



Saturday	May 29 - Vigil
5:30PM	Clayton Boyd
Sunday	May 30 - The Most Holy Trinity
7:45AM	Mary and Paul McDonald
10:00AM	Jim Klarer and Corcoran Family
12 Noon	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Monday	May 31 - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00AM	Mary Coutinho
Tuesday	June 1 - St. Justin
7:00AM	Anthony Tarabocchia
8:45AM	Carlo Sforza
Wednesday	June 2 - Weekday
7:00AM	Fuino Frank
8:45AM	Marion Molinaro
Thursday	June 3 - St. Charles Lwanga and his companions
7:00AM	Araceli Militar
8:45AM	Robert Crinion
Friday	June 4 - Weekday
7:00AM	Leonardo Santos
8:45AM	Mary O'Donovan
Saturday	June 5 - St. Boniface
8:30AM	Fr. William O'Connor
5:30PM	Joseph Knapp
Sunday	June 6 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	Bartolomeo Oddo
12 Noon	John Boland

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of May and Fred Ross requested by Lou and Joan.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Stanley W. Raffa requested by his sister, Maria J. Raffa.

The baskets of flowers in the sanctuary for this week is given in memory of the Raffa family.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased parishioners Frank Aiello and John A. Steward, Sr.

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.

Peter Ramzi..Marie Woehrl..Margherita Bonaldo..Maureen G Ann Youngsworth..Debra Portillo..Marie McDermott..Barbara Fawcett Woke Family..Pat O'Connor..Alicia McMahon..Mary M..Eileen O'Leary Ann O'Neil..Anthony Matarazzo..Ben Zangoglia..John R..Maria Cruz Frank Farrell..Genevive DeVirgiliis..Bob Jackson..Robert Conboy Carolina Aspiras..Peter Post..Larry Frisby..Carlos Cunha..Hyde Family Carl Cavera..Carole Chittenden..Lorraine Mooney..Donna Gonzalez Helen Griffin..Raul Rodriguez

Memorial Day

We will have one Mass on Monday, May 31, Memorial Day, at 9:00 AM. We pray that our parishioners will remember all those who have served our nation in the armed services. Some are still in our midst thankfully; others have gone home to the Lord; still others presently serve in distant areas of the world. **May we give thanks to all of them for all that they have done for our nation, for the world and for peace.**

Also, in observance of Memorial Day, the parish office will be closed all day on Monday, May 31st.



Sunday – May 30

After 7:45AM Mass Veterans Social SFC
2:00PM-6:00PM Couples for Christ FFL (Mitch) SFC
The Most Holy Trinity

Monday – May 31

After 9:00AM Mass Rosary LC
Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Memorial Day (Observed)

Tuesday – June 1

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
9:30AM Parents Group B05
6:00PM-9:00PM Basketball SH

Wednesday - June 2

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
7:00PM OLPH Novena LC
7:30PM Carnival Volunteer Meeting SFC
7:30PM-9:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday – June 3

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
7:00PM Baptism Rehearsal UC
7:30PM-9:00PM Ballroom Dancing SH
Corpus Christi

Friday – June 4

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
7:30PM Rosary for Peace LC
7:30PM-9:00PM Yoga School's Basement
Carnival Set-up after 3:00PM SH

Saturday – June 5

7:30AM Rosary LC
1:00PM-4:00PM PALAD's EB Discernment SFC
5:30PM Transfiguration's Baccalaureate Mass UC
7:00PM-11:00PM Transfiguration's Graduation Party St. John's Conlon Hall
Carnival Set-up All Day SH

Sunday – June 6

1:00PM-2:00PM Holy Hour
1:00PM-4:00PM PALAD's EB Meeting SFC
2:00PM Transfiguration's Graduation Ceremony St. John
Carnival Set-up All Day SH

Wedding Anniversary Masses



On **June 6**, a Mass will be celebrated at 3:00 PM in the cathedral for couples in Bergen County celebrating 50 years of marriage. **You need to call our rectory and register if you plan on attending this celebration.** We offer our own prayerful congratulations to couples in St. Mary's celebrating this significant anniversary and ask God's continued blessings on them.

