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THE MISSION OF ST. MARYS

We the family of St. Marys of Closter, fervently believe in the fatherhood of God whom we come to know through the Lord Jesus Christ. We dedicate ourselves to the promotion of the spiritual and temporal welfare of our parish and our community. To this end, we direct our prayers to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through Mary the Blessed Mother and Patroness of our parish family.



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WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST

Saturday (Anticipated Mass)..... 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM

Weekdays (Monday through Saturday)..... 8:00 AM

Holy Days 8:00 AM, 12:00 Noon & 7:30 PM

Civic Holidays 8:00 AM

First Fridays: Holy Hour 7:00 PM

Mass with Prayers for Healing: 8:00 PM (Year Round)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM or anytime a priest is available.

First Friday: 7:15 - 7:45 PM

SPOUSE OF THE SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

7:30 PM Fridays except First Friday. All welcome.

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration: Monday - 7:00 - 8:00 PM and as scheduled. **Holy Hour:** Thursday, 7:30 PM - Church.

Marian Devotions: Miraculous Medal Novena and Recitation of the Rosary: Saturdays after 8:00 AM Mass.

Information regarding Sacraments, Parish Ministries and Care of the Sick & Homebound can be found on our website. To arrange baptisms or weddings call the parish office.

Kindly notify the Rectory Office if you change your address or move from our parish community. Please see our website for Parish Calendar and more information about Sacraments and Parish Life.

Rectory Phone: 201-768-7565

Parish Cell Phone # for emergencies only: 201-956-0218

Rectory Office Hours: Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

(Closed for lunch between 12 Noon & 1:00 PM)

Center for Spiritual Development Religious Education: 201-767-8247

Center Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM & by appt.

ST. MARY PARISH WORSHIPPING SINCE 1911

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 –
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Dn. 12: 1-3; Heb. 10: 11-14, 18; Mk. 13: 24-32

- 7:30 AM** All Parishioners – Living and Deceased
- 9:30 AM** Frank and Mary Rapisarda
req. by Carl Rapisarda
- 11:30 AM** All Soul’s in Purgatory
req. by the Menezes Family

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16 –
ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND; ST. GERTRUDE, VIRGIN**

1 Mc. 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk. 18: 35-43

- 8:00 AM** Raissa Fernandes / req. by Natasha D’Souza

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17 –
ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, RELIGIOUS**

2 Mc. 6: 18-31; Lk. 19: 1-10

- 8:00 AM** Thomas P. McCabe
req. by John and Canice Cristofolletti and Family

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 – THE DEDICATION OF THE
BASILICAS OF STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES; ST. ROSE
PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE, VIRGIN**

2 Mc. 7: 1, 20-31; Lk. 19: 11-28

- 8:00 AM** Mary Neusch / req. by Judy and Ken Griffin

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19 – WEEKDAY

1 Mc. 2: 15-29; Lk. 19: 41-44

- 8:00 AM** Pietro and Teresa DiPlacido
req. by Pat and Angela Conte

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20 – WEEKDAY

1 Mc. 4: 36-37, 58-59; Lk. 19: 45-48

- 8:00 AM** Happy Birthday Fran Semler
req. by Our Lady of Grace Prayer Group

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 –
THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

1 Mc. 6: 1-13; Lk. 20: 27-40

- 8:00 AM** Souls in Purgatory
req. by Mr. & Mrs. E. Cappelluti
- 5:00 PM** Special Intentions / req. by Natasha D’Souza

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 –
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

Dn. 7: 13-14; Rv. 1: 5-8; Jn. 18: 33b-37

- 7:30 AM** All Parishioners – Living and Deceased
- 9:30 AM** Angela Organo / req. by the Organo Family
- 11:30 AM** Luigi Russo / req. by the Russo Family



THIS WEEK’S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Altar Bread: In memory of Kathleen and Joseph Mann.
Sanctuary Candle: In memory of Marge Fauci, req. by Chris Hofmann.

PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

As disciples of Jesus we need to understand that as a parish we need to live our discipleship in a committed and intentional manner. Jesus invites us today in the gospel to learn a lesson from the fig tree. As Gods people called to discipleship we can always learn and grow and recognize not only the signs of the times but how we can grow as disciples. I am always learning and looking for new perspectives.

Recently I have been inspired by Fr. Michael White the pastor of Nativity parish in Timonium, MD, who recently in a homily series spoke to his people about discipleship. He used the acronym STEPS which stands for SERVICE, TITHING, ENGAGE, PRAYER AND SHARE, as elements of discipleship that will help us to strive for greatness. He said God is great and He wants us to be great too. He went on in the series to speak of how we all can grow in discipleship. To serve, because Jesus served others we are called to serve, About tithing he said that God is a giver and we also are called to give, and that our giving to our parish and to the poor must be planned, a priority, a particular percentage of our income, and progressive. With regards to engage, he said we must be in relationship to God and to one another, thus the important of small groups where people can be cared for and ministered to. Prayer and Sacraments we are called to deepen our appreciation of Sunday liturgy and make it a priority in our lives, as well as personally, plan out a regular intentional time of prayer each day in a particular place. We are called to share of ourselves in outreach in two ways. To the parish family, all of us are invited to come out of the pew to serve the parish family in ministries and secondly to serve beyond our parish in outreach ministries to the poor, homeless, those in need. As I listened to this series he preached to his parish I was inspired and thought I would briefly summarize this series for you so that you too may be inspired as together we walk the road to greater intentional discipleship.

