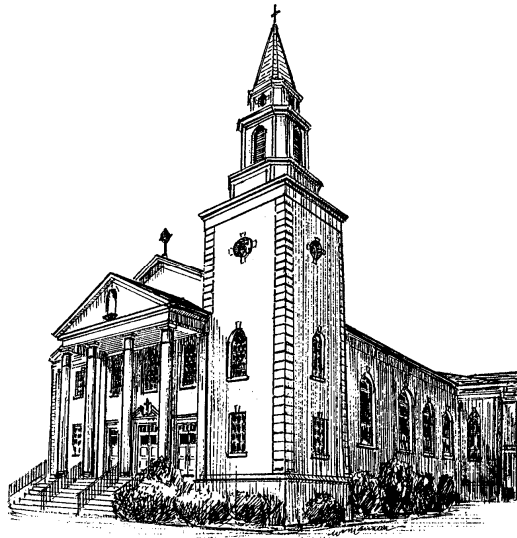


The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

December 3, 2017

*First Sunday of
Advent*



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*
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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	Dec. 2 - Vigil
5:30PM	Baby Faith Catherine Russo and Joan Mascarelli
Sunday	Dec. 3 - First Sunday of Advent
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	Anna Berger
12 Noon	Rose Guyre
Monday	Dec. 4 - Advent Weekday
7:00AM	Joan Mascarelli
8:45AM	Sheila Romaine (Living)
Tuesday	Dec. 5 - Advent Weekday
7:00AM	Evelyn Paulsen
8:45AM	Angelina Uvenio
Wednesday	Dec. 6 - Advent Weekday
7:00AM	John Kerner
8:45AM	Patricia Harrigan
Thursday	Dec. 7 - St. Ambrose
7:00AM	Gloria Waters
8:45AM	Trinidad Franciledo
Friday	Dec. 8 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00AM	Mary Rose and James McCarron
8:45AM	Robert Browning
7:30PM	Czeslaw Gryzsko
Saturday	Dec. 9 - Advent Weekday
8:30AM	Johanna and James Joyce
5:30PM	Ed Kostka
Sunday	Dec. 10 - Second Sunday of Advent
7:45AM	Angelina Uvenio
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
12 Noon	Patrick Pizzolo, Jr.

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Michael and Glenn Flanagan requested by Mary Ellen and Michael Flanagan.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Luz Tubianosa requested by Jess Tubianosa.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Elizabeth Benell, Julia Roman, Hugo Roman, and Anna Marie Vigiletti.

Sunday – Dec. 3

First Sunday of Advent

After 12:00PM Mass PALAD Simbang Gabi Meeting
FDVRm

1:00PM Young Adult Advent Reflection YRm

6:30PM JWalk Meeting YRm

9:00AM - 1:00PM Advent Wreath Making

Food Collection

Grave Blanket / Wreath Pick-up after all Masses

Second Collection - Retirement Collection for the Religious

Monday - Dec. 4

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

7:00PM RCIA Catechetical Session MSRm

7:00PM PACT Angels Session UC/School

Tuesday – Dec. 5

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

3:30PM PACT Angels Session UC/School

5:30PM Basketball SH

6:15PM Bell Choir Rehearsal UC

7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal School

Wednesday - Dec. 6

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

7:00PM OLPH Novena LC

7:30PM Line Dancing SH

7:30PM Yoga (Anne Marie) PJ23Rm

Thursday – Dec. 7

After 8:45 AM Mass Rosary LC

1:00PM Knitters and Crocheters FDVRm

5:30PM Basketball SH

7:00PM Baptism Rehearsal UC

7:30PM Yoga (Linda) SFC

Friday – Dec. 8

Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary

Masses: 7:00am, 8:45am, and 7:30pm

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

9:30AM St. John's Food Kitchen, Newark

Collection: Immaculate Conception

Special Collection: The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception-Trinity Dome

Saturday – Dec. 9

After 8:30AM Mass Rosary LC

Sunday – Dec. 10

Second Sunday of Advent

8:30AM PACT Angels Session LC/School

11:00AM Confirmation Retreat Team Library

12:00Noon Baptism UC

After 12:00PM Mass PALAD Simbang Gabi Practice SH

1:00PM Altar & Rosary Christmas Brunch at Chez Madeleine

1:00PM Young Adult Advent Reflection YRm

From the Pastor

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Happy Holidays or Merry Christmas; what do you say to others and what do you hope to hear from the sales clerk or the delivery person? Do the cards you send and hope to receive have Santa Claus and a tree or is there a manger and a star; a Virgin and Child? Do you view Advent as a time to shop 'till you drop or is it a chance to prayerfully consider the profound gift we have received in the birth of Child?

