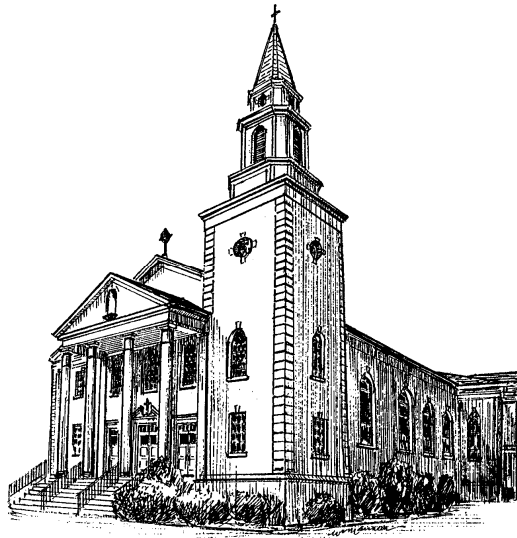


The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

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**

Rev. Stephen A. Carey, *Pastor*
Rev. Patrick W. Donohue, *In-Residence*
Deacon John L. Sylvester, *Permanent Deacon*
Mr. Steven Zimmerman, *Director of Music Ministry*
Mrs. Kathleen Sylvester, *Pastoral Associate for Liturgy/RCLIA*
Dr. William J. Mascitello, *Pastoral Associate for Catechetics*
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Beth Miloscia, *Youth and Young Adult Ministries*
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Food Pantry:
Email: foodpantry@stmarysdumont.org
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.

280 Washington Avenue, Dumont, NJ 07628 Parish Office: 201-384-0557



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://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
Paterson local stores

SPORTS

Basketballs
Footballs
New sneakers
Teamwear/Jerseys/caps

CLOTHING (NEW)

Teen-Children-
Women- all ages/sizes

ELECTRONICS

Handheld electronic games
MP3 players



ADVENT Deanery 3 RECONCILIATIONS 2022

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

NOV. 28 MONDAY @ 7 PM
tel 201 261 6080

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH
300 Elm St. Oradell, NJ 07646


DEC. 05 MONDAY @ 7PM
tel 201 261 0148

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

DEC. 17 SATURDAY @ 1PM
tel 201 384 0101

ASCENSION CHURCH
256 Azalea Dr.
New Milford, NJ 07646

DEC. 19 MONDAY @ 7PM
tel 201 836 8961



“For this son of mine
Was dead and is alive again;
He was lost
And is found again.”

Luke 15:24

Talk To Me...

My Peace I Give You!

Several Priests To Choose From

RECONNECT — A PRIEST WILL LISTEN!

*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.

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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.

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2023 Sunday Missals

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

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Dumont Senior Center

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.

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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.

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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.