

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

July 19, 2026

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wait for the Harvest

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*

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Mr. Lawrence Miloscia, *Parish Trustee*

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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	July 18 - Vigil Guido and Anna Manzi and Family and Ralph Mazzella
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	July 19 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jacqueline Wallstein Robert Mascarelli and Baby Faith Russo Parishioners of St. Mary's
Monday 7:00AM 8:45AM	July 20 - Weekday Geronimo Santos Margaret Flaherty
Tuesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	July 21 - Weekday Antonio de la Peña Joan Barry
Wednesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	July 22 - St. Mary Magdalene Baby Faith Russo Jose M. Canlas
Thursday 7:00AM 8:45AM	July 23 - Weekday Rodolfo, Sr. and Concepcion Santos Norah and George Daly
Friday 7:00AM 8:45AM	July 24 - Weekly Eduardo Carretas Jovita Ricardo
Saturday 8:30AM 5:30PM	July 25 - St. James Maricar Laya (Living) Brendan Thornton
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	July 26 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time John and Anne Coleman Parishioners of St. Mary's Michelle L. Canlas (Living)



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Mariana Velasco requested by her children.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of George Michael Woke and Mary Woke requested by the Woke family.

This Week



Sunday – July 19 10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir Second Collection: Archdiocesan Retired Priests
Monday – July 20 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 6:30PM Basketball SH
Tuesday – July 21 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 6:30PM Protecting God's Children
Wednesday - July 22 After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena & Rosary UC 1:00PM PACT New Parent Meeting 3:30PM PACT New Parent Meeting 7:30PM Line Dancing SH
Thursday – July 23 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH
Friday – July 24 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 6:30PM Basketball SH
Saturday – July 25
Sunday – July 26 10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir 11:15AM PACT New Parent Meeting After 12:00PM Mass PALAD EB Meeting FDVRm

2026 Parish Summer Office Hours On Fridays Only



The parish office will close at 3:00 PM on **Fridays only until September 4th**. We ask parishioners to make a note of this change.

If you normally would need to get keys, etc., at the parish office by 5:00 PM on a Friday, please know that you will have to come earlier during the months of June until September.

We Welcome the Newest Members of our Parish Community



The Sacrament of *Baptism*

Mateo Enmanuel Alvarado
Henry Marshall Canzona
Callan Ferrick Duran
Klea Poti

Saia Yumi Aperocho
Benson B. Desmond
Aida Poti
Aria Wynter Toribio



At the end of May, Cardinal Tobin ordained 8 new priests for service in the Church of Newark. While it was wonderful to welcome 8 new members to our priestly brotherhood, I was saddened that it was only 8 new priests. When I was ordained more than 25 years ago, there were 16 of us ordained together. If we were to go back even further, it was not unusual for more than 20 new priests to be ordained in a single year. While the number of new priests declines, the number of retired priests continues to grow. Currently there are over 200 retired priests in the Archdiocese of Newark.

This weekend, we will have a special collection to support the fund for retired priests in the Archdiocese of Newark. This fund provides for pension benefits for retired priests as well as their insurance coverage. While the priests' pension fund is mostly supported by the Archdiocese with assistance from the Annual Appeal, the growing number of retired priests is starting to cause strain on the fund which is why we need this special collection.

Many retired priests, like Fr. David, live in rectories and continue to serve in active ministry. Other retired priests live in one of the two retirement homes the Archdiocese maintains. Many others live with families. As much as they are able to do so, most retired priests continue to be active in ministry.

Our participation in the collection for Retired Priests is our way of saying thank you to all the priests who have given their lives in service to the Church and who continue to give to us through their ministry and through their prayers.

Fr. Carey

Memorial Opportunity



The Paschal (Easter) Candle for 2027 has been ordered. We have five (5) memorial opportunities at \$280.00 each for this candle. Please call the parish office, 201-384-0557, if interested in donating a memorial for a loved one.

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...Any...Ryder Heckman
Karen and Jerry Kastner...Michelle Irimia
Bonifacio Riguerra...Ivan Ordenez...Jonel Tinio
Ryan McHugh...Baby James Thomas Formoso
Wilberto Guilgerto Canlas...Revan Thrawn Wrage
Laura Poznanski Clark...Kris Telesmanich
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...Francesca Sverna
Baby Teddy Lang...Martha Velasco Rice...Bernie Ang
Eddie Aleong...Baby Rafferty Francis Mather
Anthony Maiorino...Melie Tiburcio...Liam Turvy
Mary-Ann Burke...Margaret Claire Burke
Euphemia Penaflor...Roberto Lozada
Gloria Naty Grande

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.



PACT/Religious Education Program

St. Mary's PACT/Religious Education Program

New Parent Orientations

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 group). Parents attend PACT sessions and work at home as part of our *Parents And Children Together* Religious Education program.

Families new to our PACT/Religious Education Program should contact us to set up a new Parent orientation via e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-0557 extension 220.

PACT Program returning family re-registrations are due!

Faithful Catholics Needed!



Have you considered spending some time once per month with a group of young people in our parish to share your faith? Catechists keep our parish children on track as they gather for Sunday sessions with their peers. Some teach First Penance, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation at weeknight sessions. If you can help as a catechist, co-catechist, substitute, or in other ways with our Religious Education efforts, e-mail us at religioused@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-0557 extension 220. *All volunteers 18 and over who are part of Religious Education efforts at St. Mary's complete a volunteer application which includes a background check, and attend a Protecting God's Children session.*

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

July 27-31, 2026

Join us for a week of song, craft, story, games, and fun this summer as we explore God's Word! VBS Participants are grades Pre-K through 5. Helpers are grades 6-7-8. Aides are high school age. Registration forms are available in the church or the parish offices.



