

The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

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March 29, 2026

HOLY WEEK



Holy Thursday – April 2

7:30 PM - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
11:00 PM - Night Prayer

Good Friday – April 3

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

Holy Saturday – April 4

9:00 AM - Morning Prayer
8:00 PM - Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection

(NO CONFESSIONS)

Easter Sunday – April 5

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

11:45 AM Salubong
(A Filipino Devotion)

The remembrance of the meeting between the Resurrected Son and the Sorrowful Mother. We will gather on the sidewalk alongside the church and process to the front steps of the church for the reenactment of the encounter between "Jesus" and his "Mother".

Weekly MASS Intentions

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Saturday 5:30PM	Mar. 28 - Vigil Alfred Barone and Diane Barone Morrissey
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Mar. 29 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Elizabeth Leyden Parishioners of St. Mary's Peter Joyce
Monday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Mar. 30 - Monday of Holy Week William Walker Joy Carabuena
Tuesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Mar. 31 - Tuesday of Holy Week Patrick and Tadgh Lynch Pat O'Neill
Wednesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Apr. 1 - Wednesday of Holy Week Rodolfo Laya (Living) Renato Pacana
Thursday 7:30AM 11:00PM	Apr. 2 - Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday) Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper Night Prayer
Friday 9:00AM 3:00PM 7:30PM	Apr. 3 - Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday) Morning Prayer Liturgy of the Lord's Passion Stations of the Cross
Saturday 9:00AM 8:00PM	Apr. 4 - Holy Saturday Morning Prayer Easter Vigil Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Apr. 5 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Parishioners of St. Mary's Parishioners of St. Mary's Parishioners of St. Mary's



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Joan and Robert Mascarelli requested by Bill and Linda Ebenhack.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of Vincent DiCostanzo and Gabrielle Napoleone requested by the Woke family.

Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Vincent Donato.

This Week



Sunday – March 29

Palm Sunday

8:30AM PACT-SAINTS School/Gym
10:00AM OCIA Kids
10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir
After 12:00PM Mass PALAD EB Meeting FDVRm
7:00PM Stations of the Cross Practice UC

Monday – March 30

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
7:00PM Choir Rehearsal UC
8:00PM Basketball SH

Tuesday – March 31

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS
5:00PM Stations of the Cross Practice UC
7:00PM Rehearse for Holy Thursday

Wednesday - April 1

After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena and Rosary UC
7:00PM Decorate the Church for Holy Thursday

Thursday – April 2

Holy Thursday

5:00PM Children's Choir Rehearsal UC
5:30 PM Irish Step Dancing LS
7:00PM Choir Rehearsal UC
7:30PM Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
11:00PM Night Prayer
11:15PM Decorate the Church

Friday – April 3

Good Friday

9:00AM Morning Prayer UC
3:00PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion
5:00PM Aramaic School
7:30PM Youth Stations of the Cross UC
Collection: Peter's Pence

Saturday – April 4

Holy Saturday

9:00AM Morning Prayer
9:30AM Decorate Church
8:00PM Easter Vigil

Sunday – April 5

Easter Sunday

10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir

Parish Office Schedule

We want parishioners to know that the parish office will be **closed in the afternoon on** Holy Thursday, April 2.

The office will be **closed all day on:**
Good Friday, April 3 and
Easter Monday, April 6.





On Ash Wednesday, we began our Lenten journey of prayer, fasting and the giving of alms. We willingly accepted some form of Lenten discipline so that we might be better prepared to enter into the holiest week of the Church calendar. Today we remember our Lord's entrance into Jerusalem. We are invited to cheer with the crowds as Jesus of Nazareth is hailed as King of the Jews. We must also acknowledge that we stand with the crowds that called for his crucifixion.

Our celebration of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord is just the first of the great liturgies of this Holy Week. On Holy Thursday, we will celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper in which we will recall the institution of the Holy Eucharist and the Ordained Priesthood. On Good Friday, we will join together for the Veneration of the Cross, the instrument of our Lord's Passion and the source of our salvation. All of this will lead us to the celebration of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening. This is the most important liturgy of the Church year as we celebrate our Lord's triumph over death for all times.

These three liturgies of the Sacred Triduum are very much like three separate acts of one great play. If you are able to do so, I would encourage everyone to be part of these great liturgies in which we remember the great events that give our life meaning and give us hope in eternal life. You are also invited to attend the Stations of the Cross as presented by our Youth Group on Good Friday evening. As we prepare to celebrate the great mystery of our salvation, I ask that you pray for our catechumens and for our candidates who, through the sacraments of Church, will be fully initiated into the Body of Christ this Easter.

I pray that our journey, which begun on Ash Wednesday and continues through this Holy Week, will lead each of us into a deeper celebration of our faith and greater knowledge of God's love for us.

