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October 30, 2022

## 31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### 31<sup>er</sup> DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. - Lk 19:5-6

Al llegar a ese lugar, Jesús levantó los ojos y le dijo: "Zaqueo, bájate pronto, porque hoy tengo que hospedarme en tu casa".  
El bajó enseguida y lo recibió muy contento. - Lc 19, 5-6

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## FRIAR'S DESK

Once there was a millionaire who sat very high in a stadium watching a ball game. When the game was over he called one of the athletes to him. In his hand he held out a set of keys.

"I have a present for you," he announced. "Outside the stadium is a brand new, fully equipped convertible waiting for you."

"For me?" questioned the startled athlete. "Are you sure you mean me? You're not making a mistake, are you?"

"No. It's no mistake. I mean you."

"But why me? What did I do? I mean, I'm just one guy on the team, nothing special. What did I do to deserve this?"

"You didn't do anything to deserve it. I simply chose you to give it to."

"What's the catch?" The athlete was very suspicious.

"No catch, and no gimmicks. I just want to give it to you. It is yours - for one year. Take it and do with it what you please. However, at the end of the year you must return it." With that, he handed over the keys and started walking away.

"Oh, I almost forgot", said the millionaire, as he turned back toward the athlete.

"I knew it", the athlete said, "I knew there would be strings attached."

"No strings", the millionaire smiled, "Just a credit card. What good is a car without gas? It's good for all the gas you want. On me."

The athlete could not believe his luck. Either this man was very generous or crazy. But whatever, he was not about to look a gift horse in the mouth, and he hurried out of the stadium to examine his prize.

It was the most luxurious model he had ever seen, equipped with every feature and option you could possibly imagine. He was so pleased with this incredible gift that he hurried off immediately to show all his friends.

For months he reveled in the luxury of this car. But, after a while one gets used to even the most bizarre of novelties.

Then one day while driving through downtown, the athlete saw the most stunning, sleek sports car he had

ever laid eyes on. It even had doors that opened like wings of an eagle in flight. It was obviously beyond his ability to buy - but certainly not beyond the millionaire's. Maybe, just maybe, his luck would hold out. He telephoned his benefactor.

"Hello sir. Yes, it's me. Good to speak to you again. I want you to know that I'm enjoying the car you gave me. But, I was wondering. Yesterday I saw the greatest sports car I have ever laid eyes on. I should look at the economy cars too? Yes I will. Thanks anyway."

He was disappointed, but still felt lucky to have the sports car. Several months passed and the air conditioning broke down. When he took it to the garage he was told that his credit card was only for gas, and not repairs. He thought this must be a mistake, but when he called the millionaire, he was told that any repairs were up to him.

"I'd rather walk!" he shouted at the millionaire. And walk he did. As time passed, his temper had time to cool and he realized how foolish he was. He would be far better off riding in the car, even without the luxuries. So he went back to the garage for the car.

He drove it to so many places. And he never had to pay for gas. When the year ended, he returned the car to the millionaire. As he handed him the keys, he simply said "thanks".

The millionaire is God, and we are the athlete. Our gift is not a car - it is the gift of life. A gift given out of love - not because we deserve it.

At first we are a marvel to behold. Everyone dotes on us. We are the center of attention. But as time passes, we notice people who are more gifted than we are. We complain to God, but God simply say to us: "You are the apple of my eye. That should be enough."

As we get older, the parts don't work as well. We have sore muscles and tired bones. But before we complain again, we remember his words to us, and we know that the only words we can speak to our millionaire are,

"Thank you!"

Fr. John Alderson, OFM

*always*  
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## ONLINE GIVING

Looking for a good stewardship habit? Try eGiving – it streamlines your generosity and lets you do even more to help St. Mary's Parish grow our ministries that share the Good News of God's love. Make the switch today! You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Sign up today by visiting [www.faith.direct/NJ23](http://www.faith.direct/NJ23) or text 'Enroll' to 973-500-6123 or use the QR code above. Thank you for your continued generous support of our parish family.

