The People of God called to form the Christian Community of

# St. Mary's Church



280 Washington Avenue, Dumont, NJ 07628 Parish Office: 201-384-0557

ST. MARY'S DUMONT



Saturday Dec. 31 - Vigil 5:30PM Joel Johny (Living)

Sunday Jan. 1 - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, the Octave Day of the Nativity of

The Lord

7:45AM Parishioners of St. Mary's Adele Consentino

12 Noon In Thanksgiving-Iguico and Canlas

Families.

Monday Jan. 2 - Sts Basil the Great and

7:00AM John Blanchfield

8:45AM Ann T. Herlihy

Tuesday Jan. 3 - Christmas Weekday

7:00AM Pat Comerford8:45AM Ann Leahy McCarthy

Wednesday Jan. 4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

7:00AM John Kelly

8:45AM Joseph McKiernan

Thursday Jan. 5 - St. John Neumann

7:00AM Lydia Segarra8:45AM Bridget McCormack

Friday Jan. 6 - Christmas Weekday 7:00AM Liam and Veronica Turvey (Living)

8:45AM Theresa A. Governale

8:30AM Robert and Joan Mascarelli 5:30PM Parishioners of St. Mary's

Sunday Jan. 8 - The Epiphany of the

Lord

7:45AM Shirley Wilson

10:00AM James J. Boyle, Boyle and McGowan

Families

12 Noon Teresita Lacap

#### In Loving Memory

The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Ann T. Herlihy requested by her son, John B. Herlihy.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Dan Schettino

requested by Sue Schettino.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased Valentina Madrid, Elaine Perrotto, Eva Mae Tiglio, Vincenzo Pischettola and Sherrl Jean Merlo.



Sunday – Jan. 1 New Year's Day

Masses: 7:45AM, 10:00AM and 12:00Noon

Monday - Jan. 2

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC

7:30PM RCIA Class

Tuesday - Jan. 3

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 5:30OM Irish Step Dancing SH/LS 7:00PM Altar & Rosary Meeting SH

Wednesday - Jan. 4

After 8:45AM Mass OLPH Novena and Rosary UC 7:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday – Jan. 5

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 5:30PM Irish Step Dancing LS

Friday - Jan. 6

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary UC 6:00PM Eucharistic Adoration UC

5:00PM Aramaic School 8:00PM Basketball SH

**Saturday – Jan. 7** 8:00AM Korean School

Sunday - Jan. 8

8:30AM PACT Angels Session LC/School

1:30PM Baptism UC

1:30PM Dumont Elks Hoop Shoot SH 7:00PM Youth Group Meeting YRm

#### <u>Holy Hour with Eucharistic</u> <u>Adoration - January 6th</u>



On Friday, January 6th, 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.

#### <u> 2023 Available Offerings</u>

**Bread and Wine:** 

Mar. 26; Sept. 24; Oct. 1, 15 & 22; Dec. 10 & 17.

**Sanctuary Lamp:** 

Jan. 29; Apr. 23 & 30; May 21; Jul. 2; Sept. 10 & 17.

#### **Parish Office Schedule**



During the days of the Christmas season, the parish office *will be closed* on Monday, Jan. 2, 2023.

# From the Pastor

As a new year begins, so many people feel compelled to make resolutions; most of which are quickly abandoned. Many, many years ago, I came across the following verse about New Year's Resolutions. It was attributed to Walter Scott. I think he collected some important thoughts of others and added a few of his own. I hope everyone can find something in this brief poem as you contemplate what resolutions you might make for the New Year.

#### **Resolutions**

No one will ever get out of this world alive. Resolve therefore in the year to come to maintain a sense of values.

Take care of yourself.

Good health is everyone's major sources of wealth.

Without it, happiness is almost impossible. Resolve to be cheerful and helpful. People will repay in kind.

Avoid angry, abrasive persons. They are generally vengeful.

Avoid zealots. They are generally humorless. Resolve to listen more and to talk less.

No one ever learns anything by talking.

Be chary of giving advice.

Wise men don't need and fools won't head it.

Resolve to be tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant with the weak and the wrong.

Sometime in life you will have been all of these.

Do not equate money with happiness.

There are many successful money-makers who are miserable failures as human beings.

What counts most about success is how one achieves it.

Resolve to love next year someone you didn't love this year.

Love is the most enriching ingredient in life.

