



Saturday	July 31 - Vigil
5:30PM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sunday	Aug. 1 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:45AM	Sr. Elizabeth Mullin
10:00AM	Richard J. DeCourcy
12 Noon	Lillian Dillon
Monday	Aug. 2 - Weekday
7:00AM	Andres Catague
8:45AM	Allen Hayes
Tuesday	Aug. 3 - Weekday
7:00AM	Jeryll Cachuela (Living)
8:45AM	Martin and Noreen Joyce
Wednesday	Aug. 4 - St. John Mary Vianney
7:00AM	John Svetlin
8:45AM	Margherita Bonaldo (Living)
Thursday	Aug. 5 - Weekday
7:00AM	June Miloscia
8:45AM	Inocencio, Sr. and Marina Sayawan
Friday	Aug. 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord
7:00AM	George Donovan, Jr.
8:45AM	John Cronin and Rev. Daniel Cronin
Saturday	Aug. 7 - Weekday
8:30AM	Marie Smith
5:30PM	Florence Ryan
Sunday	Aug. 8 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:45AM	Parishioners of St. Mary's
10:00AM	Concepcion Santos (Living)
12 Noon	Allen Bricken

Sunday – Aug. 1
10:15AM-11:00AM RCIA Children RCA

Monday – Aug. 2
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC

Tuesday – Aug. 3
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
9:30AM Parents Group
7:30PM-9:00PM Basketball SH

Wednesday - Aug. 4
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
7:00PM OLPH Novena LC
7:30PM-9:30PM Line Dancing SH

Thursday – Aug. 5
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
7:00PM Baptism Rehearsal UC

Friday – Aug. 6
After 8:45AM Mass Rosary LC
7:30PM Rosary for Peace LC
7:30PM-9:00PM Basketball SH

Transfiguration of the Lord

Saturday – Aug. 7

7:30AM Rosary LC
Baptism

Sunday – Aug. 8
10:15AM-11:00AM RCIA Children RCA
1:00PM-4:00PM PALAD EB Meeting RCB
Baptism

Parish Block Party – Aug. 15

This weekend is the deadline to sign up to attend our parish **Block Party** on Sunday, **Aug. 15, from 2:00 – 6:00 PM**. There will be: hot dogs, burgers, sausage & peppers; soda/water, Italian ices; a live DJ with music and dancing; kids' games & a dunking booth. Bring your own salads, snacks and desserts for your family's table. If you want to reserve a table for your family and decorate it with your own theme with napkins & tablecloths, please let us know, even if you have already gotten your wristbands. Come to our Block Party and have a great time with other members of our parish family. **The response has been tremendous for the Block Party. We have enough tables, but we are probably going to be short on chairs. PLEASE – if you have lawn chairs at home that you can bring to the block party, please do so. That would really help us out.**

Thank You, PALAD

We want to offer a special word of thanks to PALAD, our Filipino community, for their recent donation of new tables for Szelest Hall. Through their various fund-raising efforts, they were able to donate 66 new tables that we will use for the various parish events we hold in our gym. One of the first events at which we will use these tables will be our **Block Party** on Aug. 15. **Thank you, members of PALAD, for your generous donation of the tables and in helping us to meet the needs of the parish.**

Ballroom Dancing

Due to hot weather, there will be no ballroom dancing for the months of August and September.

Summer Office Hours

The parish office will close at 4:00 PM on the Fridays of 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 August.

Attention All Ministers

If you have not submitted your email address to Kathy Sylvester, please do so at kathy@stmarysdumont.org. That will make our new minister web terminal more effective.

The following offerings are still available:

Bread and Wine - Aug. 8 & 29; Sept. 12 & 26.
Sanctuary Lamp - Aug. 8

In Loving Memory



The Bread and Wine offered at this week's Masses are given in memory of Lillian Dillon requested by her husband John Dillon.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in praise of God and in memory of the deceased parishioners of St. Mary's.

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..Ed Neumuth Laura Chittenden...Ray Olsen...Helen Fritsche

Novena for the Assumption



A nine-day period of prayer - a novena - in preparation for the feast of the Assumption will be held again this year. The dates and times are as follows: Fri., Aug. 6 - 7:30 PM; Sat., Aug. 7 - following 8:30 Mass; Sun., Aug. 8 - 11:00 AM; Mon.-Fri., Aug. 9-13 - 7:30PM; Sat., Aug. 14 - following 8:30 Mass. The novena will take place in the upper church on Sundays. All of the other days it will be held in the lower church. We invite all parishioners to come to this nine-day time of prayer as we prepare for our parish feast day, Aug. 15.



