



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



January 19, 2025  
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Do whatever he tells you.

JOHN 2:5



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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*  
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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Mr. John Weiss, *Business Administrator*  
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### CONTACT US

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Online giving: WeShare  
[stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com](http://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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<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Jan. 18 - Vigil</b>
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Jan. 19 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:45AM	Living Members of the Halecky Family
10:00AM	Frank Ricciardi
12 Noon	Elvin Lister
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Jan. 20 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Nancy Florio
8:45AM	Fabian Banzil, Sr.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Jan. 21 - St. Agnes</b>
7:00AM	Angie Carty
8:45AM	Della Kevlehan
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Jan. 22 - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children</b>
7:00AM	Francis Martin
8:45AM	Jose M. Canlas
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Jan. 23 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Paula Gibb
8:45AM	Dolores O'Dowd
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Jan. 24 - St. Francis de Sales</b>
7:00AM	Namiah McCarthy (Living)
8:45AM	Nora Sheehan
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Jan. 25 - Conversion of St. Paul</b>
8:30AM	Barbara Papalexis
5:30PM	Louise Sheehan
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Jan. 26 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:45AM	Lourdes Sy-Trujillo (Living)
10:00AM	Mary and Michael Martin
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's

## Special Intentions

The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in Thanksgiving by the Laya family.



The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of Mick Daly requested by Patti Beirne.

## This Week



<b>Sunday – Jan. 19</b>
10:00AM Choir UC
<b>Monday – Jan. 20</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
7:00PM RCIA Rectory
<b>Tuesday – Jan. 21</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS
<b>Wednesday - Jan. 22</b>
After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena and Rosary UC
7:30PM Line Dancing SH
<b>Thursday – Jan. 23</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS
8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH
<b>Friday – Jan. 24</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Aramaic School
8:00PM Basketball SH
<b>Saturday – Jan. 25</b>
10:00AM Confirmation Retreat
10:00AM Food Pantry Distribution LC
<b>Sunday – Jan. 26</b>
10:00AM Choir UC
After 12:00PM Mass PALAD EB Meeting FDVRm

## Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Charles Knotts.

## Parish Office Schedule - Jan. 20th



In observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. day on Monday, January 20th, the parish office will be closed that day.



The Sacrament of

Baptism

**We Welcome the Newest Members of our Parish Community**

Nieve Francis Flannery  
Anaia Abigail Sibug



On January 22, 1973, the Supreme Court of the United States handed down the Roe v Wade decision which legalized abortion in this nation. For more than 50 years, thousands have gathered in Washington, D.C. for the annual March for Life to protest this decision and to uphold our belief in the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death.

Two years and a half ago, the Supreme Court issued a new decision which vacated the Roe decision leaving the question of the legality of an abortion to the laws of each individual state. Since then, some states have adopted strict draconian laws prohibiting all abortions even in cases that threaten the life of the mother. At the same time, other states are working to ensure abortion as a legal option. This patchwork of state laws has caused mass confusion and heated debate regarding this issue. In the midst of this debate, on Friday, January 24th, thousands will march in Washington, D.C. to give witness to our belief that all human life is sacred

I think it is most important to remember that abortion in this country did not start with Roe v Wade and abortions will not end even if all the laws are changed. As important as it is to change laws, it is much more important to change hearts and minds. Until everyone acknowledges the sanctity of all human life, from conception to natural death, abortions will continue.

I find it extremely ironic that at the same time people work to enact laws to stop abortions, others work to promote laws that permit physician assisted suicide, euthanasia, and the death penalty. If we want to claim the mantle of Pro-Life, we must respect and protect all human life.

If we are truly followers of Christ, we must work to promote a culture of life where all human life is respected and nurtured. This must include the poor, the homeless, the sick and the marginalized in our society. We need to pray for a world where no child goes to bed hungry and no elder person is neglected. Until every individual is respected as a child of God, our work in promoting a culture of life is not finished.

