# The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

# St. Mary's Church

November 22, 2020

Our Lord
Jesus Christ,
King of the
Universe



#### **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/RCIA

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* Mr. Michael Daly, *Parish Trustee* 

Parish e-mail: info@stmarysdumont.org Parish Website: www.stmarysdumont.org

Religious Education Office: 201-384-0557

Extension 20
e-mail: religioused@stmarysdumont.org

Director of Music:

email: music@stmarysdumont.org

#### 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.

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Saturday Nov. 21 - Vigil 5:30PM Mary Rudolph

Sunday Nov. 22 - Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

7:45AM Amparo Gamaro

10:00AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

12 Noon Raymond Crowe

Monday Nov. 23 - Weekday
7:00AM Paul Di Paola

7:00AM Paul Di Paola 8:45AM John Sullivan

Tuesday Nov. 24 - St. Andrew Düng-Lac

7:00AM John Sullivan 8:45AM Joan Toupin

Wednesday Nov. 25 - Weekday 7:00AM James Flaherty

8:45AM Michael and Ruth O'Neill **Nov. 26 - Weekday** 

9:00AM Edmond and Catherine Cremin

Friday 7:00AM Joanne Kennedy 8:45AM Crowe Family Nov. 28 - Weekday

8:30AM Louis McGrath 5:30PM Rosica Family

Sunday Nov. 29 - First Sunday of Advent

7:45AM Angelina Uvenio 10:00AM Thomas Pagano

12 Noon Parishioners of St. Mary's

# **In Loving Memory**



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

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Thomas V. Trank

requested by Joan Trank and Family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Robert Casey.

# 2021 Available Offerings

#### **Bread and Wine**

Jan. 24; Feb. 7 & 14; Mar. 7; Apr. 4 & 11; May 9 & May 16; Jun. 6 & 20; Jul. 4 & 11; Sept. 26; Oct. 3 & Oct. 17; Nov. 14 & 21.

#### **Sanctuary Lamp**

Mar. 21; Apr. 25; May 2 & 23; Jun. 6; Jul. 4 & 11; Aug. 1 & 29; Sept. 12 & 26; Oct. 17 & 24; Nov. 14 & 21.

# **Updates**

#### **Masses:**

#### **Sunday Masses:**

In order to attend Sunday Mass, you must make a reservation by calling the parish office at 201-384-0557 by 12:00noon on Friday or by emailing us at contactus@stmarysdumont.org.

You will receive confirmation of your reserved spot. Masses are at 5:30pm on Saturday, 7:45am, 10:00am, and 12:00pm on Sunday. We continue to live stream the 10:00am Mass on Sunday for those who are at home.

#### Daily Masses:

Our daily masses are at 7:00am and 8:45am Monday to Friday and 8:30am on Saturday. You don't need to make a reservation to attend our daily masses.

#### **Guidelines:**

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

- Enter the church by way of the propped open side doors.
- All visitors must wear a mask at all times.
- All visitors must use hand sanitizer when entering and leaving the church.
- ◆ All visitors must maintain a 6-foot social distance from others at all times. Please sit only in designated pews. Members of the same household (living together) should sit together in designated areas. No one may sit in the marked off center of the pew.
- Please do not leave anything behind in the church such as tissues, papers, gloves, etc.
- If you are sick or have been I contact with someone who is sick, please do not visit the church at this time and wait the required 14 days.

#### **Volunteers:**

We need two volunteers to check in people at each Sunday. Email Kathy Sylvester at kathy@stmarysdumont.org if you can help.

# <u>Parish Office Schedule</u>



In observance of Thanksgiving, we want parishioners to know that the parish office will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 26, and Friday, Nov. 27.

# From the Pastor

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This weekend, as we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, we mark the end of the liturgical year with the Feast of Christ the King. As one liturgical year ends, a new one begins. This cycle of endings and beginnings is reflected in nature as the seasons change for we know the bleak months of winter will give way to the rebirth of spring; an endless cycle of endings and beginnings, death and rebirth.

This cycle of endings and beginnings is profoundly significant to all of us as we hopefully look forward to the end of a pandemic that has radically changed our lives in the past several months. Many of us know someone who died from Covid19. Most of us know someone who was sick. All of us know someone who has suffered because of the economic crisis this pandemic has caused. We have lived through lockdowns. We have learned to socially distance. We have gotten used to wearing masks. Covid19 has reminded us how fragile life is and how important the people in our lives are.

And Covid19 has challenged us to carefully reconsider the best way to celebrate Thanksgiving this year. Medical experts and government officials have encouraged us limit contact with those who are not part of our households. We have all been instructed to exercise extreme caution as we venture out. As the number of infections spike all over the world, we have been warned to use all we have learned to protect ourselves and those we love.

