



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

Very Rev. Dominic G. Ciriaco, *V.F. Pastor*
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 e-mail: religioused@stmarysdumont.org

Director of Music:
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Eucharistic Liturgy

Saturday Eve: 5:30 pm
 Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm
 Holydays (except Saturday): 7:00 am, 8:45 am, & 7:30 pm
 Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8:00 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, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, in the lower church. From September thru May.

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!

Catechumenate

The Rite 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.

God's Plan for Giving - Tithing

Tithing is God's plan to support His Church. Full tithing means 10% of gross income to God. We ask half of this, or 5%, for your parish Church. The other 5% goes to your favorite charities.



Saturday	Jan. 10 - Vigil
5:30PM	Daniel Markert
Sunday	Jan. 11 - The Baptism of the Lord
8:00AM	James Boyle and Deceased Members of Boyle and McGowan Families
10:00AM	Helen DiSanto
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Monday	Jan. 12 - Weekday
8:00AM	Michael and Mary Martin
Tuesday	Jan. 13 - Weekday
	St. Hilary
8:00AM	Vincent DiCostanzo
	Cecelia Ricciardi
Wednesday	Jan. 14 - Weekday
8:00AM	Daniel (Dan) Markert
Thursday	Jan. 15 - Weekday
8:00AM	Mary Sforza
Friday	Jan. 16 - Weekday
8:00AM	Jose Guillermo Salazar
Saturday	Jan. 17 - St. Anthony

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8:30AM - Memorial Mass

Patrick McCormack	Antonio Vela
Beverly Walters	Susan Shin
Agustono Morin	John Cullen
Vincent Tabbacino	Joan McHugh
Mary R. Alemany	Juana Sison

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5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday	Jan. 18 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM	Daniel Markert
10:00AM	Raymond King
12 Noon	Mary Sforza

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of James Boyle requested by the Boyle family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Raymond Anthony King requested by the Boettger family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Lewis Coppola and Gaetano Molinaro.

Starting Monday, Jan. 12, our daily Mass (8:00AM) is back in the lower church.

Sunday – Jan. 11

8:30AM PACT Angels Session LC/School

12:00PM Baptism UC

Baptism of the Lord

Monday - Jan. 12

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC

7:00PM PACT Angels Session UC/School

Tuesday – Jan. 13

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC

3:30PM PACT Angels Session UC/School

5:30PM Basketball SH

7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal School Library

Wednesday - Jan. 14

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC

4:00PM Bell Choir UC

7:00PM OLP Novena UC

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

7:30PM Yoga (AnneMarie) SFC

Thursday – Jan. 15

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC

1:00PM Knitters and Crocheters FDVRm

7:30PM Pastoral Council Town Hall Meeting SFC

7:30PM Yoga (Linda) B10

Friday – Jan. 16

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC

7:00PM Basketball SH

Saturday – Jan. 17

After 8:30AM Mass Rosary UC

7:00AM – 1:00PM Elks Hoop Shoot SH

Food Collection

Sunday – Jan. 18

7:30AM Feeding at Missionaries of Charity Soup

Kitchen, Newark

Food Collection

Offerings Still Available

Bread & Wine:

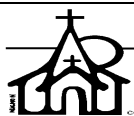
2015 - Feb. 1; June 14; July 19 & 26; Aug. 2, 9 16, & Aug. 23; Sept. 27; Oct. 4, 18 & 25; Nov. 15 & Nov. 22.

Sanctuary Lamp:

2015 - Aug. 2, 9 & 23; Sept. 6, 20 & 27; Oct. 14, 18, Oct. 25; Nov. 15, 22, & 29, Dec. 6.

New Daily Mass Schedule

Just a reminder that there will be only one daily Mass at 8:00AM, Monday-Friday. Please make a note of this change.



**Pastor's
Corner**

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that the Christmas Season is now coming to an end as we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord this weekend. Time does go by fast and now that a new year has begun, we pray that 2015 is a time of peace and goodwill for us all. I first want to take a moment to say Thank You to everyone who made this Christmas Season so special and solemn for us as a parish to celebrate the birth of our Savior. To everyone who decorated the church, inside and outside. The preparing of the liturgies, readers, servers, and Eucharistic ministers, our phenomenal choirs and how they lifted us in prayer. I as well as all who attended was amazed by the Epiphany Concert last Sunday. It was just incredible the talent and energy our choirs and Choir Director Joel Condon has. It makes St. Mary's a special place.

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, let us renew our own commitment as baptized Christians to immerse ourselves more in the ministry of the Lord here at the parish. As St. Gregory Nazianzen reminds us as he states: "Let us honor today the baptism of Christ. So that you may become as luminaries to the world, a vital force to others, a light without fault, to assist the great light, that you may be initiated into celestial splendors, illumined with great purity and brilliance by the Holy Trinity."

One last time: Merry Christmas! Have a great week!

