CHURCH OF ST. MARY

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ST. MARY PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the family of St. Mary 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.



PARISH STAFF AND CONTACTS

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Parish Trustees: Pamela Derfus and John Hernandez and assisted by the Pastoral Advisory Board

and Financial Council

WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST

Saturday (Anticipated Sunday Mass)-	5:00 PM
Sunday	7:30 AM, 9:30 AM & 12:00 PM
First Sunday of July through Labor Day	Weekend 8:30 & 11:00 AM
Weekdays (Monday through Saturda	y)8:00 AM
Holy Days & Civic Holidays	As announced the Sunday before

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday-----4:15 - 4:45 PM or call for an appointment

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday - 8:30 - 9:30 AM 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 Father or the parish office.



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PARISH OFFICES

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

20 Legion Place, Closter, New Jersey 07624 201-768-7565 • Parish Website: stmarycloster.org

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM (Closed for lunch between 12 Noon & 1:00 PM)

CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

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CENTER HOURS:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM and by appointment

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 -

Dt. 6: 2-6; Heb. 7: 23-28; Mk. 12: 28b-34

5:00 PM Paul and Marie Vecchio req. by the Bertelloni Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4 -

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dt. 6: 2-6; Heb. 7: 23-28; Mk. 12: 28b-34

7:30 AM Adam Kennedy Tobia / req. by Rita Tobia

9:30 AM All Parishioners – Living and Deceased

12:00 PM All Soul's Novena

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5 - WEEKDAY

Phil. 2: 1-4; Lk. 14: 12-14

8:00 AM All Soul's Novena

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6 - WEEKDAY

Phil. 2: 5-11; Lk. 14: 15-24

8:00 AM All Soul's Novena

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 - WEEKDAY

Phil. 2: 12-18; Lk. 14: 25-33

8:00 AM All Soul's Novena

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8 - WEEKDAY

Phil. 3: 3-8a; Lk. 15: 1-10

8:00 AM All Soul's Novena

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9 -

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Ez. 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12: 1 Cor. 3: 9c-11, 16-17; Jn. 2: 13-22

8:00 AM All Soul's Novena

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 – ST. LEO THE GREAT,

POPE AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Phil. 4: 10-19; Lk. 16: 9-15

8:00 AM All Soul's Novena

5:00 PM Pat Caldwell / req. by J. Caldwell

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 -

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Kgs. 17: 10-16; Heb. 9: 24-28; Mk. 12: 38-44 or 12: 41-44

7:30 AM Mary B. Tobia / req. by Rita Tobia

9:30 AM All Parishioners – Living and Deceased

12:00 PM All Veterans – Living and Deceased

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Altar Bread – In memory of Kathleen and Joseph Mann.

Altar Wine -Special Intentions.

Blessed Virgin Mary Candle - In memory of Lee Hofmann.



ANNOUNCED SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Weekly offerings of: Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Blessed Virgin Mary Candle and Sanctuary Candle are available the remainder of **2018**.

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners.

One of the most important privileges we have as Americans is the right to vote. It is a privilege and a right which we hold dear. Please remember to go and exercise that right this week. As Christians, it is also important to pray as the election approaches. Let us pray that God will give us a clear understanding of the issues and concerns that confront our nation. May God free us from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty. May we have an ear that will be open to the cries of the unborn and those abandoned, may we have minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your kingdom.

Beginning this Wednesday, our Eucharistic holy hour will be held following the 8:00 AM Mass and continue until 9:30 AM. Please join us at Mass and in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament each week. As we approach this season of thanksgiving, let us take a few moments out of our day to say "thank-you" to Jesus for all the blessings we have received.

During the month of November, please remember to pray for our beloved dead. Your All Souls intentions are placed on the altar so that all your intentions will be remembered during the month and they will be prayed for during each Mass.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Joe

We Pray for the Sick

Irene Abad, Paula Bertelloni, Christian Brueck, Fran Caldwell, Dolores Collier, Lee Ann Davito, Lisa Deegan, Desiderio Fernandes, Frank Forte, Ed Koch, Sr. Dominic Marie McDonnell, Carol Munkins, David O'Hanlon, John Pagano, Alicia Parent, Joan Pinto, Richard Pinto, Jim Walsh, Samantha

Hospital Privacy

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 Father to visit you or a loved one, please call the rectory office and let us know.

ST. MARY PARISH WORSHIPPING SINCE 1911

Potter visits with St Mary's religious education classes last Saturday.





Ray used his potter's wheel, clay and a multimedia presentation to impart messages of creativity, love and a gentle call to relationship.

God is the potter we are the clay. Great lessons learned! Thanks, St Mary's religious education team!