It's all a matter of priorities and balance. Are we getting ready to celebrate a big national holiday or are we getting ready to celebrate a great and glorious holyday? Do we get caught up in the hype fed to us by retailers and the media or do we find hope in the message of an angel? The message we try to promote as Catholics is that we must all "Keep Christ in Christmas", but do we live the message each day?

I know that there are many things we must all do as Christmas approaches but the most important thing we must do is remember what it is that we are celebrating. For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, born in a manger, born of a Virgin, born to set us free from our sins. Let us view the season of Advent as a gift in which we are called to remember who we are; God's beloved children. Let us remember all that God had given us; He has given us salvation.

Fr. Carey

Feast of the Immaculate Conception **Dec. 8th - Holy Day of Obligation**

On Friday, December 8, we celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, a *Holy Day of Obligation*. It is the day on which we remember that Mary, being prepared as the Mother of God, was conceived in the womb of St. Anne without any stain of original sin.

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2018 Offerings Available

Bread & Wine:

May 6 & 13; Jun. 24; Jul. 1, 8 & 22; Aug. 5 & 12; Sept. 2 & 30; Oct. 14 & 21; Nov. 18 & 25; Dec. 9 & Dec. 30.

Sanctuary Lamp:

Apr. 15 & 29; May 6 & 20; Jul 1, 8, 15, & 22; Aug. 12 & 26; Sept. 2, 9, & 23; Nov. 18; Dec. 2 & 9.

Advent Penance Service - Dec. 11th

Advent Communal Penance Service. Join us with the parishes of St. John's and Ascension at 7:30 p.m. at Ascension Church in New Milford. This service will be a communal service with opportunity for individual confessions with priests of all parishes.

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Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration **Dec. 12th**



On Tuesday, December 12 we will have a bilingual mass in honor of our Lady of Guadalupe at 7:30 p.m. in the Upper Church.

Following Mass we will have a social in the Spiritual Formation Center.

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Advent Giving Tree

Through the generosity of many St. Mary's parishioners, we are able to share joy to many families and individuals in need. This year, we will again partner with the Dumont Department of Human Services and the Nurturing Place (formerly The York Street Project) in Jersey City to provide gifts to those in need.



Unwrapped Gifts must be returned by Wednesday, Dec. 13th in the Parish Office. For questions, please call Josie Parrella at 201-387-0786.

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Good Deeds for Baby Jesus



All children of the parish are invited to put a piece of straw in the crib for Baby Jesus each time they do a good deed, so Jesus will have a soft bed for Christmas! The crib will be in the foyer of the church.

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Restored Holy Water Tank and Altar Candles

Thank You, Thank You to Richard Tedesco who lovingly restored the copper Holy Water Tank from "the Little White Church" and the 6 large candle holders in the sanctuary. This is painstaking work, and took Richard hours to complete. The results are spectacular. The candles and tank are both gleaming. This tank is now in the back of the church by the choir loft. We are grateful to Richard for sharing his time and talent with us for the glory of God. Thank him when you see him.

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2018 St. Joseph's Missal

Copies of St. Joseph's Sunday missals are now available for purchase. The cost is \$3.00 for each missal.

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...John Oppici
Bobby Dellner...Patrick Booth...Jaelon Magat
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...Brian Manley
Christopher Smaldone...Sean Flanagan

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.