Please note: next weekend, we will have a second collection for the building fund.

## COLLECTION UPDATE

The weekly collection for the month of September was \$88,806.05.  
 The breakdown is as follows:

Sunday Collection	\$43,356.05
Faith Direct	\$45,450.00
Total	\$88,806.05

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

### Follow us on Social Media!



<https://www.facebook.com/smcpompton>



<https://instagram.com/stmaryspomptonlakes?igshid=75tb9mkcychl>



Please call **973-835-0374** or send an email to [smc@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:smc@stmarys-pompton.org) if:

- your address, email address or telephone number has changed, and/or
- a parishioner has been married and/or
- a parishioner has moved.

Parish records need to be current so please be sure to inform us of any changes as soon as possible.

Thank you!



## MASS SCHEDULE

### **SATURDAY**

9:00 AM—Liturgy of the Word with Communion (Prayer Room)

Vigil Masses:

5:00 PM—English

7:00 PM—English

### **SUNDAY**

7:30 AM—English

8:45 AM—Español (livestreamed)

9:00 AM—English (Carnevale Center)

10:30 AM—English (livestreamed)

10:30 AM—Children's Liturgy (Carnevale Center)

12:00 PM—English

### **WEEKDAYS**

8:00 AM—Monday-Friday in English (livestreamed)

7:00 PM—Wednesday en Español (livestreamed)

### **MASSES ONLINE AT:**

[www.stmarys-pompton.org](http://www.stmarys-pompton.org)

[www.facebook.com/smcpompton](https://www.facebook.com/smcpompton)

[www.youtube.com/c/stmaryspomptonlakes](https://www.youtube.com/c/stmaryspomptonlakes)



Please join us on Sundays at  
10:30am in the  
Carnevale Center!



This week, the Altar Flowers and Bread & Wine have been donated in loving memory of **Philomena and Edward Primavera.**



## DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### **Sunday**

Wis 11:22—12:2/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14/2 Thes 1:11—2:2/Lk 19:1-10

### **Monday**

Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:12-14

### **Tuesday**

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

### **Wednesday**

Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30

### **Thursday**

Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10

### **Friday**

Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8

### **Saturday**

Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15



### *Confession and Adoration*

**CONFESSION:** Thursdays 4:00pm to 5:00pm (or call for an appointment). There are no confessions on Saturdays.

**ADORATION:** The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration on Thursdays from 4:00pm to 5:00pm. During adoration, please maintain a reverent silence.

## WAY OF THE CROSS A VIGIL TO END GUN VIOLENCE

To acknowledge the violence in our country and world

To remember those we have lost through gun violence and mass shootings within the last year

To pray and work for the peace of Christ

Thursday, November 3rd  
7 p.m. in the Church



# MASS INTENTIONS † = Deceased, L= Living

Monday	October 31
8:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Tuesday	November 1
8:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Wednesday	November 2
8:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
7:00 p.m. (Spanish)	People of the Parish
Thursday	November 3
8:00 a.m.	† Katie Miller † Matthew Rosado † John Popovich In Thanksgiving
Friday	November 4
8:00 a.m.	† Joseph Norton † Mary Flanagan † Richard J. McDowell
Saturday	November 5
5:00 p.m.	† George J. Rowe † William Markey † Peter Mannisi In Thanksgiving - The Bulacan Family
7:00 p.m.	† Gloria Siniscalchi
Sunday	November 6
7:30 a.m.	† Francis & Lucille Marshall † Emil & Mary Riese † Thomas McHugh † Tommy Taggart
8:45 a.m. (Spanish)	† Segundo Eduardo † Anto Nima
9:00 a.m. (CC)	† Boleslaw Wasilewski
10:30 a.m.	† Mary Bedder (2nd Ann) † Charles Rosone † Jeanette Dondero † Anthony Giacoio † Rick Steele (2nd Ann.)
10:30 a.m. (CC)	People of the Parish
12:00 p.m.	† Michael Boudjouk † Peter A. Meich † Carol Ann Hicks † Russ Pagana † Mario & May Garofalo

The Holy Rosary is a powerful weapon. Use it with confidence and you'll be amazed at the results.

