



The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

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

February 11, 2024
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

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stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com

EUCCHARISTIC 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!

Weekly MASS Intentions

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Saturday	Feb. 10 - Vigil
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday	Feb. 11 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:45AM	George Michael Woke
10:00AM	Betty Duffy
12 Noon	Sharon Smith
Monday	Feb. 12 - Weekday
7:00AM	Jose Carretas
8:45AM	Tara Hogan (Living)
Tuesday	Feb. 13 - Weekday
7:00AM	Robert Looes
8:45AM	Bartolome Ligsay
Wednesday	Feb. 14 - Ash Wednesday
7:00AM	Brendan Thornton
8:45AM	Esteban Diaz
3:30PM	Prayer Service
7:30PM	Mary McLaughlin
Thursday	Feb. 15 - Thursday after Ash Wednesday
7:00AM	Paul Collins
8:45AM	Emil Harris
Friday	Feb. 16 - Friday after Ash Wednesday
7:00AM	Francis Fitzgerald
8:45AM	Christopher Bishopp
Saturday	Feb. 17 - Saturday after Ash Wednesday
8:30AM	Fabian Banzil, Sr.
5:30PM	Michael J. Burke
Sunday	Feb. 18 - First Sunday of Lent
7:45AM	Peggy Cronin and John Daly
10:00AM	Ivanica Telesmanich
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Mary McLaughlin requested by the Arroyo Family.

Special Intentions

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and for St. Mary's Parish requested by the Rick Family.

This Week



Sunday – Feb. 11
10:00AM Choir and Rite of Sending Call/Dismissal
1:30PM Baptisms UC
7:00PM JWalk Meeting YR
Monday – Feb. 12
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
7:00PM Confirmation Session #4
7:15PM Burning of Palms Rectory Garages
8:00PM Basketball SH
Tuesday – Feb. 13
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS
6:30PM Decorate for Lent
Wednesday - Feb. 14
Ash Wednesday
Masses: 7:00AM, 8:45AM and 7:30PM
Service: 3:30PM
After 8:45AM OLPH Novena & Rosary UC
7:30PM No Line Dancing SH
Thursday – Feb. 15
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS
7:00PM RCIA Class Rectory
8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH
Friday – Feb. 16
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Aramaic School
7:00PM Stations of the Cross UC
8:00PM Basketball SH
Saturday – Feb. 17
8:00AM No Korean School
1:30PM Call to Continuing Conversion Newark
Sunday – Feb. 18
First Sunday of Lent
10:00AM Choir and Rite of Sending
4:30PM Rite of Election Newark

Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Benedetta Vassallo and Eileen DeFabiis.

2024 Offerings Available

Bread and Wine: Apr. 28; June 2; Aug. 11 & 18



As we look forward to celebrating Valentine’s Day this coming Wednesday, a day that this year also happens to be Ash Wednesday, today we celebrate World Marriage Sunday; a day to acknowledge the supreme importance of a loving relationship of two people who are committed 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

Deanery Lenten Penance Service



The following are the dates and locations for the Lenten Penance services in our deanery:

Monday, February 26 @ 7:00 pm
St. Mary's Dumont

Monday, March 4 @ 7:00 pm
St Joseph's in Oradell

Monday, March 11 @ 7:00 pm
St. Peter's in River Edge

Monday, March 18 @ 7:00 pm
Our Lady of the Visitation in Paramus



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2024 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the “paschal fast” to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, **and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially”, or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 18** to **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 26, 2024.**

*Canon 920, §1. *All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*

Stations of the Cross



We will celebrate Stations of the Cross in the upper church all Fridays of Lent at 7:00 pm using different meditations each week. Our first session will be Friday, February 16th.



PACT/Religious Education Program

St. Mary's PACT/Religious Education Program

Contact Information Update

PACT parents- please ensure that your contact information is correct so that we may contact you when necessary. Have you changed a phone number - or have a new cellphone? Do you receive e-mails with important updates from St. Mary's PACT and from the parish? Have you moved? To update your information, e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-0557 extension 20.

