

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

The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary, and Joseph
December 29, 2013



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Co-Sponsored School of St. Mary's, St. John and Ascension

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

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...Capt. Peter Messina
- Alvin Joseph Garabiles...Christopher Cookson
- Christopher Minayn...Christopher Kishbach
- Major David Christopher Pierson...Aidan Nugent

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.

We will be starting a new sick list beginning January, 2014. If you would like our parish to continue to pray for family, friends or loved ones who are ill and in need of prayer, please call the parish office – 201-384-0557

Pray for our Sick

- Peter Ramzi...John Ramzi...Dona...Richard McAllister
- Roberto Choi...Helen Smyth...Yolanda DiCola...Richie
- Anita Harry..Mary Sforza..Margaret Bitteti...Brian Lowery
- Donald Trainor...Suzanne West...Bob Jackson...Eileen
- Bob Dondero...Emily Stevens...Brian J. Murphy
- Rita Crowley...Lorraine Riordan...Vivian Peene
- Sr. Peggy McGaffney, SSND...Bill Bochicchio...Danny
- Eileen O'Leary...Melody Andres...Kathy Gallagher
- Lidia Belulovich...Peggy Dunshee...Samantha Dente
- Eileen & Marcus Flaherty..Richard Fitzgibbon..Ellen Coll
- Hailey van Weathering...Melody Andres...Larry Rubin
- Lyla McMahon...Kristi Marie Carbonaro...Steven Schapiro
- William, Robert and Mildred Dellner...Nancy Quiroz
- Deborah Gallagher...Kathy Jury...Laura Widman Riccardi
- Kristen & Baby Ellie Pochini..James Yenzer..Jack Maher
- Christopher Bishopp...Barbara Fawcett...John O'Brien
- Linda Rando...Virginia Fullmore...Rose Marie Dellner

Rosary Linen Schedule :

December 2013 and January 2014

- Dec. 29 Mary Daly Jan. 5 Eleanor King
- Jan. 12 Mary Boyle Jan. 19 Diane Gerrity

Sound System

Dear Friends,

Save our Sound has generated \$39,850,000 in donations thus far. The total cost runs about \$50,000. So to finish the fundraising off, we are looking for 35 more people to donate \$200 a piece towards the project or whatever you can give and the work can begin.

If you can help us out with a donation, please call the parish office and let us know.

God bless you for your generosity.

Fr. Dominic

A Thought from Venerable Miriam Teresa:



By appearing on earth as a little babe, He would preclude any doubt man might bring up as to the reality of His humanity; to deny here is to doubt the evidence of the senses; and the subsequent activity of the Godhead while inhabiting that body, would certainly dispel the fears of any thinking man as to the veracity of the divinity.

(G.P., p. 226)

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Please pray for her Canonization and visit our new painting of her located in the vestibule of our church.

**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.*

**Knights of Columbus**

**Upcoming Meeting**

The next regular meeting is on Mon., January 6th at 8PM.

**Corporate Communion**

On Sunday December 29<sup>th</sup>, we will gather for the 9AM Mass at St. John's in Bergenfield for the last Corporate Communion of the year. Continental breakfast will follow at the Council.

