

*The People of God called to form the Christian Community of*

# *St. Mary's Church*

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#### *Mass Schedule*

**Saturday eve:** 5:30 pm  
**Sunday:** 7:45 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm  
**Holydays (except Saturday):**  
6:30 am, 9:00 am, 7:30 pm  
**Weekdays:** 7:00 am & 8:45 am  
**Saturday:** 8:30 am  
**Holiday:** 9:00 am on Major Civil Holidays

#### *Sacrament of Penance*

**Saturday:** 1:00 - 2:00 pm  
Private confessions at any time. Please call rectory.

#### *Sacrament of Marriage*

Common policy of the Archdiocese of Newark asks that arrangements be made one year in advance. Engaged couples must call to make an appointment to speak to a priest.

#### *Sacrament of Baptism*

Parents should register for the Baptism Preparation Program at the rectory...even before the baby is born!

#### *Religious Devotions*

**Miraculous Medal Novena:** Saturday following 8:30 am Mass

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**June 27, 2010**



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**Transfiguration Academy:**

**Lower School: 201-384-3627**

**Upper School: 201-836-7074**

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the Roman Catholic community of St. Mary's, Dumont, celebrate with Our Lady of the Assumption our life in Christ. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, anointed at our Baptism and united in the Eucharist, we answer God's call to discipleship. We do this by proclaiming God's word, gathering to praise and thank the Lord, being a welcoming community and serving the needs of all God's people. We strive to live the Gospel message, as we share God's love with all people. We recognize and find strength in our diversity as we rejoice in our unity as the Body of Christ.



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 26 - Vigil</b>
5:30PM	Daniel Maye
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>June 27 - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	June Miloscia
12 Noon	James O'Shea Sr.
<b>Monday</b>	<b>June 28 - St. Irenaeus</b>
7:00AM	Robert and Bridie Dalton
8:45AM	Nicholson Family
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>June 29 - Sts. Peter and Paul</b>
7:00AM	Jude D'Souza
8:45AM	Pietro Sforza
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>June 30 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	John Canavan
8:45AM	Una Neumuth
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>July 1 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Frank Aiello
8:45AM	Robert Crinion
<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 2 - Weekday</b>
7:00AM	Richard DeCoursey
8:45AM	John O'Shea
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 3 - St. Thomas</b>
8:30AM	Antonio Busanic
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 4 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
7:45AM	Concordia and Anthony Florio
10:00AM	Helen Cleary and John Michaels
12 Noon	Mr. & Mrs. Gregorio Sforza (Living)

### In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Raymond Rodin requested by Florence Rodin.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of Amparo Quirolgico requested by Mr. & Mrs. Griswold Quirolgico.

We ask your prayers for our recently deceased parishioners.

#### 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..John R. 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..Michael Stevens Frank Farrell..Genevive DeVirgilis..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..Kristine Campbell..Vienna Schaper Helen Donnelley..Kelly Markowski..Maria Cruz

#### Summer Office Hours

Beginning Friday, July 2, the parish office will close at 4:00 PM on the Fridays of July and August. We ask parishioners to make a note of this change. If you normally would need to get keys, etc., at the rectory after 4:00 PM on a Friday, please know that you will have to come earlier during July and August.

#### July 5

The parish office will be closed on Monday, July 5, the holiday given for Independence Day. There will be the usual schedule of Masses that day – 7:00 AM & 8:45 AM.

