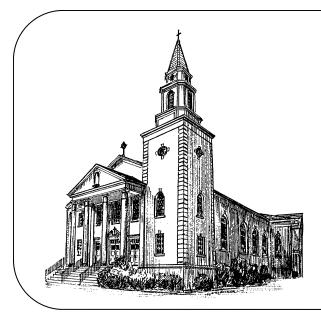
The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

St. Mary's Church

March 27, 2022

Fourth 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. 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

Dory Weiss, Parish Secretary
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Safe Environment Coordinator

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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.

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March 26 - Vigil Saturday

Deceased Members of the Rosica 5:30PM

Family

March 27 - Fourth Sunday of Sunday

Lent

Marie McMahon 7:45AM Betty and Tom Duffy 10:00AM

Frances Barbera and Mary Cassarino 12 Noon

March 28 - Lenten Weekday Monday 7:00AM Anthony and Anna Montagnino Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rosica 8:45AM

March 29 - Lenten Weekday Tuesday

7:00AM James Hughes (Living)

8:45AM Rose Bove

Wednesday March 30 - Lenten Weekday

Patrick Hegarty 7:00AM 8:45AM **Bob Kenter**

Thursday March 31 - Lenten Weekday

Patrick and Tadgh Lynch 7:00AM

8:45AM **Dan Gracey**

Friday April 1 - Lenten Weekday

7:00AM Dorothea Boettger 8:45AM **Raymond Meere**

Saturday **April 2 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30AM Catherine Diehl 5:30PM Ann and Henry Groll

April 3 - Fifth Sunday of Lent Sunday 7:45AM Anthony and Anna Montagnino

Emily Stevens 10:00AM Ann Colavito 12 Noon

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 the Rosica Family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Geraldine Goodleaf, Antoinette Grippi, Marlene Canning and Cleotilde Ramos Jardiel.

Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration - April 1st



On Friday, April 1st, we will have a Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration beginning 6:00pm in the Upper Reposition will begin at 7:00 p.m. Please join us and spend some time with Jesus. All are welcome.



Sunday - March 27

8:30AM PACT Saints Session LC/School

10:00AM - 11:00AM Choir B

1:00PM PALAD EB Meeting FDVRm 3:00PM JWalk Stations Practice UC

Monday - March 28

7:00AM PACT Angels Session UC/School

8:00PM Basketball SH

Tuesday - March 29

5:30PM Irish Step Dancing SH

Wednesday - March 30

4:00PM Aramaic Basketball SH

7:30Pm Line Dancing SH

Thursday – March 31

5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS

Friday - April 1

5:00PM Aramaic School

6:00PM Eucharistic Adoration

8:00PM Basketball SH

Saturday - April 2

8:00AM Korean School

Sunday – April 3

8:30AM PACT Angels Final Session/Catechist Mtg LC

10:00AM - 11:00AM Choir A

3:00PM JWalk Stations Practice UC

Stewardship Reflection

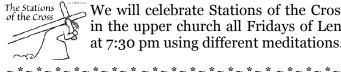
By David Baranowski

4th Sunday of Lent

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." (JOSHUA 5:12)

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

Stations of the Cross



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

2022 Available Offerings

Bread and Wine:

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

Sanctuary Lamp:

Apr. 24; May 22; Jul 31; Sept. 11.

From the Pastor

We entered into the sacred season of Lent way back on Ash Wednesday and Lent is now more than half over. When we began this Lenten season, many of us made a commitment to engage in some special penance, to give up some special food, or behavior, or, perhaps we had decided to participate in some special spiritual exercise. Each of us had made some commitment to making this Lent special so that we would be better prepared to celebrate Easter.

Well, how are we doing? Are we still committed to making this Lent special or have we given up? Have we persevered in our Lenten commitments or have they, like our New Year's resolutions, been quickly abandoned? Maybe we never even started our Lenten commitments because we knew that it was doomed to failure.

