 4 drawings for \$150 each on Simbang Gabi, Dec 20, 2013.

You can buy tickets from the Rectory (384-0557) or contact Tony (936-0022), Jess (501-8289), Malu (387-9140), or Jun (385-8529).

<u>Would you like to be a volunteer as a Hospital</u> <u>Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister?</u> "Whatever you did for one of these least brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Mt 25: 40b)

Englewood Hospital and Medical Center's Chaplain is seeking a few good men and women. If you are a Eucharistic Minister and interested in serving the Hospital one or two days a week, please let us know. Or, if you would like to be an alternate, should the scheduled minister be unable to serve, we would like to hear from you, too.

<u>Please call the Chaplain's office at 201 894-3228</u>, between the hours of 8AM and 4PM, Monday thru Friday and speak with <u>Letitia Corrigan</u>.

# ST. MARY'S

# Transfiguration Academy

Education is one of the most important ways in which the Church fulfills its commitment to the dignity of the person and the building of community. Community is at the heart of Christian education not simply as a concept to be taught but as a reality to Through education students must be be lived. moved to build community in all areas of life, they can do this best if they have learned the meaning of community by experiencing it. Formed in this experience, they are better able to build community in their families, their places of work, their neighborhood, their nation and their world. The experience of Christian community leads naturally to service. Christ gives His people different gifts not only for themselves but for the others. Each must serve the other for the good of all.

Excerpt from "To Teach As Jesus Did"

# Car Wash



The 8th Grade will hold a CAR WASH on Saturday, Sept. 21 at St. Mary's Parish, Dumont, from 9:00am – 3:00pm. Proceeds will go to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation fund.

# All Public School Families Of 8th Graders

All public school 8<sup>th</sup> graders wishing to attend Catholic High Schools in September, 2014 must register and take the Catholic High School entrance exam



(COOP). The test will be given on November 8, 2013.

Students need to register for this exam by going to www.coopexam.org, calling 1-888-921 2667 or visiting a Catholic high school to obtain registration materials.

If you have any questions, call 1-888-921-2667 or email support@coopexam.org.

Registration for the COOP Exam is now open.

# Rainbows Program to Start a New Season Beginning Our 23rd Year

"Rainbows" is a non-sectarian support group for children, ages 5 through 13, who have experienced parental separation, divorce, or death. A new session will begin Tuesday, Sept. 24. Groups meet every Tuesday from 5:15pm-6:30pm in the Parish Life Center of St. John the Evangelist, Bergenfield. The children meet in small groups, with a trained facilitator. Workbooks, stories, games and crafts are used to explore many topics. Enhanced selfesteem, exploration of fears and worries and learning to trust are some of the topics covered. "Rainbows is made available completely <u>free of</u> <u>charge</u> to all participants, due to donations from the God's Plan for Giving:

"The measure of your free-will offering shall be in proportion to the blessing the Lord, your God, has bestowed on you."

### (Deuteronomy 16:10)

Collection Aug. 31 - Sept. 1\$9,637.00Same Weekend 2012\$8,807.00

Treasure from our children's envelopes. \$6.00

Here are some of the good deeds that the children of St. Mary's did as a way of showing their love of God and of our parish. We hope that they will always know how important what they do for God and for us truly is. Even though they are still young, they can give us a wonderful example to follow.

*"I got birthday presents for my cousin." "I helped my cousin celebrate his first birthday."* 

*"I found \$13.00 at K Mart and turned it in." "I helped my dad with things since his* 

surgery."

"I helped my mom with her work." "I said my prayers."

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# Stewardship Prayer

Dear Lord,

O Divine Giver of all gifts, grant us the daily graces we need to follow closely in the footsteps of Jesus in the way we live out our lives and make use of our gifts.

Daily, may we renew with You our small part of the world by allowing Your will to be accomplished in and through us.

Help us to trust in Your love for us and to grow in our fidelity and relationship with You.

We thank You for the trust You place in us as stewards of our personal gifts. May the Holy Spirit guide us in placing our time, talent and treasure at the service of each other so that together we may faithfully witness the Christian message and thus become your holy people.

Amen.

# **Rainbows Program Continued**

Bergenfield-Dumont Knight of Columbus and the Columbiettes of Bergenfield-Dumont.

A *parent/caregiver* sign-up meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 10 from 5:30pm-6:30pm.

Further information is available by calling 201-951-4843.

"I am a Christian and I will remain a Christian even to the point of death. Only to God will I offer my life. Even if I had a thousand lives, I would still offer them to him."

- San Lorenzo Ruiz

September 28 is the feast day of Saint Lorenzo Ruiz (1600-1637), Dominican missionary, the first saint of the Philippines, and the first Filipino martyred for the faith. Lorenzo Ruiz was a layman, married, and had two sons and a daughter. Born in Binondo, Manila, in 1600, he received his education from the Dominicans. He was an altar boy and later, helper and clerk-sacristan in the church of Binondo. He excelled in calligraphy, from which he probably made his living. An adverse event made him leave the Philippines in 1636. Lorenzo joined some missionary priests bound for Japan. There he was arrested and imprisoned together with his companions, because of their Christian faith. Lorenzo went through agonizing punishment when he refused to renounce his faith. He gave his life that faith may live in the hearts of many. Pope John Paul II described Lorenzo Ruiz as the "most improbable of saints".



St. Mary's Church in Dumont, NJ

Celebrates

The Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz

# Sunday, September 22, 2013

12 Noon Mass

Celebrant: Rev. Dominic G. Ciriaco

Followed by Novena (9th day)

Fellowship at the Spiritual Formation Center