— Josemaria Escriva



# PLEASE PRAY FOR...

## ...THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Angelo, John, Amy Kovach, Ruth McKernan, Claire & John Hargreaves, Lila & Sophia Laborsky, Bob, Dennis, Riona, Robbie Vasquez, Ann Fagan, Anne, Eileen, Alexa Paradiso, Chris Brozuski, Frank Tomaselli, Pat Tompkins, Lanibelle del Mundo, Adam Diamond, Mark O'Driscoll, Jerry Zichelli, Inge Winters, Anthony Serpe, Alice, Carolyn Brocket, Laura Mariconda Petrillo.

To add a loved one to the prayer list, please call the Parish Office at 973-835-0374. Names are kept on the list for 30 days unless we are notified otherwise.

## ...THOSE SERVING IN HARM'S WAY

Lt. Jessica T. Atterbury, PFC Nathan Hunt, CMCN Michael LeTennier, Joseph P. Roberts, MCS, PFC Sean Jennings, SPC Sean J. Carey, SGT Ryan Cronin, Chris Sabatini, US Navy SO, David Welsh, US Navy SO Justin Bensinger, US Navy SO, LTJG Brian Schoenig, LCpl Michael Formisano III, SSG Kevin Carey, SPC Brian R. Sudol, CSM Robert Hammerle, Sgt. Mark Ashley, SGT Ryan J. Heppel, SPC Dean V. Lucas, LCpl Michael Vignuli, Major Daniel J. Ciccarella, HM Jaeson Henderson, Sgt. Justyn Shovlowsky, Captain Austin Canning, SSG Tiffany Thumann, 2nd LT Matthew R. Brice, TSSgt. Scott Miller, Capt. Krystal Thumann, Cpl F. S. Raza, Sean Flanagan, Capt. Matthew W. D'Amico, USMC Lt. 1st Thomas Seneski; Sgt. Anthony W. Gabriel; Brian Hansen, Sgt. Ashlee Quigle; Capt. Daniel M. Kearney, USMC; 2nd LT Emily Simone and Navy Lt. Ryan Hackett, Tracie Kasko, LSS2 Gavin Pagano.



## THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED:

Robert X. Takacs Sr.



## Perpetual Advent Candle

Our traditional Advent wreath will return to the Church this year.

Please call the Parish Office for more information or to make a donation in honor of a loved one to keep our Advent Candles burning throughout the season.

We will acknowledge your loved one's name in the bulletin for the four weeks of Advent.

## **St. Mary's 1st Annual Golf Outing a Success!**

St Mary's 1st Annual Golf Outing took place on October 17th at Black Bear Golf Club. It may have been a gray overcast day as we were treated to some beautiful fall foliage and visited by some wild turkeys wandering around the course but we lucked out and the rain held off until much later in the day!

Our golfers participated in a Hole in One contest for a Lincoln Corsair Standard, a putting contest for a \$10,000 cash prize, additional contests for longest drive, closest to the pin and most accurate along with other Hole in One contests for additional prizes. Prize raffles and a 50/50 were held during the luncheon and awards were announced and distributed.

Our heartfelt thanks to our many Sponsors and Donors of raffle prizes!

Please support their places of business:

Wayne Lincoln  
Columbia Bank  
The Morrison Etheridge Funeral Home, Inc  
F&E Services, Inc.  
Randy's Homemade Ice Cream  
Boniello's  
M. John Scanlan Funeral Home  
Jesse Heap  
Benefit Solutions  
Laser Dentistry of North Jersey  
JBB Packaging  
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Martino & Fisher, LLC  
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Physical Therapy Services  
Diamonds by Dawn  
Willowbrook Golf Center  
Sunset Valley Golf Course and Pro Shop  
Berkshire Valley Golf Course and Pro Shop  
Jeff's Discount Golf Shop  
PGA Superstore

Thank you to all the golfers who participated in the event! And to those who couldn't attend due to the weather postponement, we hope to see you next year! Thank you to the members of our golf outing committee who pulled this event together – Deacon Tom Kimak, Kari Nixon, Gary Cupo, Chris Arts, Ray Grimes, Peter Ciriello and Kevin Mooney. Thank you to our volunteers at the event – Anne Silversey and Christina Weisberg.

