The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

Very Rev. Dominic G. Ciriaco, V.F. Pastor

Rev. Michael S. P. Trainor, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Nicholas V. Bellotti, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Patrick Donohue, In-Residence

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Mrs. Barbara Barba, Pastoral Council Chairperson

Mrs. Janet Kaine, *Parish Trustee* Mr. Michael Daly, *Parish Trustee*

Mass Schedule

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:** 7:00 am & 8:45 am

Saturday: 8:30 am

Holiday: 9:00 am on Major Civil Holidays

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Private confessions at any time. Please call rectory.

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!

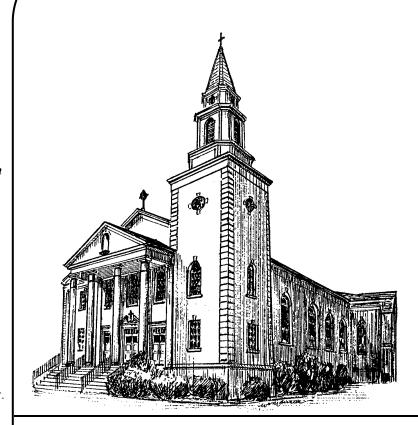
Religious Devotions

Miraculous Medal Novena: Saturday following 8:30 am Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month, 9:00 am - 7:00 pm, in the lower church

Fifth Sunday of Lent April 6, 2014



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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

ST. MARY'S DUMONT



Saturday April 5 - Vigil

5:30PM Thomas Duffy

Sunday April 6 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:45AM Rosemary Palma

10:00AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

12 Noon Walter Boettger

Monday April 7 - Lenten Weekday

St. John Baptist de la Salle

7:00AM William Urban 8:45AM Bernie O'Connor

Tuesday April 8 - Lenten Weekday

7:00AM Joan Hughes 8:45AM Caroline Aspiras

Wednesday April 9 - Lenten Weekday 7:00AM Mary Jane Triggiano

8:45AM Catherine, Henry, and Harry Quigley

Thursday April 10 - Lenten Weekday

7:00AM Pat Krauchuk

8:45AM Fanahan and Nellie Joyce
Friday April 11 - Lenten Weekday

St. Stanislaus 7:00AM Vincenza Giunta

8:45AM Ann and Tony Stecco
Saturday April 12 - Lenten Weekday

8:30AM John and Michael Joyce 5:30PM Rose and Patsy Caldera

Sunday April 13 - Palm Sunday of the Passion

of the Lord

7:45AM Tim and Peggy Keating Anniversary

10:00AM Vincenza Giunta

12 Noon Parishioners of St. Mary's

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Vincenza Giunta requested by the Conte and Lee families.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Vincenza Giunta requested by the Conte and Lee families.



7:30 PM – Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 11:00 PM – Night Prayer

Good Friday - April 18

9:00 AM – Morning Prayer 3:00 PM – Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 7:30 PM – Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday - April 19

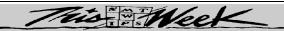
9:00 AM - Morning Prayer

(Following Morning Prayer, help is welcomed to decorate the church for Easter)

8:15 PM – Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday - April 20

Masses at 7:45 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon



Sunday – April 6

7:30AM-11:30AM Prayer Breakfast CFC-FFL (Mitch)

Cafeteria

8:30AM PACT Angels Final Session-8th "Grad"

LC/School

11:00AM PACT Angels Closing Catechist Meeting

Library-School

1:00PM-4:00PM PALAD Meeting FDVRm

Food Collection

Monday - April 7

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

7:00PM PACT Angels Final Session with Parents

8th Grade "Grad" UC/School

8:15PM Closing Catechist Meeting Library/School

Tuesday - April 8

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

3:30PM PACT Angels Final Session with Parents

UC/School

5:00PM Closing Catechist Meeting Library/School

5:30PM Basketball SH

7:30PM Adult Choir Practice Library

7:30PM-8:30PM Bereavement Support Group MSRm

Wednesday - April 9

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

4:00PM Children's Choir Practice Library

5:00PM Bells Choir Practice UC

7:00PM Knitters and Crochetters FDVRm

7:00PM OLPH Novena LC

7:30PM-9:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday - April 10

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC 7:00PM Baptism Class FDVRm 7:30PM Yoga (Linda) School Library

