



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Nov. 15 - Vigil</b>
5:30PM	Henry Wolf
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov. 16 – 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>
7:45AM	Beverly & Frank & Debbie Maldonato
10:00AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
12 Noon	Vincenza Manzo
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Nov. 17 – St. Elizabeth of Hungary</b>
7:00AM	Lilia C. Gonzalez
8:45AM	Bridie Simon
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Nov. 18 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Anatalia Laya
8:45AM	Bridie Simon
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Nov. 19 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Arthur F. Conklin, Jr.
8:45AM	Mattea Morich
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Nov. 20 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Fr. William O'Connor
8:45AM	Robert Trennes
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Nov. 21 – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
7:00AM	Rose Napoleon
8:45AM	Marylou Palazzola
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Nov. 22 – St. Cecilia</b>
8:30AM	Frederick & Elena Becker
5:30PM	Rose Bertolini
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov. 23 – Our Lord Jesus Christ the King</b>
7:45AM	John Rubio (Living)
10:00AM	Marco & Carmella Sciarra
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's



### In Loving Memory

The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Kirwan & Kiernan families requested by Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Kiernan and family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Robert A. Rosica requested by the Mulder family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased parishioners.

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.

#### Please pray for the sick

Mariana Cardenas...George Magno...Peter Ramzi... David Storick  
Bob Jackson...Susan G. Klarer...Kathy Hans...Cecelia Agpalasin  
Katherine Marie Mirabile...Maria Martinez...Maureen G...Baby Jake  
Emily Del Vecchio...Angela Darata...Cecilia Gomes...Donna Tkacz  
Anne O'Neill...Margherita Bonaldo... Valerie Kana` ...Kendra Wehner  
Teresa Colgan..Patricia Marino..Ed Lane..Mathilde Hartmann..Ben S.  
John R...Dorothy McDuffy...Angela Petrocelli...Benjamin Zangoglia  
Richard Domenech...Marie Fitzgerald...Sr. Margaret Hoffman  
Gerald H. Kenter...Tony Martignetti..Mary Coutinho..John Tibbs

#### Holy Hour for Vocations

The Office of Vocations has scheduled Holy Hours for Vocations at various parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Newark. The one closest to us will take place on Thursday evening, Dec. 11, 2008, at Holy Trinity Parish, Hackensack, and beginning at 7:30 PM. **Unfortunately, that is also the evening that our parish is welcoming Mary Musella for her Advent presentation about the coming feast of Christmas.** If you cannot get to the Holy Hour, come and pray with us as we reflect on the significance of Christ among us.



#### Sunday – November 16

8:55AM Religious Ed PACT Saints Session LC/School  
9:00AM-10:00AM Adult RCIA RCA  
11:00AM-12:00Noon Kids RCIA Class SFC  
11:00AM-12:00Noon Teen RCIA Youth Room  
1:00PM-2:00PM Holy Hour UC  
2:00PM-5:00PM Simbang Gabi Prep SFC

#### Food Collection

#### Monday – November 17

7:00PM Religious Ed PACT Angels Session UC/School  
7:30PM Stewardship Committee Meeting RCA  
8:15PM-9:45PM Transfiguration Academy Basketball SH

#### Tuesday – November 18

9:30AM Parents Group B10  
3:30PM Religious Ed PACT Angels Session UC/School  
7:00PM-9:00PM Adult Choir Chapel  
7:30PM-10:00PM Basketball SH

#### Wednesday – November 19

4:00PM & 6:00PM First Penance Prep UC/School  
4:00PM-6:00PM Children/Bell Choir Chapel/UC  
7:00PM OLPH Novena LC  
7:00PM – 9:00PM Knitters Youth Room  
7:30PM Pastoral Council Meeting  
7:30PM-9:00PM Eucharistic Minister Training UC  
7:30PM – 9:30PM Line Dancing SH

#### Thursday – November 20

7:30PM Baptism Class SFC

#### Friday – November 21

7:30PM Rosary for Peace LC  
7:30PM Socials RCA  
7:30PM-10:00PM Basketball SH  
7:30PM-10:00PM Women's Spirituality Youth Room  
8:00PM YAM Chapel  
Hackensack Walk-in Program

