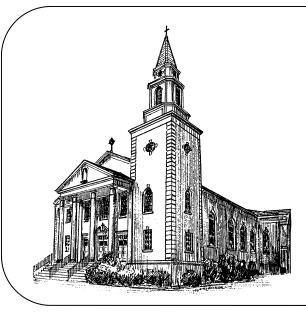
The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

March 6, 2022 First 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. 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

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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 March 5 Vigil 5:30PM Thomas O'Shea
- SundayMarch 6 First Sunday of Lent7:45AMVincent DiCostanzo10:00AMMargherita Bonaldo12 NoonJudith Donohue

MondayMarch 7 - Lenten Weekday7:00AMMaura McCarron8:45AMArcenia Padaloy

Tuesday
7:00AMMarch 8 - Lenten Weekday
Peggy Suzanna Arroyo
Abe and Cristina Laforteza - 25th
Wedding Anniversary (Living)

WednesdayMarch 9 - Lenten Weekday7:00AMAndrew Comer8:45AMJohn Weiss, Sr.

ThursdayMarch 10 - Lenten Weekday7:00AMThe Barry Family8:45AMEvelyn Flynn

FridayMarch 11 - Lenten Weekday7:00AMMaureen O'Brien8:45AMAlfred Barone

SaturdayMarch 12 - Lenten Weekday8:30AMEvelyn Flynn5:30PMRichard Ward

Sunday March 13 - Second Sunday of Lent 7:45AM Joan Mehr 10:00AM Rosemary and Tom Ray 10 Noon Patrick O'Connor

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In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Frances Hans requested by the Miloscia Family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Vince Raupers requested by Roberta Elwell.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Anita Oddo and John Donohue.



A On Sunday, March 13th, Daylight Saving Time Begins. Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour.



Sunday – March 6 10:00AM - 11:00AM Choir A Food Pantry Collection Weekend

Monday - March 7 Altar & Rosary Meeting SH

Tuesday – March 8 5:30PM Irish Step Dancing SH 8:00PM Basketball SH

Wednesday - March 9 7:30Pm Line Dancing SH

Thursday – March 10 5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS

Friday – March 11 5:00PM Aramaic School 8:00PM Basketball SH

Saturday – March 12 8:00AM Korean School 9:30PM Food Pick-up LC

Sunday – March 13 8:30AM PACT Angels Session LC/School 10:00AM - 11:00AM Choir B 10:00AM St. Pat's Mass UC/Social SH 3:00PM JWalk Stations Practice UC

Stewardship Reflection

By David Baranowski

Ist Sunday of Lent

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me." (DEUTERONOMY 26:10)

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits" - the first and best that you have to offer, or do you give from what you have leftover? Second, do you realize that everything you have and that everything you are has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

2022 Available Offerings

Bread and Wine:

July 10 & 17; Aug. 7; Sept. 4 & 11; Dec 4 & 18.

Sanctuary Lamp:

Apr. 10 & 24; May 22; June 12; Jul 31; Sept. 11.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 6, 2022



As we enter into the holy season of Lent, we are reminded that the three pillars of a strong spiritual life are prayer, fasting and the alms giving. Through prayer, fasting and alms giving we are led into the desert of Lent where we confront our failures and recommit ourselves to trusting in God's infinite mercy.

The strongest witness we can give of our awareness of our need for God's mercy is by going to Confession. Confession, or more appropriately, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, like all sacraments is a celebration of God's love. It is where we can hear the words that tell us that our sins are forgiven. It is where we are reminded that there is no sin we can commit that God cannot forgive. He loves us too much.

During the long months of the covid crisis, so many of us have not had the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Hoping to make the sacrament more accessible, as we did during Advent, the priest of our deanery are joining together to host a series of Penance Services during Lent. St. Mary's will host a Penance Service on Monday, March 21 at 7:00 pm. There are four more Penance Services at neighboring parishes. The schedule is as follows:

Monday, March 14 at 7:00 pm at Annunciation Church in Paramus.

Monday, March 28 at 7:00 pm at St Peter's Church in River Edge.

Saturday, April 2 at 1:00 pm at St. John's Church in Bergenfield.

Monday, April 4 at 7:00 pm at St Therese Church in Cresskill.

We will continue to have our regularly scheduled Confessions on Saturday afternoon from 4 to 4:45 pm.

Hopefully, we will all avail ourselves of this healing sacrament during these 40 days of Lent. Lent is an opportunity to grow closer to God. The Sacrament of Reconciliation can help us achieve this goal.

Fr. Carey

St. Patrick's Mass - March 13th



Our annual St. Patrick's celebration will be held on Sunday, March 13 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Cardinal Joseph Tobin will be our Celebrant. Following Mass, all are invited to join us for a social in Szelest Hall featuring tea, soda bread, Irish dancing, and bagpipes.

Feast of St. Joseph - March 19th

Join us Saturday, March 19 at the 8:30am Mass for the Feast of St. Joseph. Following the Mass, there will be a social in the Spiritual Formation Center.

