The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

February 28, 2016

Third 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

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Mr. Rudy Asistin, *Business Administrator*Mr. Ed Kostka, *Director Maintenance and*Facilities

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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 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.

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Saturday Feb. 27 - Vigil
5:30PM Gerard Reilly
Sunday Feb. 28 - Third Sunday of Lent

8:00AM Thomas Rubicco
10:00AM John Lindsell

12 Noon Angelina Morelo

Monday Feb. 29 - Lenten Weekday

7:00AM Michael Cecco 8:45AM Andrea Zevetchin

Tuesday
7:00AM

March 1 - Lenten Weekday
Onesimo, Edwin, and Harold
Guerrero; Lourdes Gorospe

8:45AM George Karabin

Wednesday March 2 - Lenten Weekday 7:00AM In Thanksgiving Vives Family

8:45AM Celso de Vera

Thursday March 3 - Lenten Weekday

7:00AM Gerard Reilly 8:45AM Dan Sheehan

Friday March 4 - Lenten Weekday

7:00AM Fr. Ed Thompson 8:45AM Anne O'Neill

Saturday March 5 - Lenten Weekday

8:30AM Eileen Reese George Cole

5:30PM Frank and Dolores Scandiffio

Sunday March 6 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00AM Robert Mascarelli 10:00AM Margherita Bonaldo 12 Noon Joseph Maisano

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 Michael J. Burke, Alfred M. Elter, Maria Caldera, Patricia Loughnane, and Catherine Slade.

Eucharistic Adoration - March 4th



On Friday, March 4th, we will have Eucharistic adoration after the 8:45 Mass in the lower church. Reposition begins at 7:00pm. Hope you can join us.



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

Monday - Feb. 29

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 6:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal UC

Tuesday - March 1

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 3:30PM Children's Choir Rehearsal School 3:30PM & 6:00PM FHC Prep #1 UC/School 3:45PM Banner Kit Prep with Parents School 5:30PM Basketball SH 6:15PM Schola Choral Rehearsal School 7:00PM Altar and Rosary Meeting SFC 7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal UC

Wednesday - March 2

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 7:00PM OLPH Novena LC 7:30PM Lenten Talk - Haiti SFC 7:30PM Line Dancing SH 7:30PM Yoga (Anne Marie) PJ23Rm

Thursday – March 3

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 1:00 Knitters & Crochetters FDVRm 7:30PM Liturgy Triduum 7:30PM Yoga (Linda) SFC

Friday – March 4

After 8:45AM Mass Eucharistic Adoration.
Reposition starts 7:00PM LC
7:30PM Stations of the Cross LC

Saturday - March 5

7:30AM Rosary LC

10:00AM—6:30PM Confirmation Retreat/Parent Meeting 4:00PM. Church/School/Mass 12:00PM Installation Set-up SH Food Collection Second Collection - Peter's Pence

Sunday - March 6

10:00AM Fr. Carey's Installation Mass UC 10:15AM Kids RCIA SFC Food Collection Second Collection - Peter's Pence

From the **Pastor**

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Two and half weeks ago, on Ash Wednesday, entered the sacred season of Lent. Many of us had made a commitment to engage in some special penance, to give up some special food, or behavior, or perhaps we had decided to participate in some special spiritual exercise. Each of us had made some commitment to making this Lent a special so that we would be better prepared to celebrate Easter.

Well, how are we doing? Are we still committed to making this Lent special or have we given up? Have we persevered in our Lenten commitments or have they, like our New Year's resolutions, been quickly abandoned? Maybe we never even started our Lenten commitments because we knew that it was doomed to failure.

It's not too late to start and if we tried and failed, it's not too late to start again. We don't need an Ash Wednesday or a January 1st, to start making changes for the better. We don't need some special day to tell us now is the time to make a commitment to get closer to God. We don't need a calendar to dictate our spiritual life. All we need is the desire to change and realization that we can do nothing without God's help.

It does not matter how many times we have tried before. This Lent is an invitation to ongoing work of conversion. Conversion is a life-time journey; a journey we do not make alone. Our God is with us each step of the way; always ready to give us another chance to know Him, another chance to receive His mercy, another chance to experience His infinite love.

Fr. Carey

Evening Prayer and Reflection on the Wednesdays of Lent

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.

March 2nd—Haiti. Presented by Fr. Jack Martin.

2016 Lent

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

Altar-Rosary Easter Candy Sale Last Day to Place Orders - Feb. 28th



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. ST. MARY'S DUMONT

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.

Pray for our Sick

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...John Kerner
Wilberta Schreiber...Marlene Canning...Greg
Anna Furlani...Marcel Billages...Chevy Nieves

<u>Rosary Linen Schedule for the</u> <u>Months of February and March</u>

| Feb. 21 | Pat Barclay |
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| Feb. 28 | Mary Boyle |
| Mar. 6 | Joan DePaola |
| Mar. 13 | Catherine Kelly |
| Mar. 20 | Madelyn Kerner |
| Mar. 27 | Mary Loughlin |
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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.

