

The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

January 8, 2023

The Epiphany of the Lord

*They opened
their treasures and
offered him gifts of*

*gold,
frankincense,
and myrrh.*

Matthew 2:11

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Saturday 5:30PM	Jan. 7 - Vigil Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Jan. 8 - The Epiphany of the Lord Shirley Wilson James J. Boyle, Boyle and McGowan Families Teresita Lacap
Monday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Jan. 9 - The Baptism of the Lord Angel E. Cabezudo, Sr. Zdravka Golub
Tuesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Jan. 10 - Weekday Gila Gerboth Joan Shea Mascarelli
Wednesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Jan. 11 - Weekday Jess Vergara Joseph Crvaric
Thursday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Jan. 12 - Weekday James J. Boyle Betty and Timmy Curtin
Friday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Jan. 13 - Weekday Thomas Lennon Cecelia Ricciardi
Saturday 8:30AM 5:30PM	Jan. 14 - Weekday James Fazzari Mariano Aquino
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Jan. 15 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Parishioners of St. Mary's In Thanksgiving Banzil Family James Fazzari

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of James J. Boyle, Boyle and McGowan Families requested by Mary Boyle and family.

MEMORIALS The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Josephine Fiorito requested by Jim and Anne Marie Bishopp.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Lawrence Miloschia, Sr., Joseph Di Lascio, Mary Ann Ragone and Mary Fitzgibbons.

Sunday – Jan. 8

8:30AM PACT Angels Session LC/School
1:30PM Baptism UC
1:30PM Dumont Elks Hoop Shoot SH
7:00PM Youth Group Meeting YRm

Monday - Jan. 9

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
7:00PM PACT Angels Session UC/School
7:30PM RCIA Class
8:00PM Basketball SH

Tuesday – Jan. 10

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

Wednesday - Jan. 11

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

Thursday – Jan. 12

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS

Friday – Jan. 13

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Aramaic School
8:00PM Basketball SH

Saturday – Jan. 14

8:00AM Korean School
10:00AM Food Pick-up LC

Sunday – Jan. 15

9:15AM RCIA Kids

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**We Welcome the Newest Member of
Our Parish Community**



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Emma Mendez

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2023 Available Offerings

Bread and Wine:

Mar. 26; Sept. 24; Oct. 1, 15 & 22; Dec. 10 & 17.

Sanctuary Lamp:

Jan. 29; Apr. 23 & 30; May 21; Jul. 2; Sept. 10 & 17.

From the Pastor

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As we celebrate the Feast of Epiphany today and the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord tomorrow, our Christmas season comes to an end. There are so many people to thank for making this Christmas season so special.

I thank all those who decorated our Church for Christmas. Because of the size of our Church, decorating St. Mary's is no small task. It was truly monumental effort by a dedicated team of people and I am extremely grateful.

I thank all who participated in our music ministry. Under the direction of our musical director, Steven Zimmerman, our choirs certainly made a joyful sound unto the Lord. Their contributions made each Christmas liturgy very special.

I thank all the servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers, the liturgy committee and everyone else that helped to make each mass a wonderful celebration of God's love. Those visiting St. Mary's for the first time certainly saw our parish at its best.

I thank everyone who attended the Christmas masses. It was wonderful to see our Church so full of people. Wouldn't it be wonderful it could happen every week? That is what we need to work towards and to pray for.

Finally, I thank all of you for contributions to our Christmas collection and our collection for Christmas flowers. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

When we started the new year three years ago, very few of us had even heard of covid. Much has happened in the past three years. Many have suffered because of this pandemic. Far too many have died. Many things have changed and St. Mary's has weathered the storm as a community of faith.

As our new year begins in a post-pandemic world, I look forward with hope that we will continue to respond to the challenges ahead relying on the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the patronage of our Blessed Mother. Doing so we will make present the peace and joy of Christmas throughout the coming year.

Fr. Carey

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society

**St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society
would like to thank the priests,
staff, parishioners and members
of St. Mary's for a wonderful year!**

**We have been a ministry at St. Mary's
for 86 years because of all your
help & support.**

**To all our families and friends,
we would like to wish you a very
Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!**

Food Pantry News

The St. Mary's Food Pantry would like to thank the following groups and individuals for their support during 2022. We could not have helped the many families and seniors without their efforts. So in no particular order, our angels are:

*Father Carey, Father Pat, Father Tom (deceased)
Deacon John, Dory Weiss-Parish Secretary,
John Weiss - Business Administrator
Kathy Sylvester-Pastoral Associate for Liturgy/RCIA
Abner Buensalida & Jose Lopez-St. Mary's Maintenance
Beth Meloscia and the Youth & Young Adult Ministry
The Parishioners of St. Mary's, Janine Aiello,
Erin Alloca, Nick Alloca, Phil Alloca, Mary Auriti,
June DiGirolamo, Matthew DiGirolamo,
Karen Ebenhack, Melissa Gracey, Lynda McGowan,
Margaret Molder, Irene Murphy, Mary Normoyle,
Cathy Pacana, Shamil Roca, Sheila Romaine, Maryann Russini,
Laura Sarmiento, Laura Sobek & our Confirmation Candidates*