St Mary's Prayer Shawl Ministry

Shawls were blessed at mass this past weekend and made available for you to give to anyone who may be ill or in need of prayers and support. Shawls handmade with great love by our parishioners.



INVITING ALL WOMEN – Come away for awhile . . . to an oasis of peace and healing Spiritual weekend retreat, January 11th – 13th, 2019. Come for a wonderful weekend after the hustle and bustle of the Holidays. St. Francis Center for Renewal, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. "The Journey is Made Holy by Walking". Price \$175.00 per person

single, \$165.00 per person doubles. \$80.00 deposit (payable to St. Francis Center for Renewal) balance paid at retreat center. Leave from St. Mary 2:00 PM Friday, January 11th and return after lunch on January 13th. For information call Victoria Maiorino at 201-767-1698.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY PARISH

Nov. 4:

9:30 AM – LWC

10:30 AM - 11:50 AM - Religious Education - Grades K - 6

Thanksgiving Food Drive after all Masses

Nov. 5:

10:00 AM - Prayer Shawl Ministry - Parish Life Room

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

Nov. 6:

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM - Religious Education - Grades 6 - 7

7:30 PM - Parish Choir Rehearsal - Church

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM - Women's Cornerstone - Parish Life Room

Nov. 7:

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM - Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament - Church 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM - Morning Scripture Sturdy - Parish Life Room 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM - Evening Scripture Study - Conference Room

Nov. 8:

7:30 PM - Marian / Eucharistic Holy Hour

7:30 PM – 9:00 PM – K of C Meeting – Fr. Roger Troy Hall

Nov 10:

4:15 - 4:45 PM - Reconciliation

Nov. 11:

9:30 AM - LWC

11:15 AM - Parish Choir Call

12:00 PM – Parish Choir at Mass

12:30 PM – 4:30 PM – Third Order Lay Carmelite Meeting – Fr. Roger Troy Hall

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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Welcome Home, Sister Georgette!

We were thrilled to pray with Sister at Mass as she returned to St. Mary's for the Women's Cornerstone Retreat. Prayers and love to you, Sister!



What's Going on in Choir?

We welcome new member, Janine, to the choir! The group is currently learning how to read music, spending a portion of each rehearsal learning note value recognition, time signatures, rhythm and how to read a score. It's making us better musicians and rewarding us! The group

is working on pieces composed 500 years ago to today. Above all, we have a good time in our stewardship of time and talent. The group rehearses Tuesday eves and sings twice a month at Noon Mass. Just come and join us, high school and older, no singing experience necessary. Contact Louis at ministry@stmarycloster.org

Thank you, St. Mary's Stewards

Thank you to each parishioner who helps St. Mary's achieve her mission through their prayers, volunteering, ministering, and supporting that parish financially so that she may thrive! It takes many hands and hearts to keep beloved St. Mary's moving forward in faith!

Please Register as a Parishioner

Please take time TODAY to register as a parishioner. By registering, you are letting the parish know that you commit to her mission and that you wish to belong to a community of faith, God's family. Registering helps the parish plan and know demographics – how many adults, the number and age of children to anticipate religious education plans, etc. Registering helps St. Mary's keep you informed of news and important parish and community announcements via email and occasional snail mail. Visit www.stmarycloster.org to register or call the parish office this week. God bless and thank you!

What does it mean to be a "parishioner" at St. Mary's?

It starts with a desire to follow Jesus Christ, to seek to grow in faith as an individual and a family, to pray together with his Church EVERY WEEK at Mass, to become active in the mission of parish outreach/ministry and support the parish financially so that her mission of salvation and service may continue.

SACRAMENT CERTIFICATE REQUESTS

For various reasons there are times when one needs to obtain a new current Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation, or Marriage Certificate. When doing so please allow the office <u>at least two weeks time</u>. Thank you.



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Discover the Joy of being a Hospice Volunteer

If you have a warm heart, a listening ear, and the gift of compassion, you can make a difference in the life of a hospice patient or family member. VNA Health Group is offering training for all individuals interested in becoming hospice volunteers in Bergen County

Training will be provided by members of the VNAHG Hospice team on 3 Thursday's in November: Thursday, November 8th, November 15th, and November 29th from 10:30AM till 3:30 PM at VNA Englewood, 15 Engle Street, Englewood, NJ, Suite 301.

There are many rewards and opportunities available to hospice volunteers though home visitation, phone calls, companionship, administrative support, or any complimentary therapies. Volunteers must attend all 3 sessions.

To register, please call Ruth Sorbanelli, Volunteer Coordinator at 201-510-6426.

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