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

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*
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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Online giving: ParishSoft
stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com.

Eucharistic 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 ©JPPC

Saturday	**Nov. 21 - Vigil**
5:30PM	John Sullivan and Karen Camporeale
Sunday	**Nov. 22 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**
7:45AM	DiJohn and Cailei Rubio (Living)
10:00AM	Edmond and Catherine Cremin
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Monday	**Nov. 23 - Weekday**
7:00AM	Paul DiPaola
8:45AM	Michele Halley
Tuesday	**Nov. 24 - St. Andrew Dũng-Lac**
7:00AM	Phyllis Palmeri
8:45AM	Benjamin I. Yguico (Living)
Wednesday	**Nov. 25 - Weekday**
7:00AM	Thomas Tallerico
8:45AM	Robert and Joan Mascarelli
Thursday	**Nov. 26 - Weekday**
9:00AM	Emilio and Petra Zialcita
Friday	**Nov. 27 - Weekday**
7:00AM	Mary Ryan
8:45AM	John Daly
Saturday	**Nov. 28 - Weekday**
8:30AM	Mike Daly
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday	**Nov. 29 - First Sunday of Advent**
7:45AM	Paul DiPaola
10:00AM	Liboro and Abad Families (Living)
12 Noon	Terry Almendra, Sr.



The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses and the **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in praise of God and in memory of Dennis Murray requested by his family.

Recently Deceased

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Agnes Ghilain and Tony Rosal.

2027 Available Offerings

***Bread & Wine*:** Jan. 31; Feb. 7; Mar. 14 ; Aug. 1 & 22; Oct. 31; Nov. 21.

Sanctuary Lamp: May 23; Oct. 24.

This Week



Sunday – Nov. 22
8:30AM PACT-Saints
9:15AM Penance Prep Neophytes Parish Office
10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir
11:15AM OCIA Teens Parish Office
2:00PM Holiday Show Rehearsal (Beth S.) SH
7:00PM Youth Group SFC

Monday – Nov. 23
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
7:00PM OCIA Adults Parish Office
8:00PM Basketball SH

Tuesday – Nov. 24
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
5:00PM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS
6:00PM PACT Penance Prep #4 with Practice
8:00PM Holiday Show Rehearsal (Beth S.) SH

Wednesday - Nov. 25
After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena & Rosary UC

Thursday – Nov. 26
Thanksgiving Day
After 9:00AM Mass Rosary UC

Friday – Nov. 27
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

Saturday – Nov. 28
9:30AM Advent Church Decorating

Sunday – Nov. 29
First Sunday of Advent
10:00AM & 12:00PM Choir
After 12:00PM Mass PALAD EB Meeting FDVRm
2:00PM Holiday Show Rehearsal (Beth S.) SH

Thanksgiving Parish Office Schedule and Holiday Mass

In observance of Thanksgiving, we want parishioners to know that the parish office will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 26 and Friday, Nov. 27.

There will be only one Mass on Thursday morning, November 26th, at 9:00 AM. It's our parish Thanksgiving Mass. We will bless and distribute loaves of bread which our families can take home and share at their family meal that day.



On behalf of Fr. Carey, Fr. David, Fr. Gene, deacon, and staff of St. Mary's, we wish to extend our prayers and best wishes to all of our parish families for a wonderful Thanksgiving Day.



This weekend, as we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, we mark the end of the liturgical calendar with the Feast of Christ the King. As one liturgical year ends, another begins. This cycle of endings and beginnings is reflected in nature as the seasons change, for we know the bleak months of winter will give way to the rebirth of spring, an endless cycle of endings and beginnings, death and rebirth.

But the Feast of Christ the King reminds us that the cycle is not endless. A time will come when the days of this world will end and a new world will begin. As we proclaim each week in our profession of faith, Christ will return in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. Christ's glory is revealed as He died on the cross. By His death on the cross, Christ shared in the death of all humanity. In His Resurrection, Christ has conquered death for all time.

The holidays we celebrate throughout the year, most importantly Thanksgiving, remind us of the countless ways we have been blessed and call us to acknowledge the greatness of the giver of all blessings. Christ the King will indeed come at the end of time but until then, we are called to celebrate the many gifts he has given us. Thanksgiving calls us to celebrate gifts of faith and family. We are called to share are countless blessing with those in need. We are called to be grateful that we live in a nation that allows us to freely worship God and to celebrate our faith; faith in Christ the King who calls us to trust in his mercy and to be always waiting in watchful prayer.

Fr. Carey

Stewardship Reflection

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." – MATTHEW 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, real generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient to us, when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's timeline.

