

# PENTECOST SUNDAY

*All were filled with the Holy Spirit*



**CHURCH OF ST. MARY**

Closter, New Jersey

## MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUNE 4 –

Acts 2: 1-11; 1 Cor. 12: 3b-7, 12-13 or Rom. 8: 8-17; Jn. 20: 19-23 or Jn. 14: 15-16, 23b-26

5:00 PM All Parishioners – Living and Deceased

SUNDAY, JUNE 5 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

Acts 2: 1-11; 1 Cor. 12: 3b-7, 12-13 or Rom. 8: 8-17; Jn. 20: 19-23 or Jn. 14: 15-16, 23b-26

8:30 AM Yi-Hua Ren / req. by Lucy Chua  
11:00 AM Margaret (Peggy) Horan  
req. by Elizabeth Bussanich

MONDAY, JUNE 6 –

THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH  
Gn. 3: 9-15, 20 or Acts 1: 12-14; Jn. 19: 25-34

8:00 AM Dilio Dipasquale / req. by the Kelly Family

TUESDAY, JUNE 7 – WEEKDAY

1 Kgs. 17: 7-16; Mk. 5: 13-16

8:00 AM Lisa Deegan  
req. by Thom and Grace Calabro

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8 – WEEKDAY

1 Kgs. 18: 20-39; Mt. 5: 17-19

8:00 AM Patrick Lowney  
req. by Beverly Watkins and Family

THURSDAY, JUNE 9 –

ST. EPHREM, DEACON AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH  
1 Kgs. 18: 41-46; Mt. 5: 20-26

8:00 AM Edward Rogan / req. by Jovine Family

FRIDAY, JUNE 10 – WEEKDAY

1 Kgs. 19: 9a, 11-16; Mt. 5: 27-32

8:00 AM Kay Edie / req. by Mr. & Mrs. Brian Horan

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 –

Prv. 8: 22-31; Rom. 5: 1-5; Jn. 16: 12-15

5:00 PM Gary Hemmer / req. by Bill Deegan

SUNDAY, JUNE 12 – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Prv. 8: 22-31; Rom. 5: 1-5; Jn. 16: 12-15

8:30 AM All Parishioners – Living and Deceased  
11:00 AM Clorinda Zai / req. by Dorothy Tallia



### THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

**Blessed Virgin Mary Candle –**  
Intentions of Riley and her parents.

### ANNOUNCED SPECIAL OFFERINGS

**Weekly offerings of:** Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Blessed Virgin Mary Candle and Sanctuary Candle are available throughout 2022.

This can be arranged either by calling Grace at the rectory at 201-768-7565 and leaving a message or sending an e-mail to [gditzel@stmarycloster.org](mailto:gditzel@stmarycloster.org).

## From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Pentecost Sunday!

Today, we bring the season of Easter to its conclusion as we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost. As we sing this weekend, "Come Holy Ghost, Creator Blest, and in our hearts take us thy rest", let us ask the Holy Spirit to conform our hearts to the heart of Jesus Christ, the King of Peace.

As I write this column, the news is filled with the story of the massacre of the 19 innocent school children and two teachers. When will it end? Cardinal Tobin, the archbishop of Newark just released a statement which says:

*"The disciples of Jesus that form the Archdiocese of Newark join our hearts and prayers for the anguished families of Uvalde, Buffalo, and many other communities across this country, including Newark, the city in which I live and love. The slaughter of children and teachers yesterday in Texas, and the surge of violence in communities nationwide, cannot be easily explained but must not be dismissed as a perverse "new normal."*

Cynically short-sighted solutions that facilely propose turning schools, grocery stores, and shopping malls into armed camps must be rejected. This nation cannot flourish by permitting the unregulated sale of weapons designed to kill. There is no convincing argument to justify the sale or possession of automatic rifles, oversize magazines, folding stocks, and other weapons that are used in an ever-growing number of massacres.

New laws alone will not change hearts. We need civil conversations around all the forms of violence that are tolerated, even celebrated in our culture. The role of social media, especially its indiscriminate use by young people, needs to be questioned. We adults must examine how our speech and slogans and our resignation and apathy contribute to violent death and the disintegration of our communities.

