



Saturday	May 17 - Vigil
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday	May 18 – Most Holy Trinity
7:45AM	Vucci Family
10:00AM	June Miloscia
12 Noon	Margaret Wall
Monday	May 19 - Weekday
7:00AM	Betty Shea
8:45AM	Ann Wolf
Tuesday	May 20 - Weekday
7:00AM	Joseph Schiraldi
8:45AM	Eileen DiGirolamo
Wednesday	May 21 - Weekday
7:00AM	Personal Intentions of Lucy Lipuma (Living)
8:45AM	Mike O'Daly
Thursday	May 22 - Weekday
7:00AM	Susan Dowling
8:45AM	Ryan Caspare
Friday	May 23 - Weekday
7:00AM	Dominick Regina
8:45AM	Joseph Simon
Saturday	May 24 - Weekday
8:30AM	Eileen DiGirolamo
5:30PM	Vito Pidi
Sunday	May 25 – Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	Emil and Felicia Beranja
12 Noon	Deceased Members of Rosica Family

In Loving Memory

The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of June Miloscia requested by Miloscia family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of William and Anne Pavlu and John S. Hornick requested by Mary A. Hornick



We ask your prayers for recently deceased Frank J. Schlichting.

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...Rita...George Magno...Peter Ramzi...John R. Arthur Rudolph...Susan G. Klarer...Katherine Marie Mirabile.. Maria Martinez...Rosa Goffi...Emily Del Vecchio Bill Bochicchio Crocetta Pidi...Anne O'Neill...Margherita Bonaldo...Marion Roe Teresa Colgan...Patricia Marino...Brian Soltas...David Storick Mary Ellen Muccarone..Valerie Kana ..William Corrubia...Joan Sorce Angela Darata

Our Food Pantry Needs Items



This weekend is our food collection weekend. When you go shopping, if you could pick up some of the following items, it would help us tremendously to restock our food pantry. Among other things, we need: paper goods, bars of soap, juices, prepared sauce, tomato sauce, canned soups and cereals. We are blessed with so many parishioners who help keep our food pantry full

The following offerings are still available:

Bread & Wine – June 22 & 29, July 6,13,20 & 27
Sanctuary Lamp – July 6,13 & 20



Sunday –May 18

7:30AM-12:00Noon Feeding-Sisters of Charity Convent-Newark
After 7:45AM Mass Reception for Bishop John SFC
10:00AM & 12:00Noon Masses First Communion Commitment Weekend
Food Collection
The Most Holy Trinity



Monday – May 19

7:30PM Finance Council Meeting RCB

Tuesday – May 20

9:30AM Parents Group B10
7:00PM-9:00PM Adult Choir Chapel
7:30PM May Crowning UC Social to follow SFC

Wednesday – May 21

3:30PM & 7:00PM New Parents Reg. Mtg. UC
4:00PM-6:00PM Children/Bell Choir Chapel/UC
7:00PM OLPH Novena LC
7:00PM-9:00PM Knitters Youth Room
7:30PM-9:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday – May 22

Corpus Christi

Friday – May 23

7:30PM Rosary for Peace LC

Saturday – May 24

Sunday –May 25

7:45AM Annual Veterans Memorial Mass
1:00PM-2:00PM Holy Hour

God Bless our First Communicants



Last weekend and this weekend, more than 60 of the children of our parish received the Christ's Body and Blood in the Eucharist for the first time. They have come forward and now know in a very powerful way the great love that the Lord Jesus has for them as he gives them the gift of himself. We pray that their parents will bring them each week to receive again and again this great sacrament of love. May God bless our children with his presence each day and may they know how great God's love for them truly is.

May the Lord bless Peter, our seminarian!

This weekend, we as a parish community rejoice with Peter Iwuala, the seminarian whom we have been supporting through out parish tithe. This Sunday, May 18, he is being ordained a deacon for service in the Archdiocese of Newark. We pray that the good work that God, who has begun this good work in him, will bring that work to fulfillment as Peter moves closer to ordination to the priesthood of Jesus Christ in May of 2009. We are hoping that Peter will join us one Sunday and assist at Mass as a deacon. We will let the parish know when we know a date when that will happen.

