



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

Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near.

Mark 13:28

November 17, 2024
Thirty-Third 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

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Stephen A. Carey, *Pastor*
Rev. David W. Milliken, *In-Residence*
Deacon John L. Sylvester, *Permanent Deacon*
Mr. Luis Chavez, *Director of Music Ministry*
Mrs. Kathleen Sylvester, *Pastoral Associate for Liturgy/RCIA*
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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	Nov. 16 - Vigil
5:30PM	Robert and Joan Mascarelli and Baby Faith Russo
Sunday	Nov. 17 - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:45AM	Daniel Hiltenbrand
10:00AM	Michelle R. Garofalo
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Monday	Nov. 18 - Weekday
7:00AM	In Thanksgiving Banzil Family
8:45AM	Potenciana Naong
Tuesday	Nov. 19 - Weekday
7:00AM	Ann McCarthy
8:45AM	Nellie Lopez
Wednesday	Nov. 20 - Weekday
7:00AM	Kevin White
8:45AM	Purificacion Aquino
Thursday	Nov. 21 - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00AM	Michael McLoughlin
8:45AM	Dennis Murray
Friday	Nov. 22 - St. Cecilia
7:00AM	Brendan M. Thornton
8:45AM	For the Intentions of the Abad Family
Saturday	Nov. 23 - Weekday
8:30AM	Rosemary and Tom Ray
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday	Nov. 24 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
7:45AM	Mattea Morin
10:00AM	Edmond and Catherine Cremin
12 Noon	Michael McCabe



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of James and Frances Hans requested by the Miloscia Family.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of Pablo and Potenciana Naong requested by May Malaluan.

Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Genevieve Leary, Michael (Mike) Joseph Daly, Almario San Juan and Erlinda Domingo.

This Week



Sunday – Nov. 17
8:30AM PACT Angels
10:00AM Choir UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing LS
3:00PM Filipino School of NY/NJ Graduation SH
Food Collection Weekend
Monday – Nov. 18
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
7:00PM Confirmation Prep #1
7:00PM RCIA Rectory
8:00PM Basketball
Tuesday – Nov. 19
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS
6:00PM First Penance #4 with Practice
Wednesday - Nov. 20
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary & OLPH Novena UC
4:30PM Food Pick up LC
7:30PM Line Dancing SH
Thursday – Nov. 21
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS
8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH
Friday – Nov. 22
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Aramaic School
5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS
8:00PM Basketball SH
Saturday – Nov. 23
8:00AM Korean School
2:00PM Irish Step Dancing LS
Sunday – Nov. 24
8:30AM PACT Saints
9:15AM OCIA
10:00AM Choir UC
11:00AM Girl Scouts Friendsgiving Set-up/Event SH
1:00PM PALAD EB Meeting FDVRm
3:00PM Irish Step Dancing LS
7:00PM Youth Group Meeting YRm/SFC

2025 Offerings Available

Bread and Wine:

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

Sanctuary Lamp:

Mar. 16 & 30; Apr. 27; Aug. 31; Sept. 21; Oct. 19.



As required by the Archdiocese, this week's bulletin includes our Annual Report on the financial state of the parish. I am pleased to report that for the first time in many years, St. Mary's finished the year with an operating surplus. This was only made possible because of your generous support and an increase in rental income.

Two years ago, St. Mary's participated in the Archdiocesan Parish Reengagement Program, a program designed to encourage increased giving. For St. Mary's, our participation in this program had a significant effect on our operating revenue.

At the same time, St. Mary's secured a new tenant; GLO, an early childhood program that rents the lower level of our school. This new tenant along with tenants that have been renting space in our school has resulted in a substantial increase in our rental income.

During the Covid shutdown, St. Mary's introduced a Mega 50/50 Raffle. This was started to replace income lost by our inability to have a parish carnival. However, it was such a success that we have made this Mega Raffle an annual fundraiser. By now, everyone should have received tickets for this year's raffle. We hope you will support St. Mary's by participating in this year's raffle.

Since Covid, we have only hosted one parish Carnival and despite less than ideal conditions, it was a success both financially and as an event to bring together our parish community. Many have asked when we plan to do it again. The truth is that we have tried to put together another carnival but since Covid, it has become extremely difficult to bring together all the necessary pieces that would ensure a successful event. We are considering some alternative events. If anyone has any ideas, please let me know.

The last part of the Financial Report addresses Capital Campaign Revenue and Expenses. This is the Elevator Project. After several years of planning and fund raising, St. Mary's was finally given permission to move forward with this project. Construction is underway and in the very near future St. Mary's will have an elevator.

Without the constant and generous support of the parishioners of St. Mary's, this would be a very different Financial Report. All of our successes are the result of your commitment to this parish. I offer you my profound gratitude for all the support both financial and otherwise that I have received from all of you. I am truly humbled to serve as your pastor.

Fr. Carey

The Advent Giving Tree



We will again this year, with your support and generosity, will provide Gift Cards to families through The Nurturing Place (formerly The York Street Project) in Jersey City.

They have about 64 children, in addition to approximately 35 moms they hope to assist this year.

Gift tags become available the weekend of November 16 - 17.

If there are any questions regarding the Giving Tree please call Josie Parrella at 201-384-0557. Please drop off your donation(s) marked Giving Tree on the envelope to the parish office or to the collection baskets by **Wednesday, Dec. 11th**.

