

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 Rev. Michael S. P. Trainor, Parochial Vicar Rev. Patrick Donohue, In-Residence Deacon John L. Sylvester, Permanent Deacon Salesians of Don Bosco, Weekend Assistants Mr. Joel Condon, Director of Music Ministry Mrs. Kathleen Sylvester, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy/RCIA

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Director of Music: email: music@stmarysdumont.org

#### 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.

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Saturday	Feb. 28 - Vigil	
5:30PM	Frank and Dolores Scandiffio	
Sunday	Mar. 1 - Second Sunday of Lent	
8:00AM	Anthony Greco	
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's	
12 Noon	Ricardo Eduvas	
Monday	Mar. 2 - Lenten Weekday	
8:00ÅM	Raymond King	
Tuesday	Mar. 3 - Lenten Weekday	
·	St. Katharine Drexel	
8:00AM	Gerard Reilly	
	Raymond King	
Wednesday	Mar. 4 - Lenten Weekday	
•	St. Casimir	
8:00AM	Anne O'Neill	
Thursday	Mar. 5 - Lenten Weekday	
8:00AM	Thomas and Ceclie Mooney	
Friday	Mar. 6 - Lenten Weekday	
8:00AM	Margherita Bonaldo	
Saturday	Mar. 7 - Lenten Weekday	
·	Sts. Perpetua and Felicity	

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## 8:30AM - Memorial Mass

Matthew Grassi Bassillo	John Cullen
Mona O'Brien	Maria Grace Feulner
Benjamin Felix	Dorothy Nicholson
Sergio Nepomuceno	Larry Hammond
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5:30PM	Deceased Members of Brynes Family
Sunday	Mar. 8 - Third Sunday of Lent
8:00AM	Jack Maher
10:00AM	Patrick O'Connor
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's

# In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses and the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God are given in memory of Gerard Reilly requested by his family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Mary Celentano.

# **Offerings Still Available**

**Bread & Wine:** July 26; Aug. 2, 9 16, & 23; Sept. 27; Oct. 4, 18 & 25.

<u>Sanctuary Lamp:</u> Aug. 2 & 9; Sept. 6, 20 & 27; Oct. 4, 18, & 25;Nov. 29;



Sunday – March 1 1:30PM-5:00PM Pre-Cana School/LC

Monday - March 2 After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC

**Tuesday – March 3** After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC 3:30PM Children's Choir Library 3:30PM & 6:00PM FHC Prep #1 UC/School 5:30PM Basketball SH 7:00PM Altar & Rosary Meeting SFC 7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal School Library

# Wednesday - March 4

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC 4:00PM Bell Choir UC 7:00PM OLPH Novena LC 7:30PM-9:30PM Line Dancing SH

# Thursday – March 5

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC 1:00PM Knitters and Crochetters FDVRm 7:30PM Yoga (Linda) SFC

# Friday – March 6

After 8:00AM Mass Eucharistic Adoration LC 7:00PM Basketball SH 7:30PM Stations of the Cross LC

# Saturday – March 7

7:30AM Rosary LC Food Bank Second Collection - Peter's Pence

# Sunday – March 8

2:00PM-6:00PM CFC/FFL (Mitch) SFC Second Collection - Peter's Pence

# 2016 Mass Book Opening

The Mass book for 2016 will open on **Monday**, **March 9**, **at 9:00 AM**. That day and for the week of March 9, only 5 Masses – 1 **Sunday**, 1 **holyday & 3 weekdays** - will be available for each person coming to the parish office requesting Masses for 2016. That will allow each person an equal opportunity to request Masses for family and loved ones.

# **Eucharistic Adoration - March 6th**

On Friday, March 6th, we will have Eucharistic adoration after the 8:00 Mass in the lower church. Reposition begins at 5:00pm. Hope you can join us.

# **Daylight Saving Time Begins**

Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour on Sunday, March 8th.



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In today's gospel, Peter, James, and John are given the privilege of getting a glimpse of Jesus in all His glory. They also see not only the kingdom of God to come but they experience what that kingdom can be like here on earth. Today's gospel message of the Transfiguration helps us to see where we are going yet what we need to build up here on earth in the present moment. Guerric of Igny, an 11th Century Cistercian monk and spiritual writer, draws our attention to the saints to help us build the kingdom of God here yet keep our eyes focused on what is to come. He writes:

Look up into heaven, for your true home is in heaven. Look up and direct the eyes of your mind at least on the brilliance of the stars, if you are not able yet to gaze upon the sun's Admire the splendor of the saints, disk. imitate their faith, emulate their holiness. Those stars blaze like a flame and show clearly that the Light of lights has risen. They lead to the cradle of the new King, to the bedchamber of the Virgin Mother, faith's inviolable mystery, indeed they lead to the temple of the King, to the sanctuary of God the Father, faith's reward that surpasses all understanding. In the meantime however, while we are not able to search out the wisdom of God which is hidden in mystery or to contemplate the majesty which is to be our reward, let us be content to wonder at the brightness of the saints.