Bishop John Moolachira at St. Mary's

We welcome Bishop John Moolachira to St. Mary's this weekend and thank him for being with us to celebrate the 7:45 Mass. We remember him fondly as one who ministered in our midst as "Father John" in the summer of 2006. Bishop John and the people of his diocese in India desperately need our help and our prayers. Like some many Catholic throughout the world, they are not as fortunate as we are nor do they have the financial resources that we have. We hope that our parishioners will use this opportunity to assist Bishop John and the people of his diocese with prayer and with financial assistance. Whatever help you can offer is sincerely appreciated. You can make a check out to **St. Mary's**. We will then make out one check to his diocese. Please pray for Bishop John and the people of his diocese in India.

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
 Matthew Pareti Alicia Newball Thomas Brovarone
 James Markert Mathew Rosica James Phillips Kyle Zownir
 Brian Collins 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 Stefan Hutnik
 Christopher Lynch Zane Campbel Christopher Kishbach
 Robert Challener, Jr.

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.

PALAD Corner

More **FAQs** about the June 7 discernment of new members of the Executive Board (EB):

Question: What are the qualifications to become an EB member?

Answer: To qualify to become an EB member, the candidate must be:

- **a registered Filipino parishioner of St. Mary's Church
- **willing and able to participate in the monthly EB meetings, be engaged in the deliberations and decision-making, be a team player.
- *ready to provide support to the various church-related undertakings of PALAD, such as Simbang Gabi
- *present during the June 7 discernment, and express intention to serve in the EB.

Question: What are the typical responsibilities of an EB member?

Answer: The main responsibilities of an EB member are: attending and participating in the monthly meetings (1st Sunday of each month), and supporting the various programs that PALAD sponsors, or takes part in, at St. Mary's Church.

Question: How can I participate and get involved?

Answer: Come to the day of discernment: Saturday, June 7 at the Spiritual Formation Center, from 9:00 to 11:00am. (Brunch will be served.) For further details, call (201) 387-9140 or send email to palad@stmarysdumont.org.

**CARNIVAL NEWS!**

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! This is the year for a "Fantastic Carnival"

HELP US MAKE IT THE BEST! HOW?

- S SPIN THE WHEEL!**
- U UNITY - VOLUNTEER!**
- C CARNIVAL SPIRIT**
- C COME - JOIN!**
- E ENJOY!**
- S SAVOR THE BOARDWALK!**
- S SUPPORT YOUR PARISH!**

Don't forget our **White Elephant Booth** - drop off items starting Friday, May 30th, after 12:00noon outside the gym (no clothing please). One man's unwanted items may be another's treasure!

Pre-Sale Ride Tickets are now available after each Mass and in the Rectory, Monday through Friday 9:00AM-6:00PM.

Our great **International Food Nights** will be back.

Most of all don't forget to return your **Chance Books**. **You have to be in it to WIN IT!**

Please volunteer your time at the **Carnival** to work at the booths. We're looking forward to seeing you there. Your help and support is greatly appreciated.

Thank you!

Realizing the Dream

Our total keeps climbing as we continue to move toward our goal of at least \$1,000,000.00 in our capital campaign **Realizing the Dream**. As of Wednesday, May 14, we now have a grand total of **\$276,540** pledged to the campaign. This total represents pledges made by **82 families** in the parish. Our volunteers will continue to contact our parish families so that we can explain what we need and hope to accomplish regarding our buildings and grounds and to ask families to participate in this venture. We ask that you receive them with hospitality and allow them to explain the details of the campaign. **As we have received with gratitude, so must we do what is necessary now to pass this home on to future generations who will come here to praise and thank our God.**

Below is a list of the parish families who have said **"Yes!"** - **We are willing to help St. Mary's in our quest of Realizing the Dream and repairing, restoring and renovating our buildings and grounds.**

