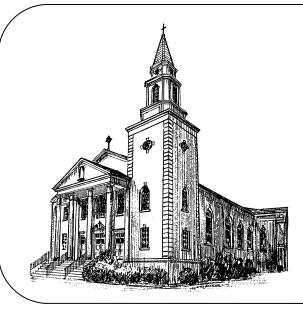
The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

February 21, 2016 Second Sunday of Lent



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

Rev. Stephen A. Carey, *Pastor* Rev. Michael Barone, *Parochial Vicar* Rev. Patrick W. Donohue, *In-Residence* Deacon John L. Sylvester, *Permanent Deacon*

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Mrs. Kathleen Sylvester, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy/RCIA
Dr. William J. Mascitello, Pastoral Associate for Catechetics
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Director of Music: email: *music@stmarysdumont.org*

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 7:00 am & 8:45 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, 8:00 am - 7:00 pm, in the lower church.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 pm Private confessions at any time. Please call the parish office..

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.



Saturday Feb. 20 - Vigil Mary and Michael Martin 5:30PM Feb. 21 - Second Sunday of Lent Sunday 8:00AM Edward Brennan 10:00AM Irma Caputo Henry Yee 12 Noon Monday Feb. 22 - The Chair of St. Peter The Apostle Dr. Edmund Eyerman 7:00AM Angela Wilson 8:45AM Tuesday Feb. 23 - Lenten Weekday Aubrey Joe Boyd 7:00AM 8:45AM **Marjorie** Powers Wednesday Feb. 24 - Lenten Weekday 7:00AM Mary Maher 8:45AM Dan Sheehan Thursday Feb. 25 - Lenten Weekday 7:00AM **Daniel Sheehan** 8:45AM Peggy, John, and Rev. Dan Cronin Friday Feb. 26 - Lenten Weekday 7:00AM Alex Albert 8:45AM Daniel F. Markert Saturday Feb. 27 - Lenten Weekday Melody Kostka 8:30AM 5:30PM Gerard Reilly Feb. 28 - Third Sunday of Lent Sunday Thomas Rubicco 8:00AM John Lindsell 10:00AM Angelina Morelo 12 Noon

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses and the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Gerard Reilly requested by his wife and family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Lawrence J. Marino, Jr.

Offerings Still Available

Bread & Wine:

Jun 19; July 10; Aug. 7, 21, & 28; Sept. 4, 18; Oct. 2, Oct. 16 & 23.

Sanctuary Lamp:

July 17 & 31; Aug. 7, 21, & 28; Sept. 18 & 25; Oct. 2, Oct. 16 & 23.



Sunday – Feb. 21
7:30AM Feeding at Missionaries of Charity Soup Kitchen, Newark
8:30AM PACT Angels Session LC/School
10:15AM Kids RCIA SFC
11:00AM PACT Confirmation Retreat Team School
1:30PM Cub Scouts Award Ceremony SH
6:30PM JWalk Meeting YRm
Penitential Rite Candidate
Food Collection

Monday - Feb. 22 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 6:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal UC 7:00AM PACT Angles Session / Lent Parent Meeting UC/School Washington's Birthday

Tuesday – Feb. 23 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 3:30PM PACT Angles Session / Lent Parent Meeting UC/School 5:30PM Basketball SH 6:15PM Schola Choral Rehearsal School 7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal UC

Wednesday - Feb. 24 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 7:00PM OLPH Novena LC 7:30PM Lenten Talk - Laudato Si - On Care for Our Common Home SFC 7:30PM Line Dancing SH 7:30PM Yoga (Anne Marie) PJ23Rm

Thursday – Feb. 25 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 1:00 Knitters & Crochetters FDVRm 7:30PM Yoga (Linda) SFC

Friday – Feb. 26 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 7:30PM Stations of the Cross LC

Saturday – Feb. 27 After 8:30AM Mass Rosary LC 12:30PM06:30PM Pre-Cana School/UC

Sunday – Feb. 28 8:30AM PACT Saints Session LC/School 10:15AM Kids RCIA SFC 11:00AM RCIA for Young Adults PJ23Rm After 12:00PM Mass PALAD EB Meeting SFC



Last Sunday, after mass someone asked me why we were saying the Apostles Creed instead of Nicene Creed which we usually say. As was printed in the bulletin, the instructions in the Roman Missal state that either Creed may be used during Mass but these instructions recommend that the Apostles Creed be used during Lent because it is the basis of the baptismal promises we will all renew at Easter.

