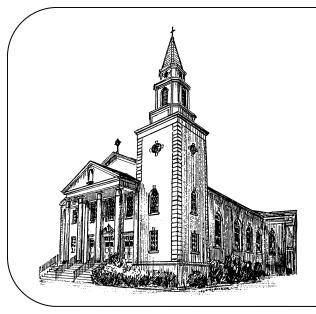
# The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

# St. Mary's Church

February 12, 2023

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### **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/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
Sheila Romaine, Religious Ed. Secretary &
Safe Environment Coordinator

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

email: religioused@stmarysdumont.org

Altar & Rosary:

email: rosaryaltarsociety@stmarysdumont.org

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.

ST. MARY'S **DUMONT** 



Saturday Feb. 11 - Vigil 5:30PM James Fazzari

Feb. 12 - Sixth Sunday in Sunday

**Ordinary Time** 

7:45AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

10:00AM Teresa Cervasio Jane Mazzie 12 Noon

Monday Feb. 13 - Weekday

7:00AM Joseph Reilly

Robert and Joan Mascarelli 8:45AM

Feb. 14 - Sts. Cyril, Monk and Tuesday

Methodius

Brendan M. Thornton 7:00AM 8:45AM Margaret Flaherty Wednesday Feb. 15 - Weekday 7:00AM **Brendan Thornton** 8:45AM **Rooney Family** 

**Thursday** Feb. 16 - Weekday Joan Amato-Dwane 7:00AM 8:45AM Michael and Mary O'Neill **Friday** Feb. 17 - Weekday

Kristen Turvey (Living) 7:00AM 8:45AM Fabian Banzil, Sr. Saturday Feb. 18 - Weekday

8:30AM Francisco Sv

Ivanica Telesmanich 5:30PM

Sunday Feb. 19 - Seventh Sunday in **Ordinary Time** 

George Michael Woke 7:45AM Parishioners of St. Mary's 10:00AM

12 Noon Michael J. Burke

# **Special Intentions**

The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given for the intentions of the Abad Family requested by Antonio Abad.

# In Loving Memory



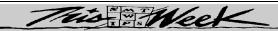
The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Francisco Sy and Valentina D. Sy requested by Lourdes Sy-MEMORIAIS Trujillo.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Betty Pizza.

# 2023 Available Offerings

#### **Bread and Wine:**

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



Sunday – Feb. 12 9:15AM RCIA Kids

Monday - Feb. 13

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

7:00PM PACT Confirmation Session 2 UC/School

7:30PM RCIA Class 8:00PM Basketball SH

Tuesday - Feb. 14

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 5:300M Irish Step Dancing SH/LS

Wednesday - Feb. 15

After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena and Rosary UC

7:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday - Feb. 16

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS 8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH

Friday - Feb. 17

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

8:00PM No Basketball SH

Saturday - Feb. 18

8:00AM No Korean School

Sunday – Feb. 19 9:15AM RCIA Kids

Second Collection: Aid to the Church in Central and

Eastern Europe

# Stewardship Reflection

#### 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:20

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear – it's the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern day Pharisee.

## Old Palms Wanted



Please bring your old palms to the church and put them in the box in the vestibule or the parish office so we can burn and use them for distribution of ashes on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd.

# From the Pastor

As we look forward to celebrating Valentine's Day, today we celebrate World Marriage Sunday; a day to acknowledge the supreme importance of the loving relationship of two people who commit to sharing the journey of life. While Valentine's Day reminds us of the all the romantic aspects of love, World Marriage Sunday calls us to acknowledge the daily work of remaining in a life-long, committed relationship.

In November 2009 the U.S. Catholic Bishops approved a pastoral letter entitled "Marriage: Love and Life in the Divine Plan." The letter presents the essential points of Catholic teaching on marriage as a natural gift, as sacramental, and as a public commitment. It also discusses several contemporary challenges to marriage and how the Church can help couples address these many challenges.

In a culture where half of all marriages end in divorce, it is important for us as a community of faith to acknowledge the many couples who have weathered the storms of life with their commitment made stronger by the journey they have shared. As we celebrate World Marriage Sunday, let us thank these special couples for their witness of faith in each other and in the God who has united them in the special bond of married love.