Fr. Carey

Save the Dates.....

“Mission of Mercy”

PARISH MISSION

Led by Fr. Kevin MacDonald, C.Ss.R.



St. Mary’s Church, Dumont, NJ

Monday, February 24 through Wednesday, February 26  
7:00 PM

(Morning Sessions at 8:45 am Mass)

Fr. MacDonald is a Redemptorist priest from Woburn, Massachusetts, about 10 miles north of Boston. He entered the Redemptorist Missionary Order after attending Boston college and playing seven years of professional baseball with the Pittsburgh Pirates organization and overseas in Holland and Australia. He is a member of the Boston College Hall of Fame. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1991 and has worked as a parish priest in Dominica, New York, Boston, St. Lucia, and the Virgin Islands. He is currently assigned to the Redemptorist Community at San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ.

Stewardship Reflection

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

“To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.” - 1 CORINTHIANS 12:7

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God’s plan? How are you helping to build God’s kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don’t do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.





## **PACT/Religious Education Program**

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#### **Family Contact Information**

Has your family recently changed contact information... e-mail... phone number... or even moved? Please keep us updated if you have changed contact information or are not receiving e-mails from us. Call (201) 384-0557 Extension 20 or e-mail [religioused@stmarysdumont.org](mailto:religioused@stmarysdumont.org)

#### **First Communion Preparation Reminders**



Morning with Jesus with parents:  
Saturday 2/8/25 at 10:00 a.m.  
Meeting for Parents of First  
Communion Candidates – Tuesday  
3/4/25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church

#### **Confirmation Candidate Preparation and Saturday Retreat**

Confirmation Retreat: Saturday, 1/25,  
candidates arrive 10:00 a.m. Parents  
and sponsors join us at 4:30 p.m.



#### **Confirmation Candidate Service**

Check our weekly e-mail for Confirmation candidate service opportunities including undecorating the church from Christmas, helping with the food pantry, and more.

Check the bulletin and the weekly e-mail for special events. Service may also be available in schools and activities in town. Remember the words of St. James: *Faith without works is dead!*

### **Part-time Custodian/Janitor Needed**



St. Mary's Church is seeking to hire a part-time custodian/janitor.

Duties include opening the Church each morning and providing general custodial services throughout the church and school building. Other duties as assigned. Hours are Monday to Friday, 6 am to 10:30am. Interested candidates should call the Rectory, 201-384-0557.



## **St. Mary's Food Pantry**



### **January is Can Can Month @ ShopRite! Can Can You Help Us?**

January is Can Can month at ShopRite and the sales are fantastic! Can you help us? If so, the food pantry is in need of the following canned items: vegetables, potatoes, beans, soup, tuna and other meat items & fruit. Please place your donations in the baskets at the doors of the upper church. Donations may also be dropped at the Rectory office during normal business hours. We will be accepting canned donations until the end of January.

**Thank you for your continued support!**



God Bless,  
Anna, Denise & Lynne

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

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society will be hosting a fundraiser in the vestibule of the upper church & the sidewalk by Szelest Hall (weather permitting) the weekend of February 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> after all masses.

We will have Lourdes books (\$20/book), "Fun Pasta" (\$5/bag) and a bake sale (\$1/item).

The pasta will be in the shapes of hearts, shamrocks or bunnies (just in time for Valentine's Day, St. Pat's Day & Easter)

Please stop by one of the tables!  
We thank you for your support!!

Also, our next meetings will be Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> @ 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](mailto:rosaryaltarsociety@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)*

	2025	2024
Collections: Jan. 11 - 12	\$9,354.00	\$9,022.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	996.00	949.00
Total	\$10,350.00	\$9,971.00
Fuel	\$1,999.00	\$2,704.00

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 take care of my brother."*



**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.

**2024 Contributions Statement**

If you want a statement regarding your 2024 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.

