

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



*March 17, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Lent*

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

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Stephen A. Carey, *Pastor*
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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	March 16 - Vigil
5:30PM	Dolores Calupad Diaz
Sunday	March 17 - Fifth Sunday of Lent
7:45AM	Bill O'Shea and Family
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
12 Noon	Josie Cahill
Monday	March 18 - Lenten Weekday
7:00AM	Brendan M. Thornton
8:45AM	Gerald DeCrescenzo
Tuesday	March 19 - St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00AM	Gerard Reilly
8:45AM	Roisin McLoughlin and Elaine Greenan
7:30PM	Timothy Keith Martin
Wednesday	March 20 - Lenten Weekday
7:00AM	Michael J. Coyle
8:45AM	Brian O'Connell
Thursday	March 21 - Lenten Weekday
7:00AM	Deceased Members of the Sheehan Family
8:45AM	John and Eileen O'Neill
Friday	March 22 - Lenten Weekday
7:00AM	Anthony and Anna Tarabocchia
8:45AM	Kazimir Telesmanich
Saturday	March 23 - Lenten Weekday
8:30AM	Kay Ramm
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday	March 24 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
7:45AM	Kay Ramm
10:00AM	Josie Cahill
12 Noon	Brian O'Connell



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses and the **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of Gerard Reilly requested by his wife and family.

Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Angeline Romero Canlas.

This Week



Sunday – March 17
Fifth Sunday of Lent
10:00AM Choir and Third Scrutiny
St. Patrick's Day
Food Collection Weekend
Monday – March 18
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
8:00PM Basketball SH
Tuesday – March 19
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS
7:30PM St. Joseph's Mass and Social UC/SFC
Presentation of the Lord's Prayer for the Elect
Wednesday - March 20
After 8:45AM OLPH Novena & Rosary UC
4:30PM Basketball Aramaic SH
7:30PM Line Dancing SH
Thursday – March 21
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS
7:00PM RCIA Class Rectory
8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH
Friday – March 22
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Aramaic School
7:00PM Stations of the Cross UC
8:00PM Basketball SH
Saturday – March 23
8:00AM Korean School
9:00AM JWalk Palm Cross Pickup Rectory Garages
9:30AM Decorate for Palm Sunday
10:00AM Food Pickup LC
3:45PM Penance Make-up
Sunday – March 24
Palm Sunday
8:30AM PACT Saints Church/School
10:00AM Choir and RCIA Dismissal
After 12:00PM Mass PALAD EB Meeting FDVRm
7:00PM JWalk Stations Practice UC

Deanery Lenten Penance Service

The last Lenten Penance service in our deanery is on Monday, March 18 @ 7:00 pm at **Our Lady of the Visitation in Paramus.**



Even though today is officially the feast day of St. Patrick, because of the Bergen County Parade, we celebrated St. Patrick last week. Well, today we celebrate St. Patrick again and we prepare to celebrate St. Joseph.

To mark the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, on December 8, 2020 Pope Francis issued the Apostolic Letter, “Patris corde” (“With a Father’s Heart”). As the Holy Father says in this letter, “Each of us can discover in Joseph – the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence – an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation.”

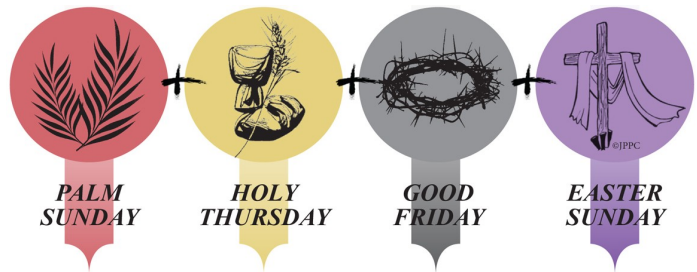
On Tuesday of this week, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church. As a “Foster Father,” St. Joseph played his part in bringing Jesus to a world in need. Let us remember that as followers of Christ, it is our job to bring Jesus to those in need. Let us follow the examples of St. Joseph as we boldly proclaim the Good News of Salvation by the way we live our lives.

Fr. Carey

Feast of St. Joseph - March 19th



Join us on Tuesday, March 19th at the 7:30pm Mass for the Feast of St. Joseph. Following the Mass, there will be a social in the Spiritual Center.



Palm Sunday Schedule

**Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion
(Palm to be distributed at all Masses)**

Saturday, March 23 - 5:30 PM
Sunday, March 24 – 7:45 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM

The Paschal Triduum Schedule

Holy Thursday – March 28

7:30 PM – Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper
11:00 PM – Night Prayer

Good Friday – March 29

9:00 AM – Morning Prayer
3:00 PM – Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion
7:30 PM – Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday – March 30

9:00 AM – Morning Prayer
8:00 PM – Vigil of the Lord’s Resurrection

Easter Schedule

Easter Sunday – March 31

Masses at: 7:45 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12:00 Noon

Chrism Mass



Chrism Mass will be in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart at 8:00 pm on Monday, March 25.. The Sacred Oils used in our Sacramental life will be blessed at this liturgy and distributed to all parishes.

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.