Fr. Carey



#### 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 Brian Manley...James Francis Ward...John Murray Christopher Smaldone... Brandon Barhydt Steve Sullivan...Joseph Ament...Jeffrey Steiner Anthony Dunkin...Vincent Mazzilli

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

John Ramzi...Rose O'Shea...Sean Haves...Arvin Erd Scott Tkacz...Caleb Jenkins...Hector Montero James Pellettere...Skylar Frye...Kathleen Oates Anthony Montagnino...Cris Kelly...Danny Santulli George DiCostanzo...Myra D'Silva...Angela Darata Nancy Caggiano...Michael Hayes...Perfecto De Vera Joseph Pierre-Antoine...SSND Wilton...Jeric Lalo Diane Lang...Mariantonia DiCostanzo...Anita Hucke Kristi Carbonaro...Carol Anne Barry...Ted Widman Joseph Vaccaro...Dorothy Peterson...Jim Nicholas Barbara Castaldi...Nicholas Ippolito...Tina Fortalesa Frank Martin...Tienne Myers...Guia Mirabueno Hector Montero, Jr...Kevin Rainey...Mary Quilter Michael Falcone...Mary Ann Ragone...Rose Klenck Patricia Adone...Teresita Ariola...Jeannie Kweders Jonathan Jacoby...Laura Kibala...Fergus Begley Anthony Montalbano...Nick Marino...Brian O'Dowd Gabrielle Napoleone...Paquale Manzo...Jane Galo Raymond Pedalino..Audrey Maguire..Michael Vogt George Tarlac...Laura Labetti...Simone Borges Marcus Celeran...Mikkel Leutgeb...Viktor Bagang Camille Cabezas...Juan Guzman...Victoria Healey Pat Stella...Concepcion Santos...Ralph L...Marilyn I Lorraine M...Kathleen...Maureen...Joseph DiLascio Hather R. 

#### 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: Dec. 17 - 18	\$7,629.00	\$6,247.00
Weekly On-Line Giving	<u>1,487.00</u>	1,192.00
Total	\$9,116.00	\$7,439.00

**Electronic/Online Giving** is a convenient no hassle method, of making your Sunday offertory to the church.

For more information or to sign up you can visit **stmarysdumont.churchgiving.com** from WeShare company. You can also contact the parish office for more details.

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#### PACT/Religious Education Program

#### Religious Education at St. Mary's

Our PACT/Religious Education Program is offered to St. Mary's families with children in grades 1-8 who do not attend Catholic school. Parents of families new to our Religious Education Program attend a brief program orientation here at St. Mary's. For more information call (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or e-mail us at

religioused@stmarysdumont.org. Registration and participation at St. Mary's parish is required.

#### **Sacrament Preparation Programs**

Sacramental preparation for children at St. Mary's is for those who attend our PACT/Religious Education Program or a Catholic school. Candidates are prepared at separate sessions to receive the sacraments of First Holy Communion (Eucharist) First Penance (Reconciliation/Confession) and Confirmation. Children do not automatically approach the sacraments if they are in a certain age or grade level, but are prepared for sacraments as they develop a relationship with the Lord in his community, our Church.

## Re-engagement in our parish: Volunteering at St. Mary's Religious Education

People from many different walks of life volunteer as catechists and in other ways here at St. Mary's Religious Education. Busy people and less busy, in college, starting new jobs, retirees, parents, grandparents, single people.... The commitment to be here at St. Mary's as a program volunteer averages an hour or two per month. There are some volunteer requirements including an application with a background check and attendance at a Protecting God's Children session here or at another parish or school in our Archdiocese of Newark. Call us at (201) 384-0557 ext. 20 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org.

#### **Confirmation Preparation**



Confirmation candidates and their parents are reminded to check the St. Mary's e-mail blast each week and PACT/Religious Education e-mails for possible service opportunities. Contact

the person running event via the e-mail provided for more information.

#### **Confirmation Preparation Cont'd**

SAVE THE DATE - The Confirmation Retreat Experience will be here at St. Mary's on Saturday, 1/21/2022 beginning at 1:00 p.m. Parents and/or sponsors join us at 4:00 p.m. The day concludes with the acceptance of candidates at the 5:30 p.m. mass which we all attend together.

#### 2022 PACT St. Nicholas Project Update!

Thank you for participating in our PACT St. Nicholas Project. Wanda (center of pic) at Oasis Haven in Paterson took us on a tour of the facility including the toys and gifts area and other areas for new clothing, food, daycare, and daily meals. They even have a Thrift Shop! Wanda was extremely grateful and explained to us that the needs have been great, and they have increased since returning from COVID. The many services they provide are made possible by your generosity. For more information, visit https://oasisnj.org/.