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Stations of the Cross

We will celebrate Stations of the Cross The Stations (of the Cross in the upper church all Fridays of Lent at 7:30 pm using different meditations.

<u>Lenten Giving Tree</u>

This year during Lent for our Giving Tree, we will be helping The Nurturing Place (York Street Project).



The following are items they use throughout the year to keep the center the giving tree

- **Roll of Paper towels** •
- Liquid hand soap (individual and refill) •
- Tissues

safe and healthy:

- baby wipes/refills
- Lysol or disinfectant spray
- Clorox liquid bleach unscented only
- Clorox or disinfectant wipes
- Ziplock bags- Ouart and Gallon size
- Paper plates and bowls
- Plastic forks and spoons •
- Dish liquid •

Any donation you can give us is greatly appreciated. You can bring the item before the end of Lent to the church in the weekend or the parish office during the week from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

Faith Sharing Groups for Lent

Small groups are offered to anyone who would like to lead one. They can be virtual or in person. Just call the parish office to get material.



PACT/Religious Education Program

On Site PACT Sessions

In-person PACT/Religious Education continues with March PACT sessions listed on your color-coded schedule. Students will go to classrooms after the opening prayer and we will have a meeting with parents.

We will continue to follow our COVID gathering protocols.

Check your email for our Lenten announcements.

If you are not receiving e-mails from us and our emails do not appear in your spam or junk mail folders, take a moment to provide us with an e-mail which accepts religioused@stmarysdumont.org as a sender.

<u>Confirmation Virtual Session</u> 3/21/22 at 7:00 p.m.



Our next monthly preparation session is Monday, 3/21/22 at 7:00 p.m. If you do not receive this link, call us at (201) 384-0557 extension 20.

Confirmation Retreat Postponed

The original schedule for Confirmation Preparation shows a retreat for February. The Confirmation Retreat has been postponed until May. Further details will be provided to Confirmation candidates and their parents during our preparation sessions.

<u>First Communion Preparation Tuesday</u> <u>Virtual-Zoom Sessions</u>

These sessions begin Tuesday, 3/22/2022 at 7:00 p.m. Links to join the virtual preparation sessions will be sent to parents several days prior to the sessions.



Return to Religious Education

We are still in the process of helping our parish families stay on track with their Religious Education. Have your children been away from Religious Education? 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

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.

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...Vincent Mazzilli

<u>Pray for Our Sick</u>

John Ramzi...Rose O'Shea...Sean Haves...Arvin Erd James Carney...Hector Montero.....Scott Tkacz Tom Phelan...James Pellettere...Skylar Frve Anthony Montagnino...Cris Kelly...Danny Santulli 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...Frank Martin...Rolando Joaquin Tienne Myers...James Hughes...Hector Montero, Jr. Kevin Rainey...Michael Falcone...Mary Ann Ragone Patricia Adone...Ted Widman...Rose Klenck Renata Grabowski

<u>Rite of Acceptance</u>

This past Sunday, we celebrated the Rite of Acceptance with two people who are preparing for Baptism, Cameron Herrera and Yesinia Kantrowitz. Assembling publicly for the first time, these candidates who have completed the period of the precatechumenate, declared their intention to the Church and the Church, in turn, accepts them as persons who intend to become it's members.

Please keep Cameron and Yesi in prayer as they begin their journey towards baptism, most likely in the spring of 2023!.



Yesinia Kantrowitz Cameron Herrera

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)

<u>2022</u> <u>2021</u>

Collections:

Feb. 26 - 27 \$6,847.00 \$5,278.00 Weekly

On-Line Giving1,112.001,284.00Total\$7,959.00\$6,562.00

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

We greatly appreciate your continued support to St. Mary's.

"Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven." (Pope Francis)

The Church can also be a place to heal. We are called to "be merciful like the Father."

So many are suffering from the effects of abortion. Where can they heal? Where can they feel safe and loved?

The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office will be hosting four upcoming Rachel's Vineyard retreats in 2022 to heal the wounds from abortion. Retreat dates are:

April 22-24 (Spanish) and May 20-22 (English).

September 9-11 (English) and October 21-23 (Spanish).

Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350 (Spanish option 2), or e-mail: Cheryl.riley@rcan.org (English)

elvinedoderaquelinfo@rcan.org

(Spanish)

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." (Psalm 147:3)

Masses.

St. Mary's Church 2023 Mass Requests BY MAIL ONLY

The Mass Book for 2023 <u>will open on Wednesday, March 16</u>. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, **this year's requests must be made by mail**. There will be no in-person requests. To ensure that all parishioners have an equal opportunity to request masses for their loved ones, each family may request **Three Sundays** <u>or</u> **Holydays and Five Weekday Masses in their INITIAL request. Beginning April 4th, you may request additional masses if desired.** You will receive confirmation of the dates and times you requested.

Three Sundays or Holydays - \$10.00 Each

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Online orders can be placed at stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com

Contactless Drive-Thru Pickup at the Rectory Garage Saturday, April 9 between 9am and 11am