7:30PM An Evening of Prayer and Reflection on Food Insecurity SFC

Friday - April 11

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

9:30AM and 6:00PM Distribution of Easter Baskets LC

10:00AM St. John's Food Kitchen, Newark

7:00PM Basketball SH

7:30PM Stations of the Cross LC

Saturday - April 12

9:30AM-11:00AM Lenten Reflection Morning for All Ministers SFC

10:00AM-12:00PM Faith Sharing Group (Lorena) FDVRm After 5:30PM Mass Altar & Rosary Easter Candy Orders

Pick-up School Library Second Collection - Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Sunday - April 13

After All Masses Altar & Rosary Easter Candy Orders
Pick-up School Library

Second Collection - Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Palm Sunday





Dear Friends,

Our Lenten journey has called us to follow Jesus into the desert (week 1/the temptation) hold in our hearts the image of the transfigured Lord (week 2) deal compassionately with snarky foreigners who do not share our faith (week 3/Samaritan woman at the well) and deeply understand Christ's power to heal; even in the most seemingly impossible personal and societal situations (the man born blind).

In our PACT sessions and at our Confirmation Retreat we have been speaking about not the usual "giving up" for Lent, but relinquishment, turning over to God what needs to be turned over. If we haven't done so this Lent, we still have a chance. This week, as Christ commands that the tomb of Lazarus be opened, imagine instead that He commands us to open the tomb where we are buried with all of the stuff we have not yet turned over to Him. We will probably find that it is just as Martha remarks- "surely there will be stench!"

What do we find buried with us? Our temptations (week 1), the times we refused to acknowledge the Lord as special in our lives (week 2), the hurts we need healed spiritually, physically, emotionally (week 3), our attitudes towards "them"- foreigners, undesirables, even estranged family members and friends (week 4), and all of the things that lead not merely to physical decline, but ultimately our spiritual death (this week). As Lazarus comes out of the tomb bound and gagged, so do we, still bound and gagged by all that we have not yet relinquished. As Christ commands, "untie him and let him go", He commands that we be unbound. We need to understand that the raising of Lazarus, prefiguring Christ's own resurrection, is an offer made to us through God's great mercy.

Our emergence from the tomb and freedom from what holds us back in our lives is not the same joy-filled beatitude we hope to experience one day in the life to come. It has to do with our journey here and now with the Lord and with each other. We see Christ means what He said in the previous chapter of the Gospel of John, that He came so that we may have "life to the full" (John 10). As we prepare to enter the gates of Jerusalem with our Lord next Sunday and observe our holiest week as Christians, let's take this opportunity to give over to Jesus everything that is still in that tomb buried with us. Whether it seems to us like beatitude or not, let Jesus raise us up, unbind us, and give the "life to the full" He offers to us.

-Bill Mascitello

Chrism Mass



Monday, April 14 Chrism Mass at 8:00 pm in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart. At this liturgy the Sacred Oils used in our Sacramental life will be blessed and distributed to all parishes. Anyone who would like to attend is

asked to call the Parish Office and we will carpool.

Lent 2014

Penance Opportunities

- As part of the Archdiocesan initiative, *The Light is* On For You Confessions will be held all the Mondays of Lent from 7:30 8:30 pm.
- Individual Confessions also available Saturdays from 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm.

Reflection Opportunities

An Evening of Prayer and Reflection on Food Insecurity

On Thursday, April 10th at 7:30 pm in the Spiritual Formation Center please join St. Mary's Social Justice Committee for an evening reflecting on the important issue of food insecurity in today's society and how it connects with scripture. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome!

<u>Called To Serve? Lenten Reflection Morning</u> <u>For All Ministers</u>

Whether you visit the sick, feed the hungry, teach religious education, serve in our Martha Ministry, Bereavement Ministry, serve as one of our various liturgical ministers, or are simply interested in any of our ministries. This morning is for you. Join us on April 12 from 9:30—11 am in the Spiritual Formation Center, for some quiet reflection on ministry, what it means to you, and how it invites you to change. Presenter: Sr. Jean McLoughlin, SSND

Giving Tree

Our parish will collect items for St. Clare's Home for Children, which is a part of the AIDS Resource Foundation in Newark.

Please take a tag off the Lenten tree and return it with the item to church before the end of Lent.

Crafts for Cancer

On the Sundays of Lent our children from Liturgy of the Word with Children will collect craft items. These items will be donated to Tomorrow's Children and Hackensack Medical Center.

