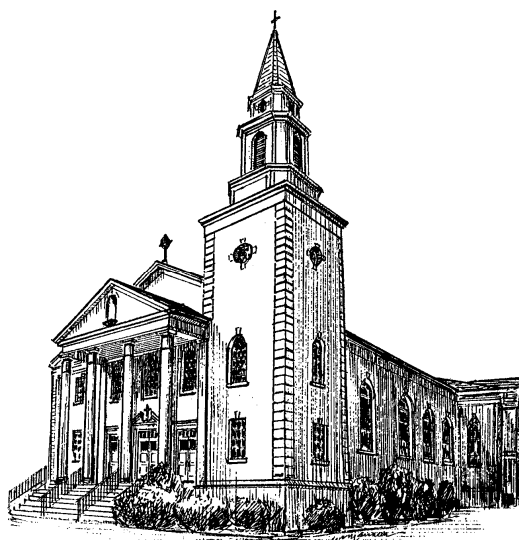


The People of God called to form the Christian Community of
St. Mary's Church

January 10, 2016

Baptism 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**

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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. 9 - Vigil
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
Monday	Jan. 11 - Weekday
7:00AM	Tom and Mary Monks (Living)
8:45AM	Robert Mascarelli
Tuesday	Jan. 12 - Weekday
7:00AM	Patrick Waters
8:45AM	Joan Barry
Wednesday	Jan. 13 - Weekday
7:00AM	Robert and Bridie Dalton
8:45AM	Brett Paton
Thursday	Jan. 14 - Weekday
7:00AM	Brett Paton
8:45AM	Nancy Florio (Living)
Friday	Jan. 15 - Weekday
7:00AM	Daniel Sheehan
8:45AM	Richard Fitzgibbon
Saturday	Jan. 16 - Weekday
8:30AM	Louise Parisi
5:30PM	Sr. Maureen O'Neill
Sunday	Jan. 17 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM	Elena Tarabocha
10:00AM	Clare Cornyn
12 Noon	Felisa, Pania and Arcenia Padaloy (Living)

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 Juana E. Rodriguez vda Nicasio and Lynn Siskin requested by the Quirolgico family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Mary Lomas, Sophia Weaver, and Vincent L. Garofalo.

Starting Monday, Jan. 11, our daily Masses, 7:00AM and 8:45AM, will be in the lower church.

Sunday – Jan. 10

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

Baptism of the Lord

Monday - Jan. 11

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
6:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal UC
7:30PM Pastoral Council Meeting FDVRm

Tuesday – Jan. 12

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
3:30PM Children's Choir Rehearsal School
5:30PM Basketball SH
6:15PM Schola Choral Rehearsal School
7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal UC
7:30PM Finance Council Meeting FDVRm

Wednesday - Jan. 13

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
7:00PM Arts & Environment Meeting Sacristy
7:00PM OLPH Novena UC
7:30PM Line Dancing SH
7:30PM Yoga (Anne Marie) PJ23Rm

Thursday – Jan. 14

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
1:00 Knitters & Crocheters FDVRm
7:30PM Yoga (Linda) SFC

Friday – Jan. 15

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

Saturday – Jan. 16

After 8:30AM Mass Rosary LC

Sunday – Jan. 17

7:30AM Feeding at Missionaries of Charity Soup Kitchen, Newark
10:15AM Kids RCIA SFC
11:00AM RCIA for Young Adults PJ23Rm

Offerings Still Available

Bread & Wine:

Jun 12 & 19; July 3 & 10; Aug. 7, 21, & 28; Sept. 4, Sept. 18 & 25; Oct. 2, 9, 16 & 23; Dec. 18.

Sanctuary Lamp:

July 17 & 31; Aug. 7, 21, & 28; Sept. 18 & 25; Oct. 2, Oct. 16 & 23.

***PACT/Religious Education
Program***

Need to update Contact Information?



You can e-mail us at:

First Communion Parent Meeting

We started a new sick list beginning this weekend. 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...Rose O'Shea...Joan Polis
Suzanne West..Donald Trainor...William Cannon
Hailey van Weathering..Lyla McMahon..Tom Phelan
Teagan Davis...John Dillon...Marie Caldera

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Next Meeting – Monday January 18th at 8PM

March for Life in Washington DC – Friday January 22nd - It is time to make reservations for the bus ride to The March for Life in DC on Friday January 22 2016. It's a great day to join hundreds of thousands Pro Life people of all ages. You can also help carry our 45 foot Rosary, but most of all we pray together to save the babies. Call Matt Connell at 201-397-7187 to reserve a space.