PACT/Religious Education Program

St. Mary's PACT/Religious Education Program

PACT/Religious Education is a family program provided for all parish families with children in grades 1-8 who do not attend Catholic schools (we also have a small Kindergarten group). Children who attend regular Religious Education or Catholic school are then prepared separately for First Communion, Penance, and Confirmation.

If you or someone you know needs more information about Religious Education here at St. Mary's please e-mail religiused@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-0557 extension 20. Thank you!

First Holy Communion Preparation



Please pray for our First Holy Communion candidates and their families who we will welcome to the table of the Lord during our Easter Season. Our regular preparation sessions for First Holy Communion are Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. beginning with prayer and song in the church. The next session is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9th. Be sure to check your First Holy Communion Preparation schedule for other important dates and announcements.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Please take this opportunity to pray for our candidates, their families, and our community that the Holy Spirit may enliven us to be witnesses of the Good News in our families, neighborhoods, and world. Our Confirmation practice with candidates, parents, and sponsors is Monday, April 8th. Confirmation is scheduled to be celebrated with Bishop Flesey on April 28th here at St. Mary's. Check your Confirmation Preparation schedule for other important information.



Contact Information Update



PACT/Religious Education 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 religiused@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-0557 extension 20.

Lenten Giving Tree



This year during Lent for our Giving Tree, we will be helping The Nurturing Place (York Street Project). Tags are now available.

The following are the items, *which are on the tags*, that 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.

Stewardship Reflection

5th Sunday of Lent

"I will be their God and they shall be my people." -
JEREMIAH 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

Hackensack Walk-in Shelter - March 6th - Thank You



Our heartfelt thank you to John and Paula Scalice for always delivering the food to the Hackensack Walk-In Shelter. We were able to continue this ministry because of them and we greatly appreciate all their hard work.

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: Mar 9 - 10	\$12,596.00	\$8,103.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	1,854.00	1,173.00
Total	\$14,450.00	\$9,276.00

Treasure from our children: \$10.00

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



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 is underway! We have \$25,076.00 already pledged. This is approximately 56.66% of our goal, from 116 families as of Tuesday, March 12, 2024.

The outpouring of support from many parishioners like you helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish a more vibrant place of worship.

If you have yet to give, please visit www.rcan.org/sharing or scan the QR code.



Thank you for your prayers and support.

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...Arsenia Carrasco
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
Josefina Caoli...Jeanne Kwederis...Miss Giusi S.
Mariantonia D...Fran D...Audrey Maguire...John M.

Wedding Anniversary Liturgies

The archdiocese is 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 2024!

These anniversary liturgies will be held in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows below and will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin:

May 5, 2024 12:00 PM 5 years & 25 years
(All counties)

June 2, 2024 12:00 PM 50 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.

Any couple who would have celebrated their Silver or Gold Anniversary in those years stunted by covid restrictions may still join them. Please note, whether the milestone anniversary took place in 2020, 2021, 2022 or 2023, 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.



Salubong

Please join us on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024
for the celebration and reenactment of “Salubong”,
the first meeting of the Risen Christ and the sorrowful
Virgin Mary on the first Easter morning.
“Salubong” is an old Easter tradition in the Philippines.



Assembly Time: 11:30am (before the 12noon Mass).

Place: St. Mary's Church, 280 Washington Av., Dumont
Procession starts at the parking lot. Reenactment will
commence on the main steps and vestibule.

Sponsor: Philippine-American Lay Apostolate of Dumont (PALAD)



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

"O MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, FOUNT OF MERCY FROM WHICH GUSH FORTH RAYS OF INCONCEIVABLE GRACES."

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!

Please join us for the Divine Mercy Sunday Prayer Service at St. Mary's Church

April 7, 2024, Sunday, after the 12 Noon Holy Mass.
280 Washington Av., Dumont, NJ

Fellowship to follow after the Prayer Service at the Szelest Hall (Gym)

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St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society News

Thank you to all the parishioners who supported our fundraiser held on Saturday & Sunday, March 9th & 10th. It was a huge success! Thank you for your support!

Lourdes Books and Fun Pasta are still available. If you are interested, please send an email to the address listed below with your order. Books: \$20/book, Pasta: \$5/bag

Our next meeting is Tuesday, April 2nd @ 7 pm in Szelest Hall. Come share your faith with us and renew your devotion to our Blessed Mother.

Kathy Mullins – President
rosaryaltarsociety@stmarysdumont.org



Knights of Columbus

ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL No. 1345
61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628

Grand Knight Chuck Hollis invites you to



IRISH NIGHT

On
Saturday March 23rd
From
7:00 pm – 11:00 pm



Join us for one of our most popular events. The evening will consist of an authentic Irish menu including Irish Soda Bread and a sit-down dinner consisting of a Cheese Platter, Corned Beef, Cabbage, Bangers and Mash, coffee, tea and dessert.

Tap beer, wine, and soda are included. All else cash bar available.

Let's not forget featuring LIVE ENTERTAINMENT by

Mike & Noreen Sherry

and a special performance by

Early McLoughlin School of Irish Dance

Last year's event was filled to capacity, so be sure to get your reservations in early! **RSVP REQUIRED!** Call or text Ken A. at 1-516-220-9333 or email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com to RSVP.

All this for only \$40 per person!