

The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

November 28, 2021

*First Sunday of
Advent*



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. Janet Kaine, *Parish Trustee*
Mr. Michael Daly, *Parish Trustee*

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stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com

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, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm, in the upper 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.



PACT/Religious Education Program

PACT Schedules and Contact Information

Please refer to color-coded schedules which were mailed to your home for the dates of PACT sessions (on the front of the page) and assignments due (on the back). Feel free to call or e-mail in advance of your session with any questions you may have regarding sessions or other scheduled meetings. If you are not receiving e-mails from us and our e-mails do not appear in your spam or junk mail folders, take a moment to provide us with an e-mail which accepts religioused@stmarysdumont.org as a sender.

2021-22 PACT Program Year: Gathering Safely/COVID Protocol Agreement

PACT parents- signed COVID protocol agreements are required for families to participate in activities here at St. Mary's whether we are meeting in the church or school building. If you have not done so, return your printed and signed gathering safely meeting protocol agreement (on blue paper) which was distributed last month. We thank you for your vigilance ensuring that our time together is as safe as possible.

First Penance/Reconciliation/Confession Preparation



First Penance will be celebrated with our candidates and their families the first weekend of December. Please pray that First Reconciliation will be a time of grace for our candidates, their families, and our entire parish community.

Return to Religious Education

We are in the process of helping our parish children stay on track with their Religious Education. Has your family been away from Religious Education? Contact us. Do you know a Catholic family with children who should be participating in Religious Education? Refer them to us at this time. Call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org

New Parents/Families

To inquire about Religious Education and preparing for the sacraments, call or e-mail us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or religioused@stmarysdumont.org for more information. Parents of families new to us attend an orientation appointment here at St. Mary's. Registration and participation at St. Mary's parish is required.

Confirmation Parent and Candidate Meeting 11/29/2021



Opening meetings for Confirmation candidates and their parents and/or sponsors will be held Monday, November 29th at 7:00 p.m. in the church. A letter has been sent via regular mail regarding the meeting. If you do not receive a letter via regular mail, and your child is scheduled to receive Confirmation this year, call us or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org

SAINT MARY'S CHURCH
STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENSES
 July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>	<u>Year Ending 6/30/2021</u>	<u>Year Ending 6/30/2020</u>
SUNDAY & HOLY DAYS	390,883	399,096
CHRISTMAS	29,403	38,343
EASTER	23,363	16,217
GIFTS & DONATIONS: (Bequest, Restricted, Other)	95,941	99,623
FUND RAISING NET	38,344	29,287
INVESTMENT INTEREST	6,450	5,315
RENTAL INCOME	101,173	196,048
ADDITIONAL REVENUES: (Candles, Ads, Other)	46,663	48,613
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>732,220</u>	<u>832,542</u>
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>		
SALARIES & BENEFITS	575,469	593,420
CONTRACTED SERVICES (Copiers, Snow Plowing, Alarms)	25,434	26,056
PLANT RELATED: (Repairs, Insurance, Care of Grounds)	50,106	60,181
UTILITIES	93,175	92,922
SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT: (Books, Cleaning Supplies, Computers)	33,937	45,733
GENERAL: (Rectory Provisions, Religious Education)	40,209	43,498
ASSESSMENT	86,556	96,984
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>904,886</u>	<u>958,794</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	<u>(172,666)</u>	<u>(126,252)</u>
<u>EXTRAORDINARY REVENUES & EXPENSES</u>		
SBA PPP LOAN - FORGIVEN	90,647	0
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN REVENUE	3,000	197,761
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN EXPENSES	648	246,482
TOTAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	<u>(79,667)</u>	<u>(174,973)</u>

As required by the Archdiocese, this week's bulletin includes our Annual Report on the financial state of the parish. You will note that St. Mary's operating deficit has increased as a result of the loss of rental income. In large part, this loss in rental income is a result of the flood caused by a broken pipe in our school building. We are working hard to increase this rental income. At the same time, we are seeking ways to increase our fund raising efforts. As you can see from the report, we are also working hard to reduce our operating expenses.

As our parish emerges from the covid crisis, we are seeking ways to ensure that St. Mary's operates with a balanced budget. The fact that we are doing as well as we are is thanks to the generosity of our parishioners. I thank you for continued support of St. Mary's and I ask for your prayers as we move forward.

Advent Giving Tree – The Nurturing Place (York Street Project)

It seems early but we got an email from The Nurturing Place wanted to know if we are “still willing and able to assist them” to their Christmas celebration and we responded “YES” that we will help them.

The Nurturing Place still have very restrictive regulations so they are approaching the Christmas season the same as last year. Their goal is to still assist with a little "Christmas Magic" the best way they can. The Gift Cards worked out so well last year and they hope to continue this tradition in 2021.

They have about 60+ children, in addition to approximately 35-40 moms they hope to assist this year.

Based on the past generosity of the people of St. Mary's, we would like to ask once again for gift cards 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):



Please drop off your donation(s) marked Giving Tree on the envelope to the parish office or to the collection boxes by **Wednesday, Dec. 8th**.



St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society
Annual Christmas Party



Madeleine's Petit Paris

416 Tappan Road,
Northvale, NJ 07647

Tel.: (201) 767-0063

Sunday, December 12, 2021 ~ 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Appetizer

Onion Soup

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Lunch

Chicken Marsala

Grilled Salmon

Beef Bourguignon



Dessert

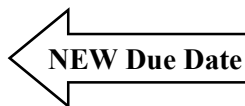
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Apple Tart

Coffee/Tea

\$50.00 Per Person / Cash Bar / Soft Drinks included

Please return form by Tuesday, November 30, 2021



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Name

Telephone

Number of Reservations

Amount Enclosed _____ check _____ cash

Please return form to Parish Office
Questions – Kathy Mullins (201) 310-1159