<u>The following 2014 offerings are</u> <u>still available for :</u>

Bread & Wine - June 8; Aug. 24;Sept. 14; Oct. 5, 12, & Oct. 26; Nov. 16 & 23.

Sanctuary Lamp - Aug. 24;Oct. 12;Nov. 23.

2015 Mass Book Opening

The Mass book for 2015 will open on **Monday, April 7, at 9:00 AM**. That day and for the week of April 8, only 5 Masses – **1 Sunday, 1 holyday & 3 weekdays** - will be available for each person coming to the parish office requesting Masses for 2015. That will allow each person an equal opportunity to request Masses for family and loved ones.

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Serving in Afghanistan

We ask God to keep in his care all those who are serving overseas in our armed forces, especially in Afghanistan. They are listed below and we ask your prayers for them.

Wayne Lawton...Michael Bianco...Kyle Zownir Alicia Newball...Anthony Hacket, Jr...Donald Dickson Anthony Dunkin...Christopher Lynch...Brian Collins Tyler Thompson...Michael Whitford...Bobby Dellner James Phillips...James R. Melady...Ryan Shireman Joshua M LaBazzetta...Aidan Nugent Alvin Joseph Garabiles...Christopher Cookson Christopher Minayn...Christopher Kishbach Major David Christopher Pierson

If you have a relative serving in Afghanistan, please call the rectory so that we can add his/her name and offer a prayer for him/her.

Pray for our Sick

Peter Ramzi...John Ramzi...Mary Sforza...Larry Rubin Margaret Bitteti...Donald Trainor...Lyla McMahon Suzanne West...Bob Dondero...Emily Stevens...Frank F. Sr. Peggy McGaffney, SSND...Christopher Bishopp Rose Marie, William and Mildred Dellner...Diana P. Marcus Flaherty...Hailey van Weathering...Diana P. Eileen Flaherty...Kristi Marie Carbonaro...Mona O'Brien Bob Jackson...Jim & Debbie...Helen Smythe...Donna Peggy Dunshee...Lidia Belulovich...Edelmira Muñoz Theresa Giacalone..Patricia Ercolano..Richard Fitzgibbon Kathy Krone...Bob Kenter...Laura Widman Riccardi Rosemary R.

Hospital Privacy



Please remember that current privacy laws regarding patients in hospitals do not allow the hospitals/pastoral care In the Hospital offices to contact parishes if their parishioners are in the hospital. If you or

a loved one are going into the hospital and want a priest to visit you or that loved one, please call the parish office and let us know.

Rosary Linen Schedule for April

Apr. 06 Roz Callahan Apr. 13 Joan DePaola Apr. 20 Catherine Kelly Apr. 27 Beverly Serafini

What's New at the Lighthouse Media Kiosk Located in the Vestibule of the Church

CD's: \$3.00 Abba or Allah

Seven Reasons to be Catholic

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How to Apply Our Faith to Our Families

Book: \$5.00

"Catholicism A Journey to the Heart of the Faith" By Fr. Robert Barron

Booklet: \$3.00 Pope Francis

A Thought from Venerable Miriam Teresa:



The end of our existence is to make our ways His very own...and since, as the apostle tells us, without His special grace we could neither have a single good thought, nor pronounce His sacred name, it is very evident that it is not we who pray, but God who prays within us.

(G.P., p. 124)

Please pray for her Canonization and visit our new painting of her located in the vestibule of our church.

Prayer for Canonization

Most Holy and Blessed Trinity, Whom Sister Miriam loved so ardently, grant that we, like her, may become ever more conscious of Your Divine Presence within our souls. We implore You to show signs that Your humble servant enjoys glory with You in Heaven, and to hasten the day when we may render her a public tribute of our veneration and love.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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The Sign of the Cross-The Fifteen Most Powerful Words

Join Fr. Dominic for reflections on the meaning behind the Sign of the Cross according to Saint Francis DeSales on Tuesday, April 15 at 7:30 pm in the Spiritual Formation Center.

Outside the Creed itself, there are few topics to which the Fathers testify as universally and unanimously as the pious practice of making, frequently and well, the Sign of the Cross.

With the help of this evening of reflection, St. Francis de Sales' love for the Sign of the Cross will enkindle yours. Soon you'll be saying with St. Jerome, "With every work, with all of my comings and goings, may my hand make the Sign of the Cross!"