The Nicene Creed, the one we are so used to, comes to us from the First Council of Nicaea held in the year 325. This Creed was amended by the Council of Constantinople in 381. It is a more complete expression of the Christian faith and, with minor alterations; it is accepted by almost all Christians.

The Apostles Creed is much older and simpler expression of our faith and, while its exact origins are not known, tradition calls it the Apostles Creed because it contains twelve articles, one written by each of the twelve Apostles. Those Christian traditions that have problems with the Nicene Creed find this Creed to be more acceptable. The Apostles Creed does contain the fundamental tenets of our faith that are expressed in the baptismal promises.

Lent is a special time of preparation for those who will be baptized at Easter and it is time for all of us to remember what our baptismal promises are supposed to mean in our daily life. As we continue our Lenten journey, let us ask God for the grace to faithful to these promises as we strive to more faithful followers of Christ.

Fr. Carey

<u>Evening Prayer and Reflection on the</u> <u>Wednesdays of Lent</u>

Our Social Justice committee is offering Evening Prayer and reflection sessions on the Wednesdays of Lent at 7:30 pm in the Spiritual Formation Center in the school.

Feb 24th – Laudato Si – On Care for Our Common Home – What does this encyclical say and what does it mean for us?

Presented by our very own Dr. Bill Mascitello.

<u> 2016 Lent</u>

Lenten Giving Tree

Our parish will collect items for St. Clare's Home for Children, which is a part of the AIDS Resource Foundation in Newark. **Tags are now available.**

Please take a tag off the Lenten tree and return it with the item to church before the end of Lent.

Crafts for Cancer

On the Sundays of Lent, our children from Liturgy of the Word with children will collect craft items. These items will be donated to Tomorrow's Children and Hackensack Medical Center.

Stations of the Cross

All Fridays of Lent at 7:30 pm in the Lower Church using different meditations.

Lenten Penance Opportunities

- *Individual Confessions* are available Saturdays from 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm
- A *Communal Reconciliation Service* will be held at St. John's at 1:00 pm on Saturday, March 19th we will participate along with Ascension parish.

<u>NJ Food Bank Work Morning</u>

Parishioners are invited to spend a morning at the NJ Community Food Bank in Hillside sorting food for distribution to food pantries throughout NJ. This will be on Saturday, March 19th, meeting at St. Mary's at 7:45 am and returning around

noon. Contact Deacon John at 201-387-6889 or email him at deaconjohn@stmarysdumont.org to sign up or for more information.

Sign-ups must be in by March 15th

<u> Altar-Rosary Easter Candy Sale</u>



Order forms for delicious Gertrude Hawk Easter candy are available in the rear of the church and at the parish office. All orders must be submitted by Sunday, February 28. Pick-up dates will be March 19 & 20.

Serving in the Military

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

Wayne Lawton...Michael Bianco...Kyle Zownir Alicia Newball..Anthony Hacket, Jr. Donald Dickson...Anthony Dunkin Christopher Lynch...Brian Collins...Bobby Dellner Tyler Thompson...Michael Whitford James R. Melady...Ryan Shireman Joshua M LaBazzetta...Aidan Nugent Alvin Joseph Garabiles...Christopher Cookson Christopher Minayn...Christopher Kishbach Major David Christopher Pierson Charles Bennett...James Markert...Patrick Booth If you have a relative serving in the military, please call the parish office so that we can add his/her name and offer a prayer for him/her.

