# The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

# St. Mary's Church

October 31, 2021

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### **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. Thomas Pendrick, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Patrick W. Donohue, In-Residence
Deacon John L. Sylvester, Permanent Deacon
Mr. Joel Condon, Director of Music Ministry
Mrs. Kathleen Sylvester, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy/RCIA
Dr. William J. Mascitello, Pastoral Associate for Catechetics
Mr. John Weiss, Business Administrator
Beth Miloscia, Youth and Young Adult Ministries
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Mrs. Janet Kaine, *Parish Trustee* Mr. Michael Daly, *Parish Trustee* 

Parish e-mail: *info@stmarysdumont.org* Parish Website: *www.stmarysdumont.org* 

Religious Education Office: 201-384-0557 Extension 20

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Director of Music: email: *music@stmarysdumont.org* 

Mass Reservation email: contactus@stmarysdumont.org

Online giving: WeShare stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com.

#### 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, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm, in the upper 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.



Saturday	Oct. 30 - Vigil	
5:30PM	Andrew Asistin (Living)	
Sunday	Oct. 31 - Thirty-First Sunday in	
-	Ordinary Time	
7:45AM	Edward Kostka	
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's	
12 Noon	Carlos Seda, Adolfo Vargas and Bertha Vargas	
Monday	Nov. 1 - All Saints	
7:00ÅM	Deceased Love Ones of the Cachuela Family	
8:45AM	Rosa Cedeno Garcia	
Tuesday	Nov. 2 - The Commemoration of	
All the Faithful Departed (All		
	Souls' Day)	
7:00AM	All Souls Novena	
8:45AM	All Souls Novena	
7:30PM	All Souls Novena	
Wednesday	Nov. 3 - Weekday	
7:00AM	Antonio Bonaldo	
8:45AM	All Souls Novena	
Thursday	Nov. 4 - St. Charles Borromeo	
7:00AM	All Souls Novena	
8:45AM	Janos Szabo	
Friday	Nov. 5 - Weekday	
7:00AM	Catherine Crowley	
8:45AM	All Souls Novena	
Saturday	Nov. 6 - Weekday	
8:30AM	All Souls Novena	
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's	
Sunday	Nov. 7 - Thirty-Second Sunday	
	in Ordinary Time	
7:45AM	Mona O'Brien	
10:00AM	All Souls Novena	
12 Noon	Michael McCabe	

# In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses and the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Gerard Reilly requested by his wife and family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Dax Coste, Frank Buonarota, Leonila Lavides and Larry Dannenfelser.

# <u> Parish Office Schedule - Nov. 1st</u>

In observance of All Saints' Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Nov. 1st.

#### <u> All Souls Remembrance - Nov. 2</u>

On Tuesday, Nov. 2, the Church remembers the souls of all those who have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith.

- We are inviting the families of those who have been buried from St. Mary's this past year to the 7:30PM Mass that Tuesday. At that liturgy, their loved ones will be mentioned by name in the General Intercessions.
- We invite all of parishioners to bring in a photo of a loved one who has passed away. As in previous years, we will place their photos in a special place of remembrance near the statue of St. Joseph where they will remain for the entire month of November as will the envelopes from our parishioners containing the names of their loved ones. (*Please make sure that you write your own name and telephone number on the back of the photo so that we know to whom it belongs.*)
- In addition, all the members of our community are invited to write the names of family members or friends who have gone before us in the Book of Life **OR** if you prefer, email the names of your deceased loved ones and we will print it out and place it in the book. Please send names of your deceased loved ones to: *contactus@stmarysdumont.org* by Monday, November 1st.

Our belief in the Communion of Saints reminds us that, as we read in our funeral services, "...the ties that bind us to one another do not unravel with death."

#### <u>All Saints Day, November 1st -</u> <u>Not a Holy Day of Obligation</u>

Since November 1st is a Monday in 2021, this day is <u>**not**</u> a Holy Day of Obligation. (When certain Holy Days fall on Saturday or Monday, the obligation to attend mass is lifted). However it is **always** a major feast day in the life of the Church. We will have our usual daily mass schedule that day of 7:00 am and 8:45 am.

## <u>Holy Hour with Eucharistic</u> <u>Adoration - November 5th</u>



On Friday, November 5th, we will have a Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration beginning at 6:00pm in the Upper Church. Reposition will begin at 7:00 p.m. Please join us and spend some time with Jesus. All are welcome.



Every Sunday, during our profession of faith, we declare our belief in the "Communion of Saints." What is this "communion" we profess to believe in? What is the Church saying when it declares a certain individual to be a saint? What is the purpose of All Saints Day and what is the connection with All Souls Day? This week, as we celebrate these two important days in the Church calendar, we should take time to reflect on what it is we are called to celebrate.

