Saint Mary - Stony Hill Roman Catholic Church

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die."
- Jn 6:48-50

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August 8, 2021

PARISH PICNIC

Join us *NEXT* Sunday, August 15th

from noon until 2:30 pm on the parish lawn for a

Parish Picnic & "Welcome Back Home!"

No tickets are needed for this parish event.

Join Us!

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Welcome!

A warm welcome is extended to all who come to St. Mary-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 Leadership:

Rev. Msgr. William Benwell, OFS, Pastor

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Religious Education

We offer religious education for children of registered parishioners who attend public school grades 1 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.

Sacrament of Eucharist

Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm*
Sunday Mass at 7:30 and 11:15 am
Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 8:00 am*

* Mass livestreamed and saved to our parish website.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 pm
(also by appointment)

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound

We are grateful to know if there is someone who should be on our prayer list, or who would benefit from a visit from a Eucharistic Minister or anointing by a priest. Please ask the individual, or immediate family member, to contact the parish office. In an emergency, phone the parish office and follow the prompt. Please use this option only for a genuine emergency requiring a priest.

Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrations are held after our Sunday Mass. 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:

Bereavement Group	*Cheryl Gatti*	*908*-285-0330
Cemetery Sales	*Dick Dorsi*	*908*-380-3321
Cemetery Concerns	*Pat Manfredonia*	*908*-756-6524
Children's Liturgy	*Melissa Camiolo*	oloimac21005@gmail.com
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Youth Ministry	*Tina Kelly*	*908*-**756-6524**

SAVE THE DATE

We are planning a Parish Day of Reflection in honor of the Year of Saint Joseph

Saturday, September 25th
9:30 AM – 3 PM

at St. Joseph Shrine, Stirling

The day will include:
Mass, guest speakers, lunch, and quiet time for reflection.
(More details will follow.)

We are asking everyone interested in attending our Day of Reflection to Register and include a $10 donation to help offset the costs of the event.

Watch for the Flocknote, or phone the parish office at 908-756-6524 x 10 to register.

We hope you will join us!

Please note that the parish office will be closed on Fridays during August.

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we'll have food, games & activities in honor of the

Solemnity of the Assumption

No tickets are needed for this parish event.

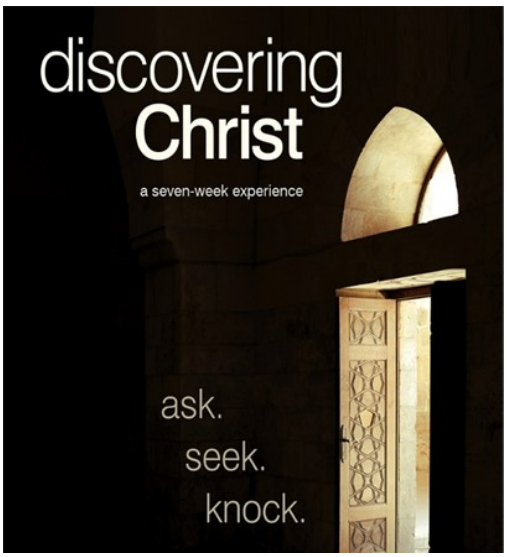
Come and spend a few hours with your parish family!

Your Sacrificial Offering

(Including WeShare)		
Weekend Collection	8/1/21	$11,993.00

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

Coming to St. Mary-Stony Hill this Fall 2021



Pat's Story:

I am a "cradle Catholic". I received a Catholic education from K through Graduate School and I worked full-time in Church Ministry for more than 30 years.

When Christ Life was first offered at St. Mary's, I signed up thinking I might have an opportunity to share ideas with other parishioners that they might find helpful. However, I was not prepared to have my knowledge of our Catholic faith transformed from a mostly theological understanding to a more personal and loving relationship with Jesus.

All of the components of Christ Life—the prayers, videos, faith sharing, and discussions, served as catalysts in my deepening spiritual growth as a disciple of Jesus. Looking back today, I realize that the greatest impact I experienced through participating in Christ Life was in my personal prayer life.

I no longer spend time in prayer—I spend time with Jesus. My prayer no longer consists of a listing of my wants and needs—I learned to cherish silence and listen for the myriad ways Jesus is present to me throughout one single day. I no longer think of others as friends or foes—I see all people as Icons of God with whom I can laugh, cry, serve and pray.

The Holy Spirit has awakened within me the desire to know, love, and serve God by better getting to know, love, and serve my fellow parishioners and our community at large.

