



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Oct. 31 - Vigil</b>
5:30PM	Ben Picciano
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov. 1 - All Saints</b>
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	Domenica Busanic
12 Noon	Mary E. O'Shea
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Nov. 2 - Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed</b>
7:00AM	All the Souls of the Faithful Departed
8:45AM	All the Souls of the Faithful Departed
7:30PM	All the Souls of the Faithful Departed
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Nov. 3 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Angel Cabezudo, Sr.
8:45AM	Bernard O'Connor
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Nov. 4 - St. Charles Borromeo</b>
7:00AM	Bridie & John Cleary
8:45AM	Carlo Sforza
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Nov. 5 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Mary Coutinho
8:45AM	Antonio Bonaldo
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Nov. 6 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Michael Joyce
8:45AM	Lillian & Walter Roithmyer
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Nov. 7 - Weekday</b>
8:30AM	Ryan Murphy
5:30PM	Lena and James Fusco
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov. 8 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:45AM	Fred Galasso
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
12 Noon	Dr. Giulio C. Mondini

### In Loving Memory

The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Crocetta Pidi requested by Walter and Dorothea Boettger.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Ledene Tarabocchia requested by Domenick Bussanich.



We ask your prayers for our recently deceased parishioner Richard J. Lorenzo.

### Pray for our Sick

If you would like our parish to continue to pray for family, friends or loved ones who are ill and in need of prayer, please call the rectory office – 201-384-0557. We will put their names on the sick list once again and continue our prayer for them. If you want their name to be added to our Prayer Chain, please let us know that as well.

Maureen Brownell..Peter Ramzi..Marie Woehrle..Susan G. Klarer  
Ann Youngsworth..Debra Portillo..Marie McDermott..Bob Jackson  
Al Prisco..Woke Family..Pat O'Connor..Alicia McMahon..Mary M.  
John R. Ann O'Neil..Anthony Matarazzo..Ben Zangoglia  
Rose & Frank Farrell..Eileen O'Leary..Joan O'Leary-Rella

### Nov. 2 – Remembrance Mass

On Monday evening, **Nov. 2, at 7:30 PM**, in the upper church, we will be having a special **Mass of Remembrance**, when we will pray in a particular way for those who have been buried from St. Mary's during the past year. We have invited the families of these men and women to gather with us that evening so that, through our celebration of the Eucharist, the Lord may once again console those who mourn. We invite our parishioners to join us that evening and share in the consolation that God offers through the Church. **Please remember to bring a framed photo of a loved one to church. These photos, as in the past, will be displayed in our area of remembrance during the month of November.**

### Daily Rosary

We wanted to announce that each day, following the 8:45 Mass, a group of parishioners stay in church to pray the rosary. If you would like to be part of this group, each day or only periodically, simply come to the church for 8:45 Mass or come once Mass is over.



### Sunday – Nov. 1

9:00AM 10:00AM Adult RCIA RCA  
10:00AM All Saints' Day Presentation UC  
11:00AM-12:00PM Kids RCIA Class SFC  
11:00AM-12:00PM Teen RCIA Youth Room  
1:00PM-4:00PM PALAD EB Meeting RCB

### Monday – Nov. 2

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC  
7:00PM Rel Ed PACT Angels Session UC/School  
Reception following the 7:30PM Mass SFC

### Tuesday – Nov. 3

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC  
9:30AM Parents Group B05  
3:30PM Rel Ed PACT Angels Session UC/School  
7:00PM Altar and Rosary Meeting SFC  
7:00PM-9:00PM Adult Choir

### Election Day

### Wednesday – Nov. 4

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC  
4:00PM-5:00PM Children's Choir  
5:00PM-6:00PM Bell Choir UC  
7:00PM OLPH Novena LC  
7:00PM Knitters and Crocheters Youth room  
7:30PM-9:30PM Line Dancing SH

### Thursday – Nov. 5

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC  
7:00PM Baptism Rehearsal UC  
7:00PM-9:00PM Transfiguration's Basketball SH

### Friday – Nov. 6

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC  
6:30PM International Night SH  
7:30PM Rosary for Peace LC  
7:30PM-8:45PM Yoga Class School Basement

### Saturday – Nov. 7

7:30AM Rosary LC

### Sunday – Nov. 8

9:00AM 10:00AM Adult RCIA RCA  
11:00AM-12:00PM Kids RCIA Class SFC  
11:00AM-12:00PM Teen RCIA Youth Room  
Baptism  
Food Collection