St. Patrick's Mass - March 13th



Our annual **St. Patrick's celebration** will be held on Sunday, March 13th at the 10:00 am Mass. Following Mass, all are invited to join us for a social in Szelest Hall featuring tea, soda bread, Irish dancing and bagpipes.

The Altar and Rosary Society will sell soda bread Saturday after the 5:30PM Mass at the back of the church and after all the Masses on Sunday in Szelest Hall or while supplies lasts.

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Feast of St. Joseph - March 19th



On Saturday, March 19th, we will have a parish liturgy at 8:30 am Mass followed by a breakfast social featuring St. Joseph's bread and pastries in the Spiritual Formation Center.

Items Needed forSt. John's, Newark

As the parish is aware, men and women from St. Mary's go to St. John's Parish in Newark on the second Friday of each month, which will be March 11th next month, to prepare and to serve a noon meal. It is our way of serving the needs of those who are in desperate need.

Right now we are in need of new *white socks*. We greatly appreciate whatever you can donate and they can be drop off at the Parish Office during the week.

Volunteers Needed for...



St. John's, Newark:

Every second Friday of the month, we prepare and serve a noon meal to St. John's Parish in Newark. If you are available and can spare at least three hours either be a driver or a

server, please call the Parish Office at 201-384-0557.

Offerings Still Available

Bread & Wine:

 $\label{eq:July 10} \text{July 10; Aug. 7, 21, \& 28; Sept. 4, 18; Oct. 2, 16 \& 23.}$

Sanctuary Lamp:

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



PACT/Religious Education Program

<u>First Holy Communion</u> <u>Preparation</u>



Sessions begin this Tuesday, March 1st! For more information please call (201) 384-3062 or

e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org.

Confirmation Retreat

The Confirmation Retreat will be held here at St. Mary's this coming Saturday, 3/5 and will end with the candidates attending the 5:30 p.m. mass with parents and sponsors.



J Walk Youth Ministry Easter Flower and Palm Cross Sale

Our Youth group will be selling Easter flowers and palm crosses on the weekends of March 12-13 and Palm Sunday weekend March 19-20th.

Transfiguration Academy News

The next meeting of the Transfiguration Academy Home and School Association will be held on Tuesday, March 8 at 7:00 PM in the Cafeteria.

Parents wishing to provide their children with a quality Catholic education are encouraged to consider Transfiguration Academy, located at 10 Bradley Avenue in Bergenfield. For more information or to schedule a tour of the school:

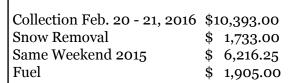
Please call 201-384-3627 or email principal@transfigurationacademy.org.
Please visit our website at transfigurationacademy.org and Follow us on Facebook.

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."

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(Deuteronomy 16:10)



Treasure from our children: \$3.00



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 talked with parents about lesson."
"I helped someone." "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.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

We have people coming to St. Mary's on a regular basis who need a form of some kind filled out and, when we check our records, we find that they are not registered parishioners. Before we could fill out and sign the form, you have to be a registered active parishioner for at <u>least six months</u>. The best way to know that you are registered is the fact that you receive collection envelopes, either on a regular basis or only at Christmas or Easter.

PLEASE – save yourselves and the parish staff a great deal of time and trouble – **come to the rectory office and register!**

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Knights of Columbus

Next Meeting - Monday March 7th at 8PM

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 1-516-220-9333 or email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com to make your reservation.

Final Lenten Fish Fry – Friday March 11th 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 at 1-516-220-9333 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

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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.

Catholic Men's Conference: Saturday, March 5, 2015, at Seton Hall University

This year's theme is "Be Not Afraid: Trust in His Mercy!" Speakers for the English track will be Patrick Madrid, Best-selling author of "Why be Catholic?" and radio host of "Patrick Madrid" show on the Immaculate Heart Radio Network & Gus Lloyd, Host of Seize the Day radio show in the Catholic Channel XM Radio.

Spanish track speakers will be **Monsignor Willie Peña**, from the Archdiocese of San Juan, PR, & **Deacon Asterio Velasco**, Coordinator for the Hispanic Apostolate in the Archdiocese of Newark. The day runs from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM, with the doors opening at 8:00 AM.

Registration is \$20. Priests & religious are free. The day includes continental breakfast.

For registration please visit our website at <u>www.rcanmenscommission.org</u>, or contact your Parish Conference Leader for a registration form. To registrar, please call 973-497-4545.

Support Group for Fathers Whose Children Have Died

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 for information, directions -497-4327 registration.

Spring Craft Show/Sale

On Sunday, March 13, St. Joseph Regional H.S. in Montvale, NJ will be hosting its annual Spring Craft show/Sale from 10am until 4pm, showcasing the talents of 90 crafts people and fine artists including many new crafters. Admission is \$2.00. Children and senior citizens (65+) are free

NO STROLLERS PERMITTED. www.sjrnj.org.

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.