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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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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.



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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
Closed for lunch between 12 Noon & 1:00 PM

Center for Spiritual Development and Faith Formation: 201-767-8247 • reled@stmarycloster.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 22 –

Acts 2: 14, 22-33; 1 Pt. 1: 17-21; Lk. 24: 13-35

5:00 PM All Parishioners – Living and Deceased

SUNDAY, APRIL 23 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 2: 14, 22-33; 1 Pt. 1: 17-21; Lk. 24: 13-35

8:30 AM Frank Marino
req. by Mary & Bruno Macchiavelli and Family

11:00 AM Jacqueline DaSilva Rhodes
req. by the Rhodes Family

MONDAY, APRIL 24 –

ST. FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN, PRIEST AND MARTYR

Acts 6: 8-15; Jn. 6: 22-29

8:00 AM Loretta Borrows Giordano
req. by John and Canice Cristofolletti

TUESDAY, APRIL 25 – ST. MARK, EVANGELIST

1 Pt. 5: 5b-14; Mk. 16: 15-20

8:00 AM Clara Siebert
req. by Beverly Watkins and Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26 – EASTER WEEKDAY

Acts 8: 1b-8; Jn. 6: 35-40

8:00 AM Jose D. Marin / req. by the Pozotriggo Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 27 – EASTER WEEKDAY

Acts 8: 26-40; Jn. 6: 44-51

8:00 AM Richard Weirer / req. by Julie Torres

FRIDAY, APRIL 28 –

ST. PETER CHANEL, PRIEST AND MARTYR;

ST. LOUIS GRIGNON DE MONTFORT, PRIEST

Acts 9: 1-20; Jn. 6: 52-59

8:00 AM Ida Campesi / req. by Bill Deegan

SATURDAY, APRIL 29 –

Acts 2: 14a, 36-41; 1 Pt. 2: 20b-25; Jn. 10: 1-10

5:00 PM Clara Siebert / req. by Phyllis Buonomo

SUNDAY, APRIL 30 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 2: 14a, 36-41; 1 Pt. 2: 20b-25; Jn. 10: 1-10

8:30 AM All Parishioners – Living and Deceased

11:00 AM Michael Angelo Conte
req. by Pasquale & Angelina Conte & Family



ANNOUNCED SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Weekly offerings of: Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Blessed Virgin Mary Candle and Sanctuary Candle are available throughout 2023.

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 gdtzel@stmarycloster.org.



Pray for the Sick

Giulia Belfert, Glen Connolly,

Mary Connolly, Joseph Culhane, Thomas DeFabiis,
Orlee Fromm, Amy Hartwell, Sr. Dominic Marie McDonnell,
Kim McWilliams, Jacqueline Mundy, Michael Mundy,
Anthony Neusch, Brianna Neusch, Michele Neusch,
John Pagano, Alicia Parent, Canice Connolly Prince,
George Ross, Joanne Surterenonet, Baby Luke Totaro,
Marianne Tracey

Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to or have a name removed from our prayer list please e-mail gdtzel@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.

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.



Paschal Candle

The Paschal Candle has been donated in memory of Barbara Rose Westervelt, Ellen Margaret Brautigan and Mary Frances Brautigan requested by Joan Westervelt.

Fridays of the Year

The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of Penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 26th, 2023** to **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 4th, 2023.**

***Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.**

Archdiocesan Choral Festival

A performance of Beethoven's Mass in C Major will be sung by a 90-voice choir comprised of various singers from parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark along with the Cathedral Choir, soloists and the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. The concert takes place in the Cathedral Basilica on Friday evening, **April 28th** at 8:00 PM – no tickets necessary, admission is free.

For more information call 973-484-2400 or visit www.cathedralbasilica.org.



Dominican University New York

Dominican University New York is hosting an Open House for high school juniors, seniors, transfer students and their families on Saturday, **April 29th** at 10:00 AM – 1:30 PM. During the Open House, students can

meet faculty, current students and alumni. Attendees will have the opportunity to discuss financial aid, learn about our admissions process and our generous scholarship program that offers up to \$21,000 per year. Students may also be eligible for our grant program. Campus tours will be available throughout the event. For questions about the Open House, please feel free to contact the Office of Admissions at admissions@dunyo.edu or call 845-848-7901.