### Holy Hour – Nov. 15

On Sunday, Nov. 15, following the 12:00 Mass, we will have an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, remembering all those who have gone before us in faith and now rest in the eternal peace of the Kingdom of Heaven. We all have loved ones whom we miss and whose memory we always hold close to our hearts. This time of prayer is a wonderful way to remember them, to pray for them and to rejoice in the knowledge that they now share in God's loving embrace. **Please join us that day and receive the gift of God's consolation.**

### Poverty in America

If we haven't felt the pain of a job loss, salary freeze, or health-care benefit reduction, there are families who have. Where once we might have seen the poverty line as something we'd never cross in our lifetimes, we now see how easily it can loom too close for comfort. For more than 37 million Americans, this struggle is nothing new. Among the numbers are families who have recently found themselves one health scare or one downsizing away from the poverty line. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) works alongside poor and low-income people to identify their needs and create long-lasting change. CCHD has lifted millions of Americans above the poverty through the support of American Catholics. **The collection for CCHD will be taken on Saturday/Sunday, Nov. 21/22. We ask your support so fewer people will live in poverty.**

### Annual "Blue" Mass – Nov. 12

The annual Mass for Law Enforcement Personnel will be celebrated by Archbishop Myers at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Thursday, Nov. 12, at 10:00 AM. All members of Law Enforcement Agencies, their families, friends and supporters are invited to attend. All those attending should be seated by 9:45 AM for the Presentation of the Colors.



*My brothers and sisters in Christ,*

I suppose that every person has a favorite day in the year that they like to celebrate. For some, it's their birthday; for others, it may be their wedding anniversary; and, of course, everyone loves Christmas and Easter. For our children, Halloween is always fun because they get a chance to dress up in costumes and go around their neighborhoods for treats of candy. As Americans, we love to celebrate July 4<sup>th</sup>, remembering the gift of our independence, that we are a free people. Soon, we will be gathering in our homes with family and friends for Thanksgiving, a day to remember all that we have been given in a bountiful harvest by our loving God. I guess that this list of favorite celebrations could go on and be different for each person.

For me, as a follower of Christ and a member of the Body of Christ and the family we call the Church, this Sunday's feast - All Saints - is among those days that I love to celebrate. There is a very simple reason for that. The feast of All Saints reminds me each year that there have been countless men and women - ordinary people just like you and me - who are now standing around the banquet table in the Kingdom of Heaven. They may not have the formal title of *saint*, but they are with the Lord in eternity. They are proclaiming loud and clear to each and every one of us - *Hey, I've made it; I am now with the Lord and, if I can do it, so can you.*

It is really important for us to remember that the saints did not receive more grace than we do each day. God wasn't in their life more powerfully than he is in ours every day. Perhaps the most important point to keep in mind regarding the saints is simply that they were extremely conscious of and responded well to God's presence and they allowed the grace of God to impact their lives. That's why those men and women are saints, not because they were holier or more fortunate than we are; they were simply very aware of how God was calling them to deepen their relationship with him, how God was inviting them to be of service. **And they responded which is the same exact thing that we are called to do - to respond to God's invitation.**

The road to sainthood is not very hard - it simply means 1) **listening**; 2) **acknowledging**; and 3) **doing**. In November, we remember others as well.

This Monday, Nov. 2, we call to mind those who have died, especially within the last year. This is a day of remembrance for us as a faith community, but it is a day that is also tinged with a touch of sadness. We remember a parent, a spouse, a child, a friend, a neighbor, a loved one - someone who loved us and whom we loved as well. We also open ourselves up to the care, the comfort, and the consolation of the Lord.

We are reminded that Jesus died and rose and we are invited to remember that what happened to Jesus is held out to us as a promise and a hope. The promise - that we will rise as Jesus did. The hope - that those who have died now share in the eternal life of heaven. The grief may be there for a time, but in the midst of that pain is the ember of faith, glowing brightly, reminding us that we will see those who have gone before us, marked with the cross, our sign of faith.

I will never forget what I overheard my father say to someone as we were leaving the graveside on the day my mother was buried. He was a man of simple faith, but he said something very profound in my humble opinion. He said to the funeral director: **What do people do on a day like this who has no faith?** We have faith and so we are not overwhelmed by grief. We have to ability to move beyond the pain.

**We pray that the joy of All Saints' Day and the consolation of All Souls' Day will make these celebrations times of faith and of recognizing the presence of God in our lives in a very special way.**

Love,  
Fr. Bob

Thanksgiving Baskets

It is time to start collecting food for Thanksgiving Baskets. We ask that if everyone brings one or two items between now and when we distribute the baskets on Nov. 20th, we will be able to fill the baskets. Most of all, if anyone can contribute a TURKEY please do so. Turkey can be brought to the Rectory and we will store them in our freezers. Thanks again for your kind generosity. Let's help our neighbors so they will have a bountiful Thanksgiving.