You were a tremendous help!



## FOOD PANTRY

### Upcoming Food Pantry distribution dates/times:

Wednesday, November 9 4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)  
Saturday, November 12 9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)  
Wednesday, November 16 4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)  
Saturday, November 19 9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)

### Most needed items:

Brownie and cake mixes, frosting, canned hams, canned chicken, Spam, juice packs, breakfast cereal, black beans, garbanzo beans [chick peas], Chef Boy R Dee, pasta sauce [in jars], vegetable oil, decaf coffee [brewed], instant coffee [regular and decaf], tuna fish [canned], Rice a Roni, Pasta Roni, spaghetti and other pastas, mayonnaise, pudding cups, full size cookies, full size crackers, white rice, 1lb and 2lb bags, shelf stable whole milk, shelf stable 2% milk, tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, paper napkins, deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste, dish detergent, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, canned potatoes, yams, mushrooms, stuffing, turkey gravy.

The Food Pantry is located at 22R (Lower level, rear) Lakeside Avenue, Pompton Lakes (accessible from the municipal parking lot) and the phone number is 973-831-4442. All donations are requested to be dropped off in the shed directly behind the church. It is open 24/7.

**Please do not drop food off in the Parish Office or in the Church.**

**NO CLOTHING DONATIONS PLEASE**

**Help for those who  
need it most!**

### **Collection for Migrants and Refugees in NYC**



Since last month, more than 17,000 migrants and refugees have entered New York City. Fr Julian Jagudilla, OFM, Director of the Migrant Center at the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, along with the Mayor's Office on Immigrant Affairs (MOIA) and the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York offer assistance to our brothers and sisters being bused to Port Authority from other parts of the country. Fr Julian is asking for our help.

### **What can our community do to respond?**

We will be **collecting new jackets and hoodies for adults and children** the weekend of October 29/30. Volunteers will be on the Courtyard Pavers before and after masses to collect your donations. All donations will be delivered the following week to assist the Friars with their good work! Thanks for your generosity! If you have any questions, please contact Anne Silversey at [anne@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:anne@stmarys-pompton.org).



With the help of funding from the Diocesan Ministries Appeal, Nazareth Village has been a home over the years to our retired priests. Many priests who reside there also serve parishes by celebrating Mass. The Appeal also helps in providing financial support for the extraordinary healthcare needs of our priests. Your gift to the Diocesan Ministries Appeal is a great way to recognize the wonderful work of these priests who have dedicated decades of faithful service to you, your family and our Diocese. Please make a gift to the Appeal today as a way of giving thanks.

Simply scan the QR code or go to [www.2022appeal.org](http://www.2022appeal.org) and follow the user-friendly instructions.



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# LASAGNA LOVE



St. Mary's Food Pantry and Lasagna Love have teamed up! Who is Lasagna Love and why is this a perfect fit? Lasagna Loves mission is simply this. To feed families, spread kindness, and strengthen communities. Volunteers from this wonderful organization will be making meals for our Food Pantry families again for October distributions.

Would you like to help Lasagna Love in its mission and help our food pantry families or others that are in need? Find out more about the organization here! <https://www.lasagnalove.org>



## MORE THAN EVER MINISTRY

In the US, family estrangement affects 1 in 4 adults. MORE THAN EVER offers a place of compassionate support, understanding, and hope for the heartbreak and frustration of being an alienated parent/grandparent. Remaining dates for the monthly meetings are: November 17 and December 15 from 12:30 - 2pm, Bonaventure Room, (behind the Parish office). Contact Veronica Picone at [seewhatism@msn.com](mailto:seewhatism@msn.com) for more information.