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. To R.S.V.P. or for more information, e-mail vbs@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-0557 extension 220.

St. Mary's Food Pantry ***July Collection***

For the month of July, the St. Mary's Food Pantry will be collecting **canned goods (vegetables, fruit, tuna, & beans)**. Please drop your items in the basket in the vestibule or by the door near the elevator in the upper church. Items can also be dropped at the Rectory during regular business hours. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please drop an envelope marked Food Pantry in the collection baskets or at the Rectory.

Thank You for your support!

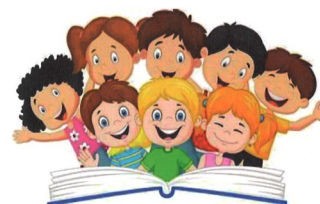


St. Mary's Food Pantry ***Children's Book Corner***

A Summer Initiative for the Food Pantry

To promote a summer adventure by reading books, The Food Pantry will be collecting children's books (**ages newborn to 15 years**) to stock our Children's Book Corner. If you have any children's books you are willing to donate, please drop them in the food pantry baskets in the vestibule or on the elevator side of the church. Or bring to the Rectory during regular business hours.

We thank you in advance for supporting the learning and imaginations of the children who come to the Food Pantry.



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)

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2025</u>
Collections: July 11 - 12	\$8,519.00	\$7,513.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	<u>1,353.00</u>	<u>1,230.00</u>
Total	<u>\$9,872.00</u>	<u>\$8,743.00</u>



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.

Pistahan sa St. Mary's

(Festival at St. Mary's)

The Filipino community of St. Mary's will be having a social event at Szelest Hall on Saturday, September 26, 2026, from 6:30-10:00 pm, to celebrate the feast of the first Filipino saints, Sts. Lorenzo Ruiz and Pedro Calungsod. All Filipino parishioners of St. Mary's, and their families, are invited to a night of fun activities, meet-and-greet, fellowship and friendship. Dinner will be provided. For questions, please call Tates Abad or send text to (201) 936-0022 or email to aabad712@aol.com.

Free Rosary Repair Service

We have lots of parts. Send your broken rosaries in a padded envelope to:

Betty and Dick Holden
7930 Estero Blvd. #502
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

They will be repaired and returned to you within the week of receipt. Donations of old and broken rosaries are also accepted which will be repaired and sent on to the missions.

Include a note indicating repair and return to me or this is a donation.

Dick cell#239-463-3993, Betty cell#860-595-6370 or email holdenbnd@gmail.com.

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 - Thursday, 9:00am -5:00pm, Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm and closed for lunch 1:00pm - 2:00pm.

Stewardship Reflection

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom."

MATTHEW 13:24, 37-38

As children of God, we are all "good seeds". We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow "good seeds" on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society

**Thank you to everyone
who attended bingo
this school year!**

**Because of your support,
we were able to raise
\$14,100 for St. Mary's!**

**We hope you have a
blessed summer!**

See you in September!

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.



Safe Environment Corner

Keeping Children Safe Away from Home

As children grow, parents may begin dropping them off for activities and returning later to pick them up. Before taking this step, families are encouraged to ask a few important safety questions:

- Are at least two adults present to supervise children at all times?
- Does the organization conduct background checks for adults who work with children?
- Does the organization provide appropriate training for adults who supervise children?
- Are there separate restroom facilities or clear restroom policies for adults and minors?
- Are isolated areas locked, restricted, or monitored?

Together, guided by our faith and our shared responsibility, we can help create safe and welcoming environments where every child is protected and cherished.

Anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct is asked to inform us so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and to provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at 201-407-3256.



Registration Form VBS 2026 at St. Mary's!

Be sure to read the VBS 2026 Important Information Sheet.

Indicate for each child below: **Participant** (Grade Pre-K through 5) or **Helper** (completed Grades 6-7-8) or **Aide** (H.S.)

Child Name	Grade Completed June 2026	Role	Allergies/Other Info

Name of Parent/Guardian Registering Child _____

Address _____ Apartment or Floor # _____

City/State/Zip _____

E-mail _____@_____

Cell Phone _____ Work or other phone _____

Additional/emergency, contact person:

Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone _____

VBS 2026 Important Information

Each child attending must be registered with grade completed and role indicated (participant- helper-aide).

Inform us of any special needs such as food allergies. Children may bring their own snack suited to special dietary needs.

Photo Permission/Release

Vacation Bible School activities are often photographed. Names and other personal or identifiable information are not used unless approved by parent or guardian in writing prior to use. Photos may be used to keep our community informed about and/or promote what is happening at St. Mary's and may be posted around the parish, our parish bulletin, e-mails, and online via our social media and website. St. Mary's cannot be responsible for photos taken by other VBS participants and their parents and guardians.

Emergency Medical Treatment Policy

I agree to the medical treatment of my child(ren) if emergency care is necessary and I cannot be readily contacted at the phone number(s) provided.

Signature of parent or guardian below indicates that the parent or guardian has read, understood, and consented to the above policies.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** ____/____/2026