

The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church



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January 1, 2017

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

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 Barone, *Parochial Vicar*
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Religious Education Office: 201-384-3062
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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 the parish office.

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	Dec. 31 - Vigil
5:30PM	Ong Kim
Sunday	Jan. 1—Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	James Hans
12 Noon	Angelina Luciano
Monday	Jan. 2 - St. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
7:00AM	Ann Theresa Herlihy
8:45AM	John Kerner
Tuesday	Jan. 3 - Christmas Weekday
7:00AM	William P. Petrie
8:45AM	Bridget and Michael McCormack
Wednesday	Jan. 4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
7:00AM	John Anthony Ragone
8:45AM	John Anthony Ragone
Thursday	Jan. 5 - St. John Neumann
7:00AM	James Burchall
8:45AM	Norma O'Connor
Friday	Jan. 6 - Christmas Weekday
7:00AM	Hugh Duffy
8:45AM	Irma Rosica
Saturday	Jan. 7 - Christmas Weekday
8:30AM	John Kerner
5:30PM	Helen Kostka
Sunday	Jan. 8 –The Epiphany of the Lord
8:00AM	James Boyle, Boyle and McGowan Families
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
12 Noon	Jan Kulik

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Edward V. Lane requested by the Lane Family

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Ann Theresa Herlihy requested by John Robert Herlihy.

Parish Office Hours



During the days of the Christmas season, the parish office ***will be closed*** on Monday, Jan. 2, 2017

Sunday – Jan. 1

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
New Year's Day

Monday - Jan. 2

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

Tuesday – Jan. 3

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
3:30PM Children's Choir Rehearsal School
5:30PM Basketball SH
6:30PM Schola Cantorum Rehearsal School
7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal School

Wednesday - Jan. 4

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
7:00PM OLPH Novena LC
7:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday – Jan. 5

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC
1:00PM Knitters and Crocheters FDVRm
5:30PM Basketball SH
7:00PM Baptism Rehearsal UC
7:30PM Yoga (Linda) SFC

Friday – Jan. 6

Epiphany (Traditional)
After 8:45AM Mass Eucharistic Adoration.
Reposition starts at 7:00PM UC

Saturday – Jan. 7

After 8:30AM Mass Rosary UC

Sunday – Jan. 8

Epiphany
Baptism of our Lord (Traditional)
12:00PM Baptism UC
1:00PM Young Adult Meeting YRm
6:30PM JWalk Meeting YRm

Please Note:

All Masses will be in the upper church until January 9th, Baptism of the Lord.

Eucharistic Adoration - Jan. 6th



On Friday, January 6th, we will have Eucharistic Adoration after the 8:45 a.m. Mass in the Upper Church. Reposition begins at 7:00 p.m. Please join us and spend some time with Jesus.

From the Pastor



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Dear Parishioners,

As one year ends and a new one begins, we are called to consider the passing of time. And so for your reflection, I offer you this prayer.

***Yours in Christ,
Fr. Carey***

Time is too slow for those who wait, too swift for those who fear, too long for those who grieve, too short for those who rejoice.

Lord, we thank you for your gift of the seasons. Through your reflected beauty, they help us to mark the passing of time.

Bless us with your special accuracy, those who help us be organized and on time, who help us keep our schedules and appointments.

Bless us with sensitivity when we impose on the precious time of others.

For those whose time is now eternity, share the blessing of your light and peace.

You said, "Watch and pray, for you know not the day or the hour." May the anticipation of your coming turn us to you each day.

Take from us the guilt and failure of the past by deepening our faith in your forgiveness.

Spare us all anxiety and worry for the future by strengthening our trust in your ever watchful and loving providence.

Teach us to live each day in your love, cherishing each moment as we experience it, leaving all else safely in your hands.

Hear us now in your mercy and extend your blessing to the instruments, calendars and time-pieces we use to measure time.

Bless our clocks and watches so we may experience the miracle of each second. May they help us not miss what is important while you keep us from our machine-like routine. Free us from being clock watchers, make us time lovers.

Bless our calendars, these ordered lists of weeks and months, of holy days and holidays, of feast and fasts, all our special days of remembering.

And finally, Lord, bless this new year, each of its days and nights. Bless us with full means and new moons, with happy seasons and healthy lives.

Grant to us, Lord, your gift of love and peace.

Amen



Thank you to the many generous parishioners who have made their commitment to the We Are Living Stones campaign.

Our Parish Goal	\$649,793.00
To Date: Dec. 22, 2016	
Total Pledge	\$316,043.00
Total Amount Received	\$ 84,806.44**
Number of Pledges	154

Remember our plan is to use the ***We Are Living Stones*** proceeds to address the following needs for our parish.

- **New side doors of the church**
- **Elevator**

****We've reached our tithing goal of \$82,500.00!!!**

The portion to be shared is \$2,306.44 (total after Tithing goal) and the parish share is \$1,153.22. It's not too late to send in your pledge. The more you donate, the more share the parish will receive.

Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help us plan for the future of our parish.

Hackensack Walk-in Shelter :

Jan. 11, 2017

Our next trip to Hackensack Walk-in Shelter will be Wednesday, Jan. 11th. Pans will be available the weekend of Jan. 7-8. We greatly appreciate your help.