PACT/Religious Education Program

PACT Parents

Our regular PACT sessions come to a close in April as we continue to concentrate on sacramental preparation. Our final PACT Sunday sessions are 4/6 (Angels) and 4/27 (Saints). Monday Angels final session and Parent Meeting is 4/7 and Tuesday Angels final session and Parent Meeting is 4/8.

First Communion Preparation



The final First Communion Preparation Tuesday session is Tuesday 4/22. The Morning With Jesus First Communion Retreat will be Saturday, April 26th 8:45 a.m. — Noon. Your child's First

Communion "practice" and mass are listed on the parent letter. Please check the letter and call us with any questions you may have about preparation and celebration of First Communion.

CONFIRMATION

Please check the letter sent this week to parents and candidates with important information about Confirmation preparation. Please submit all of the required paperwork for Confirmation candidates at this time. Also, candidate interviews are taking place now. If you need to schedule or change your interview, please call us at (201) 384-3062 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org. The five Confirmation Preparation Monday evening sessions begin 4/21 at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

Knights of Columbus

Upcoming Meeting

The next regular meeting is on Monday April 7th at 8PM.

The **Special Children's Dance & Show** is coming on Saturday April 26th. Our theme this year is an old time radio show. Join us for a lively night of entertainment, with DJ Bobby Jay, some of your radio favorites, and special guest stars *Party of Five*. Bring your friends and family to support those with special needs. The cost is \$35 per person. Call Larry Rivera at 201-315-0456 or email kofc1345reservations@gmail.com.

On Sunday April 27th, we will be holding a **Pancake Breakfast** for the support of our scholarship program. We'll be open for breakfast from 8:30AM to 1:15PM serving pancakes & sausages, juice, and coffee or tea. Cost is \$10 per person, \$25 max per family of five and children under 5 eat for free. Tell your friends and family to come down for a great breakfast and support a good cause. All are welcome, and no reservations are required!

The Council is located at 61 Armour Place, just off Prospect Avenue in Dumont and we're open on Friday evenings from 8-11PM. Why not stop in and learn more about the good works of the Knights of Columbus!

Hall Renting & Catering - Planning a party soon? Call Bob DeWald at 201-264-6290 for information or email kofc1345rentals@gmail.com.

Transfiguration Academy

The Lamb of God

Mary had a little Lamb
His fleece was white as snow
And everywhere that Mary went,
The Lamb was sure to go



He followed her to school one day.

T'wasn't even in the rule.

He made the children laugh and play

To have a Lamb at school

And then the rules all changed one day, Illegal it became

To bring the Lamb of God To School

To bring the Lamb of God To School Or even speak His name

Every day got worse and worse
And days turned into years
Instead of hearing children laugh,
We heard gun shots and saw tears
What must we do to stop the crime,
That's in our schools today?
Let the LAMB come back to school,
And teach our kids to pray!

http/webmail.aol.com/350304/aol/en-us/Mail/printmessage.aspx

Registration

Registration is now open to all children interested in attending Transfiguration Academy

Pre K 2 Plus through 8th grade, for the 2014/ 2015 school year. .

All eligible students may be enrolled by visiting the school office. We will be happy to conduct tours of our facilities and discuss our outstanding curriculum and the latest technological advances which make Transfiguration Academy a leader in Educational Excellence. If you wish to arrange an appointment to tour the facilities and see the school in session please call 201-384-3627.

We invite you to visit our website:

www.transfigurationacademy.org

Columbiettes of St. John's Council #1345

Sunday, April 6th – Annual Garden Tea Party & Spring Tricky Tray. Put on your fanciest hat and join the party for our most popular event. The menu includes a delicious assortment of finger sandwiches, desserts, and of course, a variety of teas. Don't forget our Spring Tricky Tray, along with our "Parade of Hats" contest and some additional surprises. Join us for the fun from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm at the KofC hall in Dumont. Single and table reservations now being accepted. Call Joan @ 201-696-1159, eMail: labetti250@optonline.net or mail your reservation and payment to: Laura Labetti - 250 Dixon Ave., Dumont, NJ 07628. Hurry as this event is selling out quickly.

If you would like information on joining the Columbiettes, just contact us at ETTES1345@gmail.com, or call Joan at 201.696.1159. This is a great time to join us.

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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)

Collection March 29 - 30 \$ 9,684.00 Same Weekend 2013 (Easter Sunday) \$29,053.00 Treasure from our children's envelopes. \$9.00

Here are some of the good deeds that the children of St. Mary's did as a way of showing their love of God and of our parish. We hope that they will always know how important what they do for God and for us truly is. Even though they are still young, they can give us a wonderful example to follow.

