



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



October 12, 2025
Twenty-Eighth 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/OCIA*
Dr. William J. Mascitello, *Pastoral Associate for Catechetics*
Mr. John Weiss, *Business Administrator*
Beth Miloscia, *Youth and Young Adult Ministries*
Dory Weiss, *Parish Secretary*
Sheila Romaine, *Religious Ed. Secretary & Safe Environment Coordinator*

TRUSTEES

Mrs. Janet Kaine, *Parish Trustee*
Mr. Lawrence Miloscia, *Parish Trustee*

CONTACT US

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Online giving: WeShare
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 5:30PM	Oct. 11 - Vigil Domenica Morin
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Oct. 12 - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Parishioners of St. Mary's Rita Crowley Maria Secio
Monday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Oct. 13 - Weekday John Daly Nicholas Marino
Tuesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Oct. 14 - Weekday John Daly Dolores O'Dowd
Wednesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Oct. 15 - St. Teresa of Jesus Mary and Thomas Fitzpatrick Gerarda Farcon Marquez
Thursday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Oct. 16 - Weekday Leonila Lavidés Msgr. Ninoy M. Canlas (Living)
Friday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Oct. 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch Annie Fitzgerald Nathaniel Laya (Living)
Saturday 8:30AM 5:30PM	Oct. 18 - St. Luke Charlie and John McMorro Jay Anderson
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Oct. 19 - Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sr. Eileen Franz Parishioners of St. Mary's Abraham Secio



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Dolores O'Dowd requested by Angie and Bill Bochicchio.

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

Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Norman D'Silva.

This Week



Sunday – Oct. 12

10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir
10:00AM OCIA Kids
1:30PM Baptism

Monday – Oct. 13

Columbus / Indigenous Peoples' Day
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

Tuesday – Oct. 14

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS
6:00PM First Penance Prep #1 UC/School
7:00PM OCIA
7:00PM Baptism Class via Zoom

Wednesday - Oct. 15

After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena and Rosary UC
7:00PM Bereavement Ministry Seton Rm
7:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday – Oct. 16

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Children's Choir Rehearsal UC
5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS
7:00PM Choir Rehearsal UC
8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH

Friday – Oct. 17

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
4:30PM Food Pantry Distribution LC
5:00PM Aramaic School
8:00PM Basketball SH

Saturday – Oct. 18

7:00AM Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine D.C.
8:00AM Korean School
Second Collection: World Mission Sunday

Sunday – Oct. 19

8:30AM PACT Angels SH/School
10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir
10:00AM Blessing of the Elevator by Bishop Saporito
10:00AM OCIA Kids
11:00AM OCIA Teens
7:00PM Youth Group SFC

Columbus / Indigenous Peoples' Day October 13th

In observance of Columbus/Indigenous Peoples' Day, the parish office will be closed on Monday, October 13th.



Last spring, nearly 50,000 parishioners across the Archdiocese participated in the Disciple Maker Index. This survey provided valuable data and feedback to the Archdiocese as we move forward in the process of pastoral conversion. The information has been fruitful as we continue to ask ourselves what our parishes, ministries, and institutions need to look like as we journey together on our path of pastoral conversion and reimagine parish life, mission and ministry in response to a changing world.

Over the course of the past few months, numerous meetings have been held with pastors, priests and key parish leaders. The next step in this multi-year process is to hear from parishioners about their specific parish. The Archdiocese of Newark will host over 400 listening sessions throughout our 212 parishes. **Listening Sessions here at St. Mary's will be held on Monday, October 20th and Wednesday, October 22nd, 6:00pm –8:00pm in Szelest Hall.** You must register to participate in these Listening Sessions at the website; [Archdiocese of Newark-Parish Session Registration](#) or use the QR code below.

Each listening session will be facilitated by volunteer parishioners from a different parish. These trained facilitators will share pre-recorded messages from Cardinal Tobin and Auxiliary Bishop Michael Saporito, with an overview of We Are His Witnesses, a planning area overview and multiple draft model options to consider for the respective planning area. Time will be allowed for small group discussion and facilitated large group feedback. The same information will be presented at both sessions so you only need to attend one of these sessions.

The goals of the listening sessions are to engage as many parishioners as possible in understanding the current state of our parishes and archdiocese, and to solicit feedback from as many parishioners as possible about the draft model options for their planning area.

