

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

November 3, 2024

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is no other  
commandment  
greater than these.

MARK 12:31



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## 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*  
Rev. David W. Milliken, *In-Residence*  
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Mr. Luis Chavez, *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*  
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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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<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Nov. 2 - Vigil</b>
5:30PM	Brendan Thornton
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov. 3 - Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	Antonio Bonaldo
12 Noon	All Souls Novena
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Nov. 4 - St. Charles Borromeo</b>
7:00AM	All Souls Novena
8:45AM	Deceased Members of the O'Shea Family
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Nov. 5 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Caridad G. Liboro
8:45AM	All Souls Novena
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Nov. 6 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	All Souls Novena
8:45AM	Teresa O'Malley
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Nov. 7 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Robert G. Wrightington, Jr.
8:45AM	All Souls Novena
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Nov. 8 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	All Souls Novena
8:45AM	Jim Zanosky
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Nov. 9 - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</b>
8:30AM	All Souls Novena
5:30PM	Kevin McGuire
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov. 10 - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:45AM	Daniel Markert
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
12 Noon	All Souls Novena



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Maria and Ciriaco Ariola requested by Ed and Sally Ariola.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of Zoraida and Alponso Parrella requested by Josie Parrella.

## Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Mamerto Bagang, Mike De Rosa and Sandra Gibbs.

## This Week



<b>Sunday – Nov. 3</b>
8:30AM EGC at St. Mary's
10:00AM Choir UC
<b>Monday – Nov. 4</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
7:00PM RCIA Rectory
8:00PM Basketball
<b>Tuesday – Nov. 5</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS
<b>Wednesday - Nov. 6</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary & OLPH Novena UC
7:30PM Line Dancing SH
<b>Thursday – Nov. 7</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS
7:30PM Bergen Irish Mass UC
8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH
<b>Friday – Nov. 8</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
1:00PM PALAD Karaoke/Line Dancing Fundraising Set-up and Event
5:00PM Aramaic School
8:00PM No Basketball SH
<b>Saturday – Nov. 9</b>
8:00AM Korean School
2:00PM Irish Step Dancing LS
<b>Sunday – Nov. 10</b>
9:00AM OCIA Class
10:00AM Choir UC
1:30PM Baptism
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing LS
7:00PM Youth Group Meeting YRm/SFC

## Stewardship Reflection

### 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“And ‘to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself’ is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices.” (MARK 12:33)*

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.



**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...Anthony Dunkin...Lorenzo Cortezano  
Joseph Ament...Brandon Barhydt

**Pray for Our Sick**

John Ramzi...Rose O'Shea...Arvin Erd...John M. Kathleen Oates...Ann Marie Maurice...Myra D'Silva Steve Riccardi...Brian O'Dowd...Perfecto de Vera Michael Hayes...Ted Widman...Arsenia Carrasco Michele Patetta...John Romaine...Anne Picciano Robert Baccollo...Jonel Tinio...Gary Barba Carmelo Abbruzzesi..Baby Colton Lewis...Any Perla Biron...Skylar Frye...Scott Tkacz...Sean Hayes N. Diamond...Perla Biron...Ryan Heckman...Kevin Patricia Adone...George Taylor...Tom Aquino Josefina Caoli...Jeanne Kwederis...Miss Giusi S. Mariantonia D...Fran D...Lourdes Santamaria Daniel Robbins...Theresa Hong...Lorraine Rolanti Carole Chittenden...Alisen Herman...Fidel Ronque Jing Santamaria...Nicole Sorce...Audrey Maguire Baby Jason Aldo...Jeannine...Billy Schweizer Baby Valentina Victoria Duffy...Wilbert Buco Dorothy Faulkner...Anthony Montagnino Carlos San Juan...Helen de la Pena...John Eckel, Sr. Mila Paras...Sam & Joan Amorosso...Ron Dunkin Marianito Briones...Dafina Stewart

**Sick and Homebound Visit**

If you or know someone who can't come to the church and wanted to receive communion, do confession, or wanted to talk to a priest, please call the parish office at 201-384-0557. Fr. Carey will be glad to visit you.

