The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church



January 3, 2016

The **Epiphany** of the Lord

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



Rev. Stephen A. Carey, Pastor

Rev. Michael S. P. Trainor, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Patrick W. Donohue, In-Residence

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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 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, 8:00 am - 7:00 pm, in the lower church.

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 Jan. 2 - Vigil

5:30PM Bridget and Michael McCormack **Sunday Jan. 3 - The Epiphany of the**

Lord

8:00AM Nancy Wymer 10:00AM Adele Consentino 12 Noon Gerard J. Slattery

Monday Jan. 4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

7:00AM Kenneth Backer

8:45AM Maureen Kostka (Living)

Tuesday Jan. 5 - St. Joan Neumann

7:00AM Betty Hannigan 8:45AM Angela Wilson

Wednesday Jan. 6 - Christmas Weekday

St. André Bessette

7:00AM Elizabeth and Donald Mack (Living)

8:45AM Joan Barry

Thursday Jan. 7 - Christmas Weekday

St. Raymond of Penyafort

7:00AM Dominico Galvez8:45AM Robert W. Rusch, Sr.

Friday Jan. 8 - Christmas Weekday

7:00AM Theresa Corcoran8:45AM Domenica Tarabocchia

Saturday Jan. 9 - Christmas Weekday

8:30AM Rosanna Caluya 5:30PM Sr. Maureen O'Neill

Sunday Jan. 10 - The Baptism of the

Lord

8:00AM James Boyle and Deceased Members

of Boyle and McGowan Families

10:00AM Elaine and Joseph Coll

12 Noon Pedro Lepon

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Joan Barry requested by the Dalton Family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Edward V. Lane requested by his family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Steven A. Charowsky and Marie Pochini.

Please Note:

All Masses will be in the upper church until January 10th, Baptism of the Lord.



Sunday – Jan. 3

11:00AM RCIA for Young Adults PJ23 10:15AM Kids RCIA SFC

Epiphany

Monday - Jan. 4

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 6:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal UC 7:00PM PACT Angels Session UC/School

Tuesday - Jan. 5

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

3:30PM PACT Angels Session UC/School

5:30PM Basketball SH

6:15PM Schola Choral Rehearsal School 7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal UC

Wednesday - Jan. 6

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 7:00PM Liturgy Meeting Lent 7:00PM OLPH Novena UC 7:30PM Line Dancing SH 7:30PM Yoga (Anne Marie) PJ23 Hackensack Walk-In Shelter **Epiphany (Traditional)**

Thursday – Jan. 7

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 1:00 Knitters & Crochetters FDVRm 7:00PM Baptism Rehearsal UC 7:30PM Yoga (Linda) SFC

Friday – Jan. 8

After 8:45AM Mass Eucharistic Adoration UC 10:00AM St. John's Food Kitchen, Newark 7:00PM Basketball SH

Saturday – Jan. 9

After 8:30AM Mass Rosary UC 5:30PM Youth Group JWalk Mass Baptism

Sunday – Jan. 10

10:15AM Kids RCIA SFC 6:30PM JWalk Meeting YRm Baptism

Baptism of the Lord

Eucharistic Adoration - January 8th



Our Eucharistic Adoration will be on Friday, Jan. 8th after the 8:45 a.m. Mass in the upper church. Reposition begins at 7:00pm. Hope you all can join us and spend time with Jesus.



PD Reflections

I often say that in the flow of parish life and the fact that our calendars are strongly influenced by the school year, Labor Day is a type of New Year.

Such is not the case for our parish this year. First of all we welcome our Pastor, Fr. Stephen Carey. Although he was named to this position seven months ago, he was on a sabbatical for the past six months and we will hear from him this weekend.

As most people heard two weeks ago, Fr Michael has been named Administrator of Immaculate Conception (St Mary's) in Hackensack beginning in February. Fr. Michael has hoped to be able to serve as a pastor/administrator and we wish him well in his new assignment

We will also welcome a new parochial vicar, Fr. Michael Barone, who is eager to begin his ministry here. In fact he was at the noon mass two weeks ago.