When the Church declares a certain individual to be saint, what the Church is saying is that, not only did that person live a holy life worth emulating, but that we believe that person to be in heaven. That is why we are encouraged to pray that the saints will intercede on our behalf. Who better to ask for prayers than those we believe to be standing before the throne of God?

Over the centuries, thousands of men and women have been declared to be saints. But that does not mean however that they are the only ones in heaven. We live in the hope that all those who have lived and died as faithful followers of Christ will receive the reward of eternity with God. All Saints Day is a celebration of the countless men and women who are in heaven whose names are known to God alone. They have received the gift of paradise and from their place in heaven, we pray that they will intercede on our behalf with our merciful Father.

I am sure we all know someone that, when they died, we are positive they went straight to heaven. But there are those who may not have been ready to stand face to face with God. For those, our faith teaches that they continue their journey to God in Purgatory. Just as we ask those in heaven to pray for us, we pray for those in Purgatory. All Saints Day and All Souls Day call us to remember those we love; those we pray for and those who pray for us.

In God's love, we are in Communion with all the Saints in heaven. We are also united with all the souls in Purgatory, for we share with them the hope that we too may join the Communion of Saints that stands forever before the throne of our loving and merciful God.

#### Stewardship Reflection

By David Baranowski

#### 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices." (MARK 12:33)

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with <u>all</u> of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

# Prayer Of The Faithful

By David Baranowski

That we are generous with our visible gifts of charitable works and generous giving, but that we are more generous with our invisible gifts of love, mercy and forgiveness.

# <u>We Welcome the Newest Member of</u> <u>Our Parish Community</u>



Emilia Elizabeth Corazon Abigail Dominguez Maisie Jane Lopez Carmela Jean Sansone

## Return to Standard Time - Nov. 7th

We return to Eastern Standard Time at 2:00 AM on Sunday, Nov. 7th. Therefore, please remember to turn your clocks **BACK ONE HOUR** 

# 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)

Collections Oct. 16 - 17	\$6,293.00
Weekly On Line Giving	1,257.00
Total	<u>\$7,550.00</u>

There are also other ways to support the parish by using our On-Line Giving: WeShare. The link is **stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com** or you can call your bank if they can do on-line payment on your behalf.



# PACT/Religious Education Program

#### **New Parents/Families**

To inquire about Religious Education and preparing for the sacraments, call or e-mail us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or religioused@stmarysdumont.org for more information. Parents of families new to us attend an orientation appointment here at St. Mary's. Registration and participation at St. Mary's parish is required.

#### **Return to Religious Education**

We are in the process of helping our parish children stay on track with their Religious Education. Has your family been away from Religious Education this year? Contact us. Do you know a Catholic family with children who should be participating in Religious Education? Refer them to us at this time. Call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org

#### 2021-22 Program Year: Gathering Safely

We have e-mailed parents regarding how we gather for PACT/Religious Education and sacramental preparation so that we may continue to follow the required protocols which are in place for these gatherings. PACT parents- if you have not had the opportunity to return your printed and signed meeting protocol agreement- please do so at this time. We thank you for your vigilance ensuring that our time together is as safe as possible.

#### Parent Meetings First Penance/Reconciliation and First Communion

An opening meeting for parents of those preparing for the sacraments will be held soon. Parents will receive a letter this week via regular mail regarding the meeting. If you do not receive a letter via regular mail, and your child is scheduled to receive their first sacraments this year, call us or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org

#### Confirmation Parent and Candidate Meeting 11/29/2021

Opening meetings for Confirmation candidates and their parents and/or sponsors will be held Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the church. A letter will be sent soon via regular mail regarding the meeting. If you do not receive a letter via regular mail, and your child is scheduled to receive Confirmation this year, call us or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org

#### 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.

John Eckel III..Jaelon Magat..Sean Flanagan Steven Serpa...Brian Manley...James Francis Ward Christopher Smaldone...Steve Sullivan...John Murray Brandon Barhydt...Joseph Ament...Jeffrey Steiner Anthony Dunkin...Brandon Dellner...Bobby Dellner

