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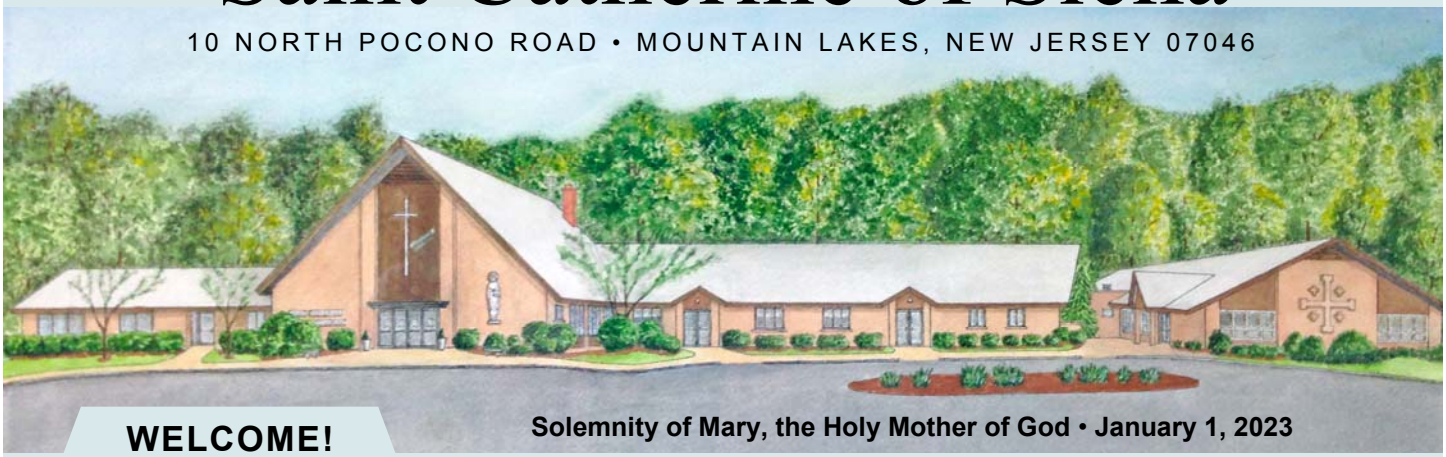

WELCOME!

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God • January 1, 2023

We invite all our members to participate as fully as they are able. New parishioners are invited to call the parish office to register or send in the registration form available on our website. If you move to another parish, or change your address, please notify the parish office.

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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

MASSES

Saturday evening ----- 5:30 pm **Sunday**------- 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am
Holy Days---------- See Bulletin
Weekdays ---------- 6:45 am
Saturday morning ---------- 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION *(Confession)*

Saturday ----------4:00 - 5:00 pm *(or by appointment)*

BAPTISM: Information is available on our website. Please contact the parish office to schedule.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance. Please contact the parish office.

MINISTRIES & COMMITTEES

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When you go on vacation anytime, don't leave God behind.

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Saturday December 31
5:30 pm Our Parishioners
Sunday January 1 *Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God*
7:30 am Pete and Rosemary Haas
9:30 am Stephen Long
11:30 am Carmen and Charles Franki, Joseph Patrick McLaughlin, and Lorraine Doherty
Monday January 2 *Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church*
6:45 am Marie Fleck
Tuesday January 3
6:45 am Peter Morelli
Wednesday January 4 *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious*
6:45 am Christopher Dwyer
Thursday January 5 *St. John Neumann, Bishop*
6:45 am George Uhlman
Friday January 6
6:45 am Elizabeth and Kenneth Henderson
Saturday January 7
8:00 am Harry Betzig
5:30 pm Robert Halm
Sunday January 8 *The Epiphany of the Lord*
7:30 am Joseph Santino and Our Parishioners
9:30 am Elizabeth Long
11:30 am Thomas Corigliano, Victoria Strocchia, and Lorraine Doherty

Pray for the Sick

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Frank Razzano, John Stibravy, Laura Miceli, Mario Dugonjic, Ronald Cieplik, Anne Marie and Luke Pikor, Jeff O'Brien, Ikaika Murray, Judy Thompson, and all those suffering extended illness.

If anyone is in need of prayers from our prayer group, please contact Lee Maute 973-590-7820 or Linda Castellucci 201-602-4935.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available when a parishioner or family member is seriously ill, facing surgery, is of advanced age or in need of healing. Please contact Fr. Parisi to arrange.

There is a second collection for the Diocesan Assessment next weekend

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Happy New Year!