And what about me you may wonder. I am calling my move a transition. I have tried to bridge the time between Fr. Dominic and Fr. Steve and I am thankful to all of you who continue. to demonstrate your love and ownership of St. Mary's by your generous donations of your time, talent and treasure. As you noticed during the first two years I was here, "retired" is not an apt description of my commitment.

Happy New Year.

Fr. Pat

<u>Hackensack Walk-in Shelter :</u> <u>Jan. 6, 2016</u>



Our next trip to Hackensack Walkin Shelter will be Wednesday, Jan. 6th. Please pick-up a pan on your way out if you would like to prepare

any of the dish listed below.

Due to new regulations, the shelter suggested to prepare only the following dishes:

Chicken, Pasta, Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, and any types of Vegetables

The drop off location is the Knights of Columbus, 61 Armour Place, Dumont, between 10:00 am-12:00 pm on Wednesday. Phone number is 201-1387-9750.

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 Dec. 19 - 20 \$11,094.00 Same Weekend 2014 \$10,831.00

Treasure from our children: \$43.00

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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.

"I said my prayers."

"I helped someone."

"I talked with parents about lesson."

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<u>Stewardship Prayer</u>

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.

Thank you, Nick Marino

As some may have noticed the kneeling pads in front of St. Joseph and the Tabernacle are worn and tearing in spots! No more! Nick Marino graciously donated his time and talent to replace the leather and re do them! Thank you Nick.

He has also graciously agreed to make new handbell pads for the handbell choir! We can't thank him enough!

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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.

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
Charles Bennett...James Markert...Patrick Booth

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

We are starting a new sick list beginning January 10, 2016. 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

Pray for our Sick

Peter Ramzi...John Ramzi...Donald Trainor...Dona Suzanne West...Dan and Jean Pope...Riley Rose Rose O'Shea...Teagan Davis...Donna Khuri...John K. Ramzi Khuri...Sean Fleming...Marcus Flaherty Sean Haves...Sandra Edmonds...John Perrotta Hailey van Weathering..Lyla McMahon..John Dillon Tom Jones..Ilene Levine..Crystal Stiefel..Mary Faley Clare Leonard...Rita Crowley...Curita Timeteo Rosemarie, William, and Mildred Dellner...Fred Lisa Nallen...Peggy Dunshee...Angelina Uvenio Kristi Marie Carbonaro...Constance Cookson Fran Morrissey...Mary Szymanski...Joan Polis George DiCostanzo...Catherine...Barbara Moran Betty & Joseph Kuprel...Donna Van Kleeck Theresa Giacalone...Jonathan Jacobi...Tom Phelan Tricia Rankin...Marlene Nappi...Nancy Quiroz Anthony Vonatzingen..Tina Dore..Frank McKeon Jim Hans...Emily DelVecchio...Steven Martin Frank Uvenio...Angelina...Isabel...Gustavo Puerta Rita Padrevito...Linda Deardoff...George Vlasis Trish Nicosia

Rosary Linen Schedule for January

Jan. 3 Eleanor King

Jan. 10 Mary Boyle

Jan. 17 Diane Gerrity

Jan. 24 Sue Schettino

Jan. 31 Eileen Moloney

PALAD Corner

Lucky Weeks Club Winner:

1. **Raffle**# 13 - 15 **Prize** - @ \$50 each **Drawing Date**: 12/18/2015:

Ticket # 1984 Name: Angel Rubio Ticket # 1166 Name: Glenda Rodic Ticket # 1978 Name: Natalie Palmer

2. **Raffle**# 16 - 19 **Prize** - @ \$150 each **Drawing Date**: 12/18/2015:

Ticket # 2152 Name: Bennie Aldover Ticket # 1317 Name: Lorena Lo Ticket # 1999 Name: Eileen Meyer Ticket # 1662 Name: Lorena Brown

Next Regular Meeting:

Monday January 4th at 8PM.

Rosary for Peace:

Wednesday January 13th at 7:30PM.

March for Life in Washington DC:

Friday January 22nd

Scholarship Dance:

Saturday January 23rd from 7-11PM

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

Hall Renting & Catering - 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.

