

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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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.

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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 Mar. 14 - Vigil

5:30PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Sunday Mar. 15 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00AM Hugh Gallagher 10:00AM Patrick Langford 12 Noon Raymond King

Monday Mar. 16 - Lenten Weekday

8:00AM Daniel and Dennis Daly

Tuesday Mar. 17 - Lenten Weekday

St. Patrick

8:00AM Ryan Caspare

Wednesday Mar. 18 - Lenten Weekday

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

8:00AM Daniel Markert

Thursday Mar. 19 - St. Joseph, Spouse of

the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00AM John Policastri 7:30PM Natividad Lepon Gerard Reilly

Friday Mar. 20 - Lenten Weekday

8:00AM Mary Tagliareni

Saturday Mar. 21 - Lenten Weekday

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8:30AM - Memorial Mass

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5:30PM Aldo Luciano

Sunday Mar. 22 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00AM Parishioners of St. Mary's

10:00AM Antonio Bonaldo 12 Noon Leonor Canlas

In Loving Memory

The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of the Rosica family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Patrick Pizzollo requested by Angela Harrison

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Julian Montemayor and Gerald Slatery.

Offerings Still Available

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

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



Sunday - March 15

7:30AM Feeding at Missionaries of Charity Soup Kitchen, Newark

10:00AM Mass St. Patrick. Social to follow SH 2:00PM-6:00PM CFC/FFL (Mitch) SFC After All Masses Selling of Soda Bread SH Food Collection

Monday - March 16

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC 7:30PM Social Justice Meeting PJ23Rm 7:30PM *The Light is on for You*: Confessions

Tuesday - March 17

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC 3:30PM Children's Choir Library

3:30PM & 6:00PM FHC Prep #2 UC/School 3:45PM Banner Kit Prep with Parents School

5:30PM Basketball SH

7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal School Library

St. Patrick's Day

Wednesday - March 18

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC

4:00PM Bell Choir UC

7:00PM OLPH Novena LC

7:30PM-9:30PM Line Dancing SH 7:30PM Yoga (Anne Marie) SFC

Thursday – March 19

Masses - 8:00AM & 7:30PM. Social to follow after 7:30PM Mass SFC

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC

1:00PM Knitters and Crochetters FDVRm 7:00PM-8:15PM Bereavement MSRm

7:30PM Yoga (Linda) Library

Solemnity of St. Joseph

Friday - March 20

After 8:00AM Mass Rosary LC

7:00PM Basketball SH

7:30PM Stations of the Cross LC

Saturday – March 21

After 8:30AM Rosary LC

1:00PM Lent Communal Penance Service at St. John, Bergenfield

Sunday - March 22

8:30AM PACT Angels Session / ACRE 5th & 8th Grades LC/School

12:00PM Mass Blessing of Columbiettes 2:00PM-6:00PM CFC/FFL (Mitch) SFC

"The Passion through Mary's Eyes"

Join us on Tuesday, March 24 at 7:30 pm in the Spiritual Formation Center for a reflection by Dr. Dianne Traflet of Immaculate Conception Seminary. More information to follow.



Dear Friends,

On this the Fourth Sunday of Lent, we are more than half way through the Lenten Season. We will soon shift our focus to the days leading up to Jesus final entrance into Jerusalem and His suffering, death, and resurrection. This is a good check point for us to see how we are doing during this Lenten season. Let us continue to draw closer to the Lord during this holy season.

Two weekends ago we had our Confirmation Retreat and we hosted the annual Pre-Cana program for those preparing for marriage. I just want to personally thank Bill Mascitello and his team for their hard work of conducting our Confirmation retreat. I also want to thank the Pre-Cana team who prepared meals, provided hospitality and gave the talks at Pre-Cana. In a special way, I want to thank Deacon John and Kathy Sylvester for coordinating and hosting the event.