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...Wilberto Guilgerto Canlas
Revan Thrawn Wrage..Helen de la Pena...Paul Ott
Laura Poznanski Clark...Kris Telesmanich
Filip Pindulic..Maureen Donohue...Lyra Kennedy
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 Turvey
Mary-Ann Burke..Margaret Claire Burke...Jun Adel
Euphemia Penaflor...Roberto Lozada...Nestor Canlas
Melody Andres...Bede Leroy Mohammed
Maureen Lavin...Kristen Turvey...Michael M.

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.

2027 Sunday Missals

Copies of St. Joseph's Sunday missals are now available for purchase**.** The cost is $5.00 for each missal.

PACT/Religious Education Program

St. Mary's Religious Education Program

At St. Mary's Religious Education, we are committed to:

- Sunday Mass attendance
- Completing Religious Education assignments at home
- Sunday PACT *Parent And Children Together* gatherings
- Commitment to sacramental preparation programs
- Support of other parish events

Tuesday First Penance/Reconciliation/ Confession Sessions



Tuesday First Penance/Reconciliation/Confession Sessions conclude this Tuesday, 11/24, in the church. Please pray for our young candidates as they prepare to meet our forgiving Lord for the first time in the Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday, December 5th.

Confirmation Preparation Program



The second candidate session for our Confirmation Preparation Program will be Monday, 12/14. For more details, refer to the preparation schedule. Save the date! The Confirmation Retreat is scheduled for January 23rd, 2027.

Empowering God's Children Lessons 5 & 6 Links

All parish children in our Archdiocese of Newark in Religious Education and Catholic schools participate in *Empowering God's Children* sessions as part of our commitment to providing safe environments. Parents….watch your e-mail for links to online materials for lessons five and six as well as a survey for completion of the program at home. For more information, visit https://rcan.org/empowering-gods-children/

St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society
Annual Christmas Party

Ciao Bella Italian Bistro
690 River Road,
New Milford, NJ 07646
Tel.: (201) 767-0063

Sunday, December 13, 2026 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Appetizer
Bruschetta
Charcuterie Board
Eggplant Lasagna

Lunch
House Salad
Garden Greens or Caesar

Penne a la Vodka

Entree
Chicken Francese
Salmon Dijon

Dessert, Coffee, Tea & Soda Included
BYOB Permitted
$55.00 Per Person – Tables of 8
Please return form and payment by November 30, 2026
(Unfortunately, walk-ins will not be accepted)

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Please include names for each person at your table

1) _____ 5) _____
2) _____ 6) _____
3) _____ 7) _____
4) _____ 8) _____

Please return form to Parish Office
Questions – Peggy Arroyo (347) 266-1070

The Advent Giving Tree

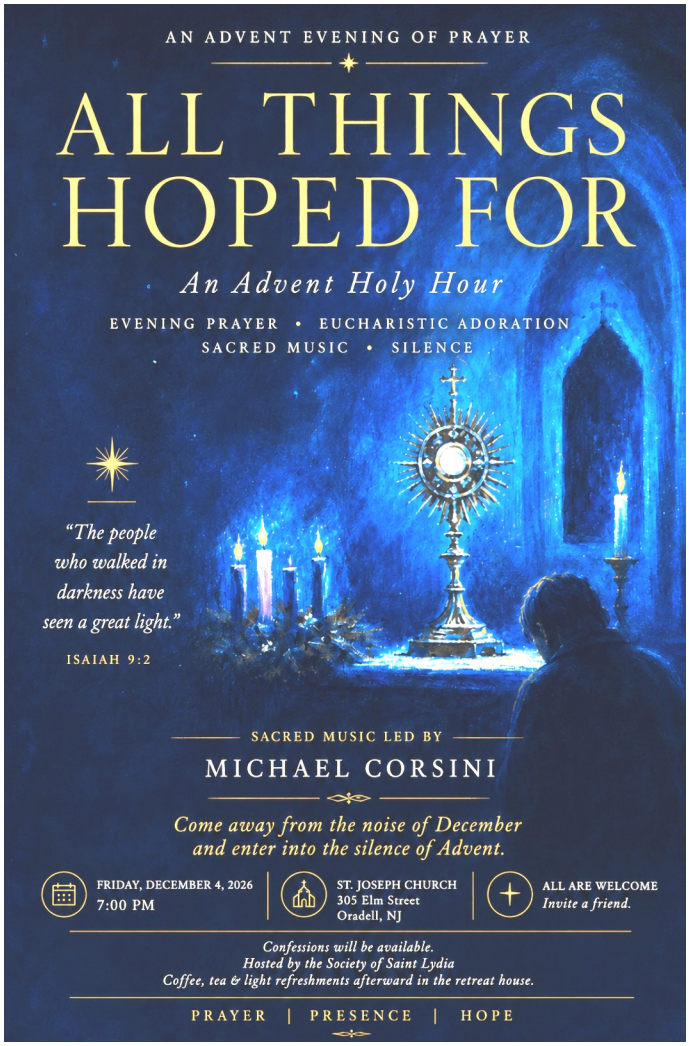


We will again this year, with your support and generosity, provide Gift Cards to families through The Nurturing Place (formerly The York Street Project) in Jersey City.