My brothers and sisters in Christ,

I want to express my sincere thanks to all of those who were a part of our Vacation Bible School this past week. We had 50-60 children attend and, from all accounts, they had a great time. The focus of this year's VBS was the heroes that we are given in the Scriptures from both the Old and the New Testaments.

A lot of work went into the preparation for this past week and a lot of people were needed to make sure that VBS was both enriching and fun for the children who came. Special thanks go to Mrs. Maryanne Miloscia who coordinated the week. She was assisted by a number of adults and teens who gave of their time to help in whatever way they could. I know that the children who came truly benefited from what they heard and learned.

On another topic, when I was on vacation at the shore recently, I saw a sign outside of one of the local public schools. I could not help but laugh since the sign read – *Have a great summer – School starts Sept. 1.* I could only imagine the groans that would have come from any number of children (and perhaps some teachers as well) who saw that sign. There are commercials on the television already, suggesting that parents go to a store, purchase school items now at a discount and pay for them over time before school begins. Somehow, I don't think children would be too happy about going to those stores with their parents.

It always fascinates me how so often we look to events that will be taking place months ahead rather than perhaps living (and enjoying) the present. I am not suggesting that we not plan for the future - we all have to do that. But if we look to the future too much, we never get a chance, as the saying goes, to "...stop and smell the roses."

Having said all this, we are now entering the final month before school begins and our parish activities go into full gear once again. I hope that many of our parish families have had – or will have - the chance to relax, to enjoy the beauty of God's creation around us, to spend time with one another. It is so important for all of us to re-charge our batteries (and I don't mean the Ever-Ready kind). We need to allow our minds and our bodies to rest, to be rejuvenated. We do ourselves, our families and even our employers little good if we never get the chance to rest, to relax, and to re-charge.

Enjoy these weeks of August. Hopefully, the hot weather is behind us and the coming days will be comfortable. (I think that the only people who enjoyed those hot, hot days of July were PSE & G.) May we rest in the Lord as well, knowing that, in the loving embrace of God, we can truly be renewed in body, in mind and in spirit.

Love,
Fr. Bob

Restoring the statue of the Assumption

For many years, the statue of the Assumption of Mary has been in the lower church behind the altar. The statue was originally in the first St. Mary's. Because of its age, it now has some damage and needs to be repaired. We have had it taken to a company that does such repair/restoration. The owner of the company has estimated that the statue's present value is \$38,000.00. The statue could not be made again since the molds used in its creation were destroyed in a fire. That is why we want to repair it – because of its significance to our parish and its value as well. *It will take 2-3 months to repair and would cost about \$5,000.00. If you wish to make a donation for the repair and restoration of this statue, please put whatever donation you would like to make into an envelope marked "Statue Repair/Restoration" and either bring it to the rectory or place it in the Sunday collection.* We would list in the bulletin those who have made a contribution to the statue's restoration unless they indicated that they would not want that. *Thank you for whatever help that you can offer for this repair/restoration.*

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 July 24-25	\$8,001.00
Total for same weekend in 2009	\$8,395.00
Treasure from our children's envelopes	\$6.00
Campaign donations received thus far in June	\$14,791.33

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>"I helped clean the table."</i>	<i>"I helped dress my sister."</i>
<i>"I cleaned the sink."</i>	<i>"I helped clean."</i>
<i>"I helped my mom."</i>	

"Avoid greed in all its forms. A person may be wealthy, but their possessions do not guarantee life." from the Gospel of Luke. *In the realm of faith, material possessions are a false security.*

Ministry - Respect Life Committee

For a number of years, our parish had a **Respect Life Committee**. Its primary role was to ensure that our parish was aware of ways in which we could support life in all its forms, from conception through natural death. We would look at issues such as abortion, the death penalty, domestic violence, and combating poverty, among others and find various ways in which we could address such issues. Right now, there is no existing **Respect Life Committee** at St. Mary's. However, it is a committee that we as a parish should have so that we can do whatever we can to ensure that we address issues related to life. ***If you would be interested in being a member of a Respect Life Committee, please contact Fr. Bob at frbob@stmarysdumont.org.***

Tithing the Tithe – 2010

For the month of June, our parish was able to tithe a total of \$1,033.00 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 - \$230.00
- St. John Food Pantry, Newark - \$230.00
- Missionaries of Charity, Newark - \$230.00
- Emergency Fund - \$343.00

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.*

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

We have people coming to St. Mary's on a regular basis who need a form of some kind filled out and, when we check our records, we find that they are not registered parishioners. **ARE YOU REGISTERED AS A PARISHIONER OF ST. MARY'S?** If you are not, it becomes more complicated if you need some kind of form to be filled out stating that you are a parishioner of our parish. The best way to know that you are registered is the fact that you receive collection envelopes, either on a regular basis or only at Christmas or Easter. **PLEASE** – save yourselves and the parish staff a great deal of time and trouble – **come to the rectory office and register!**

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
 Alicia Newball Angelica Peji Danny Hilsdorf
 James Markert James Phillips Wayne Lawton
 Kristine Becker Donald Dickson
 Brian Collins Edward Bryan Frago Brian Lucas
 Christopher Cookson Christopher Minayn Kyle Zownir
 Joshua M LaBazzetta James R. Melady Stefan Hutnik
 David Christopher Pierson Christopher Lynch
 Christopher Kishbach Ryan Shireman

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.

