

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



## 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**

**April 19, 2026 // Third Sunday of Easter**

### 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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[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>April 18 - Vigil</b>
5:30PM	Fr. Joe McGowan
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 19 - Third Sunday of Easter</b>
7:45AM	Hughes Family (Living)
10:00AM	Emily Stevens
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's
<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 20 - Easter Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Anna and Jan
8:45AM	Arnold Silva (Living)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 21 - Easter Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Concepcion Santos
8:45AM	Evan Awen, Sr.
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 22 - Easter Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Enrico D'Eufemia
8:45AM	John, Dan and Denis Daly
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 23 - Easter Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Annie and Florie Fitzgerald
8:45AM	Christian Crisologo, Sr.
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 24 - Easter Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Francis Fitzgerald
8:45AM	Bridie Cornyn
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 25 - St. Mark</b>
8:30AM	Matt Kennedy
5:30PM	James McMahan
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 26 - Fourth Sunday of Easter</b>
7:45AM	Deceased Members of the Quigley and Ray Families
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
12 Noon	Benjamin M. Canlas



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Joan and George Alvarez requested by their children.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of Carmen and Luis Alvarez requested by their grandchildren.

## Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Armando Abaldonado, Remedios Pinlac, Maria Desantis and Lennox Leverock.

## This Week



<b>Sunday – April 19</b>
8:30AM PACT Angels Final Session SH/School
10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir
11:00AM OCIA Teens Final Session
1:30PM Baptisms UC
7:00PM Youth Group Meeting SFC
<b>Monday – April 20</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
8:00PM Basketball SH
<b>Tuesday – April 21</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS
7:30PM Parish Council Kitchen
<b>Wednesday - April 22</b>
7:00AM AHA 10th Grade Retreat SH & SFC
After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena & Rosary UC
7:30PM Line Dancing SH
<b>Thursday – April 23</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Children's Choir Rehearsal UC
5:30 PM Irish Step Dancing LS
7:00PM Choir Rehearsal UC
7:00PM OCIA Class
8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH
<b>Friday – April 24</b>
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Aramaic School
7:00PM Basketball SH
<b>Saturday – April 25</b>
8:00AM Korean School
Second Collection: Catholic Home Missions Appeal
<b>Sunday – April 26</b>
8:30AM PACT Saints Final Session SH/School
9:15AM OCIA Kids Final Session
10:00AM Adult Confirmation
10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir
After 12:00PM Mass PALAD EB Meeting FDVRm
Second Collection: Catholic Home Missions Appeal

## Stewardship Reflection

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

"Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?" *LUKE 24:32*

How often do you take the time to discern what Jesus is calling you to do with your life? Are your prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for you? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time, in silence, to listen to what Jesus is asking of you today.



Our parish community was blessed on Easter Sunday as two youngsters were initiated into the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. It was cause for great celebration for our parish and the entire Catholic Church. As we go through the Easter Season, the celebration continues.

A week later, on Divine Mercy Sunday, eleven baptized Catholics completed the Sacraments of Initiation by receiving Confirmation and First Eucharist. They were joined by two individuals who were baptized in a different Christian tradition and received into full communion with the Catholic Church by receiving the Confirmation and First Eucharist. It was a great day for St. Mary's.

As we celebrate with these newly fully-initiated members of our parish, we look to next month when we welcome the young children in our Religious Education program who will receive First Eucharist and the older students who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

As a parish community, we are called to pray for all those who receive the Sacraments of Initiation. At the same time, we should be inspired by the witness of faith of those who come forward seeking to receive God's grace. Our parish and the entire Catholic Church were made richer and made stronger through the grace of the Sacraments. As we continue our celebration of the Eater Season, let us give thanks to our loving God who calls us to participate in his divine love through our participation in the life of the Church.

**Fr. Carey**

### **Bridge Makers Presents "Communion"**

"Communion" is the story of a beloved, gay Catholic school teacher who is fired for marrying his longtime partner, making national news when he refuses to remain silent. It is a filmed version of the acclaimed autobiographical stage work by Matthew LaBanca. Blending storytelling, music, and disarming humor, the film explores spiritual trauma, reconciliation, and the human need for community. There will be no admission charge; a free-will offering would be appreciated. Details to follow

### ***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.*

Sgt. John Murray...Anthony Dunkin...Joseph Ament  
Lorenzo Cortezano...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...J.C. Lasmanis  
Anthony Montagnino...John Eckel, Sr...Marie F.  
Teresita Ariola...Rolando Ariola...Allan Austria  
Dolores Awid...Myra D'Silva...Daniel Thornton  
Stacey Juhlin..Peter Halecky...Patricia Adone  
George & Gerry Taylor...Anya...Ryder Heckman  
Karen and Jerry Kastner...Michelle Irimia  
Bonifacio Riguerra...Ivan Ordonez...Jonel Tinio  
Ryan McHugh...Baby James Thomas Formoso  
Wilberto Guilgerto Canlas...Revan Thrawn Wrage  
Laura Poznanski Clark...Kris Telesmanich...Tito  
Filip Pindulic..Maureen Donohue..Helen de la Pena  
Judy Sweeney...Nellie McHale...Jenifer Mayer  
Virgilio Malapit...Michael O'Neill...Edgardo Ariola  
Jose Nicholas de la Pena...Melie Tiburcio  
Baby Teddy Lang..Martha Velasco Rice..Bernie Ang  
Eddie Aleong...Baby Rafferty Francis Mather  
Richie Lipuma...Kathleen Oates

### ***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.

### ***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.

### ***Available 2026 Offerings***

**Bread & Wine:** Aug. 23 & 30



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

### **St. Mary's PACT/Religious Education Program Re-registration opening at April PACT sessions!**

Re-registration for our 2026-2027 year opens at our PACT sessions.