### This Week

#### Sunday – June 27

1:00PM-3:00PM PALAD's EB Meeting RCB

#### Monday – June 28

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

#### Tuesday – June 29

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

9:30AM Parents Group B05

6:00PM-9:00PM Basketball SH

**Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul**

#### Wednesday - June 30

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

7:00PM OLPH Novena LC

7:30PM-9:30PM Line Dancing SH

#### Thursday – July 1

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

7:30PM-9:00PM Ballroom Dancing SH

#### Friday – July 2

After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

7:30PM Rosary for Peace LC

#### Saturday – July 3

After 8:30AM Mass Rosary LC

**Feast of St. Thomas**

#### Sunday – July 4

**Independence Day**

#### **Habitat for Humanity & St. Mary's**

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.**

#### Parish Block Party – Aug. 15

To celebrate our parish feast day during our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, we are going to have a parish **Block Party** on Sunday, **Aug. 15, from 2:00 – 4:00 PM**, in our upper lot. There will be: hot dogs/burgers/sausage & peppers; soda/water, Italian ices; a live DJ with music and dancing; kids' games & a dunking booth. Reserve a table for your family and decorate it with your own theme with napkins & tablecloths. Bring your own salads, snacks and desserts for your family's table. **In order to get an accurate number so that we have enough hot dogs/burgers, etc., you need to come to the rectory office after July 1 and get a wrist band for every member of your family who will be going to the Block Party.** Come to our Block Party and have a great time with other members of our parish family.

#### New Pastoral Council Leaders

We want to offer a word of prayerful congratulations to the following members of our parish Pastoral Council who were recently chosen to assume positions of leadership on the council. They are: **Barbara Barba** as chair; **John Soltes** as co-chair; and **Karen Permuy** as secretary. We also offer thanks to two parishioners who have accepted a position on the Pastoral Council, having been nominated by members of the parish. They are: **Roberta Elwell** and **Lynn Rosica**. They join the present members of the council: **Joan Connelly, Joe Pidi, Berverly Serafini, Margaret Yu, & Margaret Keating**. The members of the council will be blessed and commissioned in the fall. We want to express our sincere thanks to two members of the council who have finished their terms (and beyond). They served well beyond what would have been the usual term and, for their service, we are extremely grateful. Thanks go to: **Anne Marie Bishopp & Tom Schreiber**. They served their parish well. Thank you!

#### The following offerings are still available:

Bread and Wine - July 18 & 25; Aug. 8, 22, & 29.

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



**My brothers and sisters in Christ,**

Last Sunday evening, I called Nelson Bayona, our seminarian. We have not seen Nelson as much this year as we did last year. He just finished his first year at the seminary and was very involved in his studies for the past ten months. The level of work in which he was involved was a little more difficult for him since English is not his first language. But, Nelson really works hard and I believe that he did fairly well in his first year.

We will not see him very much this summer either since he and his classmates are in Omaha, Nebraska, at Creighton University. They are in a ten-week program on spirituality and, as you read this column, he is finishing his fourth week. He will be out there for six more weeks. When he returns east from Omaha, he will then go to his home country of Columbia to see his family. He will come back to the United States at the end of August.

When I asked him how the courses were going that he is presently attending, he was very positive. He did say, however, that there was a tornado warning as we were speaking. He is really getting an experience of an area of our country that he has never seen before. He also told me that when he gets bored, he just goes out and counts the cows in the area. In general, I think that he is doing pretty well. I look forward to having him with us again once the new academic year starts.

It is very good for both a seminarian and a parish to spend time with each other. For the seminarian, it is true that he gets practical experience about the life that a faith community lives as well as the ministries and activities that are part of that life. He gets to know what it means to be an integral part of a parish. However, he receives much more than simply experience. He gets the support and the love of people who become a key element in his formation. He comes to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with men and women, teens and children who worship together, serve together and come together in a community bound by faith.

But this experience is equally good for a parish. They are able to see a young man (and some not so young) mature into a minister of the Lord who is called to proclaim and preach God's word, to pray with a community of faith, to serve the needs of God's lowly ones, to comfort those who mourn, to counsel those who are confused, to celebrate God's forgiveness with sinners. In short, the members of a parish share their life with someone who ultimately will be called in the sacrament of Holy Orders to share his life in a very special way with the people with whom he is called to share a life of faith. They can support him, laugh with him, work with him, challenge him, and share their journey of faith with him.