Fr. Carey

Easter Flowers



PLEASE don't forget to use your envelope marked for **FLOWERS** - it takes a **LOT** of flowers to make our church extra-special for Easter.

Chrism Mass



Chrism Mass will be in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart at 8:00 pm on Monday, March 30. The Sacred Oils used in our Sacramental life will be blessed at this liturgy and distributed to all parishes.

Pontifical Good Friday Collection - April 3rd



Be a sign of hope.

The Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Leo XIV will be on Friday, April 3rd. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Leo XIV to be a sign of hope to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.htm

Divine Mercy Novena - April 3 - April 12



We invite you to join us as we start with the Divine Mercy Novena. Novena times are as follows:

- April 3, Good Friday, April 4, Holy Saturday and April 5, Easter Sunday, the novena can be prayed at home.
- April 6 - 10, the novena will be prayed after 8:45 am Mass.
- April 11, Saturday, after the 8:30 am Mass.
- April 12, Sunday, Divine Mercy. Prayer Service after the 12:00 Noon Mass and social to follow.

Lenten Giving Tree



If you took a tag from our Lenten Giving Tree, please bring the item with the tag attached before Easter to the church in the weekend or the parish office during the week from 9:00am to 5:00pm by **Wednesday, April 1st**. We greatly appreciate your donation.

Mark Your Calendar



Our Spring Mass of Anointing will be celebrated on Saturday, April 18th at 11:00 am in Szelest Hall. Details to follow.



PACT/Religious Education Program

St. Mary's PACT/Religious Education Program

Attendance at PACT/Religious Education is curricular for Catholic Christian children from Grades 1-8 (we also have a Kindergarten).

Thank you to our PACT Parents who attend parent sessions and keep our parish children on track at home with our *Parents And Children Together* Religious Education program. At our April PACT session, we will open registration for our 2026-2027 year!



Please update contact information at our Religious Education Office and at the Rectory/Parish Office if you move, change e-mails, or have a new phone number.

How are you doing with your Rice Bowl?

Rice Bowls should be returned at our April PACT session or to the Religious Ed. Office. At PACT in March, we viewed a video about the importance of supporting the work of Catholic Relief Services through their traditional Rice Bowl program. Visit <https://www.crsricebowl.org/> for more information.



Confirmation Preparation



Be sure to check that required candidate paperwork is complete at this time. Please continue to pray that our candidates, their families, and our whole parish family will be enlivened by the Holy Spirit.

First Holy Communion

First Communion candidate sessions have begun! Parents are asked to check their information letter for more details about meetings and candidate preparation for First Eucharist. Please keep our candidates and their families in prayer.



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.

Wedding Anniversary Liturgy



The archdiocese is once again preparing for the annual tradition of honoring couples who will be celebrating five, twenty-five, fifty, and sixty+ years of Catholic marriage! There will be **ONE** anniversary liturgy for all couples from all counties. This liturgy will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin on **Sunday, May 3, 2026 at 3 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.** All clergy and family members are welcome!

The registration deadline is April 14, 2026.

If you would like to participate in this liturgy, 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 the liturgy.

Once they receive the form, they will acknowledge receipt of the reservation directly to the celebrating couple after the April 14th deadline and provide them with additional details and directions to the Cathedral Basilica.

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit at St. Peter's

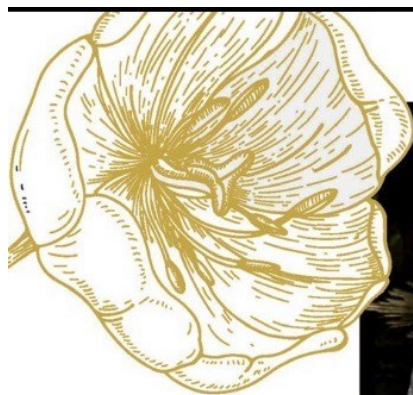
The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit will be at St. Peter the Apostle Church in River Edge from April 1–12. This traveling display explores reported Eucharistic miracles—extraordinary events in which the consecrated host and wine have visibly transformed or exhibited unexplained properties—building off the work of Saint Carlo Acutis. All are invited to reflect on the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist through this free exhibit. Details and viewing times: www.saint-peter.org/exhibit.

Stewardship Reflection

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

“As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross.” MATTHEW 27:32

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him “carry his cross.” These opportunities aren’t usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person’s needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.



Salubong

Please join us on Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026 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)



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*

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Beth Miloscia, *Youth and Young Adult Ministries*

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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!

Catechumenate

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which adults (and children who have reached the age of reason) are prepared to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. If you, or someone you know, would like to inquire about becoming a Catholic, please call the parish office.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available to be celebrated with anyone in need. Please do not wait until death is imminent to contact the parish regarding an ill family member. Eucharistic Ministers and others serve our community by visiting and bringing Communion to the sick and homebound. Please call the parish office if you wish such a visit.

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