# Fr. Carey

# <u>Congratulations to</u> <u>Fr. Carey and Fr. Pat</u>

The Council of Irish Associations of Greater Bergen County, Inc. named **Fr. Carey and Fr. Pat** as recipients of the **Gunning Award** for the council's 41st Annual Bergen County St. Patrick's Day Parade, for their commitment to the council, the support and assistance with the organization of the parade.

Fr. Carey and Fr. Pat will be honored at their annual St. Patrick's Day Parade Installation Dance to be held on Saturday, Feb. 25th from 5:00PM to 10:00PM at the Graycliff Manor in Moonachie, NJ. Information on their Parade Journal can be found at https://www.bergencountyirish.org/journal.

The 41st Annual Bergen County St. Patrick's Day parade will be held on Sunday, March 12th at 2:00PM in Bergenfield, NJ.

Again, Congratulations!

#### 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...Timothy King

#### **Pray for Our Sick**

John Ramzi...Rose O'Shea...Sean Haves...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...Rose Klenck...Kathleen...Maureen Patricia Adone...Teresita Ariola...Jeannie Kweders Jonathan Jacoby...Laura Kibala...Fergus Begley Anthony Montalbano...Nick Marino...Brian O'Dowd Paquale Manzo...Jane Galo...Lorraine M...Hather R Raymond Pedalino..Audrey Maguire..Michael Vogt George Tarlac..Laura Labetti..Simone Borges..Anya Marcus Celeran...Mikkel Leutgeb...Viktor Bagang Camille Cabezas...Juan Guzman...Victoria Healey Pat Stella...Concepcion Santos...Ralph L...Marilyn I ~ \*~ \*~ \*~ \*~ \*~ \*<sup>\*</sup>~ \* ~ \*~ \*~ \*~ \*<sup>\*</sup>~ \*~ \* ~ \* ~ \*<sup>\*</sup>~ \*~

# **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)

	<u> 2023</u>	<u> 2022</u>
Collections: Feb. 4 - 5	\$7,051.00	\$6,671.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	2,240.00	1,497.00
Total	<u>\$9,291.00</u>	<u>\$8,168.00</u>
Fuel	\$2,575,00	\$2.278.00

**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.

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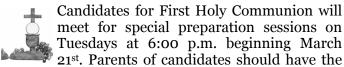


## PACT/Religious Education Program

#### **Sunday Saints: March Schedule Change**

The March session for our PACT Sunday SAINTS schedule has been changed to March 5<sup>th</sup>. PACT Saints families: When you receive the new violet-colored schedule via regular mail, be sure to discard your old PACT Sunday SAINTS schedule. There will be no session March 26<sup>th</sup>. On March 5<sup>th</sup>, PACT Saints and Angels groups will participate in a combined session which will be part of our Lenten Parish Mission led by the Redemptorist Fathers.

#### **Preparation for First Holy Communion**



schedule which lists preparation sessions, practice, and the date of celebration of First Holy Communion for their children.

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

We are so glad to see parishioners re-engage in parish life here at St. Mary's. Have you considered volunteering (or re-engaging) at Education? People from many different walks of life volunteer as leaders, catechists, substitutes, and aides at our Religious Education once or twice per month on a Sunday morning or a weekday evening. Volunteer requirements include completing application with a background check and attendance at a Protecting God's Children seminar here or at another parish in our Archdiocese of Newark. For more information, call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or e-mail religioused@stmarvsdumont.org.

#### Monday Evening Confirmation Preparation Sessions



Monday evening Confirmation Preparation Sessions have begun. Candidates meet once per month for preparation, in addition to separate PACT/Religious Education

sessions. Pray for our candidates for the deepening of the Holy Spirit in their lives, in their families, and in our parish community.

Confirmation candidates and their parents are reminded to check the St. Mary's e-mail blast each week and PACT/Religious Education e-mails for possible service opportunities. Contact the person running event via the e-mail provided for more information.

## Faith Sharing Groups for Lent

Small groups are offered to anyone who would like to lead one. They can be virtual or in person. Just call the parish office to get material.

# **Wedding Anniversary Liturgies**

The archdiocese is excited to announce that they are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of valid marriage for the Catholic faithful in the year 2023!

These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

#### **Celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin:**

April 16, 2023 3:00 PM 50 years (All counties)

#### **Celebrated by Bishop Gregory Studerus:**

May 7, 2023 3:00 PM 5 years & 25 years (All counties)

It is our desire that every couple in the Archdiocese deserving of such recognition be present at the appropriate liturgy. The presence of a large number of couples will be a tender witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society. Since they we were unable to host these celebrations in 2020 and 2021, and many families are still playing 'catch up' with their celebrations, any couple who would have celebrated their Silver or Gold Anniversary in those years can also join them. Please note, whether the milestone anniversary took place in 2020, 2021 or 2022, the certificates will still say Silver or Gold, not 26, 51 etc.