Have a blessed week. Love, Fr. Paul

**ST. MARY PARISH IS A PARISH
THAT PRACTICES STEWARDSHIP**

Last Sunday’s collection was as follows:

Amount Collected in 144 Sunday Envelopes	\$4,398.00
Total Collected in Loose Money	\$414.00
Total Collected for Diocesan Assessment.....	\$975.00
Total Sunday Collection.....	\$5,787.00
Last year’s collection for same week was.....\$6,385.00	

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Collected in 1 Add’l. Propagation of the Faith Env....\$25.00

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP

“And then they will see the Son of Man, coming in the clouds with great power and glory.” – Mark 13: 26

We will all have that day when we are standing before God and our life is played out like a movie. When this happens and God asks each of us, “What have you done with the gifts that I have given you?” How will you respond?

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ally Aagard, Alana Bronze, Diego Bronze, Lillian Cahill, Lillian Guyt, Chip Hartwell, Ed Koch, Donna Oettinger, Jim Walsh

ST. MARY PARISH WORSHIPPING SINCE 1911

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY PARISH

11/15 - SUNDAY

9:30 AM - LWC
9:30 AM - Noon - Religious Ed -
Grades 1 - 5
10:45 AM - Parish Choir Call
11:30 AM Parish Choir at Mass
12:30 PM - 4:30 PM - Third Order
Lay Carmelites - Fr. Roger Troy Hall

11/16 - MONDAY

Scrip Orders being placed
10:00 AM - Prayer Shawl Ministry -
Parish Life Room
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Exposition of
the Most Blessed Sacrament
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM - Deepening the
Journey - Parish Life Room

11/17 - TUESDAY

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Moms Group -
Parish Life Room
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM - Junior High
Youth Ministry - Grades 6 - 7
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM - Women's
Cornerstone - Parish Life Room

11/18 - WEDNESDAY

No - Pray Fit
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM - Morning
Scripture Study - Parish Life Room
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM - Choristers
Rehearsal - Fr. Kevin Cahill Room
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM - Evening
Scripture Study - Center for Spiritual
Development
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM - Men's
Cornerstone Meeting - Parish Life
Room

11/19 - THURSDAY

7:30 PM - Marian / Eucharistic Holy
Hour
7:30 PM - Parish Choir Rehearsal -
Fr. Kevin Cahill Room

11/20 - FRIDAY

No - Pray Fit
7:30 PM - Spouse of the Spirit Prayer
Group - Fr. Kevin Cahill Room

11/21 - SATURDAY

No - Pray Fit
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM - Confirmation
Sponsor and Teen Meeting - Fr.
Roger Troy Hall
12:00 PM - AA Mass and Meeting
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM - Reconciliation

11/22 - SUNDAY

8:45 AM - Choristers Call
9:30 AM - Choristers at Mass
9:30 AM - Family Mass
No - LWC

11/22 - SUNDAY (CONTINUED)

10:45 AM - Parish Choir Call
11:30 AM Parish Choir at Mass
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM - Confirmation Session Church and Fr. Roger Troy Hall
7:00 PM - Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at Temple Beth El

DEEPENING THE JOURNEY

Monday, **November 16th**, 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM. Come and be spiritually-refreshed as we experience a new DVD series by Fr. Albert Haase, "Keeping the Fire Alive". All are welcome!

MOMS' GROUP

Tuesday, **November 17th**, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM. Welcome to all Moms! There is free baby-sitting! Come and meet other Moms to share and enjoy a delightful morning!

CORNERSTONE SISTERS

Tuesday, **November 17th**. All Cornerstone Sisters come and enjoy our new Cornerstone Team!

SPECIAL NOON MASS

A special mass and support group meeting for all who are affected by the disease of alcoholism will take place at Church of St. Mary, on Saturday, **November 21st**, at 12:00 noon. Mass is offered for the support, healing and recovery of not only the man/woman directly infected with the abuse of alcohol or drugs, but also for anyone involved in the life of the alcoholic or drug addict. For information please call 201-768-7565.

HACKENSACK WALK IN DINNER PROGRAM

Thanks to all who donated prepared the delicious foods for the recent walk in dinner on October 7th and the other dates in 2015. Your continued generosity is very much appreciated by the clients that we serve there. The **2016** dates for the program are: **February 17th**, **May 25th**, **August 10th** and **November 30th**.

SCRIP GIFT CARDS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Don't spend hours of your time, shopping the Malls. Purchase Scrip **Gift Cards** through St. Mary's Fundraising Program. It is simple to order Scrip Gift cards:

- Complete the order forms (found in the vestibules of the church) and return the order form to the rectory, with a check payable to Church of St. Mary; **OR**
- Order online by setting up an online account at www.ShopwithScrip.com (Registration #D84E6EB522L51) and pay **either** by PrestoPay or via check to Church of St. Mary.

Orders for scrip gift cards will be processed on the dates below. Orders are received by Thursday of the week they are ordered and are available for pick up at the Rectory after all Masses and during the week. Orders will be placed on: **November 16th**, **December 7th** and **December 14th**. For further info, contact Jane Bishop at 201-739-5622.

PLEASE NOTE: THE SCRIP CARD PROGRAM WILL BE DISCONTINUED EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1ST, 2016.

ST. MARY THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

We are collecting donations of **non-perishable holiday food items** to benefit the Closter Food Pantry and Office of Concern Food Pantry in Englewood. Please see the posters in the church vestibules for more information. Any questions, please call Maureen Logerfo at 201-784-3891. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

SAVE THE DATE - Details will follow closer to event

November 28th and 29th

Fair Trade Sale

ANNOUNCED SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Weekly offerings of: Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Sanctuary Candle and Blessed Virgin Mary Candle are available the remainder of **2015**. **Please note:** Donations for **Sanctuary Flowers and Plants** are now available as part of our weekly offerings of special intentions.

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