Capital Campaign - New Information

We have received some of the bills for the work done to the heating system in the school. When we have all of them, we will be listing them below so that our parishioners will know what we spent on that project. We are continuing to look at the repair and re-painting of the church ceiling. As we continue to determine the extent of that work, we will keep the parish informed.

Total amount in pledges made -	\$874,153.93
Number of families who have pledge	450
Average pledge per family -	\$1,942.56
Cash collected thus far -	\$594,586.85
Expenses paid thus far**	\$293,065.83
Cash on hand -	\$301,521.02

Pledges for one time donation are still gratefully accepted.

****Explanation of Expenses**

- 1) Total amount paid to Lynch Development Associates for Preliminary Feasibility Study, Actual Capital Campaign and costs related to both - **\$ 87,970.83**
- 2) Rectory roof repair - **\$ 15,000.00**
- 3) Church roof repair - **\$ 46,251.00**
- 4) Lower Church Drains/Leak **\$ 445.00**
- 5) Tree Removal **\$ 2,000.00**
- 6) Parish Office Steps/Handicapped Ramp **\$ 9,650.00**
- 7) School Heating System **\$120,149.00**
- 8) Church Steeple Repair **\$ 5,900.00**
- 9) Church Front Steps **\$ 5,700.00**

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.

Ministry Schedule - Aug. 7-8 - 19th Sunday of the Year

(This schedule does NOT reflect any changes made on the Internet by Eucharistic ministers.)

<u>8/07-5:30PM</u>	<u>8/08-7:45AM</u>	<u>8/08-10:00AM</u>	<u>8/08-12:00PM</u>
H1-Neil Best	H1-B. Kenter	H1-D. Pacia	H1-F. Ikalina
H3-N. Best	H3-T. Schreiber	H3-E. Marnell	H3-H. Flores
H4-K. Permuy	H4-R. O'Shea	H4-B. Bochicchio	H4-P. Barclay
C1-K. Sylvester	C1-R. Gomez	C1-E. Riguerra	C1-L. Lo
C2-G. Tagliareni	C2-M. Schreiber	C2-E. Stevens	C2-J. Tumaneng
C3-R. Schmidt	C3-M. Daly	C3-L. Ungar	C3-R. Moldez
C4-	C4-J. Olegario	C4-M. Keating	C4-M. Pacia

R1-B. Martin	R1-J. Schaper	R1-T. Connelly	R1-C. Booth
R2-J. Sylvester	R2-K. Sadock	R2-E. Pacia	R2-K. Rhein

S1-M. Permuy	S1-L. Garcia	S1-M. Banzil	S1-L. Cortezano
S2-J. Platon	S2-V. Lim	S2-A. DeJesus	S2-Z. Pacia
S3-A. Stylianou	S3-M. Magusara	S3-A. DeJesus	S3-P. Thalathara

Linen Schedule for the Month of August:

- Aug. 1 Ann Taxter Aug. 8 Eileen Moloney
 Aug. 15 Sue Schettino Aug. 22 Catherine Kelly
 Aug. 29 Pat Barclay

Visits to the homebound

We need to update our listing of our parishioners who are homebound and cannot get to church. If you are a Eucharistic minister who visits a homebound parishioner, please call the rectory and give us their name, address and telephone number. If you know a homebound parishioner who is not being visited to your best knowledge, please call the rectory and let us know. In either case, we want to ensure that these parishioners are being visited on a regular basis by one of the parish priests.

Hospital Privacy

As we announced at Mass this weekend, please remember that current privacy laws regarding patients in hospitals do not allow the hospitals/pastoral care offices to contact parishes if their parishioners are in the hospital. **If you or a loved one are going into the hospital and want a priest to visit you or that loved one, please call the rectory office and let us know.**

Do you know of a job opening up?