<u>Pray for our Sick</u>

Peter Ramzi...John Ramzi...Rose O'Shea Joan Polis..Tom Phelan...Dona...Steven Martin Suzanne West..Donald Trainor...Kristi Carbonaro Hailey van Weathering..Lyla McMahon...Mary Faley Teagan Davis...John Dillon...George DiCostanzo James Hans...Peggy Dunshee...Rita Padrevito Rosemarie, William and Mildred Dellner Angelina Uvenio...Frank Uvenio...Jeryl Jacobi Tom Jones...Ilene Levine...Christopher Bishopp Pat Barclay...Theresa Giacalone...Marie Caldera Wilberta Schreiber...Marlene Canning

Rosary Linen Schedule for February

Feb. 21 Pat Barclay Feb. 28 Mary Boyle

<u>Support Group for Fathers Whose</u> <u>Children Have Died</u>

The needs of fathers who have suffered the loss of a son or daughter are unique. The Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark invites all grieving fathers to a morning of prayer, sharing, and discussion, away from societal expectations, in the hope it will provide a special place of understanding and healing. The Support Group for Fathers Whose Children Have Died will meet on Saturday, March 5, 2016 at Notre Dame RC Church (in the Rectory), 359 Central Avenue, North Caldwell at 10:00 AM. Pre-registration is requested. Please call the Office of Family Life Ministries at 973 directions information, -497-4327 for and registration.

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)

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Collection Feb. 13 - 14, 2016\$10,189.00Same Weekend 2015\$ 7,278.00

Treasure from our children: \$4.00

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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 talked with parents about lesson." "I helped someone." "I said my prayers."

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<u>Stewardship Prayer</u>

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.

Patient Privacy Reminder

A reminder to all parishioners, due to Patient Privacy regulations, hospitals cannot notify us when our parishioners are in the hospital. Please let us know or have someone call us so that one of the priests can visit you.

Thank you for your understanding.



PACT/Religious Education Program

PACT Weekday Parent Meetings

Parents of weekday PACT families may attend either February meeting. Meetings begin with prayer in the upper church:

Monday 2/22 at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday 2/23 at 3:30 p.m.

First Holy Communion



Sessions begin Tuesday, March 1st! Parents who need to pick up the information packet please

call (201) 384-3062 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org.

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Confirmation Retreat Team

Have you been practicing the *examen?* For those already confirmed who are helping with retreat, there is one more Sunday meeting on 2/21 after the 10:00 a.m. mass/before the 12 Noon mass. The retreat is Saturday, 3/5.



Transfiguration Academy News

10 Bradley Avenue, Bergenfield Phone (201)384-3627 Email: principal@transfigurationacademy.org

Congratulations to Transfiguration Academy students Chacko Jacob and Connor Stapleton who won 1st and 2nd place respectively and Visitation Academy student Francesca Mignano who won 3rd place in the Deanery 3 Catholic Challenge competition hosted by Transfiguration Academy during Catholic Schools Week.

Thank you to all faculty, staff, students, and parents who helped make the annual Pre-K/Kindergarten showcase a success.

International Night will be held on Saturday, February 27 at 6:30 PM in Conlon Hall. Come out and support Transfiguration Academy and enjoy an array of food and entertainment that represents the diverse population of our school and community. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$13 for children (age 4-13) and seniors. Tickets are available at the school office. No tickets will be sold at the door. Please call 201-384-3627 for more information or to purchase tickets.

Registration for the 2016-17 school year is now open. Call the school for more information and to secure a seat for your child.

Knights of Columbus

Next Meeting – Monday March 7th at 8PM

Lenten Fish Fry – Friday February 26th from 6-8PM. The menu will be fried & baked flounder, rice pilaf, cole slaw and potato salad, green salad, coffee, tea, dessert. Cash Bar will be available. Cost is \$20.00 per person. Reservations required! Call Ken A at 1-516-220-9333 or email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com to make your reservation.

Filipino Night will be on Saturday March 5th from 7-11PM. Join us for a wonderful cultural celebration with pancit, roasted pig, beef stew, chicken chop suey, Pork Menudo, appetizers, deserts and beverages. The cost is only \$40 per person and includes music by the *Shadows after Dark* band. Call Ken at 516-220-9333 or

email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com to make your reservation.