#### **Pray for Our Sick**

John Ramzi...Rose O'Shea...Sean Haves James Carney...Hector Montero.....Scott Tkacz Tom Phelan...James Pellettere...Skylar Frye Anthony Montagnino...Sandy Tolentino...Cris Kelly George DiCostanzo...Myra D'Silva...Elaine Haddad Angela Darata...Dennis Murray...Gabriel Pappas Nancy Caggiano...Joseph Pierre-Antoine...Annette Eric Granada...Mr. & Mrs. Joe Paquiz...SSND Wilton Kristi Carbonaro...Frank Uvenio...Carol Anne Barry Joseph Vaccaro...Dorothy Peterson...Diane Lang Barbara Castaldi...Nicholas Ippolito...Jim Nicholas Tina Fortalesa...Peter Fiumefreddo...Frank Martin Tienne Myers...James Hughes...Hector Montero, Jr. Barbara Leahy...Pasquale Tedesco...Arvin Erd Mary Ann Ragone..Patricia Adone..Michael Falcone Rolando Joaquin...Patrick Hegarty...Mary Pugliese 

#### <u>Church Cleaning</u>

We need help each week on Friday mornings following the 8:45AM Mass, members of our parish do light cleaning in the church. By dusting and polishing various areas of our church, they ensure that our worship space is a fitting place for prayer.

Please feel free to join and help us if you're available.

# <u>Requiem</u>

#### by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Sunday, November 7th at 3:00 p.m.

As we approach All Souls' Day, the Cathedral Concert Series of the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, is having a Memorial Concert in honor of those who have suffered from Covid-19 at the Sacred Heart Cathedral Basilica in Newark.

There will be a pre-concert lecture: "The Future Does Have a Name and Its is Hope" - *Pope Francis* will be given to the bereaved at 2:20 p.m. by Anita Foley.

All are invited to attend and if you can't make it to the concert, it will be lived stream. The link is:

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# St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society

Dear Parents and Parishioners,

# St. Mary's Altar & Rosary is sponsoring a Christmas Chocolate Sale October 4 – November 6, 2021.

It's easy to participate!

 Paper Order: You can shop the enclosed catalog, fill out the paper order form and return it to the Parish Office by November 6, 2021. Please make checks payable to St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society. Orders will be available for pick up at the Parish Office Garage on Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. until 12 Noon.

# <u>OR</u>

 Online Order: Go to the following link <u>https://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com/fundraisingproducts/index/in</u> <u>dex/organization\_id/119856/seller\_id/7</u> This link will also be in the parish weekly email.

# Online orders placed within our sale dates (10/4 - 11/6) can choose to have their orders delivered for free to St. Mary's.

You can also choose to send your order directly to your home (shipping fees will apply). *If you choose to have your orders sent directly to your home*, *orders can be placed up until 12/12/21*.

Questions: Contact Kathy Mullins at kkm58@aol.com or 201-385-5707



St. Mary's Food Pantry Planning for the Holidays



Thank you to all the parishioners of St. Mary's who continue to support the food pantry. As we begin to prepare for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, please see the enclosed flyer for information on our next *drive through food donation* on *Saturday, November 13*. This will be our last drive through food donation for 2021.

Also, if you would like to make a monetary donation to the food pantry, there will be food pantry envelopes next to the collection boxes starting November 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>. Please place your donation in the collection boxes the weekend of November 13.

In addition to non-perishable food items, we will also be *collecting turkeys and hams*. If you are able to donate a turkey or ham, please bring it to the rectory between 9 am and 5 pm, Monday - Friday, by *Thursday, November 18 or Thursday, December 16*.

PLEASE remember to check the dates on your items. Outdated items cannot be distributed.

If you or anyone you know needs a bag or two of groceries, please call the St. Mary's Parish Office between 9 am and 5 pm Monday - Friday at 201-384-0557.

Thank you in advance for your generous donations!

Happy Thanksgiving & Merry Christmas! The St. Mary's Food Pantry Volunteers

# 2022 Available Offerings

#### **Bread and Wine:**

Jan. 16 & 30; Feb. 13; Mar. 13 & 20; Apr. 3; May 1 & May 8; July 3, 10 & 17; Aug. 7 & 28; Sept. 4, 11 & 18; Oct. 9 & 23; Nov. 20 & 27; Dec 4, 11 & 18.

#### Sanctuary Lamp:

Jan. 16 & 30; Feb. 13; Mar. 6 & 13; Apr. 3, 10, 17 & Apr. 24; May 1 & 22; June 5 & 12; Jul 31; Aug. 28; Sept. 4, 11 & 18; Oct. 9; Dec. 18.

# 2021 Annual Appeal Update

We have received **\$41,006.00** in pledges from **179 families** as of Oct. 25, 2021.

Thank you to those parishioners who have already shown your support and generosity. Our goal can only be achieved through **YOUR** generosity! If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge form at the back of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

YOUR gift will truly make a difference. Thank you for your prayers and support.