New/Returning Families

Do you know anyone who needs more information about Religious Education or a family with children who should be attending? Refer them to us, they may e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-0557 extension 20. Thank you!

First Holy Communion Preparation – Save the dates!



See the information letter which was distributed to parents for more details about First Communion Preparation. Special preparation sessions begin 3/28.

Old Palms Wanted



Please bring your old palms to the church and put them in the box in the vestibule or the parish office by Monday, Feb. 12 so we can burn them that night at 7:15pm by the rectory garages. It will provide us ashes to be used on Ash Wednesday, February 14th.

Faith Sharing Groups for Lent

Want to do something different this lent? Why not start a small weekly faith sharing group with your friends. Anyone who is interested should call the parish office, and we will send you materials to use for these Lectionary based reflections. Questions? Email Kathy Sylvester, Kathy@stmarysdumont.org.

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 Murray

Pray for Our Sick

John Ramzi...Rose O'Shea...Arvin Erd...Diane Lang
Kathleen Oates...Ann Marie Maurice...Myra D'Silva
Steve Riccardi...Concepcion Santos...Brian O'Dowd
Michael Hayes...Ted Widman...Alice Widman
Michele Patetta...John Romaine...Anne Picciano
Robert Baccollo...Joseph Welsh...Jonel Tinio
Carmelo Abbruzzesi...Baby Colton Lewis...Gary Barba
Perla Biron...Skylar Frye...Scott Tkacz...Sean Hayes
N.Diamond...Joan Lyons...Perla Biron...June H
Patricia Adone...George Taylor...Tom Aquino
Francis Martin...Maureen Martin...Ryan Heckman

Patient Privacy Reminder

A reminder to all parishioners, due to Patient Privacy regulations, hospitals cannot notify us when our parishioners are in the hospital. Please let us know or have someone call us so that one of the priests can visit you. Thank you for your understanding.

2023 Contributions Statement

If you want a statement regarding your 2023 contributions, please call the parish office and give us your name, address and envelope number.

We will get the statement to you in a timely fashion.

Stewardship Reflection

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." - 1 CORINTHIANS 10:31

Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other "gods" (like our pride, ego, money and possessions) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself, "I'm I going this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?"

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)

	2024	2023
Collections: Feb. 2 - 3	\$7,243.00	\$7,051.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	<u>1,775.00</u>	<u>2,240.00</u>
Total	<u>\$9,018.00</u>	<u>\$9,291.00</u>
Fuel	\$2,010.00	\$2,575.00

Treasure from our children: \$13.00

Here are some of the good deeds that the children of St. Mary's did as a way of showing their love of God and of our parish. We hope that they will always know how important what they do for God and for us truly is. Even though they are still young, they can give us a wonderful example to follow.

***"I helped someone." "I said my prayers."
"I talked with parents about lesson."
"I cleaned my toys."***



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 .

We greatly appreciate your continued support to St. Mary's.

ANNUAL ²⁰²⁴ APPEAL

The 2024 Annual Appeal has begun! You should have received an invitation in the mail from Cardinal Tobin to consider making a financial sacrifice to support this year's Annual Appeal. We are grateful for your generosity and we rely on it because it helps support essential ministries and programs of our Archdiocese, which are also centric to our faith. Your support to the Annual Appeal helps us accomplish across the Archdiocese what we would not be able to do alone.

You can make a gift online by going to rcan.org/sharing.

Thank you for your time and consideration. You are in my prayers. Please pray for the success of the Annual Appeal.

Lenten Giving Tree



This year during Lent for our Giving Tree, we will be helping The Nurturing Place (York Street Project). Tags will be available the first weekend of Lent, February 17-18.

The following are the items, which are on the tags, will help them out:

- Paper Towel (8.5 inch)
- Liquid Bleach (Unscented)
- Liquid Hand Soap (Refill jugs and individual)
- Tissues
- Laundry Detergents
- Paper Plates
- Paper Bowls
- 7 oz. Plastic Cups
- Plastic Forks and Spoons
- Zip Lock Bags (Gallon, quart, sandwich, snack)
- Baby Wipes (Unscented)
- Baby Food (Fruits and vegetables only - jars/pouches)

Any donation you can give us is greatly appreciated. You can bring the item marked, **"Lenten Giving Tree"**, before Easter to the church in the weekend or the parish office during the week from 9:00am to 5:00pm.



