



Saint Mary Parish - Stony Hill Roman Catholic Church

Rev. Msgr. William Benwell, Pastor

November 20, 2022

**Please join us Sunday,
November 20th**

**The Solemnity of
Christ the King**

**Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
from noon to 5 pm
with Evening Prayer and
Benediction**

All are welcome!



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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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

Rev. Msgr. Eugene Prus, Weekend Assistant

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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, 9:00 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 the 11:15 am Mass on the second and fourth Sundays of the 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

Bereavement Group	<i>Cheryl Gatti</i>	908-285-0330
Cemetery Concerns	<i>Pat Manfredonia</i>	908-756-6524 x 17
Covenant Committee	<i>Florence Larkin</i>	908-757-4029
Finance Council	<i>Nancy Finn</i>	908-756-6524 x 14
Food Pantry	<i>Anthony Pang</i>	732-764-0264
Food for the Needy (SHIP)	<i>Larry Latore</i>	908-370-3538
Knights of Columbus	<i>Paul Fischer</i>	908-391-5038 PFischerGK@gmail.com
Liturgical Ministries	<i>Deacon Peter D'Angelo</i>	908-963-0436
Morning Prayer Group	<i>Mary Cooper</i>	908-561-0854
RCIA	<i>Deacon Walter & Loretta Maksimik</i>	lkmak24@gmail.com
Seniors Group	<i>Karen Dill</i>	908-756-6524 x 11
St. Ann's Soup Kitchen	<i>Melissa Hillier</i>	908-448-8874

Please Note: Mass on Thanksgiving Morning will be at 9:00 am.

Solemnity of Christ the King November 20, 2022

On the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Christ the King.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas Primas* ("In the first") to respond to growing secularism and atheism. The solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.



The Church calls us to acknowledge Christ's kingship with our whole lives. This solemnity encourages us to celebrate and live out our faith — not only privately, but also in public.

The Lord sits as King for ever!

The Week Ahead

Monday, November 21, 2022

5 pm & 7 pm Religious Education Classes

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

No Religious Education Classes

**Thursday, November 24, 2022
Thanksgiving Day**

Parish Office Closed

Friday, November 25, 2022

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, November 26, 2022

Gift Tags available on tree in the Narthex -
return gifts by December 11th.

Sunday, November 27, 2022

10 am Religious Education Classes

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous and merciful God,
we thank you for your abundant gifts to us.
As we celebrate our Thanksgiving feast,
we ask you to send your Spirit,
to open our hearts to you and our neighbor,
that we may share the gifts you have given us
as your Son Jesus taught us to.

Thank you for the many blessings of our lives;
our family and friends,
our home and the food we eat,
our health and well being.

We ask your blessing on all those who gather
around our Thanksgiving table,
and all your people throughout the world,
through Christ your Son.
Amen.

Have a Blessed

Thanksgiving

- from your
parish
family!

Our Sacrificial Offering

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

Due to the accelerated bulletin publication
schedule, the collection for November 12/13
will be published in next week's bulletin.

God bless you

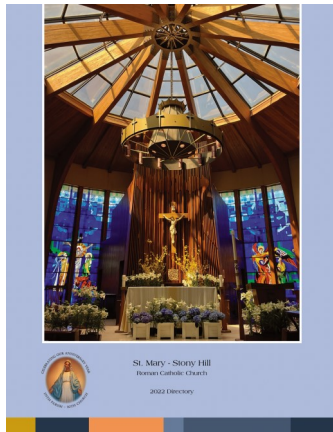
Ozanam Men's Shelter Project

We are once again collecting new clothing for the men at the Ozanam Men's shelter in New Brunswick, a temporary homeless shelter run by Catholic Charities. Last year, we delivered more than 400 gifts to the men at the shelter. Help us continue this tradition by taking a tag from the tree in the Narthex (tags will be available beginning the weekend of November 26th). **Place the unwrapped gift under the tree by noon on December 11th.** Thank you for your continued support of this worthy Christmas project!



Parish Directory

If you participated in our new parish directory or purchased a directory, they are available for pick up. You may pick up your copy in the parish office during office hours.



Reflecting on Scripture

Gospel Reading: While the rulers and soldiers ironically mocked Jesus as "King of the Jews" as they were crucifying him, Jesus offered words of comfort to the repentant criminal crucified beside him

What words of comfort do you need to hear today from our Lord Jesus Christ?