It's not too late to start and if we tried and failed, it's not too late to start again. We don't need an Ash Wednesday or a January 1st, to start making changes for the better. We don't need some special day to tell us now is the time to make a commitment to get closer to God. We don't need a calendar to dictate our spiritual life. All we need is the desire to change and the realization that we can do nothing without God's help.

It does not matter how many times we have tried before. This Lent is an invitation to the ongoing work of conversion. Conversion is a lifetime journey; a journey we do not make alone. Our God is with us each step of the way; always ready to give us another chance to know Him, another chance to receive His mercy, another chance to experience His infinite love.

Fr. Carey

Penance

The following are the dates and locations for the Lenten Penance services in our deanery:

Monday, March 28 @ 7:00 pm St Peter's, River Edge Saturday, April 2 @ 1:00 pm St. John's, Bergenfield Monday, April 4 @ 7:00 pm St Therese, Cresskill

Lenten Giving Tree



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 safe and healthy:

- Roll of Paper towels
- Liquid hand soap (individual and refill)
- Tissues
- baby wipes/refills
- Lysol or disinfectant spray
- Clorox liquid bleach unscented only
- Clorox or disinfectant wipes
- Ziplock bags- Quart 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 marked, "Lenten Giving Tree", before the end of Lent to the church in the weekend or the parish office during the week from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

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: March 19 - 20	\$6,887.00	\$6,296.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	1.542.00	1,512.00
Total	\$8,429.00	\$7,808.00

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

Annual Appeal

The 2022 Annual Appeal is well underway. St. Mary is currently at \$32,165.00 from 119 families as of Monday, March 21st.

Thank you to those who have already pledged. Your support is central to the mission of the Archdiocese of Newark. Together we can continue to serve with faith, hope and charity.

If you have yet to participate, please pick up a pledge envelope at the doors of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

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PACT/Religious Education Program

On Site PACT Sessions for March and April

In-person PACT/Religious Education continues with the PACT sessions listed on your color-coded schedule.

<u>Sundays</u> in March will be *Parents And Children Together* meetings in the Lower Church. In April, students will go to classrooms after the opening prayer, and we will have a meeting with parents.

<u>Monday Angels</u> students come to the school building after meeting in the church. The final PACT session with parents is April 25^{th.}

We will continue to follow our COVID gathering protocols, see your PACT/Religious Education e-mails for further information.

PACT Family Lenten Activities

Lenten calendars and suggested activities have been sent to our families via e-mail.

If you are not receiving e-mails from us, check your spam or junk mail folders. Call or e-mail us to provide us with an e-mail address which accepts religioused@stmarysdumont.org as a sender.

Next Confirmation Virtual Session is 4/19/22 at 7:00 p.m.

Our next monthly preparation session is Monday, 4/19/22 at 7:00 p.m. If you do not receive this link, call us at (201) 384-0557 extension 20.

Confirmation Retreat Experience 5/21/22



A Confirmation Retreat Experience will be held Saturday, 5/21/22. Further details will be provided to Confirmation candidates and their parents during our preparation sessions.

First Communion Preparation Tuesday Virtual-Zoom Session 4/22/22



Our second virtual preparation session for First Holy Communion will be Tuesday, 4/22/22 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...John Murray...Steve Sullivan Brandon Barhydt...Joseph Ament...Jeffrey Steiner Anthony Dunkin...Vincent Mazzilli

Pray for Our Sick

John Ramzi...Rose O'Shea...Sean Hayes...Arvin Erd Scott Tkacz...James Carney...Hector Montero Tom Phelan...James Pellettere...Skylar Frye Anthony Montagnino...Cris Kelly...Danny Santulli George DiCostanzo...Myra D'Silva...Angela Darata Dennis Murray...Nancy Caggiano...Michael Hayes Eric Granada...Joseph Pierre-Antoine...Annette Mr. & Mrs. Joe Paquiz...SSND Wilton...Diane Lang Kristi Carbonaro...Carol Anne Barry...Ted Widman Joseph Vaccaro...Dorothy Peterson...Jim Nicholas Barbara Castaldi...Nicholas Ippolito...Tina Fortalesa Frank Martin...Rolando Joaquin...Tienne Myers James Hughes...Hector Montero, Jr...Kevin Rainey Michael Falcone...Mary Ann Ragone...Rose Klenck Patricia Adone...Teresita Ariola...Jeannie Kweders