Have a great week!

# May God be Praised, Fr. Dominic



# <u>2015 Lent</u>

# Lenten 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. **Tags are now available.** 

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.

# **Stations of the Cross**

All Fridays of Lent at 7:30 pm in the Lower Church using different meditations.

# **Lenten Penance Opportunities**

- As part of the Archdiocesan initiative, *The Light is On For You* — Confessions will be held on the Mondays of Lent from 7:30— 8:30 pm March 9th, 16th, and 23rd
- *Individual Confessions* will also be available Saturdays from 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm
- A *Communal Reconciliation Service* will be held at St. John's at 1:00 pm on Saturday, March 21st we will participate along with Ascension parish.

# March 15 - St. Patrick's Mass

A special liturgy honoring St. Patrick will take place on March 15 at the 10 a.m. Mass. We will be joined by the current and past Grand Marshals of the parade as well as Clan Na Vale Pipe band. Following the liturgy, everyone is invited to Szelest Hall for Tea and Soda bread, entertainment by the McLoughlin School of Irish Dance and Clan Na Vale.

The Altar and Rosary Society will sell soda bread Saturday after the 5:30PM Mass at the back of the church and after all the Masses on Sunday in Szelest Hall or while supplies lasts.

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On Thursday, March 19, we will have a parish liturgy at 7:30 PM and will gather in the Spiritual Formation Center for a social afterwards, including St. Joseph's Pastries. Please join us and rejoice in the care and the



prayers of the husband of Mary and the guardian of Jesus, St. Joseph.

# ST. MARY'S

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.

# <u>Pray for our Sick</u>

Peter Ramzi...John Ramzi...Donald Trainor...John K Suzanne West...Sr. Peggy McGaffney, SSND Hailey van Weathering..Linda Byles Smith..Diana P. Maureen Kostka...Lyla McMahon...Sean Fleming Peggy Dunshee...Robert Mascarelli...John Scalice Dorothea Richardson..Richard Pazian..Rose O'Shea Kristi Carbonaro...Antelina Uvenio...Bob Jackson Tom Jones..Jim and Debbie..L. Almeda..Riley Rose John Zilliox...Remigio Tan...Theresa Giacalone Tricia Rankin...John W. Harrigan...Mark Burger George DiCostanzo...Andrew DiCostanzo Joseph Caldera...Mildred Dellner...William Dellner Rosemarie Dellner

# <u>Rosary Linen Schedule for March</u>

Mar. 1 Eileen Moloney Mar. 15 Dianne Gerrity Mar. 29 Mary Daly

Mar. 8 Sue Schettino Mar. 23 Mary Loughlin

# St. Mary's R.C. Church

SUPPORT GROUP FOR THOSE GRIEVING THE DEATH OF A LOVED ONE

Our session dates: (The third Thursday of every month) March 19, April 16, May 21, and June 18

All meetings are held in the Parish Office from 7:00 - 8:15 PM.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact the Parish Office at 201-384-0557 or just walk in on any third Thursday.

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He was beloved of God and men, whose memory is in benediction; He made him like the saints in glory and magnified him in the fear of his enemies...The Lord loved him and adored him; He clothed him with a robe of glory

# **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.

# Archdiocesan Faith Events

March 7, 2014: Behold Your Mother — A Day of Reflection sponsored by the Women's Commission of the Archdiocese at Seton Hall University 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Featured speaker: Immaculee Ilibagiza, Rawandan Genocide Survivor. For information and registration go to www.rcan.org/womcom or call 973-497-4545.

March 14, 2015: A Catholic Men's Conference at Seton Hall University in South Orange, NJ. Prayerful, spirit-filled, life changing! The day begins at 8:00 am and end around 4:00 pm. Speakers include: Thomas Peterson, founder of Catholics Come Home, Damon Owens, Tim Staples. Contact DeaconJohn@stmarysdumont.org for information.



