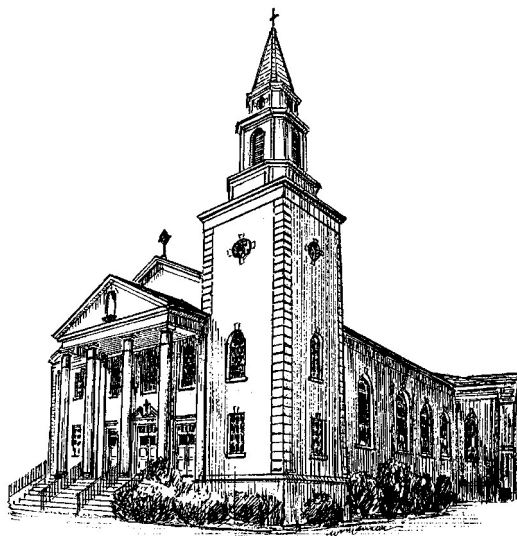


*The People of God called to form the Christian Community of*  
***St. Mary's Church***

***May 24, 2020***

***The Ascension of  
the Lord***



**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. Thomas Pendrick, *Parochial Vicar*  
Rev. Patrick W. Donohue, *In-Residence*  
Deacon John L. Sylvester, *Permanent Deacon*  
Mr. Joel Condon, *Director of Music Ministry*  
Mrs. Kathleen Sylvester, *Pastoral Associate for Liturgy/RCLIA*  
Dr. William J. Mascitello, *Pastoral Associate for Catechetics*  
Mr. John Weiss, *Business Administrator*  
Beth Miloscia, *Youth and Young Adult Ministries*  
Dory Weiss, *Parish Secretary*  
Mrs. Mattea Truppe, *Pastoral Council Chairperson*  
Mrs. Janet Kaine, *Parish Trustee*  
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***Eucharistic Liturgy***

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: 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.



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 23 - Vigil</b>
5:30PM	Anthony Miloscia, Jr.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 24 - The Ascension of the Lord</b>
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	Victor Blancato
12 Noon	Marilyn and Jason Spages
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 25 - Easter Weekday</b>
9:00AM	Louis McGrath
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 26 - St. Philip Neri</b>
7:00AM	In Thanksgiving Cachuela Family
8:45AM	Aldo Luciano
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 27 - Easter Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Patricia Martin
8:45AM	Harris Family (Living)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 28 - Easter Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Leonardo De Roca
8:45AM	Theresa Whyte
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 29 - Easter Weekday</b>
7:00AM	John Sullivan
8:45AM	Nora Hoey
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 30 - Easter Weekday</b>
8:30AM	Conrado Benitez
5:30PM	Rosica Family
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 31 - Pentecost Sunday</b>
7:45AM	Irene Pompei
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
12 Noon	Ken and Judy (Marivilla) Piko

### ***In Loving Memory***



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

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Richard Delia, Jr. requested by his parents.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Thelma Grigis, Richard King, and Nony C. Pantia.

### ***Phase One - Church Re-Opening***

Our church will be open daily, Monday through Sunday, from 12:00PM - 2:00PM. You can enter from the door next to the lift, which is near the rectory.

Please follow the following guidelines while visiting the church to ensure the safety of everyone at this time.

- ♦ The church is open for personal prayer only.
- ♦ Devotions or other group prayer are not permitted at this time.
- ♦ Please use hand sanitizer upon entering, wear a face mask and keep socially distant.
- ♦ If you are sick, we ask that you do not enter the church and continue to pray from home.

### ***Confessions***

As we struggle to get back to some sense of normalcy, the staff of St. Mary's has found a way to provide the Sacrament of Reconciliation that protects both the priest and the penitent with appropriate social distancing.

Please note that our procedure will provide confession face-to-face and will be by appointment only. You do NOT have to provide your name to come for confession.

To arrange a time to go to confession please call St. Mary's Emergency cell phone number at 201-696-2819.

You should also call this number if you have any sacramental emergency.

### ***Supporting St. Mary's***

We know this is a terrible time for many families. Expenses continue in your family, as they do in your parish family. That is why we appreciate your consideration and whatever help you can offer.

There a number of ways you can continue to support St. Mary's:

1. You can mail your contribution.
2. You can drop it off in the Kitchen Mail Box.
3. Our current online giving is **[stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com](https://stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com)**.
4. The diocese has set up a GoFund me page: <https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/archdiocese-of-newark>.

We deeply appreciate the continued love and support you give to St. Mary's.

## From the Pastor

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This weekend we celebrate Memorial Day, but this will be unlike any Memorial Day we might remember. Instead of big barbeques with friends and family, we must maintain social distance. Instead of parades, we must avoid crowds. So many Memorial Day sales are limited by store restrictions. Any fireworks must be viewed from a distance and only with those in our immediate family. While we continue to take baby steps towards normalcy, we must proceed with extreme caution and we must be guided by medical experts working to protect public health.

Perhaps the current restrictions we are called to observe will give us all a chance to remember what Memorial Day is really all about. This is a day in which we are called to remember the countless men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our nation. At the same time, we must pray for those who continue to risk their lives in the cause of peace.

The current threat from Covid 19 also reminds us that heroes come in many different shapes and sizes. As we remember the heroes who put on military uniforms, we must also pray for those on the front line fighting a virus that has radically change our lives. Doctors, nurses, and hospital staff who tend the infected and for all those who provide essential services so that we can have some sense of normalcy amid the current chaos.

As long as we all continue to follow the rules and protect ourselves and our loved one, curves will continue to flatten, new infections will decrease, and hopefully fewer people will die. Memorial Day of 2020 will be a very special day. We will remember the heroes of the past; we will thank the heroes of the present and will look forward to a future without the threat of this pandemic.

**Fr. Carey**

## Parish Food Pantry



Our Parish Food Pantry is open for those in need. Please call the parish emergency number 201-696-2189 and leave a message for Fr. Carey. He will make arrangement for food pickup.

## Thank You!

### **Food Pantries:**

Our heartfelt thanks to all who donated food to the Dumont and St. Mary's food pantries on Saturday, May 16th. Ninety (90) cars delivered about 240 bags of food were a great indicator of the spirit of those who have, giving to those who need. We will have more details soon, but you stepped up to help your neighbors. Thank you!



### **Diaper Drive:**

Our recent call for help in support of St. Cecelia's Office of Concern concluded with the collection of over 3,000 diapers and over 1,200 wipes. They were very appreciative of our parish's efforts. Thank you.