They have about 75 children, in addition to approximately 35 moms they hope to assist this year.

Gift tags become available the weekend of November 28-29.

If there are any questions regarding the Giving Tree please call Josie Parrella at 201-384-0557.
Please drop off your donation(s) marked Giving Tree on the envelope to the parish office or to the collection baskets by **Wednesday, Dec. 9th.**
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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: Nov. 14 - 15	$7,401.00	$8,202.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	1,217.00	1,230.00
Total	$8,618.00	$9,432.00

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ParishSOFT by Ministry Brands **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.

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

50/50 Mega Raffle



By now, most parishioners have received raffle tickets in the mail and some have already purchased the tickets.

Tickets are $20.00 each. There will be three (3) prizes – 1st Prize will be 25% of the proceeds, **2nd** Prize will be 15% of the proceeds, and **3rd** Prize will be 10% of the proceeds.

We ask that you purchase what you can afford. If possible, sell others to friends and neighbors. We know many people give lottery tickets at Christmas. Consider giving a raffle ticket instead. We all need to be a little creative as we strive to make this special raffle a great success. We are most grateful for whatever each family might be able to do. If you need more raffle tickets, they are available at the rectory.

Please return the raffle tickets and the money to the rectory or put in the collection basket in church. The winning tickets will be pulled on January 3, 2027, the Feast of the Epiphany.

The total as of Monday, Nov. 16 is $4,420.00.

A Thank You Message from the Knights . . .

St. John's Council Knights of Columbus would like to thank the parishioners of St. Mary's for their generosity in making our Annual Muffin Sale a success. Together we raised $526 for our Parish.



J-Walk – St. Mary's Youth Ministry

2026 Christmas Wreath and Grave Blanket

Place Orders by Monday, November 23

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____-_____-_____

Email: _____

Drop form in the collection boxes in the church, at the parish office or email your order to Beth Miloscia at youthmin@stmarysdumont.org



Price **$30.00**

Quantity _____



Price **$30.00**

Quantity _____

Total Amount Due $_____

Circle your method of payment: CASH CHECK ONLINE

Please provide payment with order. Checks may be made out to St. Mary's Church. Online orders can be placed at stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com

Drive-Thru Pickup at the Rectory Garage
Saturday, December 5 between 9am and 11am

St. Nicholas Project 2026



Will you help me visit children, families, women, and men who have had some pretty hard times this year…
I am continuing the work of Jesus.
I will need your help…

November, 2026

Dear Parents:

Once again, we are collecting gifts for OASIS Shelter for Women and Children in Paterson. Won't you join us in our efforts to helping to provide for some of their needs?

Please do not wait until the next PACT session to bring gifts. Bring them by Thursday, December 3rd We need to deliver to Paterson early so *please be generous, and please be early*!

Thank you and may we be guided by the example of Good St. Nick. For more information about him visit: www.stnicholascenter.org

For more information about OASIS, how you can help, and some great OASIS success stories, visit http://www.oasisnj.org/ or call **973-881-8307.**

In Christ,

Bill

Great saint of Advent, Nicholas,
pray for us
that we may be infused
with the Spirit of generosity this Advent,
Christmas, and throughout our lives. Amen.



** Cut out the St. Nick pictures and attach them to gifts with tape.*

** Gifts should be unwrapped (wrapping paper and tape may be donated) and bring to the Religious Ed office or Rectory/parish office by 12/3/26*

** See the other side of page for suggested gift items…*

Suggested gift items are below. Remember to bring gifts early… and don't wait for the next PACT session! A basic guideline is that a gift should be something your own child(ren) or nieces and nephews or grandchildren would need or like to have! Cut out gift tags above and attach them to items for the St. Nicholas Project… Thank you!

GIFT CARDS
VISA-type gift cards
Target
Marshalls
Barnes & Noble
Paterson local stores

SPORTS
Basketballs
Footballs
New sneakers
Teamwear/Jerseys/caps

CLOTHING (NEW)
teen-
children-
women- all ages/sizes

ELECTRONICS
Handheld electronic games
MP3 players

TOYS
Trucks and Cars
Hot Wheels Sets
Mr. Potato Head and similar toys
Dolls – various ethnic groups and ages
Doll strollers
Barbies- various ethnic groups
Disney/character type items
Dishes and tea sets
Legos and similar play sets
Games

ARTS & CRAFTS
Art Sets – various ages
Crayola Color Wonder Sets
Jewelry makers/Band weavers
Drawing kits/pads/markers