Scripture Readings
January 1, 2023
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27
The Lord told Aaron to bestow his blessings on the Israelites. God wanted them to know that by invoking his name they would be blessed by him.

Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7
Paul describes how through Jesus' birth, we have been delivered from the laws that exiled Gentiles from God's community. Through Jesus, the Gentiles became God's adopted sons and would receive the same blessings that the Jewish converts had been promised.

Gospel: Luke 2:16-21
The shepherds went to Bethlehem to see Jesus and immediately understood all that they had been told about him. They praised God for what they had seen, and Jesus was given the name that the angel had chosen for him.

NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

UPCOMING DATES:

January 2
No class
January 4 –
First Communion parent meeting 7:00 pm
January 8 –
Religious Education class-attached-to-Mass resumes
January 9 –
9th and 10th grade Religious Education classes resume
January 15 –
No Religious Education class-attached-to-Mass
January 16 –
No Religious Education class grades 9 and 10

Altar Servers (Children, Teens, & Adults)

Any child, teen or adult who has received first Eucharist is invited to participate in this important ministry. Please contact Lance Incitti at lanceincitti@gmail.com or 973-625-4892.

Ushers / Usherettes Needed

Young and old are welcome to volunteer. If you can help out, please see Fr. Parisi or one of the ushers.

Thank you to all of those who worked so diligently to make our church beautiful inside and out!

Men's Prayer Group

"Drop your nets and follow me, for I will make you fishers of men."

Become involved in the Men's Prayer Group where we come together as sons of God to understand what is expected of us in the world today. Please join with us to let Him enter into our lives. Each of us can make a difference for our parish and our future as a faith community. Meetings are held at 6:30 am Saturday mornings in the church hall. Those in attendance are encouraged, when possible, to stay for 8:00 am Mass immediately following the meeting.

Save the Date:

Women's Annual Retreat
March 3, 4, and 5 at Villa Pauline

Compassionate Friends

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will be meeting on **Thursday, January 12 at 7:30 pm** in the Union Hill Presbyterian Church recreation room (back entrance), 427 Franklin Rd, Denville. Program will be, *"Expectations and Goals for the New Year".* Meetings are held every 2nd Thursday of the month. Please join our private FaceBook page, *"The Compassionate Friends Parsippany Chapter",* for more meeting information.

Questions? Please contact Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164, lilycap1972@gmail.com

Healing after Abortion

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A *Day of Prayer and Healing* offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to his invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. Upcoming dates in the NYC area are January 14, February 4, March 11 and May 20. For more dates, locations, and confidential registration, or just to talk to a sister, please call the Sisters of Life at 866-575-0075 or email us at hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org

www.sistersoflife.org/healing-after-abortion

For retreats for men, contact Lumina: 877-586-4621, lumina@postabortionhelp.org

As we think of Mary and Joseph searching for shelter for pregnant Mary, do we also think of women and men searching for help with a pregnancy? If you would like to be part of a parish group to provide resources to those facing problem pregnancies, please contact Sr. Jane Abeln 973-967-9430; srjanesmic@gmail.com with your name, email, and telephone number.

Journey - Marriage Enrichment Program

Monday evenings January 12 – February 9
Each session will be held on Zoom from 8pm to 9:30pm with the exception of February 9.

"Journey," a Marriage Enrichment Training Program, will offer the faith-inspired support couples need at any stage. Using a different approach from engaging in parallel men's and women's faith activities, couples will come together to grow in holiness and the joy of the Lord through the gift of their marriage covenant. Sometimes couples feel like martyrs to their covenant and lose hope; perhaps the tyranny of the urgent convinces them to put off nourishing their marriage until "another time," which can come too late.

The time is now. Come join other faithful Catholic couples to approach practical, thoughtful, and uplifting marriage topics in a "think-pair-share" format. This will serve as marriage enrichment training for marriage ministry leaders. Register at https://insidethewalls.org/marriage-enrichment

Marianist Family Retreat Center
Cape May Point, NJ

College Age Retreat January 6 - 8
(high school seniors welcome)

This retreat is designed to bring young people together of college age (17-22). Whether you are in college or working, come join us to renew your spiritual life, deepen your relationship with God and meet new friends. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun! Cost: $145* per person.

Young Adult Retreat February 10 - 12

Come join other young adults (ages 22-35) married or single, to take a step back from our busy lives. This will be a time to examine your personal faith and your relationship with God, your family members and yourself. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun! Cost : $145* per person.

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