

# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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**CHURCH OF ST. MARY**  
Closter, New Jersey

## MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUNE 3 –

*Ex. 34: 4b-6, 8-9; 2 Cor. 13: 11-13; Jn. 3: 16-18*

5:00 PM Frank Torre / req. by Phyllis Buonomo

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

*Ex. 34: 4b-6, 8-9; 2 Cor. 13: 11-13; Jn. 3: 16-18*

8:30 AM Violet Drobinko / req. by the Ditzel Family

11:00 AM All Parishioners – Living and Deceased

MONDAY, JUNE 5 –

ST. BONIFACE, BISHOP AND MARTYR

*Tb. 1: 3; 2: 1b-8; Mk. 12: 1-12*

8:00 AM Anthony "Tony" Lupardi

req. by K of C Queen of Peace Council 3679

TUESDAY, JUNE 6 – ST. NORBERT, BISHOP

*Tb. 2: 9-14; Mk. 12: 13-17*

8:00 AM Anthony "Tony" Lupardi

req. by K of C Queen of Peace Council 3679

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 – WEEKDAY

*Tb. 3: 1-11a, 16-17a; Mk. 12: 18-27*

8:00 AM Anthony "Tony" Lupardi

req. by K of C Queen of Peace Council 3679

THURSDAY, JUNE 8 – WEEKDAY

*Tb. 6: 10-11; 7: 1bcde, 9-17; 8: 4-9a; Mk. 12: 28-34*

8:00 AM Anthony "Tony" Lupardi

req. by K of C Queen of Peace Council 3679

FRIDAY, JUNE 9 –

ST. EPHREM, DEACON AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

*Tb. 11: 5-17; Mk. 12: 35-37*

8:00 AM Anthony "Tony" Lupardi

req. by K of C Queen of Peace Council 3679

SATURDAY, JUNE 10 –

*Dt. 8: 2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor. 10: 16-17; Jn. 6: 51-58*

5:00 PM Anthony "Tony" Lupardi

req. by K of C Queen of Peace Council 3679

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 – THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

*Dt. 8: 2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor. 10: 16-17; Jn. 6: 51-58*

8:30 AM All Parishioners – Living and Deceased

11:00 AM Tony Coelho

req. by the Chamberlain Family



## THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

**Blessed Virgin Mary Candle** – In memory of  
Anthony Lupardi, Sr.,  
req. by the Correa Family and Pack 20.

## From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Trinity Sunday!

As we celebrated the Solemnity of Pentecost last week, we also concluded the Easter season and are now in the season of Ordinary Time. But, this Sunday and next Sunday, the church celebrates two feast days; Trinity Sunday and Corpus Christi (Body and Blood of Christ).

These two celebrations remind us of two very important truths of our faith. Namely, that our God is One God in Three Persons. It is a central mystery of our faith. Our God is three persons, each with a distinct role in our lives. God the Father creates, God the Son redeems, and God the Holy Spirit sanctifies.

Each and every time we enter and exit a church we bless ourselves and make the sign of the cross. May our loving God, one God in three persons, help us every day of our lives so that through this mystery of the Trinity, we may know the love of God.

Next Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, we welcome retired Auxiliary Bishop John Flesey to our parish for the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation. He will confirm several young parishioners with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Please keep our candidates in your prayers as they prepare to enter the fullness of our faith.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Fr. Joe



## 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 [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.

## 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.

### SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend, **June 3<sup>rd</sup>** and **4<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.

### From the Faith Formation Coordinator

Good day parishioners,

Registration is open!

Our Faith Formation Program is almost at its end for this school year. I have experienced many wonderful moments with the children and parents and am so thankful for all the support this parish has given me. My plan next year is to experience even more of God's blessings for this program.

To that, registration is now open for the 2023-2024 school year. Below is a brief description of our program. Any interested parties can go on to our website [stmarycloster.org](http://stmarycloster.org) to receive program calendars and registration forms. I can also be reached by calling 201-767-8247 Monday – Thursday from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Please spread the word of this program to others.