Men's Spirituality Group

For the month of June, our parish Men's Spirituality Group will meet on the third Friday – June 18 – rather than the usual second Friday. We need to change the date since the second Friday is during the week of the carnival. As always, we will meet from 8:00 – 9:30 PM in the school meeting room next to the Religious Education Office. **During the June meeting, we will view the movie *Romero*, the story of the Archbishop Oscar Romero, the martyred archbishop of El Salvador in Central America.**

Habitat for Humanity & St. Mary's

Our time on last Saturday, May 22, working on a house for 4 families in Waldwick, was wonderful. We put up siding, nailed down flooring and cleaned the siding before it went up. It is a great feeling to know how we helped these families repair their future home.

We have another date for working with *Habitat for Humanity*. That date is **Saturday, July 24**. We would be working in Garfield once again on a residence for teen mothers and their children. There is room for 5 volunteers in the morning – 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM – and 5 volunteers in the afternoon – 12:30 – 4:00 PM. Please contact John Soltes at 1-551-486-4367 (cell) or his e-mail address – soltes25@msn.com and let him know if you want to volunteer for that date, either morning or afternoon. **This is one way to seek to serve others during our anniversary year.**



My brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we gather in prayer today, we celebrate the great single article of faith that we profess – belief in our God as a Trinity of Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. When we proclaim the Nicene Creed every Sunday at Mass, we declare that we believe that our God, though one is a unity of persons, united in love one to another. That community of love, which is the Trinity, becomes an example for us as a faith community to follow. The three persons of the Trinity show forth for all believers that it is possible to be bound together as one.

The Trinity is beyond our ability to understand. Many who do not believe what we believe and who hear about this central tenet of our faith believe that we, in fact, profess faith in more than one God. They may ask us – *How can there be three persons and not be three Gods?* The answer is simple – we do not know, yet we believe because it has been revealed to us by the Son who was sent by the Father and who, in turn, sent the Spirit.

There is so much that has been written about the Trinity, literally thousands of words. These works are an attempt to explain what we believe about the Trinity while, at the same time, acknowledging that we are never able to fully comprehend the essence of the Trinity itself. Some may say that this feast, because it celebrates a theological concept beyond our understanding, does not speak to humanity. And yet, if we look at the Trinity, especially in its actions, we see how these three persons do speak to us.

First, we say that the Trinity is a unity of **persons**. What does that mean? Simply put, it means that they relate to one another, that they are not independent beings with no relationship to one another. As persons, they are bound to one another and, as such, remind us that we, too, are bound to one another since we are persons as well. More importantly, we are believers and so are called, even challenged, to form that same unity of belief and love.

The titles by which we call the Trinity, especially the Father and the Son, speak far more about their relationship than about gender. Those terms proclaim that they are in a relationship. Again, they are far more than independent beings and so they relate much the same, but more deeply, than members of family relate to one another.

Second, even though they are persons, we come to experience the Trinity very much by their **actions** in the world. They do not work independently of each other; they all partake in the work of creating and redeeming and sanctifying. It is true that often we associate each person with one of these actions in the world: Father (creating); Son (redeeming); Spirit (sanctifying). Yet, to see them in that light is to see them, not as one God, one substance, but several.

In point of fact, because the Trinity is one substance, they all share in the work of creating, of redeeming and of sanctifying. One person cannot do any action in the world independent of the others. Would that not be a wonderful way for us to view our work, that we do nothing independent of others?

I hope that what I have written somehow brings the Trinity into clearer focus, so to speak, and that my words help us to see that the Trinity – in its unity and in its action – does have a great deal to say to us as we profess belief in this Trinity of persons, bound to one another in love and in action.

Love,
Fr. Bob

Thank You

The Pastoral Council would like to thank Sr. Mary Ann Azanza a Sister of Assumption from Worcester, MA for her wonderful reflection on Mary and our call to service. Those who attended thoroughly enjoyed Sr. Mary Ann's talk. We thank her for sharing her time and talent with us, and we thank her college roommate and our Pastoral Council member, Margaret Yu for organizing the event.