Fr. Murray Scholarship Dance – Saturday January 23rd from 7-11PM. This is the first dance since Fr. Murray's passing, and we are planning an evening of dancing, fun and great food. Starting out with a fried shrimp appetizer and salad, the dinner includes roast beef, baked potatoes, & string beans almonidine followed by dessert, and coffee or tea. With music for your dancing pleasure, join us for a great evening supporting scholarships, at only \$35 per person. For reservations please call Ken A. at 516-220-220-9333, or email: kofc1345reservations@gmail.com.

Super Bowl Party – Sunday, February 7th, 5-11PM.

Save the Date! Filipino Night – Saturday, March 5th, 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.



December 13, 2015

Ms. Josie Parrella
St. Mary's Church
280 Washington Avenue
Dumont, NJ 07628

Dear Ms. Parrella

Your generous spirit is incredible! On behalf of the children at The Nurturing Place, I would like to express my gratitude for your time and effort in coordinating such an amazing gift drive. Thank you for all of the love, time, and energy you put into selecting the perfect present for each child. As I'm sure you realize there are so many people in need. While most of us take for granted having a Merry Christmas, some among us can only pray and dream about it. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for helping to make their Christmas morning a magical experience.

For those of you with children in your lives, you know their joy when they open gifts on Christmas Day. While so many families are struggling to make ends meet, please know that your compassionate care enabled a young child to experience the magic and wonder of this holiday.

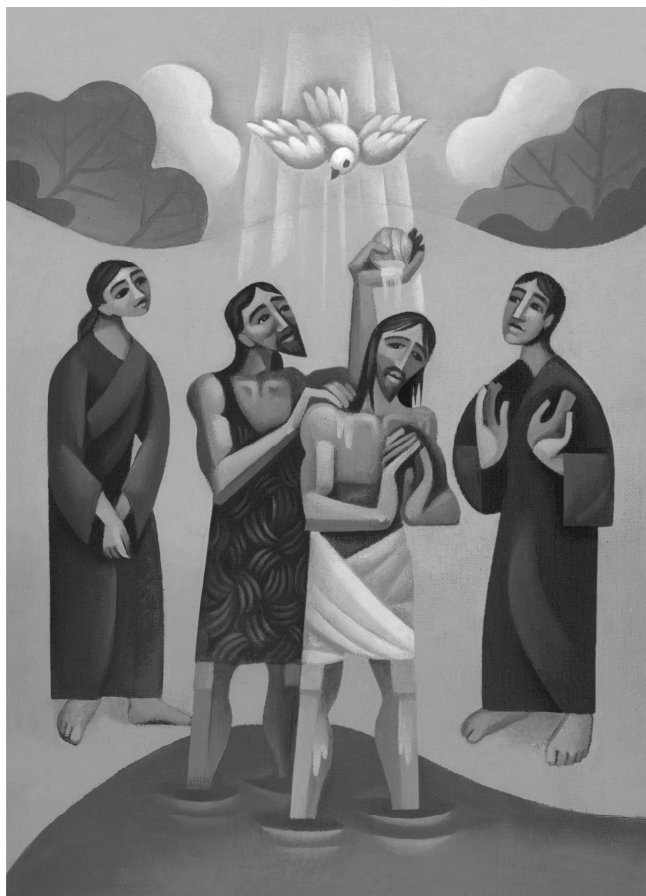
Thank you for your support for our ministry. May you and all your loved ones enjoy the warmth and peace of Christmas throughout the New Year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Victoria Hayes".

Ms. Victoria Hayes
Center Director

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Awaken Your Love

God of all creation,
you are holy indeed and worthy of
all praise.
In the waters of the Jordan,
you revealed Jesus as your beloved Son,
the Light who banishes the darkness and
rules with justice.
Help us to acknowledge Christ and listen to
his voice,
so that we, who are saved in the waters
of rebirth,
might remain faithful to the covenant and
forever proclaim your saving deeds.
May the Holy Spirit rouse us to reject our
selfish impulses and worldly desires,
and by dying to self,
may our lives bear witness to your glory
and may we ceaselessly serve your people.
Give us zeal to proclaim your justice and
peace, your compassion and mercy,
your joy and generosity.
Awaken your love within us and inspire us
to be a people of hope.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, January 10, 2016
Beloved

Today's Readings: Isaiah 42:1–4, 6–7 or Isaiah 40:1–5, 9–11; Psalm 29:1–2, 3–4, 3, 9–10 or Psalm 104:1b–2, 3–4, 24–25, 27–28, 29–30; Acts of the Apostles 10:34–38 or Titus 2:11–14; 3:4–7; Luke 3:15–16, 21–22. The readings for today draw us deeper into the mystery of the Incarnation while helping us consider our life in Christ. The First Reading announces the coming Messiah, who will set all free from bondage. In the Gospel, as the Father identifies Jesus as his beloved Son, the fulfillment of God's plan in Jesus is revealed.