Knights of Columbus

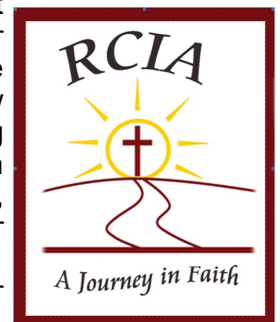
The Knights of Columbus are selling discount cards for 14 eateries. The cost is \$20 per card. All proceeds will be donated to the Somerset County Food Bank. Please consider purchasing a card and befriending local businesses and their employees—some of whom may be your neighbor. Thank you for your support!



RCIA is ...

- † A spiritual journey
- † A process of welcoming people into the Roman Catholic Church
- † Adapted to each person's needs

Do you want to know what Catholics believe, how to pray or why Mary is so important? Are you — or someone you know — thinking about becoming Catholic? For more information and answers to your questions, please contact Deacon Walter and Loretta Maksimik at 201-481-5139 / lkamak24@gmail.com or phone the parish office.



The Roman Catholic Church welcomes you!



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival 2022 -
2025**

The Bishops of the United States are calling for a three-year grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They believe that God wants to see a movement of Catholics across the United States healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist — and sent out in mission "for the life of the world."

"The more clearly we know that we are beloved sons and daughters of the Father, the more free we are going to be in order to be sent on the mission he has for us."

- Sr. Alicia Torres

Let us pray for the sick:



Joseph M. Angeleri
Ida Antonelle
Eloy Bello
Jay Bubb, OFS
Andrea Callejas
Genna Camiolo
Lorena D'Amato
Lori Engler
Vivian Flower
Jerry Grubman
Lenore Grubman
Robert Hardy
Shannon Hardy
Agnes Harris
Laura Hinkley

John Hunton
Chet Janusz
Cornell Marino
Rose Molnar
Carolyn Monday
Anthony Pelle
Jaxson Rivera
Cathleen Schmidt
Frank Skopowski
Pat Turner
Sharon Venuto

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

If there are any names that should be added to, or removed from the list, please phone the parish office. We include all these names in our daily prayers.

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, National Guard
Morgan Slaninko, USN
Capt. Daniel Szurick, USMC
Major John Voorhees, USA
Lt. Taylor Wing, US Army

From today's readings...

*"Let us give thanks to
the Father..."*
- Col. 1:12

TABERNACLE CANDLE BURNING

November 19 — 25:

For all parishioners.



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, November 21

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv. 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk. 21:1-4

8:00 a.m. Tim Wagner

TUESDAY, November 22

Saint Cecilia

Rv. 14:14-19/Lk. 21:5-11

8:00 a.m. Ann Gugliemetti

WEDNESDAY, November 23

Saint Clement I, Saint Columban

Rv. 15:1-4/Lk. 21:12-19

8:00 a.m. Karen LeBlon

THURSDAY, November 24

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac Thanksgiving Day

Rv. 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Lk. 21:20-28

9:00 a.m. For Our Nation

FRIDAY, November 25

Saint Catherine of Alexandria

Rv. 20:1-4, 11-21:2/Lk. 21:29-33

8:00 a.m. Michael Murdolo

SATURDAY, November 26

Weekday

Vigil for Sunday

4:00 p.m. Theresa Kelsch Childers
Deceased Members of Smarsh and
Monahan Families

