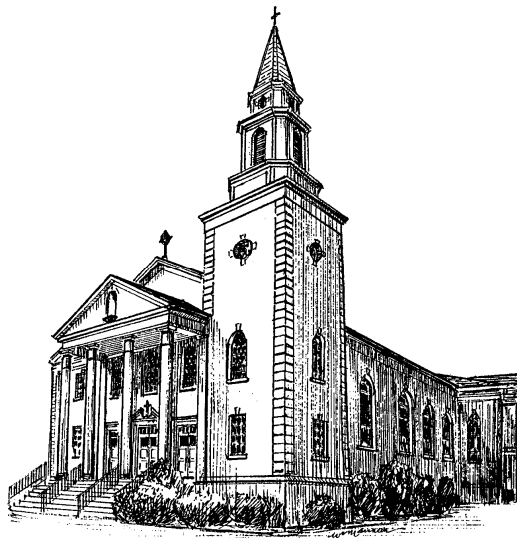


The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

March 12, 2017

*Second Sunday of
Lent*



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*
Rev. Patrick W. Donohue, *In-Residence*
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Mr. Joel Condon, *Director of Music Ministry*
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Eucharistic Liturgy

Saturday Eve: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 7:45 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	Mar. 11 - Vigil
5:30PM	Baby Angela
Sunday	Mar. 12 - Second Sunday of Lent
7:45AM	James Hans
10:00AM	Patrick Langford
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Monday	Mar. 13 - Lenten Weekday
7:00AM	John Kerner
8:45AM	Ottavio Martin Bertolini
Tuesday	Mar. 14 - Lenten Weekday
7:00AM	Matthew Cinelli (Living)
8:45AM	Nena Asistin
Wednesday	Mar. 15 - Lenten Weekday
7:00AM	Hugh Galagher
8:45AM	Patricia Peragina
Thursday	Mar. 16 - Lenten Weekday
7:00AM	Dennis Daly
8:45AM	In Thanksgiving
Friday	Mar. 17 - Lenten Weekday
7:00AM	Dennis and Elizabeth Daly
8:45AM	Norma O'Connor
Saturday	Mar. 18 - Lenten Weekday
8:30AM	Sister Cecelia Morin
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday	Mar. 19 - Third Sunday of Lent
7:45AM	Kathleen and Frank McMorrow
10:00AM	John G. Kerner
12 Noon	Honora O'Connor

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Tom Murphy requested by Mary Murphy and family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Armando Luna requested by the Tolentino family.

Peter's Pence Collection

Our second collection today is for Peter's Pence, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

Sunday – Mar. 12

10:00AM St. Patrick's Mass. Social to follow SH
1:00PM Young Adult Meeting YRm
6:30PM JWalk Stations of the Cross Practice UC
Penitential Rite
Second Collection—Peter's Pence
Soda Bread Sale after all Masses SH
Daylight Savings Time Start

Monday - Mar. 13

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
6:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal UC
7:00PM PACT Angels Session/ACRE 8th Grade UC/School
7:30PM Faith Sharing Group (Abad) FDVRm

Tuesday – Mar. 14

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
3:30PM PACT Angels Session/ACRE 8th Grade UC/School
6:30PM Schola Cantorum Rehearsal School
7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal School
7:30PM Finance Council Meeting FDVRm

Wednesday - March 15

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
7:00PM OLPH Novena LC
7:30PM Line Dancing SH
7:30PM Liturgy Meeting –Triduum
7:30PM Yoga (Anne Marie) PJ23Rm

Thursday – March 16

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

Friday – March 17

St. Patrick's Day

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
7:30PM Stations of the Cross LC

Saturday – March 18

After 8:30AM Mass Rosary LC
10:00AM Faith Sharing Group (Lorena) FDVRm
K of C Membership Drive after 5:30PM Mass

Sunday – March 19

7:30AM Feeding at Missionaries of Charity Soup Kitchen, Newark
8:30AM PACT Angels Session/ACRE 5th & 6th Grades LC/School
1:00PM Young Adult Meeting YRm
6:30PM JWalk Stations of the Cross Practice UC
First Scrutiny
K of C Membership Drive after all Masses

From the Pastor

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His official feast day is not until next Friday, but this weekend, we will celebrate St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. While it is true that, in this country, the celebration of St. Patrick's Day has become more than the celebration of a 5th century bishop and has instead become a celebration of all things Irish, it is important to remember who St. Patrick was and how he worked to establish the Catholic faith in Ireland.

