



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

For where two or three are
gathered together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.

MATTHEW 18:20



September 6, 2026
Twenty-Third 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***

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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!

Weekly MASS Intentions

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Saturday 5:30PM	Sept. 5—Vigil Robert Mascarelli and Baby Faith Russo
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Sept. 6 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mary McCorry Parishioners of St. Mary's Michael J. Burke
Monday 9:00AM	Sept. 7 - Weekday Michele Patetta
Tuesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Sept. 8 - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Valerio Laya (Living) Alexandra Silva (Living)
Wednesday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Sept. 9 - St. Peter Claver Frances Hans William A. Donohue
Thursday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Sept. 10 - Weekday Bronislawa and Francszek Malinowski Patria Diacuna
Friday 7:00AM 8:45AM	Sept. 11 - Weekday Victims of 9/11 Victims of 9/11
Saturday 8:30AM 5:30PM	Sept. 12 - Weekday Timothy Sheehan Maureen Loughnane
Sunday 7:45AM 10:00AM 12 Noon	Sept. 13 - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Parishioners of St. Mary's John Seroka Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rugnetta



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Michele Patetta requested by Eleanor King.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of Vera and Lou Vietri requested by their family.

Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Eileen Kelly.

This Week



Sunday – Sept. 6 10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir
Monday – Sept. 7 Labor Day After 9:00AM Mass Rosary UC
Tuesday – Sept. 8 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS 6:30PM PACT Protecting God's Children
Wednesday - Sept. 9 After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena & Rosary UC 7:00PM PACT New Parent Meeting 7:30PM Line Dancing SH
Thursday – Sept. 10 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS 7:00PM PACT Catechist Meeting #2 8:00PM Basketball (Tuy) SH
Friday – Sept. 11 After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 8:00PM Basketball SH
Saturday – Sept. 12 8:00AM Korean School
Sunday – Sept. 13 8:30AM PACT Angels Opening Session 10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir 1:30PM Baptisms UC 2:00PM Parish Picnic

Labor Day – Sept. 7th



On Monday, September 7th, Labor Day, the parish office will be closed and we will have only one Mass that day at 9:00 AM. Beginning Friday, September 11th, the Parish Office is back to regular schedule on Fridays, we're open until 5:00PM.

2027 Available Offerings

Bread & Wine:

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

Sanctuary Lamp:

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



We mark the end of summer vacations and the beginning of a new school year with the observance of Labor Day; a day that reminds us that, through the gift of human labor, we each do our part in carrying on God's work of creation. The Book of Genesis tells that, in the Beginning, God instructed our first parent to work the soil and to subdue the earth. Labor Day is not just one last chance to celebrate the summer before we face the reality of work. It's a chance to thank God for the opportunity to be his co-workers in building a better world.

This week also calls us to remember one of the darkest days in US history. On Friday, we will mark the 25th Anniversary of the 9-11 attacks that changed our world and changed the way we look at it.

I think we will always remember where we were when we heard about the attacks. One plane hit the Pentagon. A second plane, headed for the White House, went down in Shanksville, Pennsylvania only because passengers fought back. Two other planes crashed into the Twin Towers at the World Trade Center in lower Manhattan.

Almost 3,000 people died in these attacks. So many others died from injuries or as result of exposure to the toxins the attacks released. Many still struggle with toxic exposure and others struggle with Post Traumatic Stress.

As a nation, we united to do all that we could. So many volunteered to work on the rubble of the Twin Towers searching for those who were lost. People lined up to donate blood. Supplies and food were collected for those working on the pile. All of us prayed. We prayed for those who died. We prayed for all the injured. We prayed for the police and the firefighters who were on the front lines that horrible day. And, we prayed that our nation would find healing.

As we mark Labor Day this week, we must all remember that we are called to keep praying and to keep working toward a world where terrorist attacks are only distant memories and world peace is our reality.

Fr. Carey

Stewardship Reflection

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel..." - EZEKIEL 33:7

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to nurture and develop our gifts and to give back with increase. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts, especially the ones that mean the most to us.

Bridge Makers Meeting



Bridge Makers, a joint ministry of St. Peter the Apostle, River Edge and St. Mary's Church, Dumont, is a faith sharing community of LGBTQ, family, and friends. Our next meeting is Thursday, September 10th at 7:00 pm at St Peter the Apostle Church, 445 5th Ave, River Edge. Contact Deacon John Sylvester at deaconjohn@stmarysdumont.org for more information.