Abad Family	John & Sue Kostka
Ang Family	George & Kathleen Krone
Asistin Family	Rev. Robert G. Laferrera
Barba Family	Anthony & Frances Martignetti
Exequiel & Rowena Bautista	Francis & Briget Martin
Lidia Belulovich	Mascarelli Family
Barbara Berger	Greg & Barbara McEllen
James & Anne Marie Bishopp	Jeanne M. Messina
Kristen, Lauren, and Jaclyn Bishopp	Miloscia Family
Walter & Dorothea Boettger	Thomas O'Brien
Richard & Lynn Bon	Nestor & Judith Olegario
Robert & Rosalia Callahan	Lena O'Malley
William & Mary Cannon	Rose O'Shea
Aida Cansino	Justina Josie Parrella
Thomas & Jill Ciotti	Joseph & AnneMarie Perrone
Kenneth & Joan Cole	Steve & Ruth Pochini
Art & Sue Conklin	Potenski Family
Rita M. Crowley	Nancy Poznanski
Michael & Mary Daly	Rick Family
John Decepeida	Tony & Cely Rosal
Richard & Elizabeth Delia	Amadeo Santos
Kenny & Myra D'Silva	John Scalice
Elizabeth A. Duffy	Schreiber Family
Eileen Duffy	Frances S. Schueler
Roberta Elwell	Beverly Serafini
Ken & Nancy Florio	Florind & Marion Siggia
Grace Frary	Sylvester Family
Larry & Eileen Frisby	Al & Anne Taxter
Neil & Peg Gallagher	Thalathara Family
Ivan & Donna Hannibal	Louis & Joan Toupin
Robert & Maria Hannibal	Manny & Carmen Vicente
Hollis Family	Helen Vilorio
William & Irene Jeffers	John & Dory Weiss
Warren & Janet Kaine	Margaret Yu
Timothy & Peggy Keating	Marie Zeisel
Kelly Family	John F. Zeisel
Robert & Marge Kenter	St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Soc.

School Endowment Fund

As many parishioners know, some years ago, an endowment fund was established for St. Mary's School. In the recent past, we used that money to help families with tuition assistance. We also were able to refurbish the Computer Room and to buy desks for some classrooms. It is true that, two years ago, St. Mary's School merged with two other schools to form Transfiguration Academy. Thankfully, we are still able to use that fund to assist families with tuition in our co-sponsored school. In fact, we will be helping two families with tuition assistance whose children are transferring into Transfiguration for the 2008-2009 school year. If you would like to help us to assist parish families whose children will attend our co-sponsored school, please consider a donation to our School Endowment Fund. We can then offer financial help for those who want their children to attend Transfiguration Academy.

PACT Religious Education Program



Our Tuesday PACT Program has a few catechists moving from Tuesday to other program days next year. We are concerned that we may encounter some difficulty staffing the Tuesday PACT sessions with enough catechists and volunteers.

But I am not a teacher! A teaching background can be helpful, but it is by no means required. Just a willingness to share your faith!

I don't have the time! The commitment to be here for our weekday programs in the classroom is about an hour, 1-2 times per month, with home preparation taking about that same amount of time.

I've never done this before! Don't worry! Right after Labor Day we will have a few new catechist meetings and an opportunity for "Basic Certification" on a Saturday.

Think and pray about it! Can share your time and faith with others and help us share the Good News...? Call us at (201)384-3062 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org.

New Family Parent Meeting Wednesday

There is a parent meeting scheduled this Wednesday, May 21st, in the Upper Church for parents of families new to St. Mary's. Parents may attend at 3:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. The same meeting will be offered at both times.

For more information call us at (201) 384-3062 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org

Returning PACT Families re-registrations Due!

Please return completed registrations for next year's program so we can plan accordingly, even if you are not able to make a donation at this time!

President Speaks Regarding Faith-Based Schools



Saying that the country's faith-based schools are closing "at an alarming rate," President Bush called on Congress and elected officials at the state and local levels to help preserve such schools and to extend "lifelines of learning" to the children they serve.

At the White House Summit on Children and Faith-Based Schools, the president said religious schools are "a glorious part" of the nation's history.

"We have an interest in the health of these centers of excellence; it's in the country's interest to get beyond the debate of public/private, to recognize this is a critical national asset that provides a critical part of our nation's fabric in making sure we're a hopeful place."

