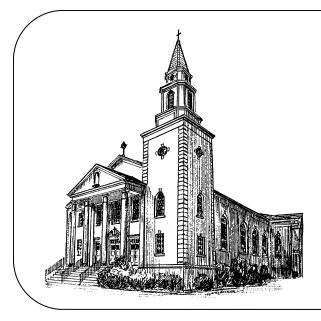
The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

November 27, 2022

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**

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Online giving: WeShare

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.

NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY SATURDAY

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.

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Saturday Nov. 26 - Vigil 5:30PM Mary Scalia

Sunday Nov. 27 - First Sunday of Advent

7:45AM Reilly and Labita Families

10:00AM John, Marjorie and Dan Baccaglini

and Deceased Members of the Baccaglini and Kearney Families

12 Noon Deceased Members of the Rosica

Family.

Monday Nov. 28 - Advent Weekday

7:00AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

8:45AM John A. Weiss, Sr.

Tuesday Nov. 29 - Advent Weekday

7:00AM Terry Almendra 8:45AM Zoraida Parrella

Wednesday Nov. 30 - St. Andrew

7:00AM Gerardo DeRoca 8:45AM Andrea Banzil

Thursday Dec. 1 - Advent Weekday 7:00AM In Thanksgiving Cachuela Family

8:45AM Paula Panganiban

Friday Dec. 2 - Advent Weekday

7:00AM Patrocinio Quijano 8:45AM Lourdes Garcia

Saturday Dec. 3 - St. Francis Xavier

8:30AM Mary Ita Conboy 5:30PM Patrick Hegarty

Sunday Dec. 4 - Second Sunday of

Advent

7:45AM Michael Coleman

10:00AM Patrick and Katherine Pizzollo

12 Noon Michael McCormack

In Loving Memory

The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Rose Bertolini and Kathleen Callahan-Lisa requested by the Bertolini family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Terry Almendra requested by his wife and children.

<u>Holy Hour with Eucharistic</u> <u>Adoration - December 2nd</u>



On Friday, December 2nd, we will have a Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration beginning at 6:00pm in the Upper Church. Reposition will begin at 7:00 p.m. Please join us and spend some time with Jesus.



Sunday – Nov. 27 9:15AM RCIA Kids

1:00PM PALAD EB Meeting FDVRm

Monday - Nov. 28

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

8:00PM Basketball SH

Tuesday – Nov. 29

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 5:30OM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS

6:00PM PACT First Penance Prep #4 with Practice UC/School

Wednesday - Nov. 30

After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena and Rosary UC 7:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday - Dec. 1

After 9:00AM Mass Rosary UC 5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS

Friday – Dec. 2

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

5:00PM Aramaic School

6:00PM Eucharistic Adoration UC

8:00PM Basketball SH

Saturday – Dec. 3

8AM Korean School

9:00AM JWalk Wreath/Grave Blanket Pick-up

Rectory Garages

11:00AM PACT First Penance Celebration UC 1:30PM PACT First Penance Celebration UC

Sunday – Dec. 4

9:15AM RCIA Kids

1:00PM Altar & Rosary Christmas Party Madeleine's Petit Paris

Stewardship Reflection

By David Baranowski

1st Sunday of Advent

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." MATTHEW 24:42

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.

From the

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Some stores started selling Christmas decorations in early October. A couple of satellite radio stations started playing Christmas music the day after Halloween and I've already received my first Christmas card. It seems that every year, so many people try to start the Christmas season earlier and earlier and then, the day after Christmas, it's all over.

We seem to have it all backwards. Today we celebrate the first Sunday of Advent. It is the beginning of the season of Advent, not the Christmas season. It is a time to prepare for the coming of Christ among us. But all too often, we are busy sending cards, wrapping gifts and decorating everything in sight that we have no time to think about what we are really getting ready for.

Advent is a time of prayerful waiting and watching for the coming of Christ. It's a time to prepare our hearts to receive the greatest gift that God has given us; his only begotten Son. But all too often, we are so busy preparing our homes, we forget to prepare our hearts.

The celebration of Christmas really begins on Christmas Eve and we will continue to celebrate through all the days of Christmas until the Feast of Epiphany. I know its counter to everything that everyone is telling us but maybe this year we might try celebrate things in the proper order. Let's try using the Advent season to prepare spiritually for the celebration that is to come; the celebration of the Birth of our Savior.