**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.

It has been a long and, at times, very uncivilized campaign period with a number of very unprecedented events. Many people have become very confused. Others have become disillusioned. Many are asking themselves what is true and what is not. Many have become so alienated by the process that they have decided not to participate in the upcoming elections. The US Bishops Conference reminds us that the Right to Vote is not only a privilege that we must never take for granted; it is an obligation that we as Catholic Christians must exercise.

The website of the US Bishops Conference has numerous resources that can help guide us in our responsibilities in the election process. We are reminded, that as voters, we must be informed voters. We must know all the issues that are important to us as Catholic Christians and as Americans, not just a select few. We must know where the candidates stand on these issues. We must judge the character of the candidates and trust in the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we make our choices.

We must also remember that we are not electing just a president. One third of the Senate and the entire House of Representatives will be chosen this election day. There will also be important choices to make on the State and Local levels.

As we go to the polls this Election Day we must remember that it is not about being a Republican or a Democrat. It is about being an Americans who are voting the best candidate of our nation and for our fellow Americans.

**Fr. Carey**

**2025 Offerings Available**

**Bread and Wine:**

Jan. 19 & 26; Mar. 9, 16, 23 & 30; Apr. 6 & 13; Aug. 24 & 31; Oct. 26:

**Sanctuary Lamp:**

Jan. 19; Mar. 16 & 30; Apr. 20 & 27; Aug. 17 & 31; Sept. 21; Oct. 19 & 26



## ***PACT/Religious Education Program***

### **PACT/Religious Education Program:**

Our PACT/Religious Education Program is underway for St. Mary's families with children in Grades 1 through 8. Parents of families new to our parish/program come in to the Religious Education Office for a brief orientation session. For more information, e-mail [religioused@stmarysdumont.org](mailto:religioused@stmarysdumont.org) or call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20

### **Confirmation Candidate/Parent/Sponsor Meeting Monday**



Confirmation Preparation is separate from regular PACT/Religious Education. A meeting for Confirmation candidates, parents, and sponsors (if available) was held on Monday, 10/28 at 7:00 p.m. If your child should be preparing for Confirmation and you did not attend, contact us at this time via e-mail [religioused@stmarysdumont.org](mailto:religioused@stmarysdumont.org) or call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20

### **Empowering God's Children Options**

There are two options for PACT/Religious Education Program parents to facilitate the participation of their children in the Empowering God's Children (EGC) Program offered through our Archdiocese of Newark. Both options were discussed in detail at our October PACT Parent Meetings. Be sure to return the EGC option form with your choice, and contact us with any questions you have regarding this valuable program.



### **Tuesday First Penance/Reconciliation/Confession Preparation Sessions**



Candidate preparation for First Penance continues with two November sessions, Tuesdays 11/12 and 11/19 at 6:00 p.m. in the church. Please keep our candidates, their families, and our parish family in your prayers as we prepare to celebrate this great Sacrament of the Lord's Forgiveness and Reconciliation.

## **ST. MARY'S CHURCH DUMONT, NJ &**

## **2024-25 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**



### **TEEN SPIRIT PERSONAL HYGIENE DRIVE**



Please donate from the list below and help our Confirmation Candidates, collect & fill individual male and female personal hygiene boxes for their peers in need.

**DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT  
ST. MARY'S RECTORY  
OR THE RELIGIOUS ED OFFICE UNTIL  
JANUARY 13, 2025.  
PLEASE MARK DONATIONS ST. MARY'S  
RELIGIOUS ED/CONFIRMATION**

#### ITEMS NEEDED:

VO5 SHAMPOO, VO5 CONDITIONER, BRUSHES,  
COMBS, BAR SOAP, BODY WASH, DEODORANT,  
BODY LOTION,  
BABY WIPES, PERSONAL SIZE TISSUES, NAIL  
CLIPPERS,  
DISPOSABLE SHAVERS, SHAVING CREAM,  
FEMININE HYGEINE PRODUCTS,  
SMALL HAND SANITIZER, CHAPSTICK,  
POWDER,  
FIRST-AID CREAM, BANDAIDS,  
TOOTHBRUSHES, TOOTHPASTE, FLOSS,  
SMALL ALCOHOL-FREE MOUTHWASH