The fact that we have made it this far through the most devastating health crisis in the past one hundred years means that we have so much to be thankful for. We have real reason to celebrate but we all need to carefully consider how best to do so. With the promised vaccines on the near horizon, perhaps we should postpone our celebration for a little while longer. However we chose to mark this national day of giving thanks to the God who has given us countless blessings let each of us celebrate the gifts of faith and family. As we look forward to the new liturgical year, let us pray that it will be much better than the one that is ending.

Fr. Carey

## Thanksgiving Holiday Mass

On Thursday morning, Nov. 26, our parish Thanksgiving Mass will take place at 9:00 AM. Unfortunately, this year due to Covid 19, we will not distribute loaves of bread.

If you plan on attending, please call the parish office or email us at contactus@stmarysdumont.org to reserve your spot at Mass. We can accommodate 150 people, before we need to spill over to the lower church.

On behalf of our parish priests, deacon, and staff of St. Mary's, we wish to extend our prayers and best wishes to all of our parish families for a wonderful Thanksgiving Day.

# Food Pantry

The Thanksgiving Day baskets were packed and distributed to 67 seniors/families in town. Thank you to everyone who donated toward helping our neighbors in need this Thanksgiving. Our Christmas basket distribution will happen in only 4 weeks! Please see the list below for items we are still in need of.

Also, we will need turkeys and hams for Christmas. If you are able to donate a turkey or ham, please bring it to the rectory Monday – Friday between 9 am and 5 pm by Thursday, December 17.

Lastly, as we continuously support families in town through our church and Dumont Social Services, please continue to drop nonperishable food items at the rectory between the hours of 9 am and 5 pm or after any mass.



### God Bless, The Food Pantry Volunteers

#### Items Needed:

Progresso and Campbells soups, pasta, sauce, peanut butter and jelly, canned fruit, syrup, bisquick, individually wrapped toilet paper or packs of 4, Chef Boyardee, and turkey gravy

# **Eucharistic Adoration - Dec. 4th**



On Friday, Dec. 4th, we will have Eucharistic Adoration at 6:00pm in the Upper Church. Reposition begins at 7:00 p.m. Please join us and spend some time with Jesus.

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# PACT/Religious Education Updates

## <u>Virtual Religious Education/ PACT</u> <u>Program Update</u>

Our virtual Religious Education program has officially begun, but it is not too late to register your family. Families with children who should be in our programs for Religious Education and Sacrament Preparation should contact us at this time for further information. Call (201) 384-0557 extension 20 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org

# <u>PACT Contact Information and E-mail Addresses</u>



Families in our Religious Education program, who need to update e-mail addresses or other contact information, call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or e-mail us at

religioused@stmarysdumont.org

## Be Sealed with the Holy Spirit



Congratulations to Douglas Cetera who received the fullness of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation Sunday, 11/15/2020.

#### **Sacrament Preparation Programs**



Virtual/Zoom meetings will be scheduled for mid-January for parents of St. Mary's parish children in PACT or Catholic schools who will prepare to receive the First Penance,

First Holy Communion, or Confirmation in 2021.

# Supporting St. Mary's

We know that regular expenses continue in your family, as they do in your parish family. We appreciate your consideration and whatever help you can offer as you continue to support St. Mary's. There are a number of ways you can support the parish:

- You can mail your contribution to the parish.
- You can drop your envelopes off in the kitchen mail box at the back of the rectory at any time or bring it to the parish office weekdays between 9 am and 5 pm.
- You can make a donation online, using the following link:

### stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com

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

# <u>Advent Giving Tree – The Nurturing</u> <u>Place (York Street Project)</u>

Normally around this time of year, we are getting ready to let you know what Christmas gifts we would be asking for you to donate to send to the children of the *Nurturing Place* and their moms. This year, as everyone knows, is not "normal". Below is an excerpt from the email they sent to us as about how we can help them celebrate Christmas this year:

I am reaching out today with regards to Christmas. YES! I did say CHRISTMAS! It seems so, so far away, but is just around the corner. This year, due to very restrictive regulations, we are approaching the holiday season very differently. It saddens me greatly that we will not be able to provide in the same way this year to our families who so look forward to the beautiful and thoughtful gifts you all provide. We want to keep some sense of the holidays here for our families, so our goal is to still assist with a little "Christmas Magic" the best way we can. Our only reasonable solution to meeting the very strict health and safety regulations is to not seek gifts as we have done for so many years in the past, but instead provide **gift cards** to the families. We know and understand that this definitely puts a very different feeling to the spirit of giving and we absolutely understand if this year you decide not to organize and donate. However, if you are able to assist us, we would truly be grateful. We are fortunate that so many of our families have returned and are back in our care. We would like to prepare them as soon as possible for the holidau season.

Based on the past generosity of the people of St. Mary's, we agreed to ask for gift card donations so that we may help the Nurturing Place prepare for Christmas this year. The following is the list of suggested gift cards we are asking you to provide (any amount which you feel is affordable is appreciated):













We greatly appreciate any donation you can give us. Please drop off your donation(s) marked Giving Tree to the parish office or to the collection boxes by **Wednesday**, **Dec. 9**<sup>th</sup>.