If you would like to participate in one of these liturgies, you need to come to the parish office and fill in a registration form so that they know the names and the number of those attending each liturgy.

# Annual Appeal

The 2023 Annual Appeal is well underway. St. Mary is currently at \$4,559.00\$ from 31 families as of Tuesday, February 7, 2023.

Thank you to those who have already pledged. Your support is central to the mission of the Archdiocese of Newark. Together we can continue to serve with faith, hope and charity.

If you have yet to participate, please pick up a pledge envelope at the doors of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

# Liturgy of the Word With Children is Coming Back at the 10 am Mass! Stay Tuned!



After an almost 3-year break due to covid, we are happy to announce that LWC will resume shortly at the 10 am Mass! While we are in the planning process, we realize that some families may be wondering what it is all about or may have never experienced Liturgy of the Word with Children. So take a few moments to look over the brief article below, and watch for updates as to the exact date we will resume.

# Why Liturgy of the Word with Children?? A Celebration of the Good News with Our Children

In the Gospels Jesus tells us often of the importance of Children. The Church in the *Directory for Masses With Children*, *published* in 1973 calls on all parish communities to "help the children readily and joyfully to encounter Christ together in the Eucharistic Celebration." In 1992 St. Mary's began celebrating the Liturgy of the Word With Children at the 10 a.m. Sunday Mass. All children who have the ability to sit still and listen (approximately 4 years of age) are invited to participate. (We have found that by the age of 11 or 12 they tend to stay with the assembly upstairs). The children are dismissed after the opening prayer and process to the lower church, following the adult who will preside at this celebration of the Word. The children listen to readings from the Lectionary for Masses with children. They are the same readings that are proclaimed upstairs in the main assembly, only in a language that is easier for the children to understand. Following the readings, the children and the presider explore ("break open") the Word of God together. It is truly amazing to listen to what the children contribute to the reflections. After the children have finished exploring the Word of God, they say a simplified Creed and the Prayer of the Faithful in which they offer their own petitions for their families, the ill and needy of our parish, as well as those in need throughout the world. The children then rejoin the main assembly upstairs (during the collection) for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

The faith of the children and the development of their relationship with God has always been a concern of the church. LWC offers a way of forming "young hearers of the Word." The way in which the word of God is proclaimed and celebrated in the lives of children today will shape the future life of the church. In short we celebrate with children not because they will someday be adults, but because childhood has dignity of its own.

Anyone who would like to help with this program is invited to contact Anne Marie Bishopp at Jamduffy5@aol.com.

# A Day of Remembrance, Hope and Healing – Monday, February 13, 2023

The **Respect Life Ministry of St. Paul, Ramsey,** invites all members of St. Mary's Parish to join us at St. Paul RC Church, Ramsey, for **Adoration and Prayer** on **February 13, 2023** to remember the 63 Million babies' lives lost in the US since1973, their parents and families, and to pray for the end of abortion.

12 Noon Mass 12:30pm – 9:00pm Eucharistic Adoration 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00pm– 4:00 pm Confessions (English and Spanish) 5:30pm Evening Prayer 7:00pm Rosary and Litany for Life 8:00pm – 8:45pm Confessions (English) 8:45pm – 9:00pm Benediction ST. MARY'S DUMONT

# St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society News

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society will be hosting an Easter candy fundraiser with Gertrude Hawk Chocolates!

The sale has started and will end on February 27. All families enrolled in our PACT program should have received the information flyer at their classes.

All other parishioners can pick up information packets at the doors of the upper church.

Thank you for your support!!

Also, please join us on Thursday, March 9
@ 7 pm in Szelest Hall for our next meeting.
Come share your faith with us and renew
your devotion to our Blessed Mother.

Kathy Mullins – President rosaryaltarsociety@stmarysdumont.org



#### ST. MARY'S ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

Dear Supporters,

GROUP NAME

We are hosting an Easter Candy Fundraiser through Gertrude Hawk Chocolates. You can shop online with this flyer or pick up a catalog and order form packet in the Upper Church or the PACT office.