Parish families with children in Grade 1 through Grade 8 who do not attend Catholic school should be enrolled in our parish PACT/Religious Education Program. Religious Education is curricular for Catholic Christian children from Grades 1-8 (we also have a Kindergarten). Parents attend PACT sessions and work at home as part of our *Parents And Children Together* Religious Education program. Catechists keep our parish children on track as they gather for Sunday sessions with their peers.

Families new to our PACT/Religious Education Program should contact us for information about attending our new Parent orientation session: e-mail [religioused@stmarysdumont.org](mailto:religioused@stmarysdumont.org) or call (201)384-0557 extension 220.



Filled Rice Bowls should be returned at our April PACT sessions or to the Religious Ed. Office.

### **Confirmation Preparation**

Our parish will welcome Bishop Gregory J. Studerus for Confirmation on May 30<sup>th</sup> at the 5:30 p.m. mass. Important updates about practice for the liturgy have been mailed to the homes of our candidates. We ask for continued prayers as our candidates, their families, and our whole parish family prepares for the deepening of the Holy Spirit through our celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation.



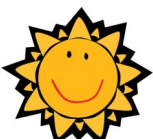
Teen Spirit Hygiene Drive boxes were delivered to Oasis Haven in Paterson. Collection of the boxes and assembling them at the Confirmation Retreat were part of a Confirmation service project. We thank Lynne Vietri and Sheila Romaine for delivering the boxes, and all who participated in this important project. The staff and clients at Oasis greatly appreciate our efforts.

### **First Holy Communion**

First Communions will be celebrated Saturday, 5/2 at 5:30 mass and Sundays 5/3 and 5/17 at the 10:00 a.m. and 12 Noon masses. Please keep our young candidates in prayer as they prepare to receive Jesus Christ sacramentally for the first time in the Eucharist.



### **Vacation Bible School (VBS)**



Stay tuned for more details about our Vacation Bible School (VBS). We will be setting the dates and providing details about the program soon! All volunteers 18 and over who help at parish programs with children including Vacation Bible School must complete a volunteer application and attend a Protecting God's Children session. For more information about volunteer requirements, e-mail [religioused@stmarysdumont.org](mailto:religioused@stmarysdumont.org) or call (201)384-0557 extension 220.

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)

Collection for Easter, April 5, 2026, will be published on a later date.

Table with 3 columns: Collection type, Amount 1, Amount 2. Rows include Collections: April 11 - 12, Weekly On-Line Giving, Total, and Assessment.

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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

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

ANNUAL 2026 APPEAL

We are grateful to share that we have already received \$30,363.00 in pledges which is 55% of our goal as of Tuesday, April 14th—thank you to all who have given so generously!

Our goal can only be reached through your generosity and sacrifice. If you have not yet made your gift, we invite you to prayerfully consider doing so today.

Thank you for your prayers, your generosity, and your faithful support of our Catholic mission. May God bless you abundantly!



Lenten Giving Tree - Thank You

With a heartfelt Thank You to all those who made donations to our Lenten Giving Tree for the Nurturing Place (York Street Project). The Nurturing Place will be so happy to received all the items that they've requested and that would help them tremendously.

We greatly appreciate your donation.



High School Spring Open House

Bergen Catholic, 1040 Oradell Avenue, NJ Tuesday, April 21 at 6:30 pm. Register at bergencatholic.org/admissions

Saint Peter's Preparatory School Sunday, May 3 from 1:00 - 3:00 at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. For more information on the Spring Open House, please call 201-547-6465.

Prayer Garden Bricks

We're happy to announce that the bricks that were ordered in June, 2025 are now in place. You'll see them as you walk up to the prayer garden. We thank you for your patience.



<b>Donated By</b>	<b>In Memory/Honor Of</b>
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*Archdiocese of Newark*  
OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

March 16, 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in our Lord Jesus Christ!

One of my greatest responsibilities is to ensure that the faithful of the Archdiocese are served by good and holy priests. However, promoting vocations to ordained ministry is never the work of one person alone. The whole Church shares the responsibility to pray for vocations and encourage young men whom God may be calling.

Because of that responsibility, our Archdiocese will launch a special campaign, *Called by Name*, on “Good Shepherd Sunday,” April 25-26, 2026. That weekend I ask you to identify young men who show faith, generosity, leadership, and who might be open to prayerfully consider the possibility of serving God and the Church as an ordained priest.

*Called by Name* continues our long-standing responsibility to cultivate vocations to ordained ministry. In this sense, it is part of our effort, alongside *We Are His Witnesses*, to reimagine mission and ministry to meet the needs of a changing world.


The young men you consider need not have expressed a desire for the priesthood. Rather, by nominating a young man, you are honoring his dedication to the faith, while “planting a seed” that may help him better understand God’s plan for him.

I intend to personally congratulate the young men who are nominated, and the Vocation Office of the Archdiocese will follow up with support, resources, and invitations to prayer and fellowship. In no way do we intend to pressure candidates towards the priesthood. Rather, we want to invite young men in the Archdiocese to prayerfully consider God’s plan for them. Your nomination may be the spark that helps a young man open his heart more fully to God’s call!

Next weekend, you will receive more detailed instructions on how to submit names during Mass. But if you are ready to make a nomination today, please visit [newarkpriest.com](http://newarkpriest.com) and use the online submission form. For honorees under eighteen, please include their parents’ names as well.

This effort is dear to my heart. With your thoughtful participation, I am confident the Lord will raise up many new shepherds for his people. May this campaign bear lasting fruit for our Archdiocese and for the salvation of souls!

Sincerely yours in Christ the Redeemer,

  
Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.  
Archbishop of Newark

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