# **PACT/Religious Education** Proaram

# Parents of Candidates for **First Holy Communion**



First Holv Communion preparation sessions begin this week! Please check your schedule for the dates and times of the preparation, the

Morning With Jesus retreat, practice, and other important information.

# **Confirmation Candidate Retreat**

Please pray for our candidates for Confirmation who went on retreat Saturday, 2/28 and were recognized as candidates at the 5:30 p.m. mass.



# **Operation Rice Bowl**



Rice Bowls are available in the OCRSRICE church. Please consider the Rice Bowl a family project for all of those in your household this Lent.

Catholic Relief Services helps so many people to rebuild their lives after disaster, engage in fair trade initiatives. and create more sustainable communities. Download the Rice Bowl app! Check out www.orb.crs.org for more information!

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# J Walk Youth Ministry

# Palm Cross and Easter Flower Sale

Our youth group will be selling palm crosses and Easter Flowers on Sunday, March 22 and March 29. J-Walk will meet at 6:30 pm. on Sunday in the

Upper Church to rehearse the Stations of the Cross. 

# Marriage and Family Life

In preparation for the Synod on the Family in October, 2015, Pope Francis has indicated that he would like to have feedback from Catholics on how the Church can pastorally respond to the current needs and concerns of married couples and the family.

The Archdiocese of Newark is offering a Listen and Discuss Session that will allow the Catholic laity to hear, discuss and respond to important issues regarding marriage and family life.

The two sessions in Bergen County will be held at:

St. Peter the Apostle RC Church 445 Fifth Avenue, River Edge, NJ 07661 March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015

2:00-4:00 pm and 7:30 -9:30

With any questions, contact Deacon John at: deaconjohn@stmarysdumont.org

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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Collection Feb. 21 - 22	\$6,216.25
Same Weekend 2014	\$9,405.00
Fuel	\$1,905.00

Treasure from our children's envelopes. \$11.00 ~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*

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 helped shovel the snow." "I cleaned 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.

# Altar & Rosary Easter Candy Sale **Deadline - March 9th**



Easter Candy Sale is now going on! Brochures are at the doors of the church. All order forms can be dropped off at the rectory. Candies will be available for pickup on Palm Sunday, March 29, after all masses at the library.

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# Thank Noya

I want to thank everyone for the outpouring of cards, prayers and phone calls during my illness. I am overwhelmed and very grateful for your support.

> Love. Rose O'Shea.

# Knights of Columbus

## **Upcoming Meetings**

The next regular meeting is on Monday March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8PM.

## Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Come on down on Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup> for a great pancake breakfast, and support the Council's Scholarship Program. Breakfast includes pancakes, sausage, fruit cup and coffee or tea. Breakfast will be served from 9:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. at the Council hall (61 Armour Place, right off of Prospect). It's just \$10 per person or \$25 per family (up to five members) and children under five eat for free. Questions? Call Larry at 201-315-0456 or email lbrivera@optonline.net.

## Save the Date for Irish Night!

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Our great celebration of the Irish will be on Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> from 7-11PM. Details to follow.

The Council is open on Friday evenings from 8-11PM. Why not stop in and learn more about us!

## Hall Renting & Catering

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Planning a party soon? Call Bob DeWald at 201-264-6290 for information or email kofc1345rentals@gmail.com or check our website: www. kofc1345.org.

# Columbiettes of St. John's Council #1345

# Save the Dates !!!! Upcoming Events

**Fri.**, **Mar. 13th** - Friday Night "Fish Fry" - Repeat performance - it's that popular!

Wed., Mar. 18th - General Meeting

**Sun., Mar. 22nd -** 10th Anniversay Mass & Luncheon. Special Noon mass at St. Mary's Church, Dumont, with luncheon to follow at Lieto Italia Ristorante in New Milford. For advanced reservations/information: Matteatru@gmail.com

For additional details : see our Facebook page or www.kofc1345.org (select Columbiettes).

# Transfiguration Academy

## 11,000 Acts of Kindness

A Positive Approach to Lent

Transfiguration students have accepted a Lenten challenge. T he Administration has challenged each student to do "1" act of kindness a day for the 40 days of Lent. If each of our 276 students does this, then we have 276 students doing 40 acts of kindness or 11,040 kind deeds during Lent.

More importantly, it will instill in them the habit of doing good deeds throughout the year, and hopefully throughout their lives.

Just imagine the kind of world we can have if everyone did just "1" Act of kindness a day.

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# 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



	Phone # Monthly Installments
Up to 10 people per table. Ple	ase seat me with:
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# Congratulations Fr. Pat !!!