The president said that between 2000 and 2006, nearly 1,200 faith-based schools closed, affecting nearly 400,000 students and placing an added burden on public schools.

"In neighborhoods where some people say children simply can't learn, the faith-based schools are proving the nay-sayers wrong. These schools provide a good, solid academic foundation for children. They also help children understand the importance of discipline and character," Bush said.

Transfiguration Academy

Begin the Transformation – Registration Now Open

Calling Parents & Parishioners!



This summer, the principal and volunteers will be sprucing up the lower school campus. Volunteers are needed to paint and do some minor repairs, and cleaning. All materials will be supplied.

If you have some time and the desire to help, please call 201-836-7074. A good environment facilitates the learning process. Let's all pitch in. "Many hands make light work."



Registration



Registration is now open to all children interested in attending Transfiguration Academy, **Pre K 2+ through 7th grade**. Transfiguration Academy is offering a **new Pre-School program** for children who miss the cut off date for Pre-K 3. For more information and to register, please call Sr. Madeline at the Lower School, 201-384-3627.

St. Mary's Youth Ministry – for 7th to 12th Grade Teens and their Families

"Friends, again I ask you, what about today? What are you seeking? What is God whispering to you? The hope, which never disappoints is Jesus Christ. The saints show us the selfless love of his way. As disciples of Christ, their extraordinary journeys unfolded within the community of hope, which is the Church. It is from within the Church that you too will find the courage and support to walk the way of the Lord. Nourished by personal prayer, prompted in silence, shaped by the Church's liturgy you will discover the particular vocation God has for you. Embrace it with joy. You are Christ's disciples today. Shine his light upon this great city and beyond. Show the world the reason for the hope that resonates within you. Tell others about the truth that sets you free!" – Pope Benedict's Address to Youth in NYC.

Spiritual Caffeine: A Weekly Gospel Reflection for Teens

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

God is Love - (John 3: 16-18)

This Sunday is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. The word "Trinity" was first used by Christians to express the truth that God is both three (tri-) and one (unity). It expresses, really, that God is Love! God is a love that bonds so strongly that three can actually be one. God's love is so great that he chose to create us. God's love is so great that he sees us as his children, and wants us to call him "father". The Father's love is so great that, even when we disobeyed God and lost his friendship, he sent his Son, Jesus, to save us and to show us to love one another. Jesus, who is God, loves us like a brother. Jesus loves us so much that he kept his promise to send his disciples the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit, who is God, is God's power in us to love one another. So today we celebrate God's love. His love is always at work in the world, leading us to be one with him, and one with each other in love. – Magnifikid

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, May 18: 13th Annual N.J. State Catholic Youth Rally at Great Adventure.

Sunday, May 25: No meeting – Memorial Day weekend

Monday, June 2, Wednesday, June 4, Friday, June 6: Carnival week! We'll be working in the fish bowl booth from 7:00p to closing.

Sunday, June 8: No meeting – Transfiguration Graduation at St. Mary's Church

Softball: St. Mary's softball starts in June. You must be over the age of 15 to participate. Games are almost every Sunday afternoons and some Wednesday evenings. They could be in Dumont, Bergenfield, or Hackensack. If you're really interested in playing for the whole season, which ends the first week of August please contact Maria Bernard at 201-385-2094.

World Youth Day 2008, July 15-20 in Sydney, Australia: 500,000 expected to attend!



Days to go until: 61

World Youth Day website: www.wyd2008.org

Song of the Week: "Winds of Change"

www.disciplesnow.com/spiritandsong

For more information: You can email us at youthmin@stmarysdumont.org or call (201) 385-2936.

Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School is coming to St. Mary's July 14th-18th!



Vacation Bible School is open to children in Pre-K through Grade 5. More information and registration forms will be available in future bulletins.

Wedding Anniversary Masses

On June 1, 2008, all couples in Bergen County celebrating 50 years of marriage are invited to the cathedral for a special Mass at 3:00 PM. Please watch in the bulletin for more specific details about these celebrations.