**2025 Offerings Available**

**Bread and Wine:**  
Apr. 6 & 13;

**Sanctuary Lamp:**  
Mar. 30; Apr. 27; Aug. 31

**SAVE THE DATE!**




**ST. MARY'S IS GOIN' COUNTRY! AGAIN!**

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND**

**ST. MARY'S WILL BE HAVING A**

**BEEFSTEAK DINNER**

**SATURDAY 3/1/25 @ 7:00 P.M.**

**Featuring ...**  
**Nightingales & Jake's Country Band**



- ✓ Instructed Line Dancing
- ✓ Basket Raffle
- ✓ 50 / 50
- ✓ Donate a Basket
- ✓ Volunteer
- ✓ Monetary Donations Accepted

RESERVATION FORM TO FOLLOW  
 TICKETS \$65 PP - BYOB  
 For More Info call Sheila - 201-384-0557, Ext. 20

**2025 Annual Appeal**

The 2025 Annual Appeal has begun! Each year we are invited to participate in the Annual Appeal, which is an opportunity to support essential ministries and programs of our Archdiocese. Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus.

Please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives within our Archdiocese.

Please make a gift online today by visiting [rcan.org/sharing](http://rcan.org/sharing), scanning the QR code, or join us for In-Pew Weekend on March 1 and 2.





**Knights of Columbus  
St. John's Council #1345**  
61 Armour Pl. Dumont

**WINTER BBQ**  
WE'LL GRILL IN THE COLD SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO

**HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS,  
SALADS, COLE SLAW,  
DESSERT**

**COFFEE, TEA, TAP BEER,  
WINE, & SODA INCLUDED**

**Sunday January 26th  
3-6PM Rain or Shine  
\$20 per person**

**RSVP Required  
Call or text 516-220-9333 or email  
KofC1345reservations@gmail.com**

*We will stay open and have one of the NFL Conference Championship Games on the 8 foot screen in the dining room as well as the lounge TVs. You must be a paid attendee of the BBQ to be stay for the game*



We will start a new list for Serving in the Military and Sick beginning February, 2025. If you would like our parish to continue to pray for family, friends or loved ones who are in the military, ill and in need of prayer, please call the parish office – 201-384-0557.

***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 Brian O'Dowd...Perfecto de Vera...Patricia O'Neill Ted Widman...Arsenia Carrasco...Margaret Manley Michele Patetta...John Romaine...Anne Picciano Robert Baccollo...Jonel Tinio...Gary Barba Carmelo Abbruzzesi..Baby Colton Lewis...Anya 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...Karen Dean...Peter Halecky Chelsea Scherzler



**Twin Boro Columbian Club**  
Home of KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL No. 1345  
61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628

**WINTER TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER TOURNAMENT**

**Saturday February 8th**



Hot Buffet & Check-in 6pm, Poker Starts at 7pm

- The \$100 entry includes:
- 5,000-chip starting stack
  - Dinner
    - Hot roast beef
    - Mashed potatoes
    - Chicken tenders
    - Salad
    - French fries
    - Tap beer
    - Wine
    - Soda
    - Coffee

- Tournament Features:
- Official Texas Hold'Em Rules
  - Full Size Tables
  - Professional Cards
  - Licensed Dealers
  - Re-buys/Add-on until Break
  - \$5,000 Prize Pool\*
  - Final Table Gets Paid\*
  - Champion Bracelet

\* based on 75 players

TO REGISTER SCAN THE QR CODE:

RSVP online by November 1<sup>st</sup> and get 500 extra chips!

For more info, contact Ken A. at +1 (516) 220-9333 or kofc1345reservations@gmail.com



Tournament Conducted by:  
**Mike's Poker Tables**

<https://www.mikespokertables.com/event-info/twin-boro-columbian-club-9>

MUST BE 18 OR OLDER TO ENTER THE PREMISES

***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.





# Flowers Donation

*Thank You!*



**Partial List**

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