We pray for Nelson, for his classmates and for our seminarians as they continue to discern their call to ordained ministry. We also pray for religious brothers and sisters as they consecrate their lives to God – teaching, nursing, being involved in parish work.

We also pray for lay ministers in the Church, not only those who volunteer in various ministries, but also those who make their living working as professional ministers of the Lord in parishes, schools and other places where they become God's presence in a very special way. We as a Church are very fortunate to have such dedicated men and women working in ministry. Very often, they could have much higher salaries in other places of work, but they choose to work in and for the Church because of a realization that God is calling them to work with and for the people of God.

May the Lord continue to bless the Church with men and women, willing to dedicate their lives in service to God's holy people!

Love,  
Fr. Bob

**Intersection of Washington & Virginia Avenues**

There will no longer be a police presence on Sunday mornings at the intersection of Washington & Virginia Avenues. This is due to the reduced number of police reserves for the borough of Dumont. This will require greater caution when crossing at this intersection.

**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 June 19-20	\$8,623.00
Total for same weekend in 2009	\$10,747.00
<b>Treasure from our children's envelopes</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>
Campaign donations received thus far in May	\$11,829.23

*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 mom do errands.” “I made the bed each day.”***

***“For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love.”*** from Paul's Letter to the Galatians. *We like to celebrate the fact that we are free to “live the good life.” But Jesus calls us to a different kind of freedom. St. Paul reminds us that Jesus sets us free so that we can serve one another, share our gifts and promote God's work here on earth.*

**Ministry – Pastoral Council**

As you saw at the beginning of this weekend's bulletin, we have new leadership for our Pastoral Council. We also have two new members, two women who were nominated by someone in the parish. The ten members of the Pastoral Council form a body whose ministry is to dream, to advise, and to channel information to the pastor among other aspects of their ministry. Chosen by members of the parish, they serve for three years, offering their advice and sharing their love of St. Mary's. They dream and plan on ways in which we can strengthen and expand our overall parish ministry of the proclamation of the Gospel and the service of God's people. They also advise Fr. Bob concerning issues that affect the entire parish. Please pray for the Pastoral Council as they seek to support the mission of our parish community.

**Tithing the Tithe – 2010**

For the month of May, our parish was able to tithe a total of \$1,484.00 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 - \$330.00
- St. John Food Pantry, Newark - \$330.00
- Missionaries of Charity, Newark - \$330.00
- Emergency Fund - \$494.00

**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.*

**Vacation Bible School Is Coming!**

Hero Headquarters Vacation Bible School is coming to St. Mary's July 26 - July 30. The program is open to children who are currently enrolled in Preschool - 5th Grade and runs from 9am-12noon each day. The cost is \$10 per child. Registration Forms are available at the Parish and Religious Education Offices and online at [www.stmarysdumont.org](http://www.stmarysdumont.org) or at [www.vacationbibleschool.com/stmarysdumont](http://www.vacationbibleschool.com/stmarysdumont). If you have any questions please contact Maryanne Miloscia at the parish office or at [familyministry@stmarysdumont.org](mailto:familyministry@stmarysdumont.org).







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 religioused@stmarysdumont.org.

Do you know of a family who has 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 religioused@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 religioused@stmarysdumont.org.

Congratulations, newly confirmed!

Did you get the letter asking you how you want to be involved at St. Mary's? If not, call (201) 384-3062 or e-mail religioused@stmarysdumont.org.



Broadway Bound



We're heading to Broadway once again in September. We have requested 35 tickets to see the musical comedy Promises, Promises for Friday evening, Sept. 10, 2010. The cost is \$99.50 per person for seats in the first mezzanine. To reserve a seat, you must come to the rectory as soon as possible. There is also a charge of \$15.00 for the cost of the bus. That will be collected the evening of the show. First-come, first-serve basis only.