Whether you attend one of these sessions or not, all parishioners are encouraged to submit their feedback on the draft models through an online survey which will remain open until November 30, 2025. Parishioner feedback to the models is critical as it will be used to help shape the future of the Archdiocese of Newark. The link to give feedback will be found on www.WeAreHisWitnesses.org once the parish sessions begin.

Please continue to pray for the gift of true discernment so that we may continue to do the Will of God in all things.

Fr. Carey

QR Code to Registration Site



Direct Link to the Registration Site

<https://www.catholicleaders.org/archdiocese-newark-parishsessionregistration>





PACT/Religious Education Program

First Communion and First Confession Parents

The *First Sacraments Parent Meeting* was held here Tuesday. Parents with children who will be preparing for First Communion and First Confession (Penance/Reconciliation) who missed this meeting should call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or e-mail religious@stmarysdumont.org.



Confirmation Candidate/Parent/Sponsor Meeting 10/27

Candidates who will be preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation this year will meet with their parents and sponsors (if available) Monday, 10/27/2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Candidates and their parents should have received notification of this meeting in the mail. If you did not receive a letter and your child is part of the PACT/Religious Education Program or a Catholic school student who should be preparing Confirmation this year, call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or e-mail religious@stmarysdumont.org



Staying with the program...

Our PACT/Religious Education Program is in place for St. Mary's families with children in Grades 1 through 8 (we even have a section of kindergarten). Do you need to get your family back on track with Religious Education? Parents new to our parish/program come in to the Religious Education Office for a brief orientation session. For more information. Call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or e-mail religious@stmarysdumont.org.



Sharing the Hope of the Gospel



Are you a faith-filled parishioner who attends mass regularly ready to take on a new role, sharing the *Hope of the Gospel* with our younger parishioners once or twice per month? We will help you complete our archdiocesan volunteer requirements which include completing an application with a background check and attendance at a Protecting God's Children seminar. For more information e-mail religious@stmarysdumont.org or call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20.

St. Mary's Bereavement Ministry



St. Mary's Bereavement ministry offers care, comfort, consolation and healing for those dealing with the death of a loved one. Intellectually we know that death is a part of life, and our faith teaches us that life continues in union with God. But our reaction to "he/she is with God" can often be "I'd rather he/she be right here, with me."

You are invited to join with others who have experienced this loss. In our gatherings, we will remember, pray, share our stories and support one another, reminding each other that we don't grieve alone; God, who will wipe away every tear, weeps with us.

There will be six sessions, in the parish office, on consecutive Wednesdays, beginning October 1st and ending November 5th, from 7:00 pm until 8:30 pm.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Deacon John via email at: DeaconJohn@stmarysdumont.org or call the parish office (201) 384-0557 and leave a message for him.

If you need a ride, transportation will be arranged.

Fall Mass of Anointing Saturday, October 25th



Our Fall Mass of Anointing will be concelebrated on Saturday, October 25th at 11:00 am in Szelest Hall. We cordially invite all those who are affected by illness or confined at home to come join us as we ask God's healing upon them. For those who wish, there will be an opportunity to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation before the Mass.

We hope you will be able to join us for a light luncheon following Mass.

If you need the assistance of the Dumont Ambulance Corp. or ordinary transportation to get to Mass that morning, please call the Parish Office at 201-384-0557.

Available 2026 Offerings

Bread & Wine:

Jan. 11 & 18; Feb. 1; May 17; June 7; Aug. 23 & 30; Oct. 4; Nov. 29; Dec. 6, 13 & 20.

Sanctuary Lamp:

