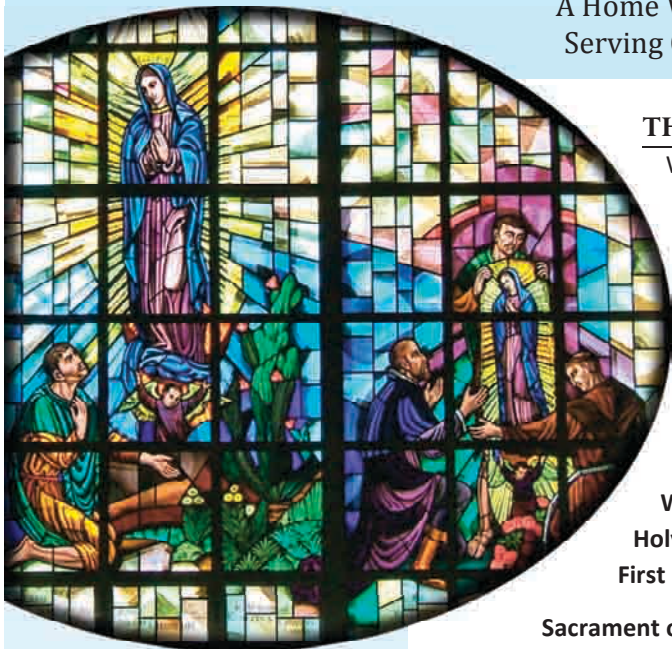


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Rectory

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201-768-7565

Parish cell phone number for emergencies only: 201-956-0218

Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Friday:
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*Closed for lunch between
12 Noon & 1:00 PM*

Parish Website

www.stmarycloster.org

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Center Hours

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and by appointment

THE MISSION OF ST. MARY'S

We the family of St. Mary's 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.

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 & Civic Holidays -----As announced the Sunday before

First Fridays - Holy Hour: 7:00 PM; Mass with Prayers for Healing: 8:00 PM

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.

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SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY † APRIL 3, 2016

EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

ST. MARY PARISH WORSHIPPING SINCE 1911

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, APRIL 3 – SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

Acts 5: 12-16; Rv. 1: 9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn. 20: 19-31

- 7:30 AM** All Parishioners – Living and Deceased
9:30 AM Jack Kelly / req. by Frank and Irene O'Driscoll
11:30 AM Dorothy Procida / req. by Yvonne Albericci

MONDAY, APRIL 4 – THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

Is. 7: 10-14, 8-10; Heb. 10: 4-10; Lk. 1: 26-38

- 8:00 AM** Carmela Pisano / req. by the Pisano Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 5 – ST. VINCENT FERRER, PRIEST

Acts 4: 32-37; Jn 3: 7b-15

- 8:00 AM** Catherine Marino
req. by the Macchiavelli Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6 – EASTER WEEKDAY

Acts 5: 17-26; Jn. 3: 16-21

- 8:00 AM** Lee Quinn / req. by Thom and Grace Calabro

THURSDAY, APRIL 7 – ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE, PRIEST

Acts 5: 27-33; Jn. 3: 31-36

- 8:00 AM** Anne and Walter Brady / req. by Dennis Brady

FRIDAY, APRIL 8 – EASTER WEEKDAY

Acts 5: 34-42; Jn. 6: 1-15

- 8:00 AM** Kenneth Kelly / req. by the McGowan Family

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 – EASTER WEEKDAY

Acts 6: 1-7; Jn. 6: 16-21

- 8:00 AM** Pauline Wagner
req. by Thom and Grace Calabro
5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Piezas Family
req. by Roy and Espie Landrito

SUNDAY, APRIL 10 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 5: 27-32, 40b-41; Rv. 5: 11-14; Jn. 21: 1-19 or 21: 1-14

- 7:30 AM** All Parishioners – Living and Deceased
9:30 AM Zonnia Sellano
req. by the Hildenbrand and Sapper Families
11:30 AM Agnes Kelly / req. by Cathy and Bill Ryan



THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Altar Bread: in memory of Michael and Nellie Duffy.

ANNOUNCED SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Weekly offerings of: Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Sanctuary Candle, Blessed Virgin Mary Candle and Sanctuary Flowers and Plants are available throughout 2016.

PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday, when we celebrate the great Mercy of God poured out for us. Here in our parish we will celebrate with a special prayer service this afternoon at 3:00 PM. Pope St. John Paul the second, restored this devotion to the church, and declared the Sunday after Easter to celebrate God's mercy. In this year of mercy, may we come together to praise God for His abundant mercy shown to us through the Easter mysteries that we continue to celebrate during these great 50 days of Easter.

Blessings of the Easter Season.

Love, Fr. Paul.

