



# Saint Mary's Church - Stony Hill

## Roman Catholic Church

**February 24, 2019**

### Food for Thought

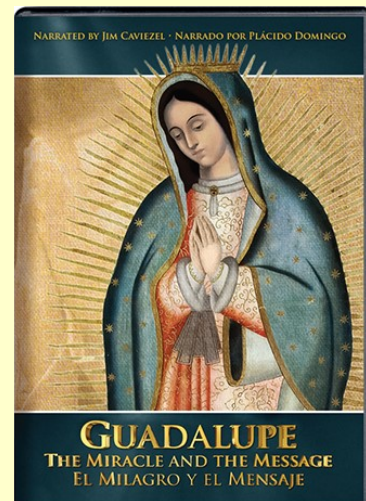
[The] overview of Christian history can be consoling whenever Catholicism finds itself in crisis, as it surely does now. Things have undoubtedly been worse than they are today. And for all the muck, pain, and anger of today's Catholic crisis of sexually abusive clergy and failed ecclesiastical leadership, the Church has not been abandoned by its Lord or by the Holy Spirit. Many good and life-giving things happen throughout the world Church every day: the sacraments are celebrated, and grace is bestowed; sins are forgiven and wounded souls healed; those with nowhere to go find a home. And in its social doctrine the Church continues to bear a message that an increasingly incoherent postmodern world badly needs to hear.

- Xavier Rynne II  
First Things Blog Post 2.19.19

### Parish Movie Night

**Wednesday, February 27th  
at 7:00 pm**

#### **Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message**



The movie will be shown in Murray Hall, and we will have activities for young children downstairs in our classrooms.

We hope you can join us!

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Watchung, NJ 07069**

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**[www.stmaryswatchung.org](http://www.stmaryswatchung.org)**



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## Welcome!

A warm welcome is extended to all who come to St. Mary's-Stony Hill to join together in this community of worship and praise to Almighty God. We are grateful to our faithful parishioners and welcome our neighbors and guests who visit us occasionally. We want you to know that you are always welcome!

All parishioners should be registered with the parish office. Please notify the parish office if you change your address or move out of the parish. Certificates of eligibility to sponsor at Baptism or Confirmation will be given only to registered parishioners who are active and practicing Catholics.

### Parish Directory:

**Rev. Brian J. Nolan, D. Min., Pastor**  
908-756-6524 ext. 12; pastor@stmaryswatchung.org

**Rev. Msgr. Eugene Prus, Weekend Assistant**

**Deacon Peter D'Angelo**  
908-963-0436; deaconpeter@stmaryswatchung.org

**Deacon Lawrence Duffy**  
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**Frank Capobianco, Parish Buildings & Grounds**  
building@stmaryswatchung.org

**Catherine Cooney, Director of Religious Education**  
908-756-6524 ext. 16; ccooney@stmaryswatchung.org

**Richard Dorsi, Cemetery Sales**  
908-380-3321; cemetery@stmaryswatchung.org

**Nancy Finn, Communications & Technology**  
908-756-6524 ext. 14; nancy@stmaryswatchung.org

**Suzanne Gallic, Director of Music**  
suzannegallic@gmail.com

**Pat Manfredonia, Parish Bookkeeper**  
908-756-6524 ext. 17; patm@stmaryswatchung.org

**Susan Minogue, Organist**  
sminogue37@gmail.com

**Darrin Nelson, Adult Formation/Evangelization**  
908-756-6524 ext. 15; dnelson@stmaryswatchung.org

**Nancy Stoll, Parish Secretary**  
908-756-6524 ext. 10; parish@stmaryswatchung.org

### Religious Education

We offer religious education for children of registered parishioners who attend public school grades Pre-K thru 8. Preparation for the Sacraments of First Penance, First Holy Communion and Confirmation is also provided for students who attend Catholic schools. The Confirmation Program is a two-year preparation program. Students may not enroll into 8th grade, unless they complete our 7th grade program or attend a Catholic school. Please check our website or contact the Office of Religious Education at 908-756-6524 ext. 16 for more information.

## Sunday Eucharist

Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30 am | 9:00 am | 11:15 am

Daily Masses:

Monday - Thursday 7:00 am

Friday 12:10 pm; Saturday 7:00 am

Rosary prayed daily at 7:30 am

## Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 pm

Also by appointment.

## Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound

Please call the parish office to make arrangements. Emergency sick calls may be made at anytime by calling the parish office and selecting "9". Please only use this option for a genuine emergency requiring a priest.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrations are held at 12:15 pm on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month. Contact the parish office for scheduling.

## Sacrament of Matrimony

Contact the parish office for an appointment at least one year in advance of the planned wedding date.

### Ministry Leaders:

<b>Bereavement Group</b>	Cheryl Gatti	908-285-0330
<b>Cemetery Sales</b>	Dick Dorsi	908-380-3321
<b>Cemetery Concerns</b>	Pat Manfredonia	908-756-6524
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Melissa Camiolo	oloimac21005@gmail.com
<b>Covenant Committee</b>	Florence Larkin	908-757-4029
<b>Finance Committee</b>	Nancy Finn	908-756-6524
<b>Food Pantry</b>	Mary Ann & Tony Pang	732-764-0264
<b>Food for the Needy (SHIP)</b>	Bob Palasits	908-757-5728
<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Al Germaine	973-896-7250 agermaine2@icloud.com
<b>Liturgical Ministries</b>	Peter D'Angelo	908-963-0436
<b>Making Music -</b>	Roseann Sicola	908-755-2853
<b>Praying Twice</b>	makemusic@stmaryswatchung.org	
<b>Moms &amp; Tots</b>	Paige Jasaitis	908-753-0443
<b>Morning Prayer Group</b>	Mary Cooper	908-561-0854
<b>Music Ministry</b>	Suzanne Gallic	908-605-0097
<b>RCIA/Adult Ed</b>	Anthony Pang	732-764-0264 a.pangi@aol.com
<b>Religious Ed. Grade K-6</b>	Catherine Cooney	908-756-6524
<b>Religious Ed. Grade 7-8</b>	Sherry Hudzik	908-668-4868
<b>Confirmation Program</b>	confirmation@stmaryswatchung.org	
<b>Seniors Group</b>	Pat Dorsi	908-917-5709
<b>St. Ann's Soup Kitchen</b>	Sheryl Szlosek	908-616-2697
<b>Stewardship Committee</b>	Beth Mattiassi	908-561-0993
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Tina Kelly	908-756-6524

# THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, February 25

## Weekday

**7:00 am Mass • 7:30 am Rosary**  
6:30 pm Confirmation Interviews  
7:00 pm Religious Education Classes

Tuesday, February 26

## Weekday

**7:00 am Mass • 7:30 am Rosary**  
10 am & 11 am Making Music Praying Twice

Wednesday, February 27

## Weekday

**7:00 am Mass • 7:30 am Rosary**  
4:00 pm Religious Education Classes

Thursday, February 28

## Weekday

**7:00 am Mass • 7:30 am Rosary**  
10:00 am Seniors Meeting

Friday, March 1

## Weekday

7:30 am Rosary  
**12:10 pm Mass**

Saturday, March 2

## Weekday

**7:00 am Mass**  
**4:00 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Sunday, March 3

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Mass at 7:30 am, 9:00 am, and 11:15 am**  
10 am Religious Education Classes  
10:00 am RCIA  
11 am—1 pm Ice Cream Social  
\* Monthly Food Collection: SHIP & Food Bank

## Looking Ahead to Lent

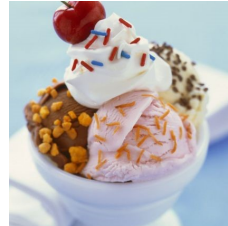
This year Ash Wednesday falls on March 6th. Ashes will be distributed at our Masses at 7:00 am, 12:10 pm and 7:30 pm that day. In addition, we will have our Children's Service (with Ashes) at 4:00 pm in the church.



## Ice Cream Social

**March 3rd from 11 am—1 pm**

All are invited to join us in the parish center to enjoy our Ice Cream Social! Non-dairy treats will also be available. We ask that children be accompanied by an adult, so kids ... invite your parents! The event is hosted by our Religious Education Program.



## From the Bookkeeper:

2018 Contribution Statements are now available for all registered parishioners to access via ConnectNow. If you have any difficulty, please contact the parish office. If you are not registered with the parish but would like to receive a statement, please contact Pat Manfredonia, our parish bookkeeper, directly at 908-756-6524 ext. 17 or patm@stmaryswatchung.org.