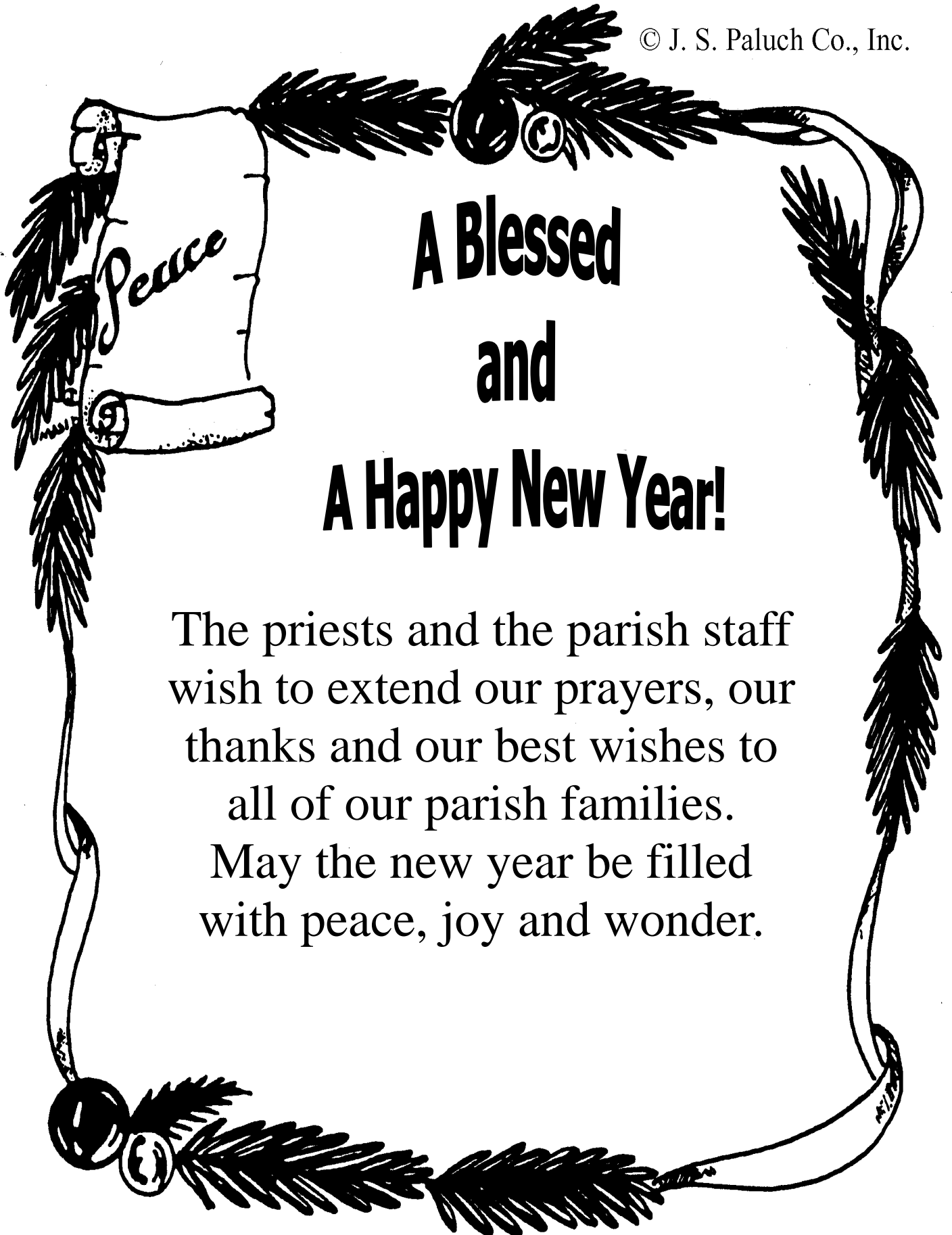
**New Year's Eve** – Tuesday December 31st from 8:30PM to 1AM. Cost is \$70 per person for great food, beverages and live 50 & 60's music from *In Harmony*. Contact Larry at 201-315-0456 or by email at kofc1345reservations@gmail.com to make reservations, and then mail your check payable to the Columbian Club to: New Year's Eve, PO Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628. All reservations must be paid in advance.

The Council is open on Friday evenings from 8-11PM. Why not stop in and learn more about us!

**Hall Renting & Catering** - *Planning a party soon?* Call Bob DeWald at 201-264-6290 for information or email kofc1345rentals@gmail.com or check our website: www.kofc1345.org.



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**A Blessed  
and  
A Happy New Year!**

The priests and the parish staff wish to extend our prayers, our thanks and our best wishes to all of our parish families. May the new year be filled with peace, joy and wonder.

# HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, JOSEPH, AND MARY



## Called to Holiness and Unity

Compassionate Father,  
you who have called us to holiness,  
to live in unity with you and your people,  
dwell in us richly in your Word.

May we always be people of compassion,  
kindness, and humility.

May love and forgiveness  
be the characteristic of your family,  
the Church.

As we honor our parents today,  
may we also learn to honor each other,  
bearing with each other,  
and embracing a love for all nations  
and peoples.

Continue to shower upon your Church,  
we pray,  
abundant blessings and graces.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus  
Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Sunday, December 29, 2013**  
Dwelling in Us Richly

Today's Readings: Sirach 3:2–6, 12–14; Psalm 128:1–2, 3, 4–5; Colossians 3:12–21 or 3:12–17; Matthew 2:13–15, 19–23. Most of us have felt, at times, the heaviness of family responsibilities—perhaps when chores kept us tied up, when personalities in the household clashed, or when a family member needed support in the face of a financial or health crisis. When confronted with duty and sacrifice, some may flee, some may screw up a steely determination, and some may simply resign themselves and march lifelessly ahead. But today's readings portray a different approach—in which love and compassion make service and forgiveness possible, even joyful. When we “let the word of Christ dwell in [us] richly,” a grim task can be transformed into a warm, colorful experience, like the illustration above.

The state of heart from which our family service comes has an impact on the effect of that service, and it can also open or close us to the opportunities the Spirit offers. Joseph, devoted to the care of his family, and a trusting believer, was highly receptive to the warning dream God sent him. When we “let the peace of Christ rule in [our] hearts,” new possibilities emerge.

What of people in nontraditional families, or without families? Paul envisions Christians binding themselves to others through love, out of which harmony flows. These readings suggest that the practice of family life, with the people God has given us or called us to, is a holy calling and a spiritual craft.