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)

Collection for October 24 & 25	\$9,631.00
Total for same weekend in 2008	\$9,239.00
From our children's weekly envelopes -	\$20.60
Campaign donations received thus far in September	\$14,711.11

Here are some of the good deeds that the children of St. Mary's did as a way of showing their love of God and of our parish. We hope that they will always know how important what they do for God and for us is. Even though they are still young, they can give us a wonderful example to follow.

- "I helped my sister build a bionicle." "I was nice."
- "I helped my mom clean out the car." "I helped my cousin."
- "I wrote a manga story about God." "I helped my family."
- "I helped my mom with laundry." "I got my dog to come in."

**"Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." from the Gospel of St. Matthew.** Those of us who are blessed by God could be a little discouraged by the Beatitudes. At first, it sounds like only those who have problems will find a place in heaven. However, we are all guaranteed a spot in heaven if we are willing to be "poor in spirit." We are poor in spirit when we recognize that we really do not own anything. Everything that we have belongs to God. When we take this attitude, we can more freely open our hand and offer our time, our talent and our treasure to help build up God's kingdom here on earth.

Ministry - Parish Ministries

On Friday, Nov. 13, seven of our parishioners will be going to St. John's Food Kitchen in Newark to serve a noon meal to more than 200 people who will be coming because they are hungry. While we do not cook the meal itself, we do prepare the plates and serve the meal. It is truly gratifying to know that, by this simple act done once a month, we are helping people to ease their hunger. They may live in a different town, but they are still children of God and we are helping to ease their pain of hunger, something most of us have probably never experienced. **If you would like to be part of this ministry of charity to the hungry, call the rectory and we will pass your name and number to those who coordinate this ministry.**

Tithing the Tithes - 2009

For the month of September, our parish was able to tithe a total of \$1,202.00 from what we received in our Sunday collections. We have sent checks to the following people/groups in the following amounts:

- Nelson Bayona - Newark seminarian - \$267.00
- St. John Food Pantry, Newark - \$267.00
- Missionaries of Charity, Newark - \$267.00
- Emergency Fund - \$401.00

Stewardship Prayer

Dear Lord,  
I pray that you will give me the wisdom to guide me on this faith journey of stewardship. Help me to understand that everything that I have is a gift from you. Open up my heart and my mind so that I may use these marvelous gifts to give back to you here on earth. I pray, Lord, that you will welcome me into your kingdom at the end of my life and that you are pleased with what I have done with all your gifts. Amen.

Men's Spirituality Evening

We are happy to announce that we are going to have our first evening for the men of our parish to come and to spend some time together praying and sharing their faith with one another. The evening will take place on Friday evening, **Nov. 13, from 8:00 - 9:30 PM**, in the Spiritual Formation Center in the basement of the school. **Tom Connelly**, one of the men of St. Mary's, will speak on **Finding Strength and Healing through Community**. We will begin with prayer, listen to Tom's reflection, spend time sharing our thoughts, and, lastly, share the fellowship of being with one another. **Men of St. Mary's - please consider coming that evening to spend some time with other men of the parish. It can also be a wonderful way to get to know more of the men with whom we share faith.** There is no reason to sign up. All you have to do is show up.





PACT/Religious Education Program Updates

PACT/Religious Education Weekday Parent Meetings

Thank you to parents who attended our weekday PACT Parent Meetings. Your commitment to our program helps ensure the success of Parents And Children Together Religious Education.

First Penance and First Holy Communion

There are three remaining First Penance Preparation Sessions, for the next three Wednesdays at your child's scheduled time.



Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is scheduled to be celebrated by Bishop Edgar da Cunha here at St. Mary's on Sunday, May 23rd at 3:00 p.m. Candidate registration forms were due this past week; if you have not returned them, please do so. Remember! No one is automatically signed up to prepare for the sacraments because they are a certain age or grade in school.

Catechist Convocation

This special day includes prayer, catechetical sessions on a wide variety of topics, and lunch! It will be held at Paramus Catholic on Saturday, November 7th. Packets for registration are available at the Religious Education Office. All registrations need to be postmarked by November 2nd.



Transfiguration Academy - Pre-K-2+, Pre-K-3, Pre-K-4

If you are looking for a pre-K program for your young children, we would like to suggest that you look into the Early Childhood Program at Transfiguration Academy, our co-sponsored school. Brochures are at the doors of the church. Please take one home with you.