***May God be Praised,
Fr. Dominic***

Pastoral Council Meeting

You are invited to the Pastoral Council Town Hall meeting on Thursday, January 15th at 7:30PM in the Spiritual Formation Center. Come see what a Pastoral Council meeting is like. Any input or concerns you may have will be part of the meeting's agenda. Hope to see you there!

Please Join Us.

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)

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	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Collection Dec. 27 - 28	\$8,186.00	\$11,106.00
	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Collection Jan. 03 - 04	\$9,466.00	\$8,178.00

Treasure from our children's envelopes. \$19.00

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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.

"Helped a stranger pick up toys she dropped." ***"Didn't talk back."***
.. "Found a baby shoe someone dropped in Church." ***"I cleaned the table."***
"I said prayer for grandma surgery."
"Helped my grandma." ***"I listen."***
"Helped mommy food shop."
"Helped mommy grocery shopping."
"Visit grandma in hospital."

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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.

What Goes Up, Must Come Down...

 Please join us on **Tuesday, Jan. 13 at 6:30PM** to "undecorate" **Volunteers**...our church. All are welcome! Even if it is only for an hour, your assistance is greatly appreciated. Many hands make light work!

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...Bobby Dellner
Tyler Thompson...Michael Whitford
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.

We will be starting a new sick list beginning January, 2015. If you would like our parish to continue to pray for family, friends or loved ones who are ill and in need of prayer, please call the parish office – 201-384-0557

Peter Ramzi...John Ramzi...Donald Trainor...John K
Suzanne West...Sr. Peggy McGaffney, SSND
Hailey van Weathering...Linda Byles Smith
Maureen Kostka...Lyla McMahon...Sean Fleming
Peggy Dunshee...Robert Mascarelli...John Scalice
Dorothea Richardson..Richard Pazian..Rose O'Shea
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Please remember that current privacy laws regarding patients in hospitals do not allow the hospitals/pastoral care 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 rectory office and let us know.***

If you would like a statement for your 2014 contributions to St. Mary's, please call the parish office at 201-384-0557 and give us your name, your telephone number and your envelope number. It may take a week or so for us to get the statement out to you since we are still inputting contribution information for the last few weeks of 2014.

Please be patient and we will get the information out to you as soon as it is available.

I have called you to Me that you might suffer for others, not to the degree that I have done, but according to your weakness. Oh, did you but understand the sublime charity, the divine virtue of this reparation, how would you not embrace it! How would you not seek after it!

(G.P., p. 145)

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

*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.*

We have people coming to St. Mary's on a regular basis who need a form of some kind filled out, when we check our records, we find that they are not registered parishioners. Before we could fill out and sign the form, you have to be a registered active parishioner for at **least six months**. The best way to know that you are registered is the fact that you receive collection envelopes, either on a regular basis or only at Christmas or Easter. ***PLEASE*** – save yourselves and the parish staff a great deal of time and trouble – **come to the rectory office and register!**

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| Jan. 11 | Mary Boyle    | Jan. 18.. | Diane Gerrity |
| Jan. 25 | Sue Schettino |           |               |



## A black and white line drawing of a priest in a long robe, holding a small object in his right hand and blessing four children. The children, two boys and two girls, are standing in a row, looking up at the priest with their hands clasped in prayer.

The First Holy Communion meeting for parents is Tuesday, **January 27th**, in the Church at 7:30 p.m.

There are two more meetings for the team before the retreat. They will be held Sundays- Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> after the 10:00 mass (about 11:00) in the school library/meeting room next to the Religious Education Office.

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"Attention high schoolers, JWALK will be having a meeting today at 6:30. Come by, hang out and enjoy some free food.

If you have any questions e-mail Katie at [stmarysjwalk@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysjwalk@gmail.com)."

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**Upcoming Meetings** - Our next meeting be on Monday January 19<sup>th</sup> at 8PM.

**Right to Life March** – Please see next column.

# Scholarship Dance & Father Murray's Birthday

Join us on Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> from 7-11PM, as we celebrate Fr. Murray's birthday at our Scholarship Dance. Dinner includes salad, followed by pasta. The main course will be chicken cordon bleu with a baked potato & string beans almandine. Dessert will be birthday cake with coffee or tea, and of course, there will be music for your dancing pleasure. The cost is \$30 per person. Call Larry at 201-315-0456 for your reservation.

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](mailto:kofc1345rentals@gmail.com) or check our website: [www.kofc1345.org](http://www.kofc1345.org).*



As the mid-point of St. Mary's centennial year approaches, work is underway on an Anniversary book to mark this important event.

We are asking parishioners to contact us if you were a part of any organizations that go back in time, including . . .

*Holy Name Society  
CYO - Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts  
Catholic War Veterans  
Graduates of St. Mary's School  
Friday Night Holy Hour & Pizza  
Sacristy Helpers  
Search Program  
Catholic Daughters of America*

We are also looking for photos and other memorabilia from the school, particularly graduating class photos. Also, if you have fond memories of any of the priests who have served at St. Mary's, we would like to interview you. Please leave your name and number at the parish office and we will contact you soon.