INTERESTED IN  
BECOMING  
CATHOLIC?

RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is a process for adults who wish to become full members of the Catholic Church, by receiving the Sacrament of Baptism and/or Eucharist, and/or confirmation.

St. Mary's will be starting our RCIA 2022-2023 program at the end of October. If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the program or learning more about it, please contact Monica Coyle at [mgcoyle@verizon.net](mailto:mgcoyle@verizon.net).

We look forward to hearing from you.

## MILITARY ASSISTANCE PANTRY

The **Military Assistance Pantry Ministry** would like to thank all who cooked baked ziti or brownies this month. Once again, the Veterans were very appreciative!

The Veteran pictured was so grateful, she wanted to personally thank you for the home cooked meal!



Thanks to ShopRite of Oakland and Shoprite of Wayne for donating cans of sauce and fresh baked bread to compliment the baked ziti.

Lastly, thanks to those who helped pack, deliver and distribute the meals on October 15th.

It truly was a community effort and a success!



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## 2022-2023 Calendar Raffle

**\$3,000 in Prizes**  
**39 Chances to WIN!**  
**\$10.00 Donation**

**Tickets on sale after Weekend Mass**  
**Sept 11th, 18th - Nov 6th, 13th, 20th**  
**and the Church Parish Center**



**Buy Your Ticket TODAY!**

### DRIVERS NEEDED

Our Food Pantry is in need of drivers for the parish box truck! Time commitment is just a few hours, once or twice a week. Regular driver's license required and an excellent driving record. Must be comfortable driving the box truck. Contact Phil Epstein for more information at [pepstein@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:pepstein@stmarys-pompton.org).

### HOLY BONES IS LOOKING FOR HELP!

Below are the two needs at this time:

Volunteers to work with people with intellectual disabilities baking and packaging dog biscuits.  
2 1/2 -4 hours per day, 1 or 2 days per week.

A Kitchen Manager to work with our special needs adults in our kitchen, making and packaging dog biscuits. Part-time, paid position.  
5 hours per day (8:30 to 1:30), 1 or 2 days per week.

For more detailed information, please contact Marie Cioletti at 973-289-9613 or [mcioletti@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:mcioletti@stmarys-pompton.org).



## St. Mary's Knights of Columbus

# Breakfast with Santa



**Sunday, Nov. 27**  
**7:30 am to noon,**  
**Spina Hall**

**All-you-can-eat breakfast, including**  
**pancakes, eggs, sausage, French Toast,**  
**omelettes made to order, juice, coffee, tea.**  
**\$12 adults, \$6 children, age 5 & under free**  
**PAY AT DOOR**

Expecting a Baby? Let a retired baby nurse encourage and teach you best practices for your newborn. Each 1 1/2 to 2 hour class focuses on "how to" take care of your newborn.



Parents to be will receive clinical and practical information to assist in caring for their newborn and family. Classes tailored around your schedule.

### NEWBORN CARE CLASS

Topics covered: diapering, cord care, bathing, nail care, temperature taking, tummy time, safe sleep, basic safety, what to expect in the hospital. \$10 Fee

Register <https://stmarys-pompton.org/newborn-care-classes>. After registering you will be called to set up best date and time.

Classes given by Pamela Luzzi, RNC, Certified in Maternal Newborn Nursing, Certified Lactation Counselor

Below are photos from the **Paws in the Park** event at Goffle Brook Park in Hawthorne on October 8th. It was a great time with beautiful weather, and a lot of dog bones were sold!



The Original St. Mary's Seniors of PL and The PL Golden Age Club, Inc. are hosting a trip to Wind Creek Casino in Bethlehem, PA.

The date is November 1, 2022. The cost is \$25.00  
 Slot play will be provided by the Casino.  
 For more information and reservations, please call Janet Castello at (973) 839-7259.