St. Joseph Regional High School – Prospective Students Weeks

April 25th – May 11th.

Personal Ambassador Tours, Knight for a day experience. Register: SJRNJ.ORG. Open to current 7th grade boys and their families. For more details visit: www.sjrnj.org or call 201-391-3300 or send an e-mail to admissions@sjrnj.org.



BERGEN CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL

Bergen Catholic Happenings

Bergen Catholic will be hosting an Open House on Wednesday, **May 3rd** at 6:30 PM. Registration can be found on the Bergen Catholic website. For questions, please feel

free to contact the admissions office at admissions@bergencatholic.org.

BC Lead On Program: The Bergen Catholic LEAD ON Program is a three-week summer enrichment program designed for students entering 7th and 8th grades. It provides a stimulating classroom experience in which students will explore and enjoy a variety of topics. Program Descriptions and Registration can be found on the BC website. For more information please email admissions@bergencatholic.org.

Don Bosco Prep

Don Bosco Prep will be hosting its Spring Open House **May 4th** 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM. Our Open House is a fantastic way to learn more about the school and the Ironmen community and Spirit. Tour our campus. Engage with faculty and staff. Meet current Ironmen. Do not pass up this chance to explore all that Don Bosco Prep has to offer! Register at donboscoprep.org.

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.

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!](#)

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.

Christian Marriage Anniversary Liturgies

We are excited to announce we are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five and twenty-five years of valid marriage for the Catholic faithful in the year 2023!

These anniversary liturgies will be held in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. The 5th and 25th Anniversary Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Gregory Studerus. Sunday, **May 7th** at 3:00 PM.

Please call Grace at the rectory at 201-768-7565 to register. The **deadline** is **April 27th**.

It is our desire that every couple in the Archdiocese deserving of such recognition be present at the appropriate liturgy. The presence of these couples will be a tender witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society.

The Archdiocese will acknowledge the reservation directly to the celebrating couple and provide them with directions to the Cathedral Basilica.

Since we were unable to host these celebrations in 2020 and 2021, and many families are still playing 'catch-up' with their celebrations, any couple who would have celebrated their Silver Anniversary in those years may still join us as well. Please note whether the milestone anniversary took place in **2020, 2021** (or even if they missed in **2022**), the certificates will still say Silver, not 26, etc.

Music Ministry



Here at St. Mary's, music is an integral part of our worship and is embedded into each of the weekend Masses. Serving as a ministry,

our music program is open to all who wish to volunteer their time as either vocalists in our choir, or instrumentalists who play at Mass – no experience or ability to read music is necessary. Our choir rehearses on Sundays at 10:00 AM, and presents an array of liturgical genres at the 11:00 AM Mass each week (except for during the summer, since everyone deserves a break!). If you are interested in joining our music ministry, please feel free to reach out to our Music Director, Andrew Monticello, by contacting the Rectory office: 201-768-7565. As St. Augustine reminds us, "To sing is to pray twice"!



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 egiving 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 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.



THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY PARISH

Sat. / Sun. – April 22nd – 23rd :

Three Squares Ministry Food Collection at all Masses this weekend

Sun. – April 23rd :

9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – 7th Grade Doves – Faith Formation Building
9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – FIRE Program – Fr. Roger Troy Hall
9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – Sacramental Program – Sprouts and Lambs – Faith Formation Building

Mon. – April 24th :

8:30 AM – Immaculate Medal Novena – Church
3:15 PM – 5:00 PM – 7th Grade Doves – Faith Formation Building

Wed. – April 26th :

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM – Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament – Church
9:15 AM – Scripture Study – via Zoom*
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Men's Cornerstone Meeting – Fr. Roger Troy Hall

Sun. – April 30th :

9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – 7th Grade Doves – Faith Formation Building
9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – Confirmation Program – Faith Formation Building
9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – Sacramental Program – Sprouts and Lambs – Faith Formation Building

* Scripture Study

Meets every Wednesday at 9:15 AM via Zoom. For more information contact Dave Reeves at 551-206-5284.

2023 Annual Appeal

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Friday-Saturday: 4pm-11pm
Sunday: 12pm-9pm

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