Save the Date! **Irish Night** will be on Saturday April 2nd from 7-11PM.

The Council is open on Friday evenings from 8-11PM. We're located at 61 Armour Place, just off of Prospect Avenue in Dumont. Why not stop in and learn more about us!

Hall Renting & Catering - Planning a party soon? Email kofc1345rentals@gmail.com or check our website: www. kofc1345.org.

Wedding Anniversary Liturgies

There will be special liturgies to be held at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Newark for couples celebrating 5, 25 or 50 years of living the sacrament of marriage.

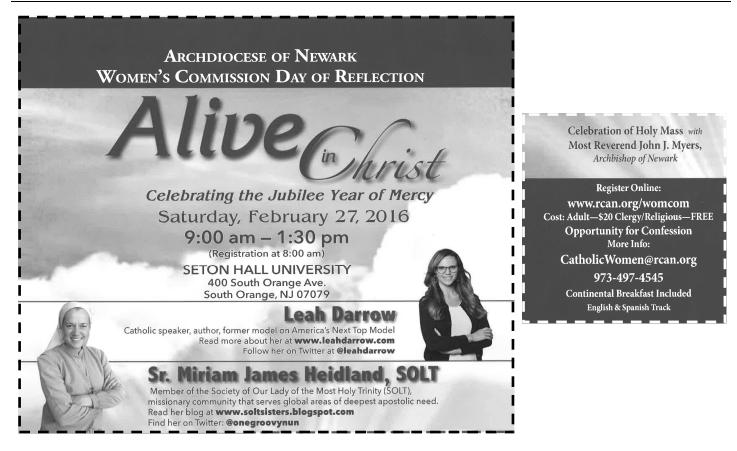
On April 24, 2016, couples who are celebrating their 5th or 25th wedding anniversary this year can go to a special liturgy at the cathedral to be held at 3:00 PM that day.

On May 1, 2016, couples who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year can gather at the cathedral for a Mass at 3:00 PM.

If you would like to participate in one of these liturgies, you need to come to the parish office and fill in a registration form so that they know the names and the number of those attending each liturgy.



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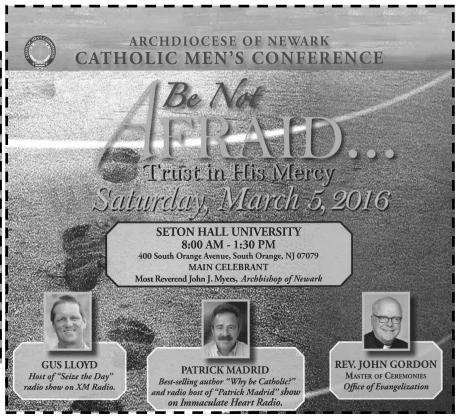
SETON HALL UNIVERSITY

400 South Orange Avenue, South Orange, NJ 07079 SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016 - 8:00 AM-1:30 PM REGISTER TODAY! Register online at www.rcanmenscommission.org

or call us at 973-497-4545

SCHEDULE:

8:00- 9:00 AM	Registration/Breakfast
9:00- 9:15 AM	Welcome Remarks & Opening Prayer
9:20-10:10 AM	First Talk
10:10-10:30 AM	Confessions/Fellowship/Exhibitors
10:35-11:20 AM	Second Talk
11:20-11:35 АМ	Confessions/Fellowship/Exhibitors
11:50-12:30 рм	Adoration
12:30- 1:30 РМ	Mass with Archbishop John J. Myers
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All Are Invited to the

Mass of Installation of Our Ninth Pastor

Rev. Stephen A. Carey

Sunday, March 6, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. Most Rev. John W. Flesey, S.T.D., D.D. Regional Bishop of Bergen County Presiding

Light reception to follow in Szelest Hall

Please call the Parish Office to R.S.V.P. by Tuesday, March 1, 2016.