Participants who place online orders within the sale dates can choose to have their orders delivered for free with the main shipment. Out of town friends and family can choose to send their orders directly to their home (shipping fees apply). Online orders that are being shipped to a home can be placed up until 3/26/2023. All web orders require credit card payment.

If you are submitting a paper order form, please keep the bottom copy and brochure for your records. Paper order forms should NOT include any online sales. Total dollars sent in should equal Grand Total Amount on the order form.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society.

We are Raising Funds for: St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society

Our Fundraiser is From: TODAY UNTIL FEBRUARY 27, 2023

Our Organization ID # is: 119856

Estimated Delivery Date: WEEK OF MARCH 27TH

#### TO PURCHASE ONLINE:

- ${\color{red} \blacktriangleright} \ \ \text{Go to fundraising.gertrude} \\ \text{hawkchocolates.com} \\$
- ➤ Select: I AM A BUYER
- > Select: FIND A FUNDRAISER
- In the CHOOSE ORGANIZATION box, Type Code 119856 (choose St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society, Dumont, NJ) Click NEXT
- > In the CHOOSE SELLER box, Type Saint (choose Saint Mary's) Click GET STARTED

Thank you for supporting our fundraiser!

Please share this information with family & friends

#### Food Pantry News

Thank you to all the parishioners of St. Mary's who continue to support the food pantry. Mark your calendars for our next drive-through food donation on Saturday, February 25 from 10 am to 12 noon. And what better way to shop for the drive-through than at the Shop Rite Can Can sales which have already started! A great way to help the pantry stock up on many of our nonperishable items! Cannot make the food drive, no problem! We will gladly accept food donations at any time. Please drop at the rectory between 9 am & 5 pm or leave in the vestibule of the upper church.

PLEASE remember to check the dates on your items. Outdated items cannot be distributed.

If you wish to make a monetary donation, there will be envelopes at the doors of the church the weekends of February 18th & 25<sup>th</sup>. Please return the envelope to the rectory or place in the collection baskets at mass.

In addition to non-perishable food items, we will be collecting turkeys and hams for Easter beginning March 1. Please bring to the rectory between 9am & 5pm by Friday, March 31.

If you or anyone you know needs groceries, please email the pantry at foodpantry@stmarysdumont.org.

God Bless, Anna, Denise & Lynne



Saturday, February 25th, 2023 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

#### Saint Mary's Church 280 Washington Ave, Dumont NJ

Items In Need: Cranberry Sauce, Stuffing, Jello, Dried/Canned Potatoes, Canned Vegetables/Fruit, Yams, Turkey Gravy, Oatmeal, Condiments, Tea/Coffee, Cake Mix/Frosting/Brownie Mix, Canned Tuna/Meats, Pasta/Sauce, Bisquick/Syrup, Rice Dishes, Mac & Cheese, Progresso Soups, Shampoo/Conditioner, Soap, Paper Towels, Napkins, Tissues, Toilet Paper

# \*Frozen Turkeys, \*Hams Drop off procedures:

Please enter the St. Mary's parking lot from Washington Avenue, follow the driveway around the back of the church and then to the area between the church and the rectory. It is preferable that the driver be the only person in the car. The bag should be placed in the back seat on the passenger side or in the trunk if the trunk can be opened from inside the car.

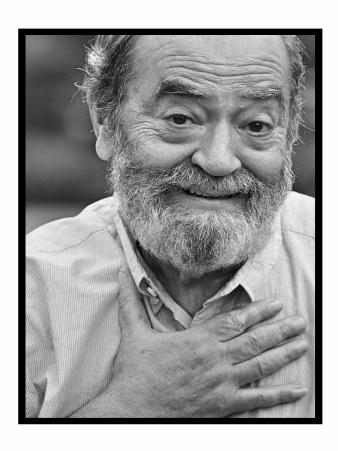
A volunteer will take the food from the car.

We thank everyone in advance for your generosity
All donated food must be non-perishable (\*except frozen turkeys and hams) and in a bag with handles,

Due to the recent bag ban, donation bags will be available in the Church beginning Sunday February 5th, 2023

# a r k Your Calendar

# Feeding the Hungers of the Heart



PARISH MISSION
St. Mary's
Dumont, NJ

7:00 PM March 6th - 8th, 2023



Fr. Jim Wallace, C.Ss.R.



Fr. Francis Gargaini, C.Ss.R.



Fr. Philip Dabney, C.Ss.R.