

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



*August 16, 2026
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

O woman,
great is
your faith!
Let it be done
for you as
you wish.

MATTHEW 15:28

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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*
Rev. Eugene J. Field, *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*

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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	Aug. 15 - Vigil
5:30PM	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Frank
Sunday	Aug. 16 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	Emily Stevens
12 Noon	Lauro and Susan Abad
Monday	Aug. 17 - Weekday
7:00AM	Amara Reese Tuy (Living)
8:45AM	Joseph Welsh
Tuesday	Aug. 18 - Weekday
7:00AM	Joseph Consentino
8:45AM	Joseph M. Canlas (Living)
Wednesday	Aug. 19 - Weekday
7:00AM	Karen Sadock (Living)
8:45AM	Robert W. Harrison
Thursday	Aug. 20 - St. Bernard
7:00AM	Michael Murray
8:45AM	Breda and Bernie O'Brien
Friday	Aug. 21 - St. Pius X
7:00AM	Myrna Tolentino Solas Racine
8:45AM	Cecelia Ricciardi
Saturday	Aug. 22 - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30AM	Nick Vietri
5:30PM	Kathy Palumbo
Sunday	Aug. 23 - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:45AM	Emmanuel Bautista
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
12 Noon	Michael J. Burke



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Deacon Cyril Massar requested by Josie Parrella.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of Emily Stevens requested by Anne Marie and Jim Bishopp.

Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Francis Hogan, Purificacion Tugade and Lee Clark.

This Week



Sunday – Aug. 16

10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir

7:00PM Youth Group Summer Meeting SFC

Second Collection: Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa

Monday – Aug. 17

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

6:30PM Basketball SH

Tuesday – Aug. 18

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

Wednesday - Aug. 19

8:00AM Together Learning Center Social SH

After 8:45AM Mass OLP Novena & Rosary UC

7:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday – Aug. 20

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH

Friday – Aug. 21

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

6:30PM Basketball SH

Saturday – Aug. 22

Sunday – Aug. 23

10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir

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 August and September.

2027 Available Offerings

Bread & Wine:

Jan. 17 & 31; Feb. 7; Mar. 14 & 28; May 16; July 4 & 11; Aug. 1, 22 & 29; Sept. 26; Oct. 10, 17 & 31; Nov. 21; Dec. 19 & 26.

Sanctuary Lamp:

Jan. 17; May 2, 16 & 23; July 4 & 25; Oct. 24; Nov. 21.



Yesterday, we celebrated our patronal feast, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Next Saturday, we will celebrate the Queenship of our Blessed Mother. So often, usually in May, we place a simple crown on the Statue of Mary. We do so to remind us that Christ has crowned his mother with grace and honor for all time. This feast, on the octave of her Assumption into heaven, we celebrate Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth.

In the Chapter 2, verse 20 of the first book of Kings, King Solomon said to his mother, Bathsheba seated on a throne at his right, "Make your request, Mother, for I will not refuse you."

When the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary and told her she was to bear a son, Gabriel told Mary that her child would "Be called Son of the Most High" and that he "would be given the Throne of David, his Father and his reign would have no end."

If Solomon, David's son, placed his mother on a Throne at his right and promised her that he would deny her nothing, how much more honor would the Son of the Most High grant to his mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Solomon, as great King as he was, was a King of earth. His reign had a beginning and an end. But as Gabriel told Mary the reign of her Son would have no end. He is to reign forever and his mother, at his right side, forever intercedes for us.

But it is not her own glory that Mary seeks. As we celebrate her coronation as Queen of Heaven and Earth, we remember the only title Mary ever claimed is the one she used when the Angel Gabriel first appeared to her. She said "I am the maid-servant of the Lord" and she continues to serve as she leads us to her son.

These great feasts, the Assumption and the Queenship of our Blessed Mother, are given to us as a sign of hope and model of faith. If we are willing to follow the example of Mary who was always ready to say "Yes" to God, we too may one day reign in heaven with the Queen of heaven and earth who calls us her children.

Fr. Carey

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 Ordonez...Jonel Tinio
Ryan McHugh...Gloria Naty Grande
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...Kim Catalina

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

PACT Program Returning Families

We are currently assigning children to their peer groups/classes. If you have not returned your registration form, be sure to do so at this time.

New Parent Orientation Meetings

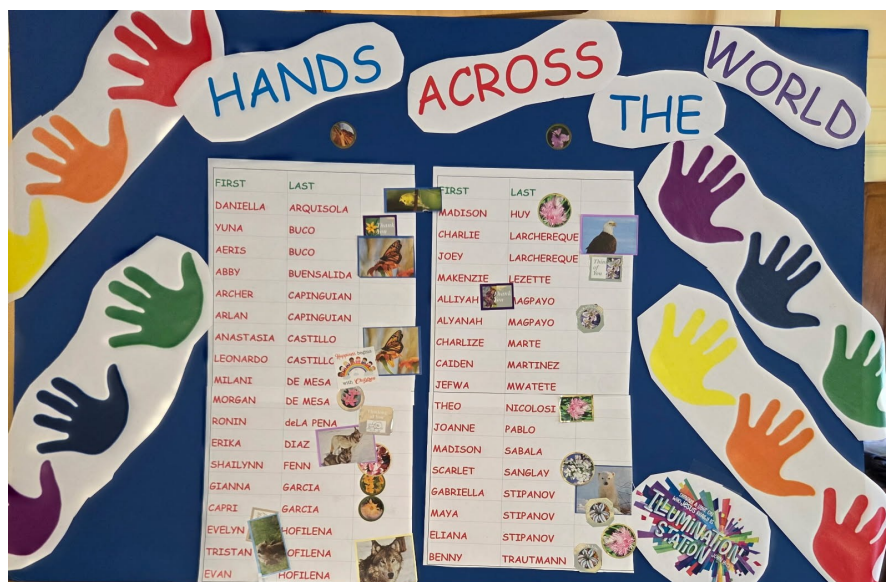
Parish families with children in Grade 1 through Grade 8 who do not attend Catholic school should be enrolled in our parish PACT/Religious Education Program. Religious Education is curricular for Catholic Christian children from Grades 1-8 (we also have a Kindergarten group). Parents attend PACT sessions 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 schedule a brief new parent orientation and registration appointment via e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-0557 extension 220.