During this Fourth Week of Lent, may these words from St. Bernard of Clairvaux inspire us:

Let us return to ourselves, let us examine our paths; and in order to accomplish this in truth, let us invoke the Spirit of truth, let us call to him from the deep into which he has led us, because he leads us on the way by which we discover ourselves, and without him we can do nothing. Nor should we be afraid that he will disdain to come down to us, for the contrary is true: he is displeased if we attempt even the least thing without him. For he is not one who passes and does not return, he leads us on from brightness to brightness because he is the Spirit of the Lord (2 Cor 3:18). Sometimes he fills us with rapture by communication of his light, sometimes he adapts himself to our weakness and sends beams of light into the dark about us (Ps 17:29). But whether we are raised above ourselves or left with ourselves, let us stay always in the light, always walk as children of the light (Eph 5:8).

Have a great week!

May God be Praised, Fr. Dominic

2015 Lent

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

March 19 – St. Joseph's Day



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.

Penance Parishioners to Come to:

A Communal Reconciliation Service that will be held at St. John's at 1:00 pm on Sat., March 21st. We will participate along with Ascension parish.

Chrism Mass



Please join us on Monday, March 30, at 8:00 pm in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart for the Chrism Mass. 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. ST. MARY'S DUMONT

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...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.

Pray for our Sick

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...Jesus Abreau...Rita Padrevito Richard Fitzgibbon

Rosary Linen Schedule for March

Mar. 15 Dianne Gerrity Mar. 23 Mary Loughlin Mar. 29 Mary Daly

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.

A Thought from Blessed 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.

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.

Hackensack Walk-in Shelter



A word of thanks is extended to all those who coordinated, prepared, and serve the food on Feb. 25 so that we could serve the hungry in

Hackensack. Whatever you made allowed those who would otherwise go hungry to have a home-cooked meal. In doing this, those who prepared a dish fulfilled the Lord's word – *When I was hungry, you gave me to eat.* The Lord will surely bless all those who reached out to others in their need.

2016 Mass Book Opening

The Mass book for 2016 is now open. Stop by the parish office if you would like to offer Mass.



PACT/Religious Education Program

First Holy Communion Preparation



Please pray for our First Holy Communion candidates and their families.

Confirmation Candidates



Please pray for our candidates for Confirmation who went on retreat last Saturday 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 www.orb.crs.org for more information! :~ *~ *~ *~ * ~ *~ *~ *~ *~ *~ *~ *~

J Walk Youth Ministry

Palm Cross and Easter Flower Sale

Our youth group will be selling palm crosses and Easter Flowers on Sunday, March 21/22 and March 28/29.



J-Walk will meet at 6:30 pm. on Sunday in the Upper Church to rehearse the Stations of the Cross.

Rotary Club of Bergenfield-Dumont

Cordially invites you to attend a "Rotary Meet and Greet" on Tuesday, March 24, 2015, 6:00pm-7:30pm at TD Bank, 126 N Washington Ave., Bergenfield. Come learn about Rotary and opportunities to serve. Please respond by March 17, 2015 to Bettina Fowler, 201-384-5783 or bettina.fowler@td.com.

Columbiettes of St. John's Council #1345

Wednesday, March 18th - General Meeting

Sunday, March 22nd - 10th Anniversary 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

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 Mar. 7 - 8 \$10,108.25 Same Weekend 2014 \$ 9,188.00

Treasure from our children's envelopes. \$7.00 ~*~*~*~*~*~*~*

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 took the trash." "I played with cousin." "I won a prize for my sister." ~*~*~*~*~*~*~

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.

Knights of Columbus

Upcoming Meeting

The next meeting is on Monday March 16th at 8PM. Our guest lecturer (rescheduled from February) is Anthony Mastroeni who will speak on Blessed Miriam Teresa, New Jersey's answer to the housewives of New Jersey.

St. Patrick's "Irish Night" Dance

It's that time again for everyone to be Irish -Saturday March 28th from 7-11PM. Dinner includes corned beef & cabbage, bangers & mash, scones and beverages with the live music of Frankie Curran and the Evergreens. The cost is \$30 per person. Reservations and payment in advance are a must. You can email lbrivera@optonline.net or call 201-315-0456.