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
Peter Dondero...Lyla McMahon...Tom Phelan...RC
Diane Kowatch...John R...Richard King...Tom Grant
Betty Anne Kuprel...Nina Calamita...Joan Cotter
Mabel...Emily Muller...Monica and Perfecto DeVera
Patricia Victory...Steven Walters...Joseph Coll
Nikki Marinas...Maureen Barker...Phil Ashare
Flor Bautista...Kathy R..Margaret Strauss..Lee Clark
Kyla Carney...Kristi Carbonaro...Dyane Guardino
Maureen Kostka...Carlos DeLeon...Gloria Hinrichs
Ermina Tolentino...Mark Pierson...Patrick Manley
Phyllis Keefe...Joan Toupin...Millie Dellner...Bill Rose
Fr. Pat W. Donohue...Larry Rivera...Patricia Tetro
Teresita Ariola

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First Friends of NJ and NY, a Non-Profit organization that helps undocumented immigrants held in detention centers by letting them know they are not forgotten, helping them maintain contact with their loved ones and obtaining legal assistance is in urgent need of the following items:

2 Pocket Folders (no metal clips)	Size 10 Envelopes
Pre-Stamped Size 10 envelopes	Forever Stamps
Blank Note cards	Christmas cards
Monetary donation for phone cards	
Handwritten notes of encouragement for detainees that let them know they are not forgotten (addressed "Dear Friend")	


These items can be left in the vestibule of the church or brought to the parish office.

We know we just completed the Thanksgiving distribution, but we will need to get started saving for the **Christmas distribution** which will be on **Friday, December 15th.**

Some items that we are in need of are:

String Beans,	Canned Fruit
Progresso Soups	Cereal (Dry)
Peanut Butter	Jelly
Mac & Cheese	Gravy
Toilet Paper	

Again, thank you and God Bless.



We wish to thank all who so generously gave to our Thanksgiving food collection. FAIRWAY MARKET for their contribution of 30 turkeys, Silver Palate for the 10 cases of pasta sauce, Lincoln School, Selzer School, the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and especially to all of our parishioners who continue to give so generously each month by bringing food. In addition, thank you for the monetary donations made which enables us to give Stop and Shop food certificates for perishables.

We were able to give out 50 baskets to families who really expressed gratitude to our parish for being so caring.

We also would like to offer thanks to our town DPW who have assisted us in distribution of the baskets to the schools and the workers who assisted in filling the boxes. God Bless!

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Simbang Gabi 2017 celebration will be held on Friday, Dec 22, at 7pm at St. Mary's, Dumont.

Rehearsals at Szelest Hall (gym) are on:

Dec. 10, Sunday, after 12 pm Mass

Dec. 17, Sunday, after 12 pm Mass

Dec. 20, Wednesday, 5:00 pm -7:00pm.

If you have any questions, please call Marichi 201-385-8529, Tatess 201-486-5852, Malu 201-387-9140 or Parish Office 201-384-0557.



MINISTRIES AT ST. MARY

Have you ever realized how many different ministries we have here at St. Mary's?
We would like thank all those who so generously share of their time and talent.

We are called to do the same.

Prayfully look at the list below and see what best fits your talents and
please call the parish office and let us know.

WORD

Baptismal Preparation Team
Baptismal Garment Maker
Religious Education Catechist
Religious Education Volunteer
Pre-Cana Team
Sacramental Preparation I
(First Penance/First Communion)
Sacramental Preparation II
(Confirmation)
Small Christian Communities

WORSHIP

Reader at Mass
Extra Ordinary Minister of Communion
Usher/Greeter
Music Ministry
Adult Choir
Children's Choir
Youth Choir
Bell Choir (Children)
Bell Choir (Adult)
Leader of Song
Instrumentalist
Altar Server
Funeral Altar Server (Adults)
Liturgy of the Word w/Children
Liturgy Committee
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Art/Environment Committee

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Adult Softball
Altar & Rosary Society
Carnival Committee
Couples for Christ (CFC-FFL)
Knights of Columbus
P.A.L.A.D.
Social Life Committee
St. Martha of Bethany Hospitality
Stewardship Committee
Youth Ministry
Young Adult Ministry

SERVICE

Bereavement Ministry
Building & Grounds
Church Cleaners
Family Shelter Volunteer
Finance Council
Food Bank
Food Shelter (Hackensack)
Food Kitchen (Newark)
Food Pantry
St. John's Food Kitchen (Newark)
Giving Tree
Knitters & Crocheters
Parish Office Volunteers
Partners in Prayer
Social Justice Committee

Special thanks to all of our parishioners who contribute faithfully to St. Mary,
especially those who use the envelopes or Parish Pay.
Thank you to all who help with Parish Administration:

TRUSTEES, FINANCE COUNCIL, AND PASTORAL COUNCIL