God's power is manifest in Jesus Christ, who saves us from sin. Christ is also to be manifest in us. The Holy Spirit has renewed us in the waters of Baptism, and we are sent forth to radiate God's glory. In Baptism, we are plunged into

the waters of life, shedding our old self and rising to new life. As Paul writes in the Second Reading, we have become heirs to eternal life and share in the mission of Christ. This is a tremendous gift. Like the psalmist, we respond to God's love by saying, "Bless the Lord, O my soul."

At the close of this season and the beginning of Ordinary Time, delve deeper into these readings and ask yourself, "Do I take my Baptism seriously?" What does it look like to walk as a child of the Light? As a member of the Body of Christ, in what ways do you proclaim God's justice and peace? Finally, in your prayer this week, imagine God saying to you at your Baptism and now, "You are my beloved son/daughter and I love you!"



THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Ordinary Time

Growing up, I never really liked Ordinary Time. It seemed long, boring, and without festive celebrations. Since then, I have come to appreciate the simplicity and beauty of this long period on our liturgical calendar. Ordinary Time is divided into two periods. The first begins the day after the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and ends the day prior to Ash Wednesday (February 10). The second, and longest period, begins after Pentecost and ends the Saturday after the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. The word *ordinary* means “ordered.” It is called this because we number the weeks outside of festal time to help us mark the time. In *Eternity Today: On the Liturgical Year*, author Martin Connell states, “The two spans of Ordinary Time . . . are when the deeds and teachings of the Old Testament, of the early church, and of Jesus of Nazareth are told to nurture, calm, inspire, and animate God’s people at worship” (vol. 2 [New York: Continuum, 2006], 198). It is, then, a season to what it means to be a disciple of Christ and to practice the faith we profess. As we look ahead to the next five weeks, let us be mindful of God’s awesome deeds and be inspired to love more fervently.

Thursday, January 21, 2016

Memorial of St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Our tradition tells us Agnes was beautiful. Many men wanted to marry her, but she promised the Lord she would remain pure for him. In time, she was imprisoned for being a Christian and eventually martyred. Agnes, chosen by God, was an instrument of goodness in the world. Her life proclaimed God’s love for his people. On this day in Rome, the pope blesses two sheep. The wool from these sheep is used to make the pallium for archbishops. Another tradition today is to bake a lamb cake to recall the sacrifice Agnes made. As you eat the cake, retell her story and pray for those imprisoned because of their belief in Jesus. *Today’s Readings:* 1 Samuel 18:6–9; 19:1–7; Psalm 56:2–3, 9–10a, 10b–11, 12–13; Mark 3:7–12.

Monday, January 25, 2016

Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Before his conversion, Paul persecuted Christians and even sought them out to imprison them. This feast invites us to consider how our encounters with Christ—whether in the baptismal waters or in our daily gatherings—transform us. Paul was forever changed on that road to Damascus, and like the Responsorial Psalm and Gospel command, he goes forth proclaiming the Good News to all people. After this Advent and Christmas season, how will you shed your old self to rise anew with Christ? In what ways will you announce the Good News of salvation? *Today’s Readings:* Acts of the Apostles 22:3–16 or 9:1–22; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; Mark 16:15–18.

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

As we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, it may seem as though we have returned to Christmas Time. The prayers on this fortieth day after Christmas refer to Christ as the “Light of the nations.” The Gospel reading reminds us that Jesus is “a light for revelation to the Gentiles” (Luke 2:32). It was Simeon and Anna who recognized the divine child, the King of Glory who became like us to save us from our sins. This feast reminds us that Jesus is truly the light that banishes all darkness and purifies all peoples so they might share in God’s goodness. At Mass today, many parishes will bless the candles used throughout the year. The liturgy begins with the blessing and a candlelight procession to remind us that Jesus is our light in the darkness. *Today’s Readings:* Malachi 3:1–4; Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Hebrews 2:14–18; Luke 2:22–40 or 2:22–32.



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