May 24; July 26; Aug. 2, 23 & Aug. 30



November 14, 2025
(Friday)
7:00pm - 11:00pm
Doors open at 6:30pm



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



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

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...Gary Barba
Brian O'Dowd...Margaret Manley...Tom Aquino
John Romaine...Anne Picciano...Lorraine Rolanti
Skylar Frye...Scott Tkacz...Sean Hayes...Antonio S.
N. Diamond...Heather S...Robert Delia
Anthony Montagnino...John Eckel, Sr...Marie F.
Teresita Ariola...Allan Austria...Daniel Thornton
Dolores Awid...Chelsea Scherzler...Myra D'Silva
Stacey Juhlin...Peter Halecky...Patricia Adone
George & Gerry Taylor...Frank Babiera...Any
Karen and Jerry Kastner...Wilma Balingit...John R.
Michelle Irimia...Richard Hogan...Zenaida Acero
Rosario Pingul...Agapito Pingul...Luisa Castro
Ryan McHugh...Baby James Thomas Formoso
Paul Bernard Francois...Wilberto Guilgerto Canlas
Revan Thrawn Wrage...Nerizza Flores Hooper
Laura Poznanski Clark...Lemuel Magusara
Filip Pindulic...Baby Eli Antar...Maureen Donohue
Judy Sweeney...Nellie McHale...Jenifer Mayer
Virgilio Malapit...Michael O'Neill...Nelly Mayorga

Sick and Homebound Visit

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

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: Oct. 4 - 5	\$8,094.00	\$8,933.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	<u>2,683.00</u>	<u>2,480.00</u>
Total	<u>\$10,777.00</u>	<u>\$11,413.00</u>
Assessment	\$1,102.00	

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.

Food Pantry Items For October



For the month of October, the food pantry will be collecting laundry detergent, small size up to 50 oz. Please place your items in the boxes at the doors of the upper church or drop at the rectory during normal business hours. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Please place your contribution in the collection basket in an envelope marked Food Pantry.

We thank you in advance for your continued support!!

God Bless,
Anna, Denise & Lynne



All Souls Remembrance - Nov. 2nd



All Souls Day

On Sunday, Nov. 2, the Church remembers the souls of all those who have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith.

- We invite all of parishioners to bring in a photo of a loved one who has passed away. As in previous years, we will place their photos in a special place of remembrance near the statue of St. Joseph where they will remain for the entire month of November, as will the envelopes from our parishioners containing the names of their loved ones. **(Please make sure that you write your own name and telephone number on the back of the photo so that we know to whom it belongs.)**
- In addition, all the members of our community are invited to write the names of family members or friends who have gone before us in the Book of Life.

Our belief in the Communion of Saints reminds us that, as we read in our funeral services, "...the ties that bind us to one another do not unravel with death."

Stewardship Reflection

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" LUKE 17:18

Most of us live relatively "easy" lives. We have food, shelter, clothing, and money. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn't this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

High School Placement Test

Attention families of 8th grade students planning to attend Catholic High School in Fall 2026! The High School Placement Test (HSPT) administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Program for Catholic High Schools will be given on Friday, November 7, 2025. Registration information for the HSPT exam is online at www.njcoopexam.org. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program, go to <https://www.catholicchoolsnj.org/hs-admissions>. For more information, visit www.catholicchoolsnj.org or call 973-497-4260.

Are You Registered?

If you have recently moved or even if you have been attending for years, stop by the parish office and register.

Why do you need to register?

There are many reasons such as:

- There's a feeling of becoming part of the parish community.
- You give the parish a chance to get to know you better.
- The parish will have a way to communicate with you by sending you emails or mails to keep you up-to-date on the parish news.
- **Registration is required** to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation or Penance, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Holy Matrimony.
- If you're planning to register your child(ren) to our **Religious Education program**, the families of those attending must be registered parishioners.
- When a person has been asked to be a Godparent or sponsor or if a parish needs verification of your status as a practicing Catholic, these **can't be done if you're not registered**. You need to be registered as an active parishioner for at least **three months**.

Registering is easy. Come to the parish office and register! Office hours are Monday - Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm and closed for lunch 1:00pm - 2:00pm.



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DRIVE-THRU FUNDRAISER

October 23, 2025

All proceeds to benefit
St. Mary's Church

\$20.00 PP

Includes Choice of:

**Fish and Chips or Chicken and Chips with fries
and coleslaw.**

Pick up on: Thursday, October 23, 2025

Time: 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Where: St. Mary's Rectory Parking Lot

Advance Orders required by October 22, 2025



Prepared by: Tastefully British



Order Form - Return to the Parish Office

With Payment on Wednesday, October 22nd by Noon



Name: _____ Phone# _____

Fish & Chips: _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____ Chicken & Chips: _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____

Total \$ _____ Check # _____ Cash _____ Make check payable to St. Mary's Church

Or Order and Pay On-Line at: stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com