**Bus Trip - March for Life - Wash, DC.**

On Thursday Jan. 22, 2015. Mass in the lower church of St John the Evangelist in Bergenfield at 6:00AM. Bagels, rolls and coffee after Mass. Bus Leaves for DC at 7:00am, and departs DC at 4:30pm. Arrives back at St. John's by 10:30pm. This trip is sponsored by St. John's Council K of C, and St. John the Evangelist Church. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Children are welcome. We strongly suggest bringing a sandwich and beverage for lunch. There will be one restroom break each way. There is a restroom on the bus.

Call Chairman Matt Connell at 201-387-7187 if you are interested in going on the trip.





## THE WEEK AT HOME AND BEYOND; ORDINARY TIME, WINTER: SPECIAL DAYS

### Monday, January 12, 2015

#### Counted Time

Today we return to Ordinary Time, derived from *ordinal*, meaning counted time. We move from Sunday to Sunday, counting them as we go. Yet there is nothing ordinary about Ordinary Time. Each Sunday we celebrate *Dies Domini*, the Day of the Lord. In July 1998, Saint John Paul II issued an apostolic letter on the Lord's Day. We may want to pledge to take on our lips the words from Psalm 118:24, "This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad," as we begin each Sunday during this new year.

### January 18–25, 2015

#### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

On January 25, 1958, St. John XXIII announced there was to be a convening of a major ecumenical council in the Church. One of the greatest fruits of the Second Vatican Council has been the strengthening of the unity among the Christian ecclesial communities. As we observe the fifty-plus anniversaries of the Council documents, consider reading the *Decree on Ecumenism*, *Unitatis Redintegratio*, and continue to pray that "all will be made one."

### Thursday, January 22, 2015

#### Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

*The Roman Missal* includes a day of prayer and penance for abortion. Today we give thanks to God for the gift of human life and recall that the Church upholds the dignity of each person from conception through natural death. If you have been setting aside change in a baby bottle, as suggested on December 6, take this money to an agency that advocates on behalf of the unborn. Today's Readings: Hebrews 7:25–8:6; Psalm 40:7–8a, 8b–9, 10, 17; Mark 3:7–12.

### Monday, February 2, 2015

#### Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Today candles are blessed and the theme of light is evident throughout the Gospel reading. We hear Simeon, who has awaited the Messiah, proclaim that Jesus will be "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." Though this feast takes place forty days after Christmas, the imagery makes it seem as though we are in the midst of Christmas Time. Since the eighth century, the blessing and distribution of candles have been part of this celebration, giving the feast its popular name, Candlemas. Today's Readings: Malachi 3:1–4; Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Hebrews 2:14–18; Luke 2:22–40.

### Wednesday, February 11, 2015

#### Optional Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes—World Day of the Sick

Today we remember all who are sick and suffering. Keep the sick in your prayers today, and perhaps you can find ways to care for the sick and the homebound in your community. Do you know someone suffering from a chronic disease? Would the caregiver enjoy a break while you stay with the individual? Or perhaps you could bring a meal to a family who cares for a family member who is ill. Today's Readings: Isaiah 66:10–14c; Psalm: Judith 13:18bcde, 19; John 2:1–11.

### Tuesday, February 17, 2015

#### Mardi Gras

Known as Carnival or Shrove Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday is celebrated with parades and feasting, dance and music and colorful masks. Tradition calls for serving pancakes at a meal. This is the day the Church burns last year's palms for Ash Wednesday. Approaching Lent, we consider the traditional practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that we will embrace this year. It is important today to carefully consider the practices that we take up during Lent. Those practices should make a difference with relationships with God and others. Today's Readings: Genesis 6:5–8; 7:1–5, 10; Psalm 29:1a and 2, 3ac–4, 3b and 9c–10; Mark 8:14–21.



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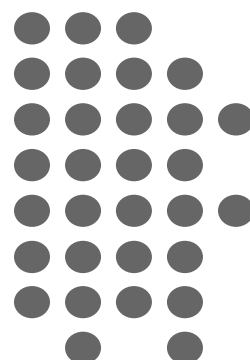
*Keeping the Seasons*  
Reproducibles for Advent-Christmas 2014–2015

# *The Parish Community of St. Mary's Church* | *100 Years*

*Joyfully invites you to our Centennial Anniversary  
Dinner Dance Gala*



*Place: Colonial Inn Norwood  
545 Tappan Road  
Day: Saturday  
Date: May 16, 2015  
Time: 7:15PM - 12:15PM  
Price: \$85.00 per person  
Attire: Evening*



*280 Washington Ave., Dumont, NJ Phone No. 201-384-0557*

*Return this bottom part to the rectory for reservation.*

*Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_*

*Payment Options: Pay in Full \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Installments \_\_\_\_\_*

*Up to 10 people per table. Please seat me with:*

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| 2. _____ | 7. _____  |
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***Deadline: April 30, 2015***