Fr. Carey

JWalk Wreath Pick-up

If you ordered Wreath or Blanket from our Youth Group, the contactless Drive-Thru pickup at the rectory garage is on Saturday, December 3rd, between 9:00am and 11:00am.

Christmas Flowers



PLEASE don't forget to use your envelope marked for *FLOWERS* - it takes a *LOT* of flowers to make our church extra-special for Christmas!

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.

John Eckel III...Jaelon Magat...Sean Flanagan Brian Manley...James Francis Ward...John Murray Christopher Smaldone... Brandon Barhydt Steve Sullivan...Joseph Ament...Jeffrey Steiner Anthony Dunkin...Vincent Mazzilli

Pray for Our Sick

John Ramzi...Rose O'Shea...Sean Hayes...Arvin Erd Scott Tkacz...Caleb Jenkins...Hector Montero James Pellettere...Skylar Frye...Kathleen Oates Anthony Montagnino...Cris Kelly...Danny Santulli George DiCostanzo...Myra D'Silva...Angela Darata Nancy Caggiano...Michael Hayes...Perfecto De Vera Joseph Pierre-Antoine...SSND Wilton...Jeric Lalo Diane Lang...Mariantonia DiCostanzo...Anita Hucke Kristi Carbonaro...Carol Anne Barry...Ted Widman Joseph Vaccaro...Dorothy Peterson...Jim Nicholas Barbara Castaldi...Nicholas Ippolito...Tina Fortalesa Frank Martin...Tienne Myers...Guia Mirabueno Hector Montero, Jr...Kevin Rainey...Mary Quilter Michael Falcone...Mary Ann Ragone...Rose Klenck Patricia Adone...Teresita Ariola...Jeannie Kweders Jonathan Jacoby...Laura Kibala...Fergus Begley Anthony Montalbano...Nick Marino...Brian O'Dowd Gabrielle Napoleone...Paquale Manzo...Jane Galo Raymond Pedalino..Audrey Maguire..Michael Vogt George Tarlac...Laura Labetti...Simone Borges Marcus Celeran...Mikkel Leutgeb...Viktor Bagang Camille Cabezas...Juan Guzman...Victoria Healey Pat Stella...Concepcion Santos

Feast of the Immaculate Conception December 8th **Holy Day of Obligation**



MACULATE Next Thursday, Dec. 8, is the feast of the Immaculate Conception, the patroness of the United States and Talso the principal patroness of the Archdiocese of Newark. This feast PTION proclaims our belief that Mary was

conceived without sin, preparing her to be the Mother of the Lord.

Since this feast is a holyday of obligation, the Mass schedule for that day will be: 7:00 AM - 8:45 AM -7:30 PM.

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PACT/Religious Education Program

Confirmation Preparation

Candidates for Confirmation from our PACT/ Religious Education Program or a Catholic school come together for separate preparation sessions beginning in a few weeks. Candidates do not automatically approach the sacraments if they are in a certain age or grade level, but are prepared for sacraments as they develop a relationship with the Lord in his community, our Church. If you missed the opening meeting for Confirmation Preparation, call or e-mail us at this time.

First Penance/Reconciliation/Confession



First Penance will be celebrated this week! Please pray for our candidates, their families, and our parish that we may all continue to grow in the

forgiveness that the Lord offers us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

St. Nicholas Project 2022

Will you help me visit "the least of these who are members of my family" that Jesus spoke about...? There are children. families, women, and men who have had some pretty hard times this year... I am continuing the work of Jesus.



I will need your help..."

Once again, we are collecting gifts for OASIS Shelter for Women and Children in Paterson. Won't you join us in our efforts to helping to provide for some of their needs? To participate, cut out the St. Nick tag above and tape it to your gift of new clothing, a gift card, toy or sports item and bring gifts to St. Mary's by Tuesday, December 6th (St. Nicholas Day!) We need to deliver to Paterson early so please be generous, and please be early!

Thank you and may we be guided by the example of Good St. Nick. For more information about him visit: www.stnicholascenter.org



For more information about OASIS, how you can help, and some great OASIS success stories, visit http:// ASIS www.oasisnj.org/ or call 973-881-8307.

St. Nicholas Project 2022

Suggested gift items are below. Remember to bring gifts early... and don't wait for the next PACT session! A basic guideline is that a gift should be something your own child(ren) or nieces and nephews or grandchildren would need or like to have! Cut out gift tags below and attach them to items for the St. Nicholas Project... Thank you!