#### Saturday – November 22

1:00PM-2:30PM Transfiguration Academy Basketball SH

#### Sunday – November 23

9:00AM-10:00AM Adult RCIA RCA  
10:00PM Combined Choirs  
11:00AM-12:00Noon Kids RCIA Class SFC  
11:00AM-12:00Noon Teen RCIA Youth Room  
1:00PM-4:00PM Simbang Gabi Prep SFC

#### Feast of Christ the King

#### November Holy Hour

This Sunday, Nov. 16, following the 12:00 Mass, we will have a special hour of prayer for all of the faithful departed, especially those who are named in our parish Book of Life and our All Souls envelopes. We hope that many of our parishioners, especially those who have lost a loved one this past year, will join us in prayer and to be consoled by the Lord who comforts us with the promise of Resurrection and new life.



Please join the  
LaFerrera and St. Mary's Parish families in  
celebrating Fr. Bob's 20th Anniversary in  
the Priesthood.

**When:** December 14, 2008

**Where:** St. Mary's Church

**Time:** 12:00 Noon Mass

Dinner Reception to follow in Szelest Hall,  
1:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Due to limited seating, please RSVP to the  
Parish Office ASAP, 201-384-0557

Date of Ordination: December 10, 1988



**Serving in Iraq**

We ask God to keep in his care all those who are serving overseas in our armed forces, especially in Iraq or Afghanistan. They are listed below and we ask your prayers for them.

- Christopher Iacobino Michael Whitford Michael Bianco
- Brian Collins Alicia Newball Gerald J. Ferra, Jr.
- James Markert Mathew Rosica James Phillips Kyle Zownir
- Kristine Becker Donald Dickson Danny Hilsdorf
- Edward Bryan Frago Angelica Peji John Paul McLaughlin
- Joshua M LaBazzetta James R. Melady Robert Dellner
- Walter F. Fawcett David Christopher Pierson Joe Shannon
- Christopher Lynch Zane Campbel Christopher Kishbach
- Robert Challener, Jr. Ryan Shireman Christian Baierwalter
- Anthony Zangoglia... Wayne Lawton Daniel Rosica

If you have a relative serving in Iraq or Afghanistan, please call the rectory so that we can add his/her name and offer a prayer for him/her.

**Our Food Pantry**



We continue to accept canned food and monetary donations for our parish Food Pantry as we prepare to make up food baskets for Thanksgiving. Also, if you have hams or turkeys that you would like to donate to be part of these baskets, please bring them to the rectory and we will gratefully accept them. These are difficult economic times, especially for the poor and needy. Our generosity is needed even more at this time.

**Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service**

The churches of the borough of Dumont will hold our annual Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service on **Tuesday evening, Nov. 25, 2008, at 8:00 PM, at Old North Reformed Church**, on the corner of Washington and Madison Avenues. This yearly prayer time together is a wonderful way for the citizens of Dumont to gather as a one community of faith to praise and thank the Lord for his constant care for us. We invite and encourage our parishioners to attend this ecumenical prayer service.

**The Giving Tree:**



Advent is a time to rejoice in the birth of Jesus; the season of Hope, Peace, Love and Joy. As part of the Advent spiritual journey we invite you to participate in the Giving Tree. This year, with your support and generosity, we will provide gifts to families through the Dumont Department of Human Services and The Nurturing Place (formerly The York Street Project) in Jersey City. Gift tags become available the weekend of November 29 & 30. If there are any questions regarding the Giving Tree please call Tom Ciotti at 201-385-7424 or Josie Parrella at 201-387-0786.

**Christmas/Advent Cantata**

On Friday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm, the children's choirs of St. Mary's Church, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and Our Lady of the Holy Angels Church in Little Falls will be singing a newly composed Christmas/Advent cantata entitled "Waiting for Love" right here at St. Mary's. Composer and New Jersey resident Gerard Chiusano along with lyricist Mary Hochman will also be performing along with the children. The cantata is a collection of pieces in varying styles from calypso to country western. The ensemble performing with the children will include drums, guitar, bass, flute, oboe, piano and children's choir, soloists and narration. Admission is \$10 and \$5 for children and seniors.