Transfiguration Academy News

10 Bradley Avenue, Bergenfield Phone (201)384-3627

Email: principal@transfigurationacademy.org

The next Home School Association meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 12 at 7:00 PM in Conlon Hall. Attendance is required.

Mark your calendars!

Catholic School Schools week begins on Sunday, January 31 with a pancake breakfast and an expo by all of our classes to be held in Conlon Hall from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM. This year's theme is Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service". Parishioners of all of our parishes are invited and encouraged to attend this event to see the outstanding work that is being done at Transfiguration. A full schedule of activities for the week will be available soon.



PACT/Religious Education Program



St. Nicholas Project

Thank you to all who donated to our PACT St. Nicholas Project. The efforts of St. Mary's parish are always deeply appreciated at Oasis. For more information about the Oasis Haven in Paterson, N.J., visit them online at www.oasisnj.org

Need to update Contact Information?

Parents are reminded to update e-mail, cell phone, and other contact information here at the PACT/Religious Education Office as necessary. You can e-mail us at religioused@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 384-3062.





First Communion Parent Meeting

Parents of those preparing for First Communion in the Easter Season should have received word about the upcoming parent meeting which is Tuesday, 2/2/16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Church.

Confirmation Retreat Team

For those already confirmed who are helping with retreat, there are two more Sunday meetings. They are 1/24/16, and 2/21/16 after the 10:00 a.m. mass/before the 12 Noon mass.



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People of Light

O radiant God, source of all life, your love for us is so great that you sent Jesus, the Light of Lights, to scatter the darkness of sin and doubt. The Magi, seeing a brilliant shining star, set out to find the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords, only to find him, not in a palace, but in the home of Mary and Joseph. Teach us to seek your Son with courageous and humble hearts, to see him in the poor and marginalized, and in all who have lost hope. Make us a people of light and justice, ready to serve you and offer you praise, and ready to proclaim the glory of Christ. Grant, we pray, almighty God,

the nations, so that justice will flourish among your people and peace govern all the earth. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

that the radiance of your Incarnate Word

break into our hearts and shower upon all

Sunday, January 3, 2016 Revealing Light

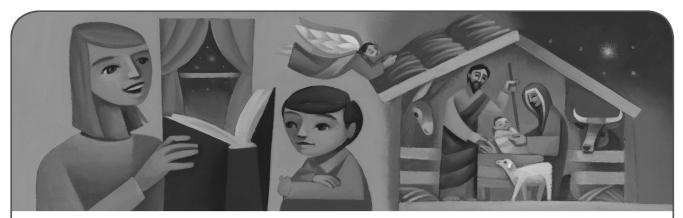
Today's Readings: Isaiah 60:1–6; Psalm 72:1–2, 7–8, 10–11, 12–13; Ephesians 3:2–3a, 5–6; Matthew 2:1–12. The Epiphany celebrates God's manifestation to all nations. Though we are familiar with the story of the three wise men and the song "We Three Kings," how well do we consider what the Scriptures tell us today?

In the First Reading, the prophet demands that Jerusalem rise up; God has delivered the people from their misfortune and restored the city, bathing it in light. The phrase, "nations shall come to your light" (verse 3), shows that God's glory is revealed in this thriving city and its renewed people. In the Gospel, magi from the east (representing different cultures and places) seek the Christ child.

They follow a star because their faith has led them to pursue truth. Upon seeing Jesus, they pay him homage. This story reveals that Jesus has come to save all people, but it also tells us that Christ's manifestation transforms the way we see one another. Christ is at the center of our relationships and uses our diverse gifts to reveal the Father.

In Baptism, bathed with the light of Christ, we are delivered from our misfortune and brought into the Body of Christ. We are no longer a people of darkness; like Jerusalem, we must let our light shine. We are now partners with Christ and our lives must reflect his presence, proclaim justice to the poor, and release to the captives.