St. Mary's Bereavement Support Group

St. Mary's Bereavement Support Group will begin on Wednesday, October 7th at 7:00 PM and will meet for six consecutive Wednesday evenings. The program features a series of reflections, educational components, and sharing activities to assist participants in navigating the reality of loss, the pain of grief, and adjusting to life without their loved one. For more information or to register in advance, please call 201-384-0557 or email deaconjohn@stmarysdumont.org.

Save the Date

Rev. David W. Milliken
50th Anniversary of Ordination
Saturday, June 19, 2027
More information to follow.



PACT/Religious Education Program

PACT Angels and Saints Sunday schedules have been mailed!

Children in our Sunday PACT/Religious Education Program have been assigned to their peer groups/classes and color-coded schedules have been mailed. If you have not received your schedule, call us at (201) 384-0557 Ext. 220 or e-mail us at religiouslyused@stmarysdumont.org. Our first session is in two weeks!

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.

An orientation for new parents is scheduled for Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00 p.m. in our office in the school building. R.S.V.P via e-mail religiouslyused@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-0557 extension 220.

We need one Catechist for our Sunday PACT/Religious Education Program!



We are so grateful that we have many catechists ready to help with our Religious Education efforts which begin in a week! We still need a catechist for Sunday to keep a group of our parish children on track as they gather for monthly Sunday sessions with their peers.

If you can help as a catechist, co-catechist, substitute, or in other ways with our Religious Education efforts, e-mail us at religiouslyused@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.*

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...Anyia...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..
Eddie Aleong...Baby Rafferty Francis Mather
Anthony Maiorino...Melie Tiburcio...Liam Turvy
Mary-Ann Burke...Margaret Claire Burke
Euphemia Penaflor...Roberto Lozada...Bernie Ang
Melody Andres...Bede Leroy Mohammed

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.

St. Mary's Food Pantry September Collection

For the month of September, the St. Mary's Food Pantry will be collecting **Pancake Mix/Syrup and Coffee**. 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!



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. 29 - 30	\$7,002.00	\$7,651.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	1,573.00	1,405.00
Total	\$8,575.00	\$9,056.00

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

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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 from ParishSoft.

You can also contact the parish office for more details.

Pistahan Sa St. Mary's

**Saturday
SEPTEMBER
26
2026**

WHAT
PISTAHAN SA ST. MARY'S IN DUMONT, NJ, TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF THE FIRST FILIPINO SAINTS, STS. LORENZO RUIZ AND PEDRO CALUNGOD.

WHERE
SZELEST HALL
6:30-10:00PM

All Filipino parishioners and their families are invited to a night of fun activities, meet-and-greet, fellowship and friendship. Dinner is served.

Join us and meet fellow Kababayans!

RSVP
(Please call, text or email):
* Tatess Abad, (201) 486-5852, aabad712@aol.com.
* Mimi Cortezano, (201) 417-1346, cacacort@yahoo.com

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society Presents: Sunday Bingo!

Sunday, September 20, 2026

St. Mary's Church Szelest Hall (Gym), 280 Washington Avenue, Dumont

Bingo Cost - \$20

**Includes: 11 Games of Bingo
Dessert, Coffee & Tea**

Doors open at 1:30pm - Bingo starts at 2:00pm

Additional Boards \$5

Bingo prizes start at \$50 per game

Prizes will be split if there are multiple winners to a game.

No one under the age of 18 will be admitted.

BYOB & Snacks permitted.

NO RESERVATION WILL BE TAKEN.

SEATING IS FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE.

*Come join us for a relaxing Sunday afternoon
and some good old-fashioned fun!*

Please email rosaryaltarsociety@stmarysdumont.org with any questions



St. Mary's Food Pantry



Children's Book Corner

A Summer Initiative for the Food Pantry

THANK YOU to the St. Mary's Parishioners, Grant School, The Philippine Nurses Assoc of NJ – BergenPassaic and anyone else who supported our children's book drive this summer. It was a huge success! We collected enough books to keep the book corner stocked for a very long time! The children have been running to the shelves all summer long and choosing 2 or 3 books to take home!

We thank you for supporting the learning and imaginations of the children who come to the St. Mary's Food Pantry.



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)