## Our Sacrificial Offering

**Thank you and may God bless you for your continued support of our parish!**

February 17 - 18 (Excludes WeShare)

<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
<b>Weekly Offering</b> \$7,340	<b>Weekly Offering</b> \$6,550

## Stewardship Reflections

*"But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend without expecting anything back."*

- Luke 6:35

Easier said than done, right? But, if we are to imitate Christ, most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Mercy and compassion will put us on the path to holiness.



## Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage Information Meeting

In preparation for the Consecration of The Diocese of Metuchen to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Bishop James F. Checchio will lead a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico, October 20-24, 2019. Information meetings will be held on Wednesday, February 27th at 7:30 pm at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center (146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway); and on Thursday, February 28th at 7:00 pm at Immaculate Conception Parish Center (35 Mountain Ave., Somerville). Anyone interested in attending the pilgrimage should attend one of the Informational Meetings. All are welcome!



## Our Lady of Guadalupe Travelling Devotional



Each week, a family from our parish will host the travelling devotional package. It includes everything necessary to devote a few minutes each day in prayer, praise and adoration to God, Jesus, and our Virgin Mother of Guadalupe.

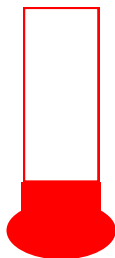
Please see the parish website or phone the parish office to sign-up if your family would like to volunteer to host our travelling devotional package.

## Remember in Prayer

We offer our sincere sympathy to the family of John Vitorino, who was recently called home to the Father. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in God's peace.



## Snow Removal Expense



- \$40,000  
- \$30,000  
- \$20,000  
- \$10,000

As of the bulletin publication date, we have spent about \$7,000 on snow removal (for both the parish and cemetery) this winter.

## Bereavement Group

**"Journey through Grief"** our parish bereavement support group will begin on Tuesday evening, March 26th at 7:00 pm. We meet on six consecutive evenings (skipping Good Friday). The group is open to all grieving the loss of a loved one - family member or friend. There is no cost, but we ask you to register. Please contact Cheryl Gatti at 908-285-0330 or via email at [cgatti4712@aol.com](mailto:cgatti4712@aol.com) to sign up.

## Reflection: Making Others Feel Welcome

by Cathy Cooney



***"The Church is a family in which we love and are loved"***

-Pope Francis

Our parish is not just a place where we 'go to Mass' it's God's home where we go to see our extended family, the Family of God. Everyone who enters God's home has something in common with each of us, they are part of our family. Even if we see someone we have never met, this common thread allows us to be unafraid to reach out and say 'hello', or extend a welcoming handshake. We should not be afraid to sit next to someone we don't know and ask how they are doing because they are part of our family.

Wouldn't it be great to think of going to Mass as a weekly family reunion? We arrive at Mass happy to see everyone, listen to stories and music and gather around the table to share a meal.

As all families, we will not completely agree with everyone and their views but as a family we can share in God's love and rejoice around the strength and the nourishment that God offers.

In this weeks' session, we learned of the 'Prayer of the Loving Look'. It is where you imagine that you are filled with God's love, and imagine that you are beaming God's love as you look at other people. This week, beam God's love knowing that we are all part of God's family.

Lent Adult Faith Formation:  
*Exploring the Grace and Healing of  
Reconciliation with God*

**FORGIVEN**  
THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF CONFESSION

**Wednesday March 13, 20, 27 and April 3, 10  
7:00 – 8:30 PM**

You may register either on our website or with Darrin Nelson in the parish office.

# WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 2 - 3

## TABERNACLE CANDLE BURNING

February 23—March 1:  
In Memory of Jeff Jones



4:00 pm Mass	7:30 am Mass	9:00 am Mass	11:15 am Mass
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> P. Hall P. Janusz T. Opalewski G. Wise	<b>Deacon:</b> L. Duffy	<b>Deacon:</b> L. Duffy	<b>Deacon:</b> P. D'Angelo
<b>Reader:</b> D. Duffy	<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> V. Bannon C. Gatti	<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> A. De Parto C. Moccia	<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> G. Biesiadecki M. Biesiadecki
<b>Altar Servers:</b> N. Przybylski P. Przybylski	<b>Reader:</b> J. Eisele	<b>Reader:</b> B. Tozzi	<b>Reader:</b> M. Hanlon
	<b>Altar Servers:</b> Open	<b>Altar Servers:</b> S. Tse D. Tse	<b>Altar Servers:</b> I. R. Dimen-White J. Savatta