Our program has three parts. The first consist of children in their first and second year of faith formation preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion; typically children ages 6 – 8. Our catechists are so wonderful at sharing their faith with the little ones in fun and creative ways that help them develop a love for their faith and Church community.

The second part of our program is an intergenerational family program. Families of children ages 9 – 12 gather together to journey with their children towards a true encounter with Jesus Christ. This journeying happens through discussions and activities that help explain and support our Catholic beliefs. Parents are their children's first catechist and in this program I provide plenty of time and guidance for catechism between parent and child to happen.

Our third part of the program consists of children ages 13 – 15 that are ready to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. This confirmation journey takes two years to reach. During this time, our catechists help the children realize the importance of our Catholic faith and their direct role in it.

No parent should be discouraged if they feel their child does not "fit" into an appropriate category based on age or lack of previous formation. Together, we will find the perfect group for your child so that they may develop the foundation of their faith and receive their sacraments.

God bless you all and please continue to pray for our families in this program, especially for First Communicants and Confirmandi.

Have a lovely week.

Your Faith Formation Coordinator,

Maria Matos

### 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.

### 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!](#)

### 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 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023** to **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 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.*





### Scrip Orders

We will be placing an order for Scrip Gift Cards Monday morning, **June 5<sup>th</sup>**. Scrip cards which are prepaid cards that are used like cash are available for many different stores, restaurants, gas stations, hotels, etc. The Church of St. Mary receives a certain percentage of each card purchased (2% to 15% or more depending on the card) and doesn't cost you anything extra. Please have your orders to us no later than 10:00 AM Monday. Info and order forms can be found on our website or you can setup an account online at [www.ShopwithScrip.com](http://www.ShopwithScrip.com) (registration # is D84E6EB522L51) pay either by PrestoPay or check made out to Church of St. Mary. If you don't see a certain card on the list feel free to call, it may be available. Contact Grace Ditzel at [gditzel@stmarycloster.org](mailto:gditzel@stmarycloster.org) or 201-768-7565 for further information.



### Father's Day Remembrance Envelope

Father's Day is Sunday, **June 18<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.

### 2023 Annual Appeal

Proclaiming the Gospel. Passing on the Faith. Caring for the Poor and Vulnerable. Forming Future Priest and Supporting Retired Clergy.

St. Mary's Goal is \$29,000.00. We have reached it and are now working towards our stretch goal which would give us a cut in our assessment and also receive a refund.

You may make your donation at Mass, on Parish Giving or at [rcan.org/sharing](http://rcan.org/sharing).

Thank you to those that have already made their donations.

### 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 [gditzel@stmarycloster.org](mailto:gditzel@stmarycloster.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.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY PARISH

#### Sun. – June 4<sup>th</sup> :

9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – Confirmation Program – Faith Formation Building

#### Mon. – June 5<sup>th</sup> :

8:30 AM – Immaculate Medal Novena – Church

Scrip Orders being placed – need by 10:00 AM

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

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM – Confirmation Rehearsal – Church

#### Wed. – June 7<sup>th</sup> :

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

#### Thur. – June 8<sup>th</sup> :

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

#### Sun. – June 11<sup>th</sup> :

11:00 AM – Sacrament of Confirmation – Church

#### \* Scripture Study

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

### 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.

### 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.

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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.  
*fatherjoe@stmarycloster.org*

**Weekend Assistants:**  
S.M.A. Fathers, Rev. Chris Ciccarino & Rev. Charlie Pinyan

**Director of Music:** Andrew Monticello  
*music@stmarycloster.org*

**Faith Formation Coordinator:** Maria Matos  
*reled@stmarycloster.org*

**Parish Secretary:** Grace Ditzel  
*gditzel@stmarycloster.org*

**Business Admin./Parish Bookkeeper/Local Safe Environment Coordinator:** Canice Cristofolletti  
*ccristofolletti@stmarycloster.org*

**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 and Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Tuesday and Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM  
*Closed for lunch 12 Noon - 1:00 PM*

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



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