All proceeds beyond the cost of the production will go to feed the hungry in the Dumont community.

**Pastoral Council Nominations**

We are beginning a process through which parishioners will be nominated for service on the parish Pastoral Council. In this week's bulletin, there is a flyer giving information, describing the characteristics that a parishioner would have if they were to be considered for selection for service on the Pastoral Council. We ask that you look over these characteristics as you reflect on a person whom you would like to nominate for service on the Pastoral Council

**Campaign Information**

We want to give an ongoing accounting of the money that has been pledged and given to the parish so far as part of our capital campaign **Realizing the Dream**. Regarding expenses, we have spent \$15,000.00 for the repair of the rectory roof and \$9,650.00 for the repair of the church roof on the school side. We have approximately **\$94,571.08** in the bank for the ongoing projects that are being planned, namely, more repairs to the church roof and to the heating system in the school. Please remember that we have to have 75% of the cost of a repair in the bank before that repair can begin.

**Campaign Prayer**

*God of all goodness, in every generation, you gather your people together in peace and bind them as one in prayer, in community and in service. For almost one hundred years, you have united the people of St. Mary's as one parish family. We are men and women, adult and children, coming from the four corners of the earth, speaking different languages, yet bound together through the power of the Holy Spirit. Through your goodness and the generosity of those who have come before us, we have been blessed in our present home – our church – for almost fifty years.*

*Now is the time for us, the people of St. Mary's gathered at this time in our history, to ensure that what we have received from those before us may be preserved for those who will come after us. In prayer and in reflection, we now realize the greatness of your bounty and we accept the challenge of offering our time, our talent and our treasure so that we can preserve for future generations what we have been fortunate enough to receive from those who have built before us in faith and trust.*

*Send your Spirit upon us, O Lord, that we may be cheerful as we accept joyfully this next phase in the life of our parish. Help us to share a portion of our gifts, so that we, as a parish, may realize the dream and preserve for those who come after us what we have received in gratitude.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Calling All New Jersey Nets Fans!**

St. Mary's Altar Servers Group and the Youth Group are co-organizing a trip to the IZOD Center in East Rutherford on Friday, Dec. 12, 2008 at 7:30pm to watch the NJ Nets play against the Toronto Raptors. The cost is \$25.00 per person. All minors must have a permission slip signed by either parents to be able to participate. Permission slip forms are available in the rectory.

To all Altar Servers and Youth Group parents, we need volunteers for car-pooling and escorts. Please call the rectory to indicate your availability. The number of participants will depend on the number of adult volunteers (and vehicles) we have.

To reserve tickets, you must come to the rectory with the payment. The deadline is Wednesday, Nov. 19. The deadline for permission slips for minors is Friday, Nov. 21.

For more information, please call the rectory 201-384-0557.

**PALAD Corner**

Congratulations to Anna Gay Garzon of Bronx, NY, our Lucky Weeks Club first winner! Drawings of \$50 prize occur every Wednesday during Line Dancing at the Szelest Hall. And there will be 4 special drawings of \$150 each at the Simbang Gabi celebration. If you want to join, there are more raffle tickets available at the Rectory.

**An Invitation to Women of the Parish**

Would you like to join with other women to pray and socialize? Consider joining the Women's Spirituality Group here at St. Mary's. We meet every other month on a Friday Evening. We begin with prayer and a discussion and end with refreshments. Our next gathering will be Friday, November 21, 2008 at 7:30pm in the Youth Room. If you have any questions contact Maryanne Miloscia or Kathy Sylvester at the Parish Office.

**Hackensack Walk-in-Center**

On Friday, November 21st, St. Mary's will be providing the main meal for the guests of the Hackensack Walk-in Center. Please don't forget to pick up a food pan as you leave the church. Dishes can be brought to the rectory on Friday, 9:00am-1:00pm.