Please – e-mail Fr. Bob (frbob@stmarysdumont.org) and let him know if you are aware of a position opening in your company or a name to contact so that we can put this information in the bulletin each week so that our parishioners who are looking for work may get some leads. **LET'S HELP EACH OTHER DURING THESE TIMES.**

- 1) Seeking a full-time loving and reliable nanny to care for our 2 month old daughter and small dog in our home (Dumont) starting August 1st. Must have experience with newborns and valid references. Looking for an energetic and fun loving nanny with light housekeeping as well. Hours M-F 7:30am-6:30pm. Valid Drivers License required. Flexible to travel with the family a plus but not required. Please send resume, salary requirements and references to jodibergin@gmail.com or call 646.270.7210 for more information.

Capital Campaign Work

We are happy to announce that work, financed by the donations made to our Capital Campaign, will soon begin on the church gutters. The leaks that are staining the interior walls of the church are being caused by cracks in the gutters that surround the church. The roofer will soon begin to line all of the gutters around the exterior of the church so that present cracks will be repaired and future cracks prevented from happening. In the coming weeks, you will see cranes around the church. They are necessary so that the work on lining the gutters can be completed. Once this work is done, we can then go on to repairing the cracks in the ceiling and painting the ceiling as well.

This repair work is possible due to the donations made to our Capital Campaign. Thanks to all those who continue to donate so that the work can be completed.



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 religiouised@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 religiouised@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 religiouised@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 religiouised@stmarysdumont.org.



Broadway Bound

We have only 5 tickets remaining to see the musical comedy **Promises, Promises** for Friday evening, **Sept. 10, 2010**, but they are going fast and you need to get yours as soon as possible. The cost is **\$99.50 per person** and the seats are 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.**

Part-time Maintenance Position

St. Mary's is looking for a person to fill a part-time maintenance position at the parish. The primary responsibilities will be 1) the landscaping of the parish grounds: cutting the grass, trimming/edging grass areas, pruning shrubbery, removing weeds, blowing leaves, and 2) painting of both interior and exterior spaces on the property. The position would also include some plumbing, carpentry, and electrical work as needed and the putting up/taking down of chairs/tables in the gymnasium. This position is a 15-hour-a-week position, broken down into 3 hours per day, Monday-Friday. Please call John Weiss at the rectory – 201-384-0557 – for salary and more information.

St. Mary's Youth Ministry (SMYM)

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

"Be rich in what matters to God"

(Luke 12: 13-21)

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus talks about riches, inheritance, money, and savings. He doesn't say that riches are bad, but he asks: is money more important than life... more important than peace between brothers and sisters? Maybe you'll say that you're just a teen and that you don't worry about money. Even so, you already have riches. You have toys, games, clothing, and other things. These riches can bring you closer to others, or tear you apart. You have to make the right choice. For example, what good is it to have a brand-new electronic game, but it if it's only for making your friends jealous? Do you prefer having the new game over having good friends with who you go play the game with? What is more important? This week, discover your true riches and find different ways you can share them. - Magnifikid

What Events Are Coming Up For Teens?

"Parish Party in honor of our Patroness, Our Lady of the Assumption" - Sunday, August 15

(2-6p) There will be food, music, and games, and all types of fun. You should have gotten a free wristband from the parish business office by July 31.

"Logo needed for JAM Sessions - 2010/2011"

This school year, we are restoring our JAM sessions! JAM sessions are combined youth ministry events of St. John's - Bergenfield, Ascension - New Milford, and St. Mary's - Dumont (JAM). We need a JAM logo, which can be incorporated into Microsoft Word, which we can use to publicize these events. If you can create one, please let us know & we'll give you some basic direction but leave the creativity entirely up to you.

Vitamins for the Mind: Desire & Motivation

Don't wish it was easier; wish you were better. Don't wish for less problems; wish for more skills. Don't wish for less challenges; wish for more wisdom.

You must either modify your dreams or magnify your skills.

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

"Family Life Center International – Faith & Family."

<http://familylifecenter.net/>

How about our weekly email? Are you signed up? It has different resources than this column

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.

Knights of Columbus Events:

Upcoming activities at St. John's Council #1345 Knights of Columbus include:

Monday August 2 - Council meeting at 8PM. This is the only meeting in August.

Friday thru Sunday August 13th thru 15th – Council retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House. Contact Tony Tulli for information and reservations at 201-385-6148.

The Council is open on Friday evenings from 8-11PM. Why not stop in and learn more about us!

For more information about St. John's Council, check out our website at www.kofc1345.org.

St. John's, Newark - August 13

A group of our parishioners will be going to St. John's, Newark, on Friday, August 13, to prepare and serve a meal. As in the past, there is always need for white socks and back packs for those who come for a meal. If you can purchase these and bring them to the rectory, we can bring them down to St. John's, Newark.