God has great plans for His People! I invite all of you to consider joining us this September by signing up to participate in Christ Life. It will be a decision that you will not regret!

-Pat Dorsi

Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on ***Sunday, October 17, 2021 at 3:30 PM***. Couples who celebrated their Silver or Gold anniversary in 2020 are also invited to attend. Registration is required. Please register online at:

https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration.

If you are unable to access, please contact your parish secretary or the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close on October 7, 2021. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at https://www.diometuchen.org/donation-silver-and-gold or calling 732-562-1543.

Reflecting on this Week's Scripture

First Reading: The prophet Elijah was exhausted and literally prayed for death. The Lord answered his prayer by sending Elijah food and drink for strength.

How do you encourage others in your life who are spiritually drained?

Going to Rutgers in New Brunswick?

The Catholic Student Assoc. at The Catholic Center at Rutgers, located at 84 Somerset St. on the College Ave. Campus, is looking forward to welcoming you to the New Brunswick/Piscataway campuses. Please note the following:

Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses:
Saturday Vigil, 5 pm,
Sunday 8 am, 10 am, 12 pm, 6 pm St. Peter's Church (located at 94 Somerset St.)

Daily Mass:
7:30 am St. Peter's Church
12:15 pm The Catholic Center Chapel (located inside the Catholic Center)
St. Peter's Church is located at 94 Somerset Street
The Catholic Center Chapel is located inside the Catholic Center at 84 Somerset St.

Check us out at the Involvement Fair, August 30!! There are also many Opening Activities planned — find all the information online at: www.rutgerscatholic.org, and/or stpeternewbrunswick.org. Our Facebook page is "Rutgers Catholic Student Association".

Let us pray for the sick:

Agapito Aquino
Joseph M. Angeleri
Eloy Bello
David Bestwick
Anda Braun
Diane Brown
Andrea Callejas
Genna Camiolo
Brian Carpenter
Lorena D'Amato
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Shannon Hardy
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Chet Janusz
Federico Jarantilla
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Cornell Marino
Kesla Marie Martinez
Daniel McCaffrey
Grace Mitchell
Brenda Mittenhuber
Rose Molnar
Carolyn Monday
Clare Murphy
John Oborne
Donna Palardy
Samantha Rodriguez
Joanne Quense
Rolando Severino
Karen Shanahan
Rose Simone
Frank Skopowski
Marie Summa
Emma Szanicz
Pat Turner
Sharon Venuto

...and all those who are sick or suffering.

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
Edward Paul Louis, USA
Eric Marsjanik, USN
Eric Merkle, USAF
Chaplain Robert Monagle, USAF
Sgt. Patrick Noll USMC
Pvt. Jonathan Sims, Natlonal Guard
Morgan Slaninko, USN
Capt. Daniel Szurick, USMC
Major John Voorhees, USA
Lt. Taylor Wing, US Army

From today's readings...

"… be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you ..."
- Eph. 4:30

TABERNACLE CANDLE BURNING

August 7 - 13:
For all our parishioners.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, August 9
Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
Dt. 10:12-22/Mt. 17:22-27
8:00 a.m. Nita Soliven

TUESDAY, August 10
Saint Lawrence
2 Cor. 9:6-10/Jn. 12:24-26
8:00 a.m. The Ackerman Family (living & deceased)

WEDNESDAY, August 11
Saint Clare
Dt. 34:1-12/Mt. 18:15-20
8:00 a.m. The Lamard Family (living & deceased)

THURSDAY, August 12
Saint Jane Frances de Chantal
Jos. 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt. 18:21-19:1
8:00 a.m. The Brandell Family (living & deceased)

FRIDAY, August 13
Saints Pontian and Hippolytus
Jos. 24:1-13/Mt. 19:3-12
8:00 a.m. The Moltane Family (living & deceased)

SATURDAY, August 14
Saint Maximilian Kolbe
Saturday Vigil Mass
4:00 p.m. Joseph Ucciferri
Margaret Caubet, Julie Baran

SUNDAY, August 15
Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Rv. 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor. 15:20-27/Lk. 1:39-56
7:30 a.m. For the People of the Parish
Mary Angela Clinton
11:15 a.m. Ann Blundin, Julie Baran

Our Daily Masses (M-F 8 am) and Saturday Vigil Mass (4 pm) are live-streamed and saved to our parish website.

ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL

AUGUST 12

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Stand firm in God's grace

– 1 PETER 5:12 –

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