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

**Chicken, Rice, Meatloaf,
Mashed Potatoes, and
Any types of Vegetables
Desserts**

The drop off location is the Knights of Columbus, 61 Armour Place, Dumont, between 10:00 am-2:00 pm on Wednesday. Phone number is 201-387-9750.



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.”

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*Dear Lord,*

Daily, may we renew with You our small part of the world by allowing Your will to be accomplished in and through us.

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.

We have purchased a statue of St. Patrick which will be placed in our church (over by the Sacred Heart Mosaic). The cost of the statue was \$2,000. Donations to help cover the cost will be accepted at the rectory office. If you would like to make a donation, please stop by the parish office or mail a check payable to St. Mary's. Just mark St. Patrick on the check. We will dedicate the statue at our annual St. Patrick's Mass in March.

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Jan. 1 Mary Boyle  
Jan. 8 Beverly Serafini  
Jan. 15 Catherine Kelly  
Jan. 22 Janet Kaine  
Jan. 29 Diane Gerrity

Peter Ramzi..John Ramzi..Rose O'Shea..Joan Polis  
Hailey van Weathering..Pat Barclay..Teagan Davis  
Rita Crowley..Sandy Tolentino..Wilberta Schreiber  
George DiCostanzo..Emily Del Vecchio..Dian Ang  
Maureen Kostka...Frank Uvenio...Evelyn Paulsen  
Jeffrey Newman...Leo Newman...Stefano Piccinich  
Joan Mascarelli...Patrick Manley

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## Bread & Wine:

Jan. 29; Mar. 5 & 19; Apr. 9; May 14 & 21; June 4 &  
June 11; Jul. 2 & 9; Aug. 6, 13, & 20; Sept. 17 & 24;  
Oct. 1 & 15; Nov. 5 ; Dec. 17.

Mar. 12 & 19; May 7, 14 & 21; June 11; Jul. 9, 16, &  
Jul. 23 & 30; Aug. 6, 13, & 20 & 27; Sept. 24;  
Oct. 15 & 22; Nov. 19; Dec. 3.



## **Natural Family Planning Information Night**

God has created marriage, a holy union, to mirror His supreme love on earth. At the heart of their married love is the total gift of self that husband and wife freely offer to each other. Because of their sexual difference, husband and wife can truly become “one flesh.” Through the language of their bodies, their sexual union recalls their vows: giving themselves to one another in love that is total, faithful, and life-giving. This call to love is to follow Christ himself, who handed himself totally over for his bride, the Church. Spouses imitate him by giving the entirety of themselves to one another, including the gift of their fertility and their openness to new life. Natural Family Planning methods are scientifically proven approaches to help a couple postpone or achieve pregnancy in a way that preserves the true, complete self-gift between husband and wife, the kind of love that brings real, lasting joy and peace. When we embrace God’s plan for human sexuality and marriage and follow Jesus, we invite the Holy Spirit into our lives in a powerful way. To learn more, or to hear questions others have asked, please come to an informational session given by the Coordinator of Natural Family Planning for the Family Life Office, Jill Cherrey.

**Date:** January 11, 2017

**Time:** 7:30-9:00pm

**Location:** St. Elizabeth of Hungary,  
220 E. Blancke St., Linden, NJ 07036

**Contact:** Jill Cherrey at  
jillc@joyfilledmarriagenj.org or 973-497-4325.



### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

The search is underway for  
Longest Married Couple in the U.S.  
Do you think you know who they are?  
Maybe it's your parents... grandparents...  
That nice couple who live down the street...

Nominating a couple is easy! Just send their names, wedding date and where they live and your contact information to: [wwmelmc2017@gmail.com](mailto:wwmelmc2017@gmail.com)

Nominations accepted until January 8, 2017.

Winners will be announced February 2017 to celebrate World Marriage Day.

**Nominate a couple you know today!**

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**The Scholarship Fund for  
Inner-City Children**

The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children, which provides partial tuition scholarships for low income students in grades K to 12 to attend Catholic schools, will hold its 14th annual High School Basketball Festival on January 7 and 8, 2017 at Kean University in Union. The teams playing include St. Peter's Prep, Roselle Catholic, Hudson Catholic, Seton Hall Prep, Mt. St. Dominic, St. Benedict's Prep, Union Catholic, St. Mary's, Don Bosco, Immaculate Conception, Paramus Catholic, St. Joseph's Regional and Marist.

For complete game schedule, times, and information on ordering tickets, please visit [www.sfchoops.com](http://www.sfchoops.com) or call 973-497-4279.

# Our Heartfelt Thank You to our Volunteers

Who helped cleaned the chandeliers,  
decorate, and prepare the church for  
Christmas.

You made it all possible that we were able to make our church look so beautiful for the Christmas season.

***Again, thank you so much.***

*New Year's*  
*Greetings and Blessings*

*As we enter into this*  
*New Year - 2017,*  
*we want to extend the prayers and best wishes of the*  
*priests, deacon, and the parish staff*  
*to the families of St. Mary's.*

*May the new year be filled with*  
*peace, joy and wonder.*

*Peace*  
*on Earth*