There is much to do, but for now, let us recognize our connection with the grieving families and plead with God to heal their broken hearts."

Yes, new laws alone will not change hearts. Let us pray to the Holy Spirit to change the hearts of all those who seek to cause harm to others.

Also, please keep in your prayers Steven Ditzel who was ordained a deacon this past Friday. May God bless you Deacon Steven and congratulations to his parents, John and Grace Ditzel and his sister, Christine.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Joe

### Pray for the Sick

Michael Andre, Glen Connolly,  
Thomas DeFabiis, Amy Hartwell, Thomas Kelly,  
Eoin Kennedy, Sr. Dominic Marie McDonnell,  
Michael Mundy, John Pagano, Alicia Parent,  
Baby Luke Totaro

### Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to or have a name removed from our prayer list please e-mail [gditzel@stmarycloster.org](mailto:gditzel@stmarycloster.org) or call the rectory at 201-768-7565. To add a name you must have the permission of the person or their family.

## SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend, **June 11<sup>th</sup>** and **12<sup>th</sup>** the second collection is for Repairs and Maintenance.

### Why the MAINTENANCE COLLECTION?

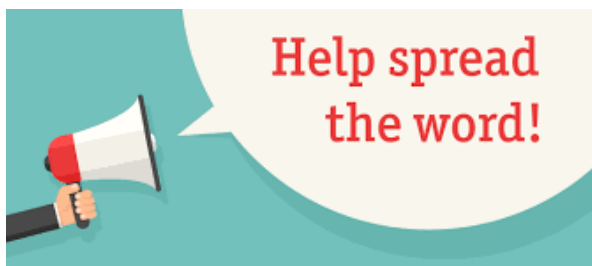
The monthly MAINTENANCE COLLECTION funds the regular upkeep of St. Mary's physical plant: school, former convent, rectory, church and grounds. Our buildings are certainly not "new" and we have a responsibility to maintain these resources entrusted to us. Donations to this collection are "restricted" and are not subject to the 14% assessment by the Archdiocese. Thank you for being good caretakers of our spiritual home, St. Mary's.



### Father's Day Remembrance Envelope

Father's Day is Sunday, **June 19<sup>th</sup>**. Included in your envelope packet is a special envelope to remember your father (living or deceased). Please send in your Father's Day remembrance envelope before Father's Day so we can include them in our prayers that day.

## Faith Formation News



Good day parishioners,

We are accepting registrations for our faith formation program for children in first through eighth grades.

Our Sprouts and Lambs groups, first and second graders, meet every possible week based on the public school vacation calendar. Third through sixth graders will be part of the FIRE Program, Families in Religious Encounter, which meet once or twice a month on designated Sundays from 9:30 AM to 10:50 AM. At least one parent or guardian must be present with their child at each FIRE session. Our Doves group, seventh grade meets every possible week based on the public school vacation calendar on either Sundays or Mondays. Lastly, our Evangelists group, eighth grade, meets once or twice a month on designated Sundays from 9:30 AM to 10:50 AM.

Since we are in a more positive situation with Covid and there is medicine to help with the pandemic, at-home programs will not be offered.

If you are interested or know someone who may be interested, please have them contact me, Maria Matos, at the Faith Formation Office by email at [reled@stmarycloster.org](mailto:reled@stmarycloster.org) or by phone at 201-767-8247. Also for more information, you can go to our website [stmarycloster.org](http://stmarycloster.org).

## Volunteer at the Closter Food Pantry

Various Volunteer Positions Available at The Closter Food Pantry including social media assistance, bagel pickup and sorting, monthly setup and backup packers & cart checkers. If you are interested, please reach out to Miriam Lambert, 917-428-1259, or email [fabofcloster@gmail.com](mailto:fabofcloster@gmail.com).

## Mass Intentions

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention for a Mass during 2023 please contact Grace Ditzel at [gditzel@stmarycloster.org](mailto:gditzel@stmarycloster.org) or 201-768-7565 for further information.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation – by Appointment

Please contact Fr. Joe at the Rectory at 201-768-7565.

## Funerals, Weddings, Baptisms

Please contact the parish office at 201-768-7565.

## 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 **at least two weeks time**. Thank you.

## 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 (covid regulations permitting), please call the rectory office and let us know.