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 May 22-23	\$8,931.00
Total for same weekend in 2009	\$9,269.00
Campaign donations received thus far in April	\$16,037.95

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 truly is. Even though they are still young, they can give us a wonderful example to follow.

*“I helped Dad do errands.” “I helped Mom cook.”
“I was generous.” “I didn't bother my parents.”*

“But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth.” from the Gospel of John. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to help us to know the truth. So why not ask the Holy Spirit the truth about your stewardship? Are you sharing your time and talent with God and others? Do you give a fair amount of your treasure to do the work of the Lord? Can you hear the Spirit's answer to those questions in your heart now? What more is he calling you to do?

Ministry – Chandelier Cleaners

In about 2-3 weeks, in the evening of June 18, members of our parish will be spending that Friday evening cleaning the globes of the chandeliers in the church, dusting the chandeliers themselves and changing light bulbs that have burned out. It takes several hours to do this because the globes have to be taken down, they have to be washed and dried, and they have to be returned to the chandeliers. While they are being cleaned, the chandeliers have to be dusted and the light bulbs that are burned out have to be replaced. Some of those who help with this project climb a scaffold so that they can reach the chandeliers, but you don't have to do that. Others who come to help us can stay on the floor level and wash and dry the globes. If you think that you might be able to help us, please contact frbob@stmarysdumont.org and let him know. The cleaning usually starts at 7:00 PM and ends by 10:30 – 11:00 PM.

Tithing the Tithes – 2010

For the month of April, our parish was able to tithe a total of \$899.00 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 - \$200.00
- St. John Food Pantry, Newark - \$200.00
- Missionaries of Charity, Newark - \$200.00
- Emergency Fund - \$299.00

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.*

50th Anniversary Year Continues

There are two important events that we want to announce that will take place within our anniversary year. The first will be our **Parish Block Party**, which will take place on **Sunday, August 15, 2010**, in our upper parking lot, from **2:00 – 6:00 PM**. There will be food and music and games and all types of fun. 2) The second important event will happen from **Oct. 10-13, 2010**. We will have a **Parish Mission**, which will be led by Catholic lay people called *Good News International*. The mission talks will be each evening from Sunday, Oct. 10, through Wednesday, Oct. 13. We hope that both of these events – our Block Party and our Parish Mission – will be a great time for our parish to gather during our anniversary year, that many of our parishioners will take time to gather in prayer and in joy.

The following offerings are still available:

- Bread and Wine - July 18 & 25; Aug. 8, 15, 22, & 29.
- Sanctuary Lamp - July 11, 18 & 25; Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29.



PACT/Religious Education Program Updates

PACT/Religious Education re-registrations

Please re-register for PACT/Religious Education before this school year ends, as we need the registrations in order to plan for our Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Sacrament Preparation programs for the coming 2010-11 school year. Thank you!

Re-registration materials are available in our Religious Education Office in the school building.

Religious Education - New Parents for our 2010-11 Program

All new parents attend an orientation explaining our PACT/Religious Education Program. Please call our Religious Education Office at (201) 384-3062 or e-mail us religiouesd@stmarysdumont.org.

Do you know of a family with children who have been away from our Religious Education Program, or maybe a family new in town, or a family with children no longer attending a Catholic School? Put them in touch with our Religious Education Office at (201) 384-3062 or e-mail us religiouesd@stmarysdumont.org.

Catechists Needed!

We are anticipating a need for catechists for Tuesday afternoons (Grades K-5), Monday evenings (Grades 6,7&8), and Sunday mornings (Family PACT/all grades). Call for more information about how you can help (201) 384-3062 or e-mail us at religiouesd@stmarysdumont.org.

Congratulations, newly confirmed!

Congratulations... to the 92 newly confirmed who were confirmed at St. Mary's last week on Pentecost Sunday by Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, SDV.

Watch your mail!

We will be mailing information to our newly confirmed about how to stay involved here at St. Mary's!