#### **FILLED BOXES WILL BE BROUGHT TO:**

**OASIS, A HAVEN FOR WOMAN &  
CHILDREN**

If you have any questions please call the Religious Ed office at 201-384-0557, Ext. 20, or email us at [religioused@stmarysdumont.org](mailto:religioused@stmarysdumont.org)

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)

Table with 3 columns: Description, 2024, 2023. Rows include Collections: Oct. 25 - 26, Weekly On-Line Giving, and Total.

Treasure from our children: \$29.00

Below 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.

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



Electronic/Online Giving is a convenient no hassle method, of making your Sunday offertory to the church.

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

High School Placement Test (HSPT)

Attention families of 8th grade students planning to attend Catholic High School in Fall 2025! The High School Placement Test (HSPT) administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Program for Catholic High Schools will be given on Friday, November 8, 2024.

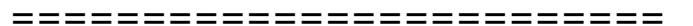


Altar Servers Needed!

We invite you to join the ministry of Serving at Mass here at Mass here at St. Mary's. All boys and girls in 4th grade or above are invited to join.

Two training sessions will be held to prepare the boys and girls for this ministry. They will be offered on a Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 pm and on a Saturday morning at 9:30 am.

Become involved in your parish by joining the ministry of Serving at Mass here at St. Mary's. For more information contact Deacon John at or call the parish office at 201-384-0557 and Deacon John will call you back.



Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ No. Street Unit Town

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Please print

Parents Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Email: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Mass Time preferred: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Check training session you would prefer to attend:

Tuesday afternoon (3:30 pm) \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday morning (9:30 am) \_\_\_\_\_

# Karaoke & Line Dance Fun Night

November 8, 2024  
(Friday)  
7:00pm - 11:00pm  
Doors open at 6:30pm

at

St. Mary's Church  
Szelest Hall Gym  
280 North Washington Ave.  
Dumont, NJ

Dinner, Dessert  
and Refreshments  
will be served!

\$25  
Donation

Sponsored by:  
Philippine-American Lay Apostolate  
of Dumont (PALAD), St. Mary's Church

This is a fund raising event to  
support the various projects of PALAD

## St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society News

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society will once again be hosting a Gertrude Hawk Christmas candy fundraiser. The sale has started and will end on November 4. Order forms and catalogs can be found at the doors of the upper church. All families enrolled in our PACT program will receive information at their classes. The estimated delivery date is the week of December 2. Thank you for your support!!

Also, please join us on Tuesday, November 12 @ 7 pm in the upper church for the Installation Mass for our new members and officers. Regular monthly meeting to follow. Come share your faith with us and renew your devotion to our Blessed Mother.

Kathy Mullins – President  
rosaryaltarsociety@stmarysdumont.org

St. Mary's Food Pantry



"If you can't feed a hundred people,  
then feed just one"  
Saint Teresa of Calcutta

## Food Pantry Holiday Collection Sunday, November 3 through Sunday, December 15 Give The Gift Of A Meal



St. Mary's Food Pantry will be collecting non-perishable food items for our Thanksgiving and Christmas distributions from Sunday, November 3 to Sunday, December 15. Please drop your donations in the donation boxes at the doors of the church or at the rectory during normal business hours.

**Items Most Needed:** Cranberry Sauce, Stuffing, Turkey Gravy, Yams (small & large cans), Dried/Canned Potatoes, Canned Vegetables, Tea/Coffee, Cake Mix/Frosting/Brownie Mix, Canned Tuna/Meats, Sauce/Pasta, Rice Dishes, Mac & Cheese, Bar Soap, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Syrup/Pancake Mix, Peanut Butter/Jelly  
**Frozen Turkeys & Hams** (Collecting through December 15)



If you would like to make a monetary donation to the food pantry, there will be food pantry envelopes at the doors of the church. Please place your donation in the collection baskets.



# St. Mary's Church 2024 Fall Anointing Mass