## Free Ministry to Traveling Catholics

To find nationwide Mass times and locations while traveling or on vacation there is a free ministry. Visit [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org) or call 1-858-207-6277 enter the zip code desired location and receive a computer-generated response that gives Church locations and Mass times.





### Stabilizing the Sunday Collection

St. Mary's, like your household must count on a steady and predictable income to pay the bills. Our Sunday collections fluctuate greatly due to vacations, inclement weather, etc. It is difficult to the budget and provide for ministry under these circumstances. And we sometimes simply forget to make-up our offering because, well, life gets busy. Please consider making your offering to St. Mary's through giving or bank transfer. A number of parishioners are using St. Mary's Parishgiving platform. It's secure and convenient and costs the donor nothing. Just go online, sign-up and indicate your offering. You may even get "points" on your rewards credit card for doing so! You can also have your bank transfer the funds directly. Simply visit [stmarycloster.org](http://stmarycloster.org) and follow the link to Parishgiving or you can scan the QR code with your cell phone. Thank you to our dedicated and generous parishioners who make ministry possible at St. Mary's.



### Why Register at St. Mary's?

*First, because we need each other on this journey of life and faith!*

Every Catholic should be registered in a parish. Beside the active support and involvement that the registration enables, parish registration is also a mandatory condition for many sacraments including Baptism and Matrimony and being a sponsor or godparent. It is therefore important to register at St. Mary's as soon as you start worshipping with us regularly.

- You may receive verification letters to sponsor individuals for sacraments, receive sacraments yourself or your child (i.e. marriage, baptism).
- You will receive end of the year tax contribution statements.
- You will be personally invited to gatherings to meet the staff and other parishioners.
- The parish will know the demographics and respond to needs. Further, the Archdiocese will know that our parish has a healthy base of registered, supportive parishioners.

[CLICK HERE FOR REGISTRATION FORM!](#)

### THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY PARISH

#### Sun. – June 5<sup>th</sup> :

9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – Sacramental Program – Sprouts, Lambs and FIRE Program

#### Mon. – June 6<sup>th</sup> :

8:30 AM – Immaculate Medal Novena – Church

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting – Fr. Roger Troy Hall

#### Wed. – June 8<sup>th</sup> :

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Church

9:30 AM – 11:00 AM – Scripture Study – Fr. Roger Troy Hall

#### Thur. – June 9<sup>th</sup> :

6:30 PM – Knights of Columbus – Refreshments followed by Meeting at 7:00 PM – Fr. Roger Troy Hall

#### Sun. – June 12<sup>th</sup> :

9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – Sacramental Program – Sprouts, Lambs and Evangelists

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### Support Groups

Many who hunger for God's consolation after the loss of a loved one, separation or divorce or other circumstance will find that faith based programs can offer them hope and comfort. A listing of parish support groups are now available on the Family Life Office webpage. Currently, the Archdiocese of Newark has over 60 different types of support groups ministering to an estimate of 1,200 people each year. The types of groups include: general bereavement, bereaved parents, separated & divorced, single parents & same sex attraction. To find a support group near you, please go to: <https://www.rcan.org/general-bereavement-support-groups> or <https://www.rcan.org/offices-and-ministries> and select the group type from the menu.

### 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.

### Lost And Found

We have a lost and found basket in the North Vestibule of Church, on the side by the former Convent building.

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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

**Pastor:** Rev. Joseph Scarangella, K.H.S  
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**Parish Trustees:** Pamela Derfus & John Hernandez  
*Assisted by the Pastoral Advisory Board  
and Financial Council*

## WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST

**Saturday** (*Anticipated Sunday Mass*) ----- 5:00 PM

**Sunday**-----8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

**Weekdays** (*Monday through Friday*)----- 8:00 AM

**Holy Days & Civic Holidays**----- As announced the Sunday before

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

*Call for an appointment*

## DEVOTIONS

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Wednesday, 8:30 - 9:00 AM, September to June  
and as scheduled.

**Immaculate Medal Novena:** Monday, 8:30 AM.

**Recitation of the Rosary:** Monday through Friday - following  
the 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.*



**Please like us on Facebook:** facebook.com/stmarycloster

## 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  
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