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THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, January 4, 2016

Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Verse 23 of the First Letter of John summarizes the core theological theme of the letter—we must believe and we must love one another. St. Elizabeth also reminds us of these two themes. Her faith led her to share her gifts and resources with those less fortunate. She discerned, as John asks us to (4:1), where God was calling her so she may labor for the kingdom. Take a moment today to pray for an increase in faith and a robust love so that you too may do God's will. *Today's Readings*: 1 John 3:22—4:6; Psalm 2:7bc–8, 10–12a; Matthew 4:12–17, 23–25.

Tuesday, January 5, 2016

Memorial of St. John Neumann, Bishop

God is love, as today's First Reading states. We hear this phrase a lot, but have we thought about what it says to us? In this Christmas season, we celebrate God's amazing gift of his Son, Jesus, who reveals God's love in the flesh. If we are born in Christ and he dwells within each of us, we must each ask ourselves, "Do I love like Christ?" God's love reveals peace, justice, compassion, and mercy. Today, consider scheduling a visit to a sick person or a homeless shelter and be present to those on the margins. *Today's Readings*: 1 John 4:7–10; Psalm 72:1–2, 3–4, 7–8; Mark 6:34–44.

Wednesday, January 6, 2016 Heart of Christ

It's awesome to think that God's love transforms us to be more like God. Love is radical. It challenges us to see with the eyes of Christ and set aside our fears and misunderstandings. When our lives are rooted in Christ, we are no longer possessed by fear or judgment but remain in God. What stops you from loving as Christ loves? How are you drawing people to the heart of Christ? *Today's Readings*: 1 John 4:11–18; Psalm 72:1–2, 10, 12–13; Mark 6:45–52.

Thursday, January 7, 2016

Radical Love

Can you say, "I love God"? Some people are afraid or uncomfortable with the word *love*, perhaps because of its many connotations in our culture. Our narrative continues today to help us understand the love of Christ. Because we are anointed in Christ, we too are called "to bring good news to the poor [and] proclaim release to the captives." Again, love is radical; it demands that we act with justice and truth. We cannot be afraid to show Christ's love to the world. Light a candle today and say a prayer for all those unable to love or receive love. *Today's Readings*: 1 John 4:19—5:4; Psalm 72:1–2, 14 and 15bc, 17; Luke 4:14–22a.

Friday, January 8, 2016 Healing

Today's Gospel presents Jesus as healer. As we approach the final days of Christmas, it is important to reflect once again on God's saving deed. Jesus' healing of the leper proclaims the Reign of God. It is a sign of God's love and mercy. Healing is a miracle that reminds us that Christ saves us. Biblical scholar John Pilch writes that Christ's healing draws us from the margins and reincorporates us into the community. Who needs healing in your community? Invite your children or nieces and nephews to make greeting cards for those on the margins who need a sign of God's hope. *Today's Readings*: 1 John 5:5–13; Psalm 147:12–13, 14–15, 19–20; Luke 5:12–16.

Saturday, January 9, 2016

Increase/Decrease

Do you rejoice when you hear the voice of Jesus, the bridegroom? In the Gospel, John the Baptist realizes that his ministry is ending and Jesus' ministry will grow and reveal the kingdom. John rejoices in the Lord! Like him, we must set ourselves aside so that the light of Christ can shine from us. *Today's Readings*: 1 John 5:14–21; Psalm 149:1–2, 3–4, 5–6a and 9b; John 3:22–30.



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December 10, 2015

Reverend Patrick W. Donohue Saint Mary Parish 280 Washington Avenue Dumont NJ 07628

Dear Father Donohue:

I write to inform you that I have appointed Reverend Michael Barone, Parochial Vicar of Saint Mary's Parish, Dumont, effective January 13, 2016.

I pray that God may continue to bless you, and all the members of Saint Mary's Parish.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely in the Lord,

Most Reverend John J. Myers

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Archbishop of Newark

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c: Most Reverend Bernard Hebda, D.D., Coadjutor Archbishop of Newark Reverend Monsignor Michael A. Andreano, Vicar General & Chancellor Reverend Monsignor Thomas P. Nydegger, Vicar General & Moderator of the Curia Most Reverend John W. Flesey, S.T.D., D.D. Very Reverend John J. Paladino, V.F. Very Reverend Michael Sheehan, V.F.