

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

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Eucharistic Liturgy

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

Religious Devotions

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, in the lower church. From September thru May.

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!

Catechumenate

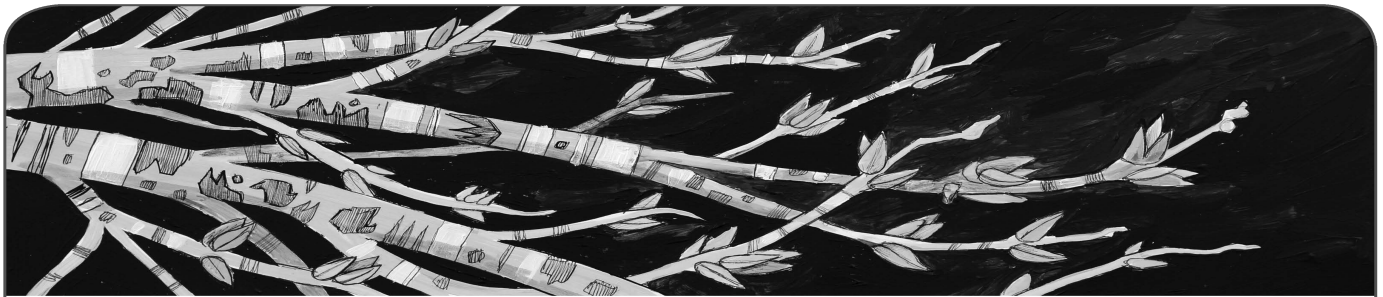
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which adults (and children who have reached the age of reason) are prepared to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. If you, or someone you know, would like to inquire about becoming a Catholic, please call the parish office.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available to be celebrated with anyone in need. Please do not wait until death is imminent to contact the parish regarding an ill family member. Eucharistic Ministers and others serve our community by visiting and bringing Communion to the sick and homebound. Please call the parish office if you wish such a visit.

God's Plan for Giving - Tithing

Tithing is God's plan to support His Church. Full tithing means 10% of gross income to God. We ask half of this, or 5%, for your parish Church. The other 5% goes to your favorite charities.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, March 16, 2015

Bringing Others to Belief

The official in today's Gospel places his faith in Jesus even before he meets him. Because of that faith, Jesus healed the man's son. With that healing, others came to believe. Those new believers in Jesus came about because of the official's faith. In *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis says that we are all to be missionary disciples. In other words, the joy of our faith should attract others to Christ. Could you be accused of bringing others to faith? Today's Readings: Isaiah 65:17-21; Psalm 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b (2a); John 4:43-54.

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

St. Patrick, Bishop

The many legends of St. Patrick are widely known. It cannot be confirmed, though, that this fifth-century saint either taught with a shamrock or drove out snakes. What can be known about his life is what he wrote in his old age in his *Confession*. There, he tells of his dependence on God in prayer and the faith that sustained him while in captivity. Though happy when he was able to return to his homeland, he followed God's call to evangelize in Ireland. Today's Readings: Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 (8); John 5:1-16.

Wednesday, March 18, 2015

St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

St. Cyril's *Catechetical Instructions* are still studied today. In those sermons, the bishop explained Church doctrine to catechumens preparing for Baptism at the Easter Vigil and the mysteries of the sacraments to the neophytes during the period after the initiation sacraments were received. This fourth-century saint also was known for the mercy he showed. When a famine struck, he sold church goods so that the poor could eat. Today's Readings: Isaiah 49:8-15; Psalm 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 (8a); John 5:17-30.

Thursday, March 19, 2015

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The few details about St. Joseph in the Gospel accounts provide a picture of a man of faith. Because of his faith, Joseph believed the angels who appeared to him, first telling him to take Mary as his wife and then to flee to Egypt with his family. Joseph was willing to follow God's lead, to go where God needed him to go. How willing are we to put our desires aside to follow God's path? Today's Readings: 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 (37); Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Luke 2:41-51a.

Friday, March 20, 2015

Lenten Weekday

During this Lent, you might want to spend some time becoming more acquainted with the psalms. You may find that they speak to your needs, fears, joys, and sorrows. Today's Psalm 34 tells of how God tends to those who are faithful. He hears them when they cry out and rescues them from their troubles. Perhaps you would like to meditate on a psalm that speaks to how you are feeling this Lent. Today's Readings: Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; Psalm 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 (19a); John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30.

Saturday, March 21, 2015

Lenten Weekday

In today's Gospel, we hear that some regarded Jesus as a prophet and others as the Messiah, while still others had contempt for him. It is tempting to consider this reading as a record of the past. But you can use this retreat time during Lent to ask yourself how you think Jesus is. Has the time that you have spent this Lent with the daily readings provided you with an intimacy with Christ? Are you willing to continue daily practices after Lent to nurture your relationship with Christ? Today's Readings: Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 (2a); John 7:40-53.



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Food Pantry - Easter Baskets

This weekend, March 14/15 is our food collection weekend for our Easter Baskets. If you could bring one or two items between now and when we distribute the baskets on Friday, March 27th to the parish office, we will be able to fill the baskets. Some of the items that we are in need of are listed below. If you can also donate a **Turkey** or **Ham** to this distribution, it would be greatly appreciated.

*Cranberry Sauce.....Pudding.....Canned Fruit.....Peanut Butter.....Jelly,
Jello.....Juice.....Cake Mixes.....Macaroni and Cheese.....Potato Flakes,
ChefBoyardee Products.....Pasta Sauces.*

We have more than enough of Tuna, Soup, Pasta, and Canned Vegetables.