Listed below are the names of our friends or loved ones since March, 2020 who are Serving in the Military and Sick . Should the name(s) be removed or if you want to add new names on the list who are in need of prayer, please call the parish office at 201-384-0557 and we will start praying for them. If you want their name to be added to our Prayer Chain, please let us know that as well.

# Serving in the Military

John Eckel III..Jaelon Magat..Sean Flanagan Steven Serpa...Brian Manley...Steve Sullivan Christopher Smaldone...James Francis Ward Brandon Barhydt...Joseph Ament...Jeffrey Steiner... Anthony Dunkin...Brandon Dellner...Bobby Dellner

# **Pray for Our Sick**

John Ramzi..Rose O'Shea..Sean Hayes..Scott Tkacz James Carney...Michael Curran...Hector Montero Hailey van Weathering..Lyla McMahon..Tom Phelan Anthony Montagnino...Sandy Tolentino George DiCostanzo...Myra D'Silva...Cris Kelly Angela Darata...Dennis Murray...Gabriel Pappas Nancy Caggiano...Joseph Pierre-Antoine Eric Granada..Mr. & Mrs. Joe Paquiz..John Weiss,Sr. Kristi Carbonaro...Riley Suapengco... Frank Uvenio Rosemarie, William and Mildred Dellner John Scalice...Sally Ariola

# 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 **least six months**. 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.

# 2021 Sunday Missals

Copies of Sunday missals are now available for purchase. You may pick one up in the church by the Sacred Heart Shrine on the Rectory Side or at the parish office. The cost is \$4.00 for each missal.

# J-Walk - St. Mary's Youth Ministry

Every year in November the church sets aside a weekend to recognize outstanding teenagers that have positively impacted our parish. Normally, our archdiocese gathers together in a special ceremony at the cathedral to congratulate these individuals. Unfortunately, due to safety concerns with Covid-19, the ceremony has been cancelled this year. But even in the midst of the pandemic we are facing, our youth are still working to help St. Mary's. Workings together to create a virtual Stations of the Cross from home on Good Friday or volunteering to help at our fundraising events are just some of the positive ways that our youth continue to support our parish and I believe it is important to recognize this work.

This year we have selected Jenny Brennan to be the recipient of the Youth Discipleship Award!

She has been a dedicated member of our youth group for the past three years and is in the handbell choir as well. She is a strong leader and role model to the newer youth group members and has always helped with our fundraising efforts for the church including our recent fish and chips dinner. She continues to work with me to brainstorm ways that we can continue youth ministry even in these challenging times. I hope you will join me in congratulating Jenny as we recognize and bless her at the 10am Mass this Sunday.

I would also like to thank everyone who supports our youth ministry program. It is so important for our teens to have a sense of community with others in faith and to be able to grow in our church. Please pray for our youth group and those of us that work with them so that we can continue to guide these teens on their journey of faith.

#### Beth Miloscia

# **Confessions**

We offer confessions each Saturday from 4:00pm - 4:45 p.m. in the Church. This is our usual time. Our reconciliation room is large and we can accommodate both the priest and the penitent safely. Please wear a mask when you come to confession.

As always confessions can be scheduled by appointment for any time outside of the time listed above by calling the parish office at 201-384-0557.

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# J-Walk – St. Mary's Youth Ministry



# 2020 Christmas Wreath and Grave Blanket Place Orders by Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>

Name:				_
Phone Number:		 		
Email:		 		

Drop form at parish office or email Beth Miloscia at youthmin@stmarysdumont.org



ITEM A
Natural Décor Wreath
12 inches
Decorated with
pinecones and berries



ITEM B
Holiday Ball Décor Wreath
12 inches
Decorated with pinecones,
berries and Christmas balls



ITEM C
Grave Blanket
16 inches by 32 inches
Decorated Balsam Fir

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Α		\$25.00	
В		\$25.00	
С		\$35.00	

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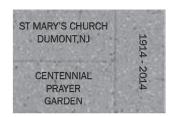
Please enclose payment with form. Checks may be made out to St. Mary's Church.

Contactless Drive-Thru Pickup at the Rectory Garage Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> between 10am and 12pm



# St. Mary's Church

# Prayer Garden Memorial Brick



Memorial bricks for the St. Mary's Prayer Garden may be purchased in memory of a loved one, or to commemorate a special occasion.

Bricks are ordered annually and placed in our garden in the spring.

If you would like to order a brick, please complete the form below:

### **Engraving Information**

Your brick can have up to **3 lines** of wording and numbers **20 characters per line**(this includes spaces and punctuation)

Please make sure your engraving information is spelled correctly

(Please print clearly)

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Mail completed form and donation to: St. Mary's Church, 280 Washington Ave., Dumont, N.J. 07628 Or drop in collection box or at the Rectory.

Deadline to submit the form is December 31, 2020.