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Last Sunday's collection was as follows:

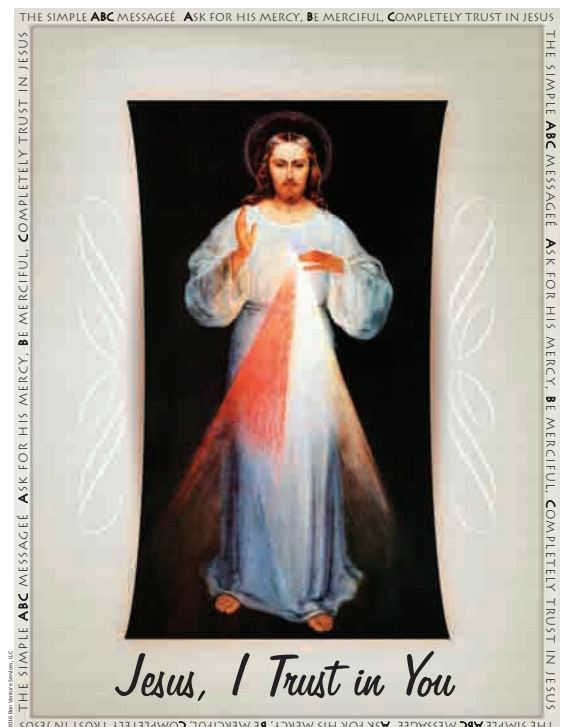
Amount Collected in Sunday Envelopes.....	\$0.00
Total Collected in Loose Money.....	\$0.00
Total Collected for Diocesan Assessment.....	\$0.00
Collected in Heat Envelopes.....	\$0.00
Total Sunday Collection.....	\$0.00

Last year's collection for same week was \$7,169.00

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS ON STEWARDSHIP

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'" – John 20: 21

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world to share His peace and Good News, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be grateful and generous. We should look for opportunities to share His peace with our brothers and sisters not only within our local parish boundaries, but outside of them as well. In giving, you will receive the peace of Christ.



ST. MARY PARISH WORSHIPPING SINCE 1911

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY PARISH

4/3 – SUNDAY

9:30 AM – LWC

9:30 AM – Noon – Religious Education – Grades 1 – 5

Coffee Connections after the 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses – Sponsored by Men's Group

4/4 – MONDAY

Scrip Orders being placed

10:00 AM – Prayer Shawl Ministry

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

7:30 PM – 9:00 PM – Deepening the Journey – Parish Life Room

4/5 – 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

No – Cornerstone Sisters

4/6 – WEDNESDAY

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM – Morning Scripture Study – Parish Life Room

4:00 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

4/7 – THURSDAY

7:30 PM – Marian / Eucharistic Holy Hour

7:30 PM – Parish Choir Rehearsal – Fr. Kevin Cahill Room

4/8 – FRIDAY

7:30 PM – Spouse of the Spirit Prayer Group – Fr. Kevin Cahill Room

4/9 – SATURDAY

4:00 PM – 4:45 PM – Reconciliation

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM – Pasta with the Pastor

4/10 – SUNDAY

9:30 AM – LWC

10:45 AM – Parish Choir Call

11:30 AM – Parish Choir at Church

SCRIP ORDERS

We will be placing an order for Scrip Gift Cards Monday morning, **April 4th**. Please have your orders to us no later than 10:00 AM. Info can be found in the vestibules or contact John Hernandez at jah21344@aol.com or 201-768-8871 or Grace Ditzel at gditzel@stmarycloster.org or 201-768-7565 for further information.

DEEPENING THE JOURNEY

Monday, **April 4th**, 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM. Do you ever experience confusion in living out the Beatitudes? Come and enjoy "The Beatitudes according to Bishop Barron!"

MOMS' GROUP

Tuesday, **April 5th**. Welcome to all Moms! There is free baby-sitting! "Spirituality in Parenting," a series of presentations by Fr. Doug Lorig is excellent! Come and enjoy!

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Wednesday, **April 6th**, 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM and 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM. Join us when you can. You are always welcome. Each week is a new topic.

FAMILY PROMISE HOMELESS SHELTER

Church of St. Mary will be hosting the Family Promise Homeless Shelter at the New Jersey Harvest Church (next to Stop and Shop in Closter) **April 3rd – 10th**. Anyone who would like to help in any way, please call Ernie Linn at 201-768-6912. We especially need overnight chaperones. If you're not available this time we will be hosting again May 22nd – 29th and October 23rd – 30th.

THE ROSARY

The rosary is said daily at 7:30 AM in the church to combat the evil of ISIS.

MISSING WINTER ITEMS?

Missing gloves or a scarf? Several winter items have been found in church. They're in our Lost and Found basket in the north vestibule on the side by the Center for Spiritual Development.

CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY LITURGIES

Every couple who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of Christian marriage during 2016 is invited to celebrate this anniversary liturgy with Archbishop John J. Myers in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. Five and twenty-five years on Sunday, **April 24th** at 3:00 PM and fifty years on Sunday, **May 1st** at 3:00 PM. Please call the rectory to register, the **deadline** for April 24th is Monday, **April 4th** and the deadline for May 1st is Monday, **April 11th**.

STEPHANIE CYWINSKI-OBRIEN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

For the ninth consecutive year, student scholarships are being offered through the Stephanie Cywinski-O'Brien Trust. Applications are now being accepted from parish 7th and 8th grade students attending a Catholic grammar school, as well as Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors attending a Catholic high school and continuing their education at a Catholic school. Applications and eligibility requirements are available at the parish office. Applications are due **April 10th** with decisions to be made by April 30th. Applications available at the Rectory.

COLLEGE AND CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Queen of Peace Council of the Knights of Columbus, Closter, is accepting applications for the Jim McGahren Memorial Scholarships, from students in the Parishes of the Northern Valley. Two scholarships will be awarded, for the 2016-17 academic year: College – \$1000, Catholic High School – \$1000. Applications are due by **May 2nd**. Applications are available in the Parish Office or by e-mailing KofC3679@verizon.net.

HOW TO REPORT ABUSE

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse.

Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at 201-407-3256.

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- Online Registration will close on 6/22 -

- Check out www.lincolnparktriathlon.com for course info and to register -

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