### Let us pray for the sick:

Rolando Ablan  
Agapito Aquino  
Joseph M. Angeleri  
Carmen Antonelle  
Josephine Balko  
Eloy Bello  
Rose Bello Buono  
David Bestwick  
Anda Braun  
Diane Brown  
Andrea Callejas  
Genna Camiolo  
Marion Caparaso  
Brian Carpenter  
Lorena D'Amato  
Calvin David  
Sophie Fiegenbaum

Gregory Frisoli  
Denise Gilmartin  
Barbara Giordano  
Jennifer Gonzalez  
Robert Gonzalez  
Andrew Greiwe  
Anthony Gottlick  
Eric Hartman  
Hans Hendriks  
Laura Hinkley  
Chet Janusz  
Federico Jarantilla  
Doris Kratson  
Eric LeGrand  
Anthony Leone  
Veronica March  
Cornell Marino  
Kesla Marie Martinez  
Daniel McCaffrey

Grace Mitchell  
Brenda Mittenhuber  
Carolyn Monday  
Clare Murphy  
John Osborne  
Tom Opalewski, Jr.  
Donna Palardy  
Walter Quense  
Theodore Scafuto  
Rolando Severino  
Karen Shanahan  
Rose Simone  
Frank Skopowski  
Bessie Sullivan  
Marie Summa  
Emma Szanicz  
Pat Turner  
Audrey Waldron  
Maryellen Wilson

### Let us pray for those in the military: May God bless you for your service.



L. Cpl. Joseph Butrico, USMC  
Corp. Michael F. Hogan, USM  
Pvt. David Lavery, USMC  
Edward Paul Louis, USA  
Eric Marsjanik, USN  
Eric Merkle, USAF  
Chaplain Robert Monagle, USAF  
Sgt. Patrick Noll USMC  
Pvt. Jonathan Sims, National Guard  
Capt. Daniel Szurick, USMC  
Major John Voorhees, USA



## Mass Intentions

MONDAY, February 25  
Sir. 1:1-10/Mk. 9:14-29

7:00 a.m. **Alfred Ehrenclo**

TUESDAY, February 26  
Sir. 2:1-11/Mk. 9:30-37

7:00 a.m. **Catherine Marino**

WEDNESDAY, February 27  
Sir. 4:11-19/Mk. 9:38-40

7:00 a.m. **John L. Sullivan, III**

THURSDAY, February 28  
Sir. 5:1-8/Mk. 9:41-50

7:00 a.m. **Jack Mannix**

FRIDAY, March 1  
Sir. 6:5-17/Mk. 10:1-12

12:10 p.m. **Loretta Latore**

SATURDAY MORNING, March 2  
Sir. 17:1-15/Mk. 10:13-16

7:00 a.m. **Maria Lamia**

SATURDAY EVENING VIGIL, March 2  
Sir. 27:4-7/1 Cor. 15:54-58/Lk. 6:39-45

4:00 p.m. **For the People of the Parish  
and Marie Giuseppa DiRosa**

SUNDAY, February 24  
Sir. 27:4-7/1 Cor. 15:54-58/Lk. 6:39-45

7:30 a.m. **Louis Gugliemetti**

9:00 a.m. **Camille Dinizo**

11:15 a.m. **Margie Kugelman**

From today's readings...

**"Stop condemning and you will not  
be condemned. Forgive and you will  
be forgiven. Give, and gifts will be  
given to you..."**

- Lk. 6:38

# Feasts of Our Lady

B Q C L O M K W S E V E N S O R R O W S X U  
P J R Y E P U L A D A U G F O N I G R I V W  
E M E D I A T R I X L J B Y T S E D R U O L  
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Annunciation  
Assumption  
Blessed Virgin  
Fatima  
Holy Family  
Holy Name  
Immaculate Heart  
Joachim and Anne

Lourdes  
Marian Feast Days  
Mediatrux  
Mother of God  
Nativity of Mary  
Presentation  
Queen of Peace  
Queenship of Mary

Rosary  
Seven Sorrows  
Virgin of Guadalupe  
Visitation