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Anna, Denise & Lynne



Religious Education at St. Mary's

Sacrament Preparation Programs

Re-engagement in our parish:
Volunteering at St. Mary's Religious Education

Confirmation Preparation



SAVE THE DATE - The Confirmation Retreat Experience will be here at St. Mary's on Saturday, 1/21/2022 beginning at 1:00 p.m. Parents and/or sponsors join us at 4:00 p.m. The day concludes with the acceptance of candidates at the 5:30 p.m. mass which we all attend together.

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Stewardship Reflection

Epiphany of the Lord

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.



IT'S MEGA-RAFFLE TIME

THANK YOU...

to all who participated in our Mega Raffle;
to our sponsors. - Bergen Irish Assoc., Volk Leber Funeral Home,
Asm. Holly Schepisi and Griddle This Food Service

We are very grateful for your continued support.

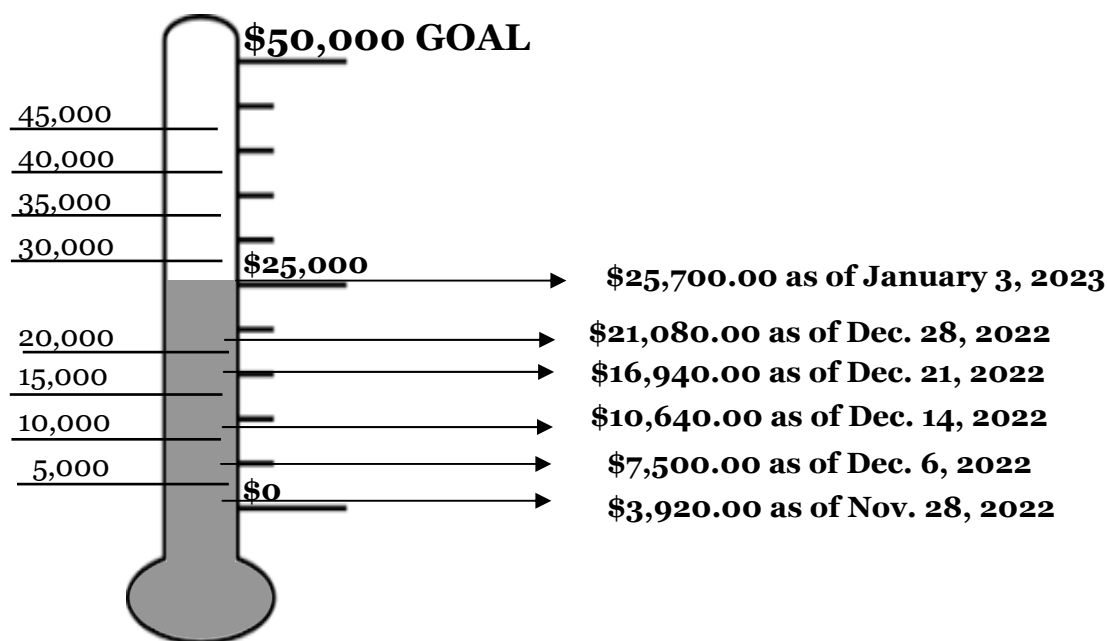
The winning tickets will be pulled today, January 8th, 2023, the Feast of the Epiphany after the 12:00 noon Mass.

Tickets are \$20.00 each. There will be three (3) prizes

1st Prize will be 25% of the proceeds

2nd Prize will be 15% of the proceeds and

3rd Prize will be 10% of the proceeds.





SAVE THE DATE

ST. MARY'S BEEFSTEAK DINNER FUNDRAISER SATURDAY 2/11/22 @ 7:00

Featuring:

NIGHTINGALES & Esteem Entertainment



**INSTRUCTED LINE
DANCING**

BASKET RAFFLE

50 /50 RAFFLE

TICKETS \$60 PP

Donate a Basket

Volunteer

Monetary Donations Accepted

RESERVATION FORM TO FOLLOW

**For More Info Call Sheila – 201-384-0557 - Ext. 20
religioused@stmarysdumont.org**

THANK YOU!



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'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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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)

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K of C Lecture Program #.3

Debbie Provencher, Director of The Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center, in Hackensack, will present a program on the work and the mission of the Center, in the council Hall, on Sunday, January 15th, 2023, at 1:30 PM. Her talk will be followed by a question-and-answer period, and light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

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	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Collections: Dec. 31 - Jan. 1	\$12,377.00	\$8,442.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	<u>2,259.00</u>	<u>1,267.00</u>
Total	<u>\$14,636.00</u>	<u>\$9,709.00</u>

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.