Details about Patrick life are extremely limited but from the two writings he left, we know that he was born in Britain and at the age of 16 was captured by Irish raiders who took him to Ireland where he lived in captivity for 6 years. As Patrick states in his "Confession," it was during this captivity that he experienced a spiritual awaken that led him, after his escape, to return to Ireland as missionary.

Early medieval tradition credits St. Patrick with being the first bishop of Armagh and Primate of Ireland and while evidence indicates that he was not the first missionary to bring Christianity to Ireland he certainly worked tirelessly to spread the Gospel and is honored for his efforts to convert all Ireland.

Our parish's celebration of St. Patrick is made special this year as we bless our new statue of St. Patrick. This statue was made possible by special donations from our parishioners and we are extremely grateful. In a parish with such a strong Irish heritage, it seems only appropriate that a statue of St. Patrick be present to watch over our Church.

Fr. Carey

Please Note:

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, Archbishop of Newark, has granted us dispensation from the obligation to abstain from meat on Friday, March 17, 2017, Feast of St. Patrick.

If we are to avail ourselves of this dispensation, he encourages us to substitute some other act of penance, such as a special prayer, acts of piety or works of charity on March 17th.

2018 Mass Book

The Mass book for 2018 is now open. If you would like to request Masses for family and loved ones, please stop by the parish office.

2017 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.

Feast of St. Joseph - March 20th



The Feast of St. Joseph is celebrated on Monday, March 20 this year, because when a Feast Day falls on a Sunday in Lent or Advent it is celebrated on Monday. We will have a parish liturgy at 7:30 pm on March 20 followed by a social featuring St. Joseph's bread and pastries in the Spiritual Formation Center.

Food Bank Volunteer Opportunity



On Saturday, March 25, we will gather in the parking lot of St. Mary's at 7:30 am and carpool to the food bank. We'll spend the morning sorting food for distribution to food pantries throughout the state. We will be back by noon.

Sign-ups are necessary by Tuesday, March 21st. Please e-mail deaconjohn@stmarysdumont.org or leave a message at the Parish Office—201-384-0557. Due to insurance regulations, children under 12 are not permitted in the warehouse.

Offerings Still Available

Bread & Wine:

Apr. 9; May 21; Aug. 6, 13, & 20; Sept. 17 & 24; Oct. 1 & 15; Dec. 17.

Sanctuary Lamp:

May 21; Jul. 16, 23, & 30; Aug. 6, 13, 20, & 27; Sept. 24; Oct. 22; Dec. 3.

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...Patrick Booth
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
Christopher Smaldone

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.

Pray for Our Sick

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...Sean Hayes
Maureen Kostka...Frank Uvenio...Peter Dondero
Jeffrey Newman...Leo Newman...Stefano Piccinich
Patrick Manley...Margaret Strauss...Mallary Zwiren
Eileen and Marcus Flaherty...Kristi Carbonaro
Brian Gallagher...Lyla McMahon...Sheila Corrigan
Tom Phelan...Diane Kowatch...Kathy R...Lauren Z.
Yunzhi Ye...William, Rosemarie, Mildred Dellner
Joan B...Baby Addison Vigos...Richard King
Joseph and Betty Anne Kuprel...Colleen...Lena
Nina and Giuseppe Calamita...Mabel

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Rosary Linen Schedule—March

Mar. 12 Catherine Kelly Mar. 19 Madelyn Kerner
Mar. 26 Mary Loughlin

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Altar-Rosary Easter Candy Sale

Orders will be taken for delicious Gertrude Hawk Easter candy. Order forms available in the rear of the church and at the parish office and must be submitted by March 26. Pick-up dates will be April 8 & 9, Palm Sunday.