Catechists needed for our Religious Education Program!



Have you considered spending some time once or twice 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 adult volunteers 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.*



Hands Across the World Mission Project **Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2026**

We are proud of our VBS participants and their families who participated in the *Hands Across the World Mission Project* at Illumination Station Vacation Bible School 2026. We collected \$297 which will go towards families in parts of the world experiencing natural disasters and other hardships. The project helps demonstrate how participants understood our main VBS theme: *Jesus is the Light of the World!*



St. Mary's Food Pantry



August Collection

For the month of August, the St. Mary's Food Pantry will be collecting **Cereal and Pasta & Sauce**. 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!**



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, send text or email:

- Tates Abad, (201) 936-0022,
aabad712@aol.com; or
- Mimi Cortezano, (201) 417-1346,
cacacort@yahoo.com.

Stewardship Reflection

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." -
ROMANS 11:29

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone. Each of us has a part in God's salvation plan.

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)

	2026	2025
Collections: Aug. 8 - 10	\$7,984.00	\$10,178.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	2,238.00	2,012.00
Total	\$10,222.00	\$12,190.00

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

Report Financial Misconduct Confidentially

If you suspect financial misconduct, use **EthicsPoint**, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit www.rcan.org for the hotline and reporting link.

Report Sexual Misconduct Confidentially

The Archdiocese of Newark takes all allegations of sexual misconduct by clergy, religious, and lay staff seriously. We encourage anyone with knowledge of such acts to contact us so we can take appropriate steps to protect others and support victims of sexual abuse. Please call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at **201-407-3256** or visit www.rcan.org/protection-of-the-faithful for more information.

The **Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service** receives reports of sexual abuse or misconduct by bishops and forwards them for investigation. To report abuse, visit www.reportbishopabuse.org or call **800-276-1562**.

We Welcome the Newest Members of our Parish Community

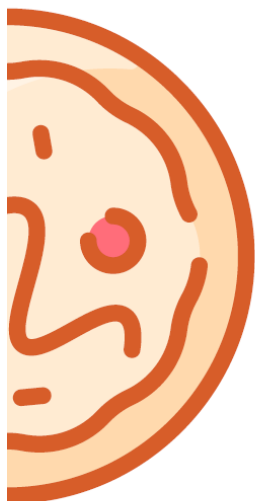
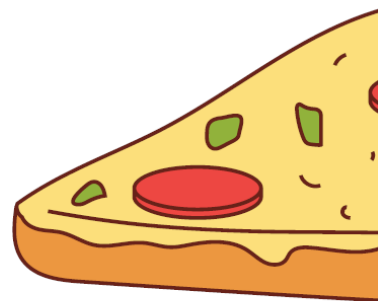


Gianna Lynn O. Abreca
Silas Xavier Herrera
Cole Patrick Koniuch
Giavanna Marie Romano



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Pizza Night

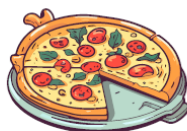


It's too hot to cook! How about some
pizza? Come on down to the council.

**Join us for a night of homemade pizza
fresh from the oven & green salad!**

Friday, Aug 21

6-8PM



**\$20 per person
\$10 per child
10 and under**

Tap beer, wine and soda are
included. Cash bar after.

St. John's Council #1345
61 Armour Place,
Dumont, NJ 07628

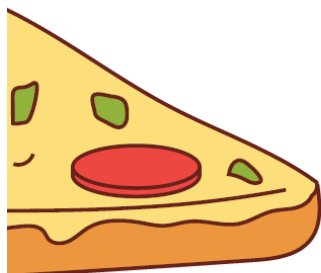
RSVP required by August 15

Call or text Ken A.

1-516-220-9333

or email

kofc1345reservations@gmail.com



ARE YOU IN?

ST. MARY'S PARISH FAMILY PICNIC



WHEN: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

TIME: 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

WHERE: RECTORY PARKING LOT

ST. MARY'S WILL SUPPLY THE

BURGERS, DOGS, DRINKS

PLEASE DONATE ONE OF YOUR FAMILY
FAVORITE SALADS OR DESSERTS TO SHARE!



GAMES, FACE PAINTING, BALLOONS & A DUNK TANK!!

PLEASE R.S.V.P. BY SEPTEMBER 7TH

PLEASE DROP FORM IN BASKET AT MASS OR BRING/MAIL TO RECTORY
OR EMAIL AT RELIGIOUSED@STMARYSDUMONT.ORG

FAMILY NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

NUMBER OF ADULTS: _____ NUMBER OF KIDS _____

SALAD DONATION: GREEN, POTATO, MACARONI, PASTA, OTHER

DESSERT DONATION: BROWNIES, COOKIES, CUPCAKES, OTHER

(PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR DONATION)