SUNDAY, November 27

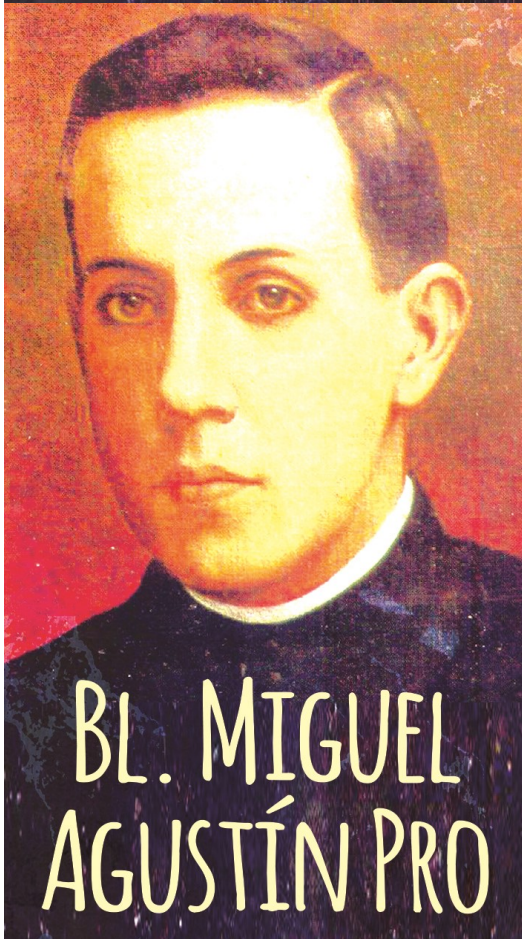
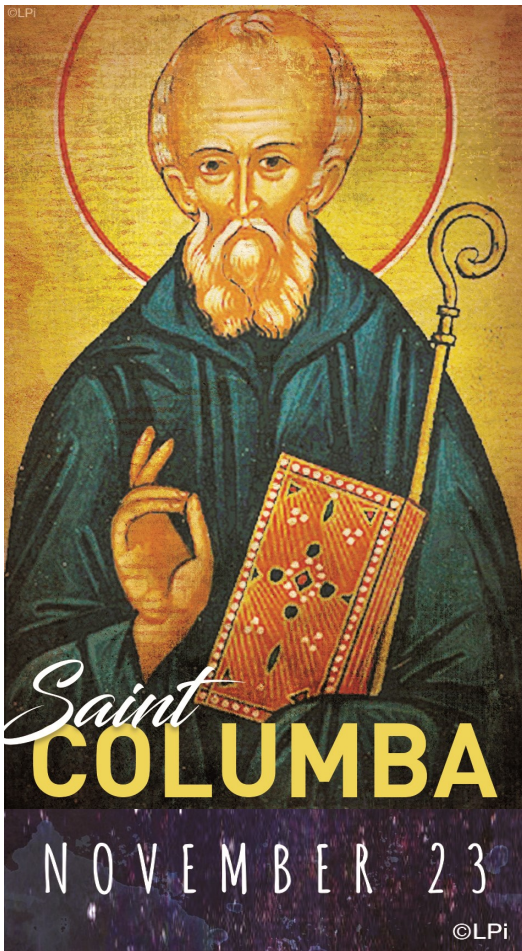
First Sunday of Advent

Is. 2:1-5/Rom. 13:11-14/Mt. 24:37-44

7:30 a.m. James Sasso, Sr.

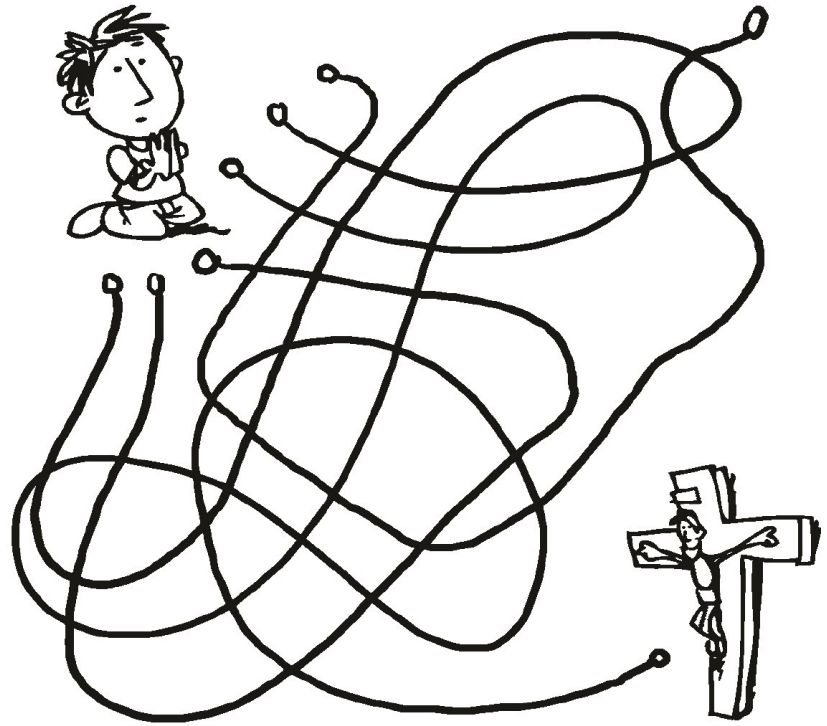
9:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

11:15 a.m. Flora & John Sette
Ann Simon



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