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his week at home

Monday, March 16, 2015 **Bringing Others to Belief**

The official in today's Gospel places his faith in Jesus even before he meets him. Because of that faith, Jesus healed the man's son. With that healing, others came to believe. Those new believers in Jesus came about because of the official's faith. In The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis says that we are all to be missionary disciples. In other words, the joy of our faith should attract others to Christ. Could you be accused of bringing others to faith? Today's Readings: Isaiah 65:17–21; Psalm 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b (2a); John 4:43-54.

Tuesday, March 17, 2015 St. Patrick, Bishop

The many legends of St. Patrick are widely known. It cannot be confirmed, though, that this fifth-century saint either taught with a shamrock or drove out snakes. What can be known about his life is what he wrote in his old age in his Confession. There, he tells of his dependence on God in prayer and the faith that sustained him while in captivity. Though happy when he was able to return to his homeland, he followed God's call to evangelize in Ireland. Today's Readings: Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 (8); John 5:1-16.

Wednesday, March 18, 2015 St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

St. Cyril's Catechetical Instructions are still studied today. In those sermons, the bishop explained Church doctrine to catechumens preparing for Baptism at the Easter Vigil and the mysteries of the sacraments to the neophytes during the period after the initiation sacraments were received. This fourth-century saint also was known for the mercy he showed. When a famine struck, he sold church goods so that the poor could eat. Today's Readings: Isaiah 49:8-15; Psalm 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 (8a); John 5:17-30.

Thursday, March 19, 2015 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Marv

The few details about St. Joseph in the Gospel accounts provide a picture of a man of faith. Because of his faith, Joseph believed the angels who appeared to him, first telling him to take Mary as his wife and then to flee to Egypt with his family. Joseph was willing to follow God's lead, to go where God needed him to go. How willing are we to put our desires aside to follow God's path? Today's Readings: 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 (37); Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Luke 2:41-51a.

Friday, March 20, 2015 Lenten Weekday

During this Lent, you might want to spend some time becoming more acquainted with the psalms. You may find that they speak to your needs, fears, joys, and sorrows. Today's Psalm 34 tells of how God tends to those who are faithful. He hears them when they cry out and rescues them from their troubles. Perhaps you would like to meditate on a psalm that speaks to how you are feeling this Lent. Today's Readings: Wisdom 2:1a, 12–22; Psalm 34:17–18, 19–20, 21 and 23 (19a); John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30.

Saturday, March 21, 2015 Lenten Weekday

In today's Gospel, we hear that some regarded Jesus as a prophet and others as the Messiah, while still others had contempt for him. It is tempting to consider this reading as a record of the past. But you can use this retreat time during Lent to ask yourself how you think Jesus is. Has the time that you have spent this Lent with the daily readings provided you with an intimacy with Christ? Are you willing to continue daily practices after Lent to nurture your relationship with Christ? Today's Readings: Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 (2a); John 7:40-53.



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Food Pantry - Easter Baskets

This weekend, March 14/15 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, March 27th to the parish office, we will be able to fill the baskets. Some of the items that we are in need of are

the parish office, we will be able to fill the baskets. Some of the items that we are in freed of are listed below. If you can also donate a **Turkey** or **Ham** to this distribution, it would be greatly appreciated.

**Cranberry Sauce.....Pudding.....Canned Fruit.....Peanut Butter.....Jelly, Jello.....Juice.....Cake Mixes.....Macaroni and Cheese.....Potato Flakes, ChefBoyardee Products.....Pasta Sauces.

**We have more than enough of Tuna, Soup, Pasta, and Canned Vegetables.

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100th Anniversary Remembrances

As our Centennial Celebration is coming to a close, take advantage of this opportunity to order our unique handcrafted art created especially for our parish of the "Little White Church" our current church and the statue of the Assumption.



Each piece is approximately 1 1/2" deep and 6 "high

Cost: \$22 each or the entire set for \$60.00 Stop by the parish office with your payment (cash or check) to place your order.



Don't Miss this Last Chance to Order!!!

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



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