#### K of C Lecture Program # 3

Debbie Provencher, Director of The Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center, in Hackensack, will present a program on the work and the mission of the Center, in the council Hall, on Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 1:30 PM. Her talk will be followed by a question-and-answer period, and light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.



# ONLY ONE WEEK LEFT!!!

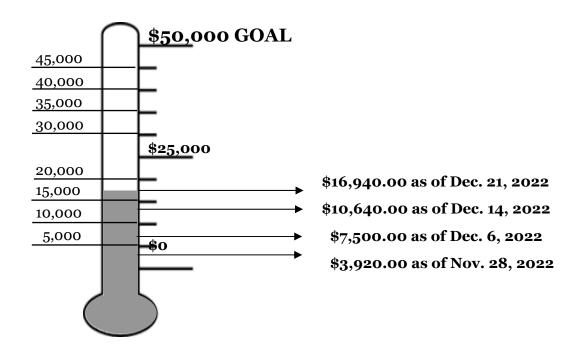
#### <u>IT'S MEGA-RAFFLE TIME</u>

By now, most parishioners have received raffle tickets in the mail. We ask that you purchase what you can afford. If possible, sell others to friends and neighbors. If you need more raffle tickets, they are available at the Rectory.

Tickets are \$20.00 each. There will be three (3) prizes  $-1^{st}$  Prize will be 25% of the proceeds,  $2^{nd}$  Prize will be 15% of the proceeds and  $3^{rd}$  Prize will be 10% of the proceeds.

Please return raffle tickets and the money to the rectory or drop in the collection basket in church. *The winning tickets will be pulled on January 8th*, 2023, the Feast of the *Epiphany*.

Like so many families in our parish, the covid crisis has caused a serious financial strain for St. May's. This special raffle will help us make up some lost ground. We ask that you prayerfully consider how you might be able to help your parish and be assured that we are most grateful for whatever each family might be able to do.



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### SAVE THE DATE

## ST. MARY'S BEEFSTEAK DINNER FUNDRAISER SATURDAY 2/11/22 @ 7:00

### Featuring:

#### NIGHTINGALES & Esteem Entertainment



INSTRUCTED LINE DANCING

**BASKET RAFFLE** 

**50/50 RAFFLE** 

TICKETS \$60 PP

Donate a Basket

Volunteer

Monetary Donations Accepted **RESERVATION FORM TO FOLLOW** 

For More Info Call Sheila – 201-384-0557 - Ext. 20 religioused@stmarysdumont.org

THANK YOU!



#### Thank You!!

Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus and parishioners for putting out our outside Nativity.

### St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society would like to thank the priests, staff, parishioners and members of St. Mary's for a wonderful year!

We have been a ministry at St. Mary's for 86 years because of all your help & support.

To all our families and friends, we would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

#### Food Pantry News

The St. Mary's Food Pantry would like to thank the following groups and individuals for their support during 2022. We could not have helped the many families and seniors without their efforts.

So in no particular order, our angels are:

Father Carey, Father Pat, Father Tom (deceased)
Deacon John, Dory Weiss-Parish Secretary,
John Weiss - Business Administrator
Kathy Sylvester-Pastoral Associate for Litugy/RCIA
Abner Buensalida & Jose Lopez-St. Mary's Maintenance
Beth Meloscia and the Youth & Young Adult Ministry
The Parishioners of St. Mary's, Janine Aiello,
Erin Alloca, Nick Alloca, Phil Alloca, Mary Auriti,
June DiGirolamo, Matthew DiGirolamo,
Karen Ebenhack, Melissa Gracey, Lynda McGowan,
Margaret Molder, Irene Murphy, Mary Normoyle,
Cathy Pacana, Shamil Roca, Sheila Romaine, Maryann Russini,
Laura Sarmiento, Laura Sobek & our Confirmation Candidates

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Anna, Denise & Lynne



# A Note from Dominique Sherman, Education Coordinator of, The Nurturing Place (York Street Project)

I have attached a little "Thank you" from the children who are able to be photographed. These are just some of the little faces you all have touched this year.....I hope you will print it and share it with all of the generous participants who make Christmas so magical for our families here at The Nurturing Place. Their generosity is overwhelming. May you all receive the blessing you put out into the community. You touch more people than you know...

Have a Very Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year!!