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

A family of love:

Today is Trinity Sunday! If you look carefully at the word "Trinity," you can see that it is made from two other words: "Tri" meaning "three" and "unity" which means "joined together as one." That may not seem important to some people, but it is a tremendous joy for us! God has shown to those who believe in Jesus that he is Love! God is not a selfish, lonely king, but a family of love. God is Father, Son, & Holy Spirit. The three persons of the Trinity are family. In baptism, God gives us Grace, which is a share in his very life. With this grace, we find strength to love God and one another- in other words, to live as members of God's family. What a gift it is to be people of God! - Magnificat

Picture from the N.J. State Youth Rally at Great Adventure:



What Events Are Coming Up For Teens?

"TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY GRADUATION" - Sunday, June 6th: Church of St. John (3:00p) Transfiguration Academy is our parish co-sponsored school. www.transfigurationacademy.org

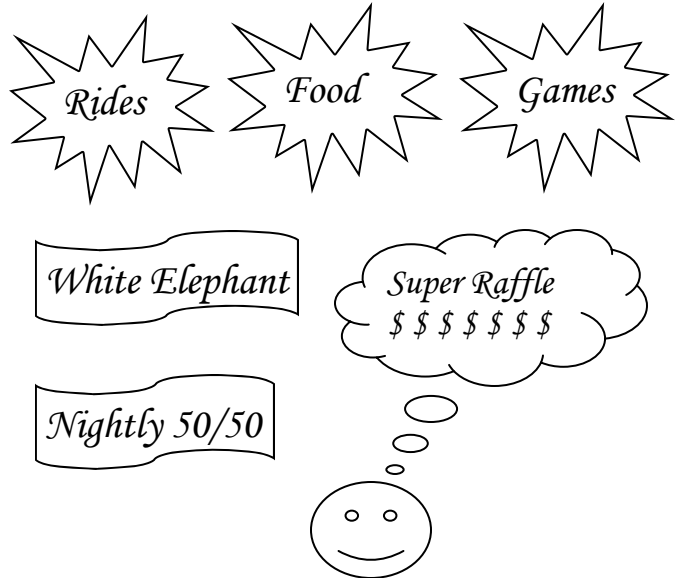
"END OF YEAR PARTY WITH ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP" - Sunday evening, June 6th: (Details coming soon)

"PARISH CARNIVAL" - Monday, June 7th, Wednesday, June 9th, & Friday, June 11th, (7:00p - closing) This is an opportunity to have fun helping our parish. Please meet us at fishbowl booth.

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

We'll see you at Mass! Charlie & Lesa

*One more week,,,,,
St. Mary's Carnival will begin on...
June 7 - 12, 2010
Join us for some fun!!!*



Middle States Association Reaffirms Transfiguration Academy's Accreditation

The Middle States Commission on Elementary Schools is pleased to announce that Transfiguration Academy has been awarded accreditation by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

The award was announced by Dr. Thomas L. Seidenberger, Chair of the Commission. MSCES accreditation signifies the educational community of Transfiguration Academy has engaged in a rigorous process of developing self-knowledge; has hosted an evaluation team of independently appointed educators; and has created an ongoing Strategic Plan to move school improvement forward. MSCES accreditation also signifies the Transfiguration Academy has met the MSCES Standards for a quality school. These standards reflect current research and best practices from throughout the education profession.



Michelle Scarpantonio won 1ST place in the Tri-Valley Lodge O.S.I.A. Essay Contest. The essays were graded by teachers from the Hackensack School District. Michelle received her 1st place prize, a \$100 savings bond at a ceremony held at Coopers Pond Pavilion on May 27th.

Academy Students win 25% of ALL Awards at Bergen Catholic H.S. Youth Art Festival.

Third/Fourth Grade Category		
Lorenzo Cortezano	1 st Place	Drawing
Jeremy Varghese	1 st Place	Painting
Kris Penaflor	2 nd Place	Painting
Erin Malonzo	3 rd Place	Painting
Fifth/Sixth Grade Category		
Elena Nattes	3 rd Place	Drawing
C. Xavier Rossmann	2 nd Place	Drawing
Iris Park	2 nd Place	Painting
Yashaar Hafizka	3 rd Place	Painting
Seventh/Eighth Grade Category		
Chang Youn Kim	2 nd Place	Drawing



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Registration for the 2010 /2011 School Year is open.

Call us at 201-384-3627 or 201-836-7074.