"I gave my sister flowers after her play."

"I bought something for the tree with my money."

"I cleaned the table." "I set the table."

Stewardship Prayer

Dear Lord,

O Divine Giver of all gifts, grant us the daily graces we need to follow closely in the footsteps of Jesus in the way we live out our lives and make use of our gifts.

Daily, may we renew with You our small part of the world by allowing Your will to be accomplished in and through us.

Help us to trust in Your love for us and to grow in our fidelity and relationship with You.

We thank You for the trust You place in us as stewards of our personal gifts. May the Holy Spirit guide us in placing our time, talent and treasure at the service of each other so that together we may faithfully witness the Christian message and thus become your holy people. Amen.

Save The Date!

Kick-off for

St. Mary's 100 Year Anniversary

Saturday, May 10, 2014, 5:30 p.m. Mass

Most Rev. Bernard A. Hebda,

Coadjutor Archbishop of Newark will preside

There will be a reception at Szelest Hall

immediately following the 5:30 p.m. mass

This will be a ticketed, stand-up reception for

St. Mary's parishioners only

(A limited number of seats will be available

for the handicapped)

Details to follow

Food Pantry - Easter Baskets

April 5-6 is our food collection weekend for our Easter Baskets. If you could bring one or two items between now and when we distribute the baskets on Friday, April 11th to the parish office, we will be able to fill the baskets. Some of the items that we are in need of are listed below. If you can also donate a **turkey** or **ham** to this distribution, it would be greatly appreciated.





Ham

Turkey

Canned Fruit:

Mandarin Oranges, Peaches, Pineapple, Mixed Fruit.

Canned Goods:

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Ravioli Beefaroni Chili Dinty Moore Stew

Peanut Butter and Jelly

Tuna

Cereals Oatmeal

Pancake Mix & Syrup

Mixes:

Brownie Cake Muffin Cookies Crackers Jello Pudding Frosting

Canned/Dry Milk Coffee, Tea, Apple Juice

If you know of any one who would be in need of a basket, please let the parish office know at 201-384-0557. All information will be kept confidential. Your donations are greatly appreciated and help our brethren in need. Thank you and God Bless.

<u>Archbishop's Annual Appeal ---</u> "When I called, you answered"

Thank you to the many families who have already contributed the Archbishop's Annual Appeal! This is a perfect opportunity for us to reflect on God's generosity to us. This year, our parish goal is as follows:

Parish Goal 2014: \$55,611.00

To date, we have received over **\$32,305.00** in pledges. If you have not done so, please remember to return your completed pledge envelope for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. You may place the envelope in the collection basket or bring it to the office.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Bring Us Back

Father of the living and the dead, you have promised to open the graves and lead people back to life in the Spirit. Open the graves in our minds and hearts.

that we may know of your great love and witness to the Resurrection of your Son.

Give us the strong faith of your servants, Martha and Mary, whose brother Christ led from the tomb. When we feel bound in tombs of darkness and sin.

help us approach the Sacrament of Penance,

that our chains may be broken. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,

your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Sunday, April 6, 2014 Deepening Faith in the Resurrection



Today's Readings: Ezekiel 37:12–14; Psalm 130:1–2, 3–4, them and the Church to believe in the Resurrection of Christ 5-6, 7-8 (7); Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45. Death can be frightening, but Christians know there is good news: we will be raised up! Like Lazarus, the friend of Jesus, we will all die, but faithful disciples will find new life in the resurrection on the last day. The simple but profound act of participating in the Eucharist and receiving Christ's Body and Blood assures us of our place at the heavenly banquet.

Today's liturgy meditates on that new life that the elect and those already initiated will celebrate at Easter. Sickness will not end in death. God's Word is ripe with his promise. Both Martha and Mary grow and deepen their notion of faith through their conversation with Jesus, which leads and the glory of God.

Even in the midst of sorrow and suffering, we can learn from death. The Spirit, in which the Father and Son participate, breathes life into dry bones. The words of today's psalm (130), "For with the LORD there is steadfast love" and "great power to redeem," call Christians to hope and trust in the resurrection for all believers. Paul also testifies to us: "If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he . . . will give life to your mortal bodies also."

Pray for departed loved ones today, and for all who are sick and dying. Eat and drink from the banquet of the Lord, and take hope that we will be raised up on the last day!