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

"Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, evervone is welcomed, where 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

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)

Food Pantry Update

Whether groceries or monetarily, we thank all our parishioners and residents of Dumont who donated so generously to the food donation on Saturday, March 5, 2022. We truly appreciate your support. We were a little short on the collection of pasta/ sauce, peanut butter/jelly and bisquick/syrup. As we begin our Lenten journey, please consider donating a few of these items to the pantry.

Also, we will also be collecting turkeys and hams for the Easter distribution. If you are able, please drop a turkey or ham to the Parish Office between the hours of 9 am and 5 pm, Monday - Friday, by Wednesday, April 6.

Lastly, if you have any extra paper or plastic grocery bags, please consider donating them to the pantry. The ban on single use paper and plastic bags will begin in New Jersey this May.

> We Wish You A Fruitful Lenten Season, The St. Mary's Food Pantry Volunteers

Please remember that the need for food donations never ceases.



Knights of Columbus St. John's Council

CONVERSATION WITH GERRY COONEY - March 27th. Doors open 1PM.

Come to the Knights of Columbus (61 Armour Pl. Dumont) to hear Gerry Cooney speak about his life's challenges including reflections and highlights of his Faith and Championship bouts with Larry Holmes. The presentation will be followed by a **O&A session**, as well as an autograph signing, sales of Gerry's award winning book Gentleman *Gerry*, 50/50 raffle, and a raffle for an autographed boxing glove. Light refreshments included and cash bar available. \$10 donation per person (age 13 and

RSVP required by calling or texting Anthony M. at 917-602-3797 or emailing

KofC1345reservations@gmail.com.

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Are You Registered?

If you have recently moved or even if you have been attending for years, stop by the parish office and register.

Why do you need to register?

There are many reasons such as:

- There's a feeling of becoming part of the parish community.
- You give the parish a chance to get to know you better.
- The parish will have a way to communicate with you by sending you emails or mails to keep you up-to-date on the parish news.
- **Registration is required** to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation or Penance, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Holy Matrimony.
- If you're planning to register your child(ren) to our religious education program, the families of those attending must be registered parishioners.
- When a person has been asked to be a
 Godparent or sponsor or if a parish needs
 verification of your status as a practicing
 Catholic, these can't be done if you're not
 registered. You need to be registered as an
 active parishioner for several months.

Registering is easy. Come to the parish office and register! Office hours are Monday - Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm and closed for lunch 1:00pm - 2:00pm.

Wedding Anniversary Liturgies

The archdiocese is excited to announce that they are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of valid marriage for the Catholic faithful in the year 2022!

These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:



April 24, 2022 3:00 PM 5 years & 25 years (All counties) May 15, 2022 3:00 PM 50 years (All counties)

It is our desire that every couple in the Archdiocese deserving of such recognition be present at the appropriate liturgy. The presence of a large number of couples will be a tender witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society. Since they we were unable to host these celebrations in 2020 and 2021, any couple who would have celebrated their Silver or Gold Anniversary in those years can also join them. Please note, whether the milestone anniversary took place in 2020, 2021 or 2022, the certificates will still say Silver or Gold, not 26, 51 etc.

If you would like to participate in one of these liturgies, you need to come to the parish office and fill in a registration form so that they know the names and the number of those attending each liturgy.

Mark Your Calendar!





Mary's Vouth Ministry



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2022 Palm Cross Fundraiser	
Place Orders by Monday, March 28	

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Circle your method of payment: CASH CHECK ONLINE

Please provide payment with order. Checks may be made out to St. Mary's Church.

Online orders can be placed at stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com

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