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: Nov. 9 - 10	\$6,358.00	\$7,305.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	<u>1,610.00</u>	<u>772.00</u>
Total	<u>\$7,968.00</u>	<u>\$8,077.00</u>
Building Fund	\$1,742.00	\$1,693.00

Treasure from our children: \$2.00

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. 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."

"I cleaned half of the house."



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.



PACT/Religious Education Program

PACT/Religious Education Program:

Our PACT/Religious Education Program is a family-centered program. Although there are fewer sessions than traditional programs, one parent or guardian attends from each family at each session. There is also a commitment for working at home. Our program is not an old school "drop off and pick up" classroom model Religious Education Program. Prioritization of the program by parents is critical to the success of our PACT/Religious Education Program.

For more information about, e-mail religiously@stmarysdumont.org or call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20

Confirmation Candidate Monday Preparation



Confirmation Preparation is separate from regular PACT/Religious Education or Catholic School religion class. Candidate preparation for those who enrolled in Confirmation Preparation will begin on Monday, 11/18. For more information contact us at religiously@stmarysdumont.org or call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20

Tuesday First Penance/Reconciliation/Confession Preparation Sessions

Candidate preparation for First Penance continues Tuesday 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. John's #1345 Columbiettes

St. John's #1345 Columbiettes are having an open house on November 20th. Any Catholic female age 18 and older may attend. The meeting will be held at 61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ promptly starting at 7:30pm.

To find out more please call or text Genine at 917-992-2011 or email genine810@yahoo.com.

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...Dolores Awid Sally Ariola

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.

2025 Sunday Missals

Copies of St. Joseph's Sunday missals are now available for purchase. The cost is \$4.00 for each missal.



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 Altar & Rosary Society
News

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society
will be hosting a Christmas Luncheon
in the Spiritual Formation Room
(Basement of the school)
on Sunday, December 8
from 1 pm to 5 pm.



The event includes lunch,
music (from our own
Luis Chavez & company)
and a day of friendship and fun!



Reservation forms available at
the doors of the Upper Church.

All are welcome!

50/50 Mega Raffle

By now, most parishioners have received raffle tickets in the mail and some already purchased the tickets.

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.

We ask that you purchase what you can afford. If possible, sell others to friends and neighbors. We know many people give lottery tickets at Christmas. Consider giving a raffle ticket instead. We all need to be a little creative as we strive to make this special raffle a great success. We are most grateful for whatever each family might be able to do. If you need more raffle tickets, they are available at the Rectory.

Please return the raffle tickets and the money to the rectory or put in the collection basket in church. The winning tickets will be pulled on January 5th, 2025, the Feast of the Epiphany.

As of Monday,
November 11th our total is
\$5,140.00.



*St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society
Annual Christmas Luncheon
All Are Welcome to Attend!*



St. Mary's Church
Spiritual Formation Center
School Building



Sunday, December 8, 2024 from 1:00 pm ~ 5:00 pm

Lunch

- Beef & Broccoli
- Chicken Marsala
- Virginia Ham with Pineapple
- Pene Vodka
- Pasta Primavera
- Roasted Potatoes
- String Bean Almandine

Dessert

- Cream Puffs
- Cake
- Coffee
- Tea

*\$35 Per Person: Includes lunch, dessert, soda & water
BYOB*

Music by Luis Chavez & Julianne Darden

*Please return this form to the Parish Office
by Sunday, December 1, 2024*

For questions, please email

rosaryaltarsociety@stmarysdumont.org

or call Kathy Mullins at (201) 310.1159

Please no walk-ins!



*Tables of 8. If you do not have a full table, your party will be
combined with another table. Please include names
& payment for each person at your table*

Contact Person: 1) _____ Phone: _____

2) _____

6) _____

3) _____

7) _____

4) _____

8) _____

5) _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please return this form to the Parish Office by Sunday, December 1, 2024

Please make checks payable to St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society

SAINT MARY'S CHURCH
STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENSES
 July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>	Year Ending 6/30/2023	Year Ending 6/30/2024
SUNDAY & HOLY DAYS	471,208	501,700
CHRISTMAS	34,456	29,810
EASTER	24,683	24,726
GIFTS & DONATIONS: (Bequest, Restricted, Other)	118,964	112,912
FUNDRAISING NET	62,670	17,122
INVESTMENT INTEREST	7,156	10,357
RENTAL INCOME	81,475	137,331
ADDITIONAL REVENUES: (Candles, Line Dancing, Religious Ed, Other)	55,715	68,409
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	<u>856,327</u>	<u>902,367</u>
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>		
SALARIES & BENEFITS	491,112	472,322
CONTRACTED SERVICES (Copiers, Snow Plowing, Gutter Cleaning, Alarms)	22,835	27,880
PLANT RELATED: (Repairs, Insurance, Care of Grounds, AC's)	140,643	108,757
UTILITIES	105,825	99,325
SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT: (Envelopes, Cleaning Supplies, Liturgy Supplies)	40,997	49,418
GENERAL: (Asst to Others, Religious Education)	103,892	75,771
ASSESSMENT	62,808	65,424
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>968,112</u>	<u>898,897</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	<u>(111,785)</u>	<u>3,470</u>
<u>EXTRAORDINARY REVENUES & EXPENSES</u>		
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN REVENUE	171	
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN EXPENSES	<u>6,498</u>	<u>30,075</u>
TOTAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	<u>(118,112)</u>	<u>(26,605)</u>