The Miracle of Christmas at Sight & Sound

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 2010, we will be going to see The Miracle of Christmas at the Millennium Theater in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The cost is as follows: \$116.50 for those 19 years and older; \$92.50 for ages 13-18; and \$72.00 for ages 3-12. These prices are based on a minimum of 40 persons on the motor coach. If there are less than 40 persons, the prices would increase and would depend on the number of persons going. The cost includes: 1) round-trip transportation on a motor coach, 2) time at Kettle Kitchen, 3) Amish family-style dinner at the Good 'N Plenty Restaurant, tax and gratuity included, and 4) reserved seating for The Miracle of Christmas. One-half of the cost must be paid at the rectory in order to reserve a place. The balance would be due by Sun., Oct. 31.

Office Volunteers Needed



Are you free during the week to PERIODICALLY come into the parish office and answer the telephone? This would not be a regularly scheduled time, but as the need arises when our secretaries need to take some time off. If you are willing to help us as the need arises, please call Dory (201-384-0557) and let her know. If you can help us on a more scheduled basis on Saturday or Sunday mornings, please call Dory as well for that. We can always use volunteers in the parish office.

St. Mary's Youth Ministry (SMYM)

Where our teens, 7th - 12th, grade can find peace and discover God's great plan for their lives.

Follow Me?

Be Courageous - The first lines of the Gospel tell us of Jesus' courage when he decided to go to Jerusalem even though he was risking death. Yes, Jesus is courageous and he asks us to be brave along with him. To follow Jesus, we need courage. We must leave certain things behind us, things that keep us from moving forward. Look at your own life. What keeps you from loving? What keeps you from being generous and considerate of others? Do you judge people by appearance? Do you do what is wrong just because everyone else is doing it? Or do you have the courage to think differently? Do not be afraid! We have the Holy Spirit's gift of fortitude, the courage and strength to follow Jesus even when it is difficult. (Luke 9: 51-62) - Magnificat

What Events Are Coming Up For Teens?

Trip to Newark Food Kitchen to feed the hungry - Sunday, July 18 (8a-12p). Permission slips will be required. Please contact us in advance to get one.

Parish Block Party - Sunday, August 15 (2-6p). There will be food, music, and games, and all types of fun.

World Youth Day 2011 August 14 - 22, 2011

Although we personally will not be going, the archdiocese is sponsoring a pilgrimage. The cost is \$2976 per person. If you want information on this trip, please let us know. In lieu of WYD '11, we will be chaperoning a trip to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis, IN. The dates are November 17-19, 2011.

Talent Show 2009 DVDs are available for \$10: Please bring a check made out to St. Mary's Church to the business office.

Are you looking for Internet resources to help you parent teens?

Family Life Center International - Faith & Family.

http://familylifecenter.net/

Are you signed up for our weekly Enewsletter? Please send us an email to sign up.

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.

Pancake Breakfast - June 27, 2010

The Dumont Boys Basketball Team will sponsor a Pancake Breakfast on June 27, 2010, from 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM, at the Knights of Columbus, 61 Armour Place in Dumont. The cost is \$6.00 per person and children under 5 are \$3.00. For the cost of the breakfast, we get all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausages, coffee, tea and juice.

St. Mary's Adult Softball Schedule

Our parish has again fielded a team to participate in the Interfaith Softball League in the area. Following is the schedule of upcoming games in which St. Mary's is playing one of the other five teams: Tuesday, June 22 at 8:00 PM - Hickory Field; Sunday, June 27 at 2:00 PM - Rochelle Park Field; Wednesday, July 7, at 8:00 PM - Hickory Field, Hickory Street, Bergenfield; Sunday, July 11, at 2:00 PM - Rochelle Park Field; Sunday, July 18, at 2:00 PM - Hickory Field. Please come and support our parish softball team.

St. Mary's Basketball - 18 Years Old & Below

There will be no basketball for the month of July through September for ages 18 and below. The last day will be on Tuesday, June 29th.



Transfiguration Academy

Registration is now open!

Call 201-384-3627 to register or make an appointment.