ST. JOHN'S CONCIL #1345
61 ARMOUR PL., DUMONT, NJ

SUPER BOWL LVIII

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

VS

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11TH
DOORS OPEN 4:30PM
\$10 PER PERSON - CASH BAR

**INCLUDES HORS D'OEUVRES, HOT DOGS,
WINGS, FRENCH FRIES, AND SNACKS BEFORE
AND DURING THE GAME**

**HALFTIME BUFFET OF PASTA, MEATBALLS,
SAUSAGE & PEPPERS, SALAD, BREAD**



QUESTIONS CALL OR TEXT
MIKE R. AT 201-280-8727

Save the Date! Monday February 19, 7 p.m.

St. Mary's Church, 280 Washington Ave, Dumont, NJ

"Mission Possible: Being Eucharist Alive"

An Evening of Reflection with S. Marilyn Minter, CSSF



About our presenter...



Sister Marilyn Marie Minter has been a member of the Felician Community for 49 years and has been involved in a variety of ministries as a Felician Sister. She spent a number of years in the field of education on the elementary and secondary levels during which her ministry took her to numerous high schools and elementary schools in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware. Sister Marilyn worked with the Vocation Offices of Newark, Metuchen, Trenton, Camden, Philadelphia, and Wilmington, helping to plan and present programs to foster and nourish the call to use one's gifts and talents in the service of the Lord and the people of God. For more than a decade, Sister Marilyn responded to an inner call of evangelization with and among the poor that led her to various mission immersion experiences in Africa, Mexico, Kamchatka in Russia, and Haiti. Sister Marilyn has also served the Archdiocese of Newark as an Associate Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries and her religious community as Director of Music and Liturgy in Lodi, NJ. She has conducted parish missions, as well as retreats with youth, young adults and the not-so-young.

A free-will offering will be taken to support the Haiti Mission of the Felician Sisters.



Flowers Donation Thank You!



Donated By:	In Memory/Honor Of:
Fredericko Glori	
Ms. Cristal Ibarra	Jose A. Ibarra; Hilda Villarreal
Mr. & Mrs. Rocky Labarbera	
Mrs. Diana McCullough	Joseph McCullough; Dennis & Emelia Walsh; Fran & Mary McCullough
Brian O'Dowd	
Mr. & Mrs. Filip Pindulic	
Alex Yu	

Our heartfelt thank you to all those who donated towards the Christmas Flowers Offering. The flowers made our church even more beautiful! Your generosity and continued support is greatly appreciated.

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society News



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

Order form packets are available at the doors of the upper church. All families enrolled in our PACT program will receive a flyer during their PACT session. Orders are due Monday, February 19. Thank you for your support!!

Also, please join us on Tuesday, March 5th @ 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. JOSEPH CHURCH

Presents

BEHOLD

A Eucharistic Revival
A LIVE 3-NIGHT ENCOUNTER

LOCATION:
St. Joseph Church
300 Elm Street, Oradell, NJ

DATES:
Monday, Feb. 26th, 7:30pm
Tuesday, Feb. 27th, 7:30pm
Wednesday, Feb. 28th, 7:30pm
Mass : 8:15pm

INCLUDING

AOH MUSIC

FATHER LUKE FLETCHER, CFR **DR. DAVID HAJDUK**

Array of Hope offers, in collaboration with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, a 3 night encounter with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

The nights include talks, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, music provided by AOH Music and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

The "BEHOLD" nights look to be very bright lights which the Lord will use to pour out streams of grace to those who attend [and] tie in very well with the Bishops' recent document on the "Holy Eucharist: The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church."

— Bishop Andrew Cozzens
(Chairman of the USCCB committee on Evangelization and Catechesis and leader of the National Eucharistic Revival)

www.arrayofhope.org