GIFT CARDS *VISA-type gift cards* Target Marshalls Barnes & Nobles

CLOTHING (NEW) Teen-Children-Women- all ages/sizes

Paterson local stores

SPORTS Basketballs **Footballs** New sneakers Teamwear/Jerseus/ caps

ELECTRONICS Handheld electronic games MP3 players







ADVENT Deanery 3 RECONCILIATIONS 2022

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION 234 N Farview Ave. Paramus, NJ 07652

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH 300 Elm St. Oradell, NJ 07646

SAINT JOHN EVANGELIST 29 N Washington Ave, Bergenfield, NJ 07621

ASCENSION CHURCH 256 Azalea Dr. New Milford, NJ 07646 NOV. 28 MONDAY @ 7 PM tel 201 261 6080

DEC. 05 MONDAY @ 7PM tel 201 261 0148

DEC. 17 SATURDAY @ 1PM

tel 201 384 0101

DEC. 19 MONDAY @ 7PM

tel 201 836 8961

Talk To Me...

My Peace I Give You!

"For this son of mine Was dead and is alife again; He was lost And is found again."

Luke 15:24

Several Priests To Choose From

RECONNECT — A PRIEST WILL LISTEN!

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St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society News

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Christmas candy fundraiser. The pickup date and time is Sunday, December 11 from 11 am to 1 pm. Please drive up to the garages behind the rectory for pick up.

Also, we will be hosting our annual Christmas luncheon on Sunday, December 4 at Madeleine's Petit Paris from 1 to 5 pm.

All are welcome to attend!
Please see information flyer
at the doors of the upper church.

We hope everyone had a blessed Thanksgiving Day!
The St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society

Kathy Mullins – President rosaryaltarsociety@stmarysdumont.org

Are You Registered?

If you have recently moved or even if you have been attending for years, stop by the parish office and register.

Why do you need to register?

There are many reasons such as:

- There's a feeling of becoming part of the parish community.
- You give the parish a chance to get to know you better.
- The parish will have a way to communicate with you by sending you emails or mails to keep you up-to-date on the parish news.
- **Registration is required** to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation or Penance, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Holy Matrimony.
- If you're planning to register your child(ren) to our religious education program, the families of those attending must be registered parishioners.
- When a person has been asked to be a
 Godparent or sponsor or if a parish needs
 verification of your status as a practicing
 Catholic, these can't be done if you're not
 registered. You need to be registered as an
 active parishioner for several months.

Registering is easy. Come to the parish office and register! Office hours are Monday - Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm and closed for lunch 1:00pm - 2:00pm.

2023 Available Offerings

Bread and Wine:

Feb. 5 & 19; Mar. 26; May 14; Aug. 13; Sept. 24; Oct. 1, 15 & 22; Dec. 10 & 17.

Sanctuary Lamp:

Jan. 29; Apr. 23 & 30; May 21; Jul. 2; Aug. 13; Sept. 3, 10 & 17; Nov. 19.

2023 Sunday Missals

Copies of St. Joseph's Sunday missals are now available for purchase. The cost is \$4.00 for each missal.

~*~*~*~*~*~*~*~*~*~*~*~*~* <u>Dumont Senior Center</u>

The Dumont Senior Center is having a trip to Yonkers Casino and Pizza Dinner on Tuesday. Nov. 29th. Cost is \$35. Bus will leave the center, 39 Dumont Avenue at 8:30am. To make reservation, call 201-387-5040.

The Advent Giving Tree



We will again this year, with your support and generosity, will provide Gift Cards to families through The Nurturing Place (formerly The York Street Project) in Jersey City.

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 2022.

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

Gift tags are now available. We invite you to please get a gift tag (or tags) and purchase the item that's being requested. Please drop off your donation and marked Giving Tree on the envelope to the parish office or to the collection baskets by Wednesday, Dec. 7th.

If there are any questions regarding the Giving Tree please call Josie Parrella at 201-384-0557.

Electronic Giving

Electronic/Online Giving is a convenient no hassle method, of making your Sunday offertory to the church.

For more information or to sign up you can visit **stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com** from WeShare company. You can also contact the parish office for more details.

If you are a current online giving user and you participate in the Parish Re-Engagement and Offertory Program you will need to log into your account and update your giving to reflect your intention.

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)

Since we have to submit the bulletin early, the collection for Nov. 19 - 20 will be in next week's bulletin.