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: Mar. 6, 2017	
Total Pledge	\$313,468.00
Total Amount Received	\$101,878.55
Number of Pledges	157

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**

The portion to be shared is \$19,378.55 (total after tithing goal of \$82,500) and the parish share is \$9,689.28. 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.

Congratulations to Our ELECT!


This past Sunday, our catechumens traveled to the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart where they signed their names in the Book of the Elect! (The book is on display in the front of the church by St. Joseph). They now enter the final phase of their preparation to be initiated at the Easter Vigil, when they will be Baptized, Confirmed and given Eucharist. Here they are with their catechist Didi Assistin. Please pray for Alexander Ramos, Oscar Guillen, Nicole Ong, Shawn Ong, and Isabella Gomez as they prepare to receive the Easter Sacraments





PACT/Religious Education Program

Tuesday First Holy Communion
Preparation Sessions



First Communion Preparation Sessions have begun! Please pray for the candidates who will be receiving the Lord in the Eucharist, for their families, and for our entire parish family as we prepare to welcome them to the table of the Lord.


Confirmation Preparation

Congratulations to our candidates who attended the Confirmation Retreat, and have committed to continue their preparation for Confirmation which is scheduled for Pentecost Sunday, June 4th.



CRS Rice Bowls



 Have you seen the special calendar enclosed inside the Rice Bowl with daily thoughts and suggestions? The reverse of the calendar also has recipe ideas... You can download the Rice Bowl app at <http://www.crsricebowl.org/about/app>

PACT – Mass Attendance Program

One more month of signing-in for the 2016-17 program year!



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St. Mary's Youth Group - JWalk



Practice dates for JWalk's Stations of the Cross for Good Friday are March 12,19, 26, April 2 and 9 from 6:30-8:30pm in the church. Any interested high schoolers can email youthmin@stmarysdumont.org.

If you have any questions or would like to be added to our email list, please email Beth Miloscia at youthmin@stmarysdumont.org. You can also follow us on twitter @stmarys_jwalk.

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 on March 4 - 5	\$10,643.00
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Same Weekend 2016	\$10,068.00
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Treasure from our children: \$21.00

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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 helped someone.” “I said my prayers.”***

***"I talked with parents about lesson."***

***“I did all my chores.”***

***“I was helping others.”***

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## 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.

### ***Deadline Extended—Brick Order***



For those who are planning to purchase Memorial bricks for the St. Mary's Prayer Garden to honor or remember a loved one or commemorate special occasions, deadline has been extended until **March 31st.**

The cost per brick is \$50.00. You will receive a card for you to keep or to give to the person or family you're offering the brick for.

Forms are available in the parish office if you would like to purchase one.







Many thanks to our parishioners and associations listed below who ever so generously donated towards the purchase of our St. Patrick statue.

The statue will be by the Sacred Heart picture, rectory side.



Margaret & Patrick Flaherty  
George Donovan  
Michael & Mary Daly  
Gerard & Margaret Kennedy  
Mary & Michael Cremin  
Robert & Mattea Truppe  
Erlinda Riguerra  
Anthony & Carol Filingeri  
James & Ann Marie Bishopp  
Jasmin & Renato Cachuela  
Bill & Angie Bochicchio  
Bergen Irish Association  
Marianne M. Lane  
Bridget & Brian Langford  
Warren & Janet Kaine  
Francis & Bridget Martin  
Kathleen & John Sylvester  
Eileen T. Moloney  
Robert Patetta  
Eileen V. Griffin  
Carol McGuire  
Margaret M. Keating  
Bergen County Council of Irish Associations  
Lynne & Michael Vietri  
Mary & Paul Hecker  
Phyllis & John Sullivan  
Mary Fitzgibbons