For your information, following are the tuition rates for the present 2009-2010 school year:

- Full day: 5 days - \$4,500; 4 days - \$4,000; 3 days - \$3,300;
Half day: 5 days - \$2,700; 4 days - \$2,200; 3 days - \$2,100.
Registration fee - \$170.00.

While the tuition rates for the 2010-2011 school year have yet to be determined, this information will give at least an idea of this year's tuition rates.

Special Pancake Breakfast

The Dumont Lions Club together with the St. John's Council of the Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Special Pancake Breakfast for the benefit of Kayla Rose Hannon to be held on Sun., Nov. 1, 2009, from 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM at the Dumont High School Cafeteria.

Our Trip to Lancaster Is Set

We are going to the Living Waters Theater in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, for Saturday, Dec. 19, 2009. We will be seeing the show Voices of Christmas, a 90-minute presentation of Christmas hymns, dances, colorful costumes and thought-provoking stories.

St. Mary's Gym Open Again for Basketball!!!

Once again, we are opening basketball to all parishioners of St. Mary's only starting Tuesday, Nov. 17. Games will be played every Tuesdays and Fridays. The schedule of plays will be 6:00pm-7:30pm 18yrs and below; 7:30pm-9:00pm 19yrs and above.

Cathedral Concert - Nov. 1 - 4:00 PM

A concert in honor of the faithful departed will be held at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Newark on Sunday, Nov. 1, 2009, at 4:00 PM. Guests will be invited to enroll names of their deceased loved ones into the Book of Remembrance.

St. Mary's Youth Ministry (SMYM)

Working With Our Parish Community to Help Our Teens, 7th - 12th Grade, Become Better Versions of Themselves: Physically, Emotionally, Intellectually, & Spiritually

WREATH & CEMETARY BLANKET SALE:

We are once again selling wreaths and grave blankets to raise money for our 2011 pilgrimages to World Youth Day in Madrid, Spain & National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis, IN. The decorated cemetery blankets are \$26, decorated wreaths are \$21, and undecorated wreaths are \$12.

Upcoming Youth Ministry Events:

Sunday, Nov. 1st - "SIGN UP FOR DINNER & TALENT SHOW (See Nov 22nd below) & MAKE THANKSGIVING CARDS FOR PARISH HOMEBOUND" We need performers as well as help behind the scenes. People of any age may participate in the talent show.

Sunday, Nov. 8th: - "REEL YOUTH FILM FESTIVAL" (at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center in Kearny): We will leave St. Mary's at 6:00p and return at 10:00p. This is a semi-formal event and our film as well as others will be premiered.

Sunday, Nov. 15h: - "TALENT SHOW DRESS REHEARSAL": Szelest Hall 7-9p.

Sunday, Nov. 22nd - "DINNER & TALENT SHOW WITH MOVIE PREMIERE!" This evening takes place from 6:00 - 8:30p in Szelest Hall to raise money for our 2011 pilgrimages to World Youth Day & the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC).

Need To Talk To Us? You can meet us at the music platform after the 7:45 and 10:00 Masses, call us at (201) 385-2936, or email us at youthmin@stmarysdumont.org.

Knights of Columbus Events:

Monday Nov 2 - Memorial Mass for deceased members - 8PM at the Council.

Saturday Nov 14 - Past Grand Knight's Dinner honoring Steve Martin - 7-11PM - Contact Charles Hollis at 201-265-6012 for reservations. \$27 per person

Sunday Nov 15 - Blood drive at the Council Headquarters in coordination with Community Blood Services - 10AM to 1:30.

Annulment Information Night

Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark will hold an Annulment Information Night at St. John's Parish, 69 Valley Street, Hillsdale, on Nov. 4, 2009, at 7:30 PM. A canon lawyer will discuss the most recent theology, guidelines and requirements for obtaining a Church Annulment.

Speaker on Non-Violence

Love Your Enemies is a talk that will be given by Fr. Louis Vitale, a Pace e Bene Action Advocate, on Sunday, Nov., 1, at 7:30 PM, at St. Joseph's Church, on Hackensack Street in East Rutherford.

International Night on Friday, November 6, 2009, 6:30-10:30PM

We are inviting parishioners to celebrate our cultural diversity. Tickets: \$7.00 per person, children 5 & below are FREE (only 25 tickets are available).

You can purchase tickets by calling the community leaders or the rectory at 201-384-0557, Monday - Friday, 9:00AM - 6:00PM. No tickets are available at the door. You have to purchase your ticket in advance and bring it that night. No one will be allowed in without a ticket.