The Church of St. Anthony of Padua, Butler presents:  
 African Safari: Kenya and Tanzania  
 September 4 – 18 2023  
 With Fr. Joe Juracek, OFM

For more information, please contact Fr. Joe at 973-838-0031 or [jjuracke@saopp.org](mailto:jjuracke@saopp.org)

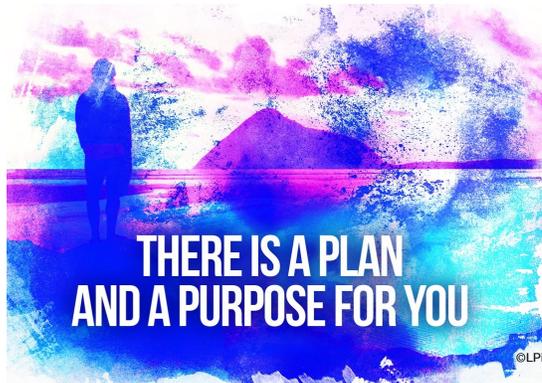


**STEPHEN  
 MINISTRY**

The Holy Spirit (with the help of some pulpit talks!) has called the following parishioners forward to begin training as a Stephen Minister:

- |                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Gina Barnhurst            | Marlene Malenda   |
| Diane Blackman            | Barbara McCormick |
| Patricia Walters-DiGiaino | Mary Riley        |
| Kathie Graf               | Dawn Schaefer     |

May God bless them on their journey!

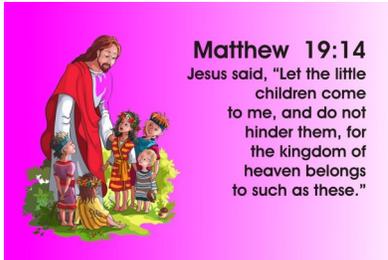


## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 1-5

**Grades 3 and 4:** we started our yearly Thanksgiving Project for the needy. Parents please be sure to have your child bring in their items no later than the week of November 14th. We will be providing 17 – 20 Thanksgiving meals for families in need.

**5th grade and home study students:** there are bins at the Carnevale Center as well as outside the Religious Ed building for your new socks and underwear (adults and children) donations for Migrants in need.

We encourage all families to celebrate the Liturgy on Sundays. Bring the whole family to the Children's Mass at the Carnevale Center at 10:30am on Sunday. If you can't make that one, please try to attend one of the many other Mass times offered.



**Matthew 19:14**  
Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### **BASS Animal Rescue**

260 Margaret King Avenue, Ringwood, NJ  
November 3rd and 17th, 3:30-5pm

If you love cuddly, playful pups then please don't miss out on our BASS service dates! You will be spending time socializing with the dogs by taking them on walks and giving them lots of love- please wear appropriate clothing, you may get a little dirty.

[www.stmarys-pompton.org/service-opportunities](http://www.stmarys-pompton.org/service-opportunities)

### **LET'S GET SOCIAL!**

St. Mary's Youth Ministry 7:30-9:30  
\*\*Open to grades 9-12\*\*

#### November Dates:

1st, 8th, 15th, and invite a college freshman for our "Thanksgiving Eve" reunion/gathering on the 23rd

#### December Dates:

7th, 14th, and our Christmas get-together on the 21st

Religious Education and Music Ministry Present

# CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL PAGEANT

Open to All Children in grades K-5



Rehearsals start in November

The children will perform the pageant on  
Christmas Eve at 2pm in the church followed by Christmas Eve Mass

For more information and to Sign up





### Centering Prayer

Do you find yourself a little more stressed or overly concerned lately with things in your life and things going on in the world? Thankfully there is a solution...meditation. Our Centering Prayer group meets every Tuesday in the Carnevale Center library at 7 pm. Come join us in the silence of God and experience the gift of silence. You only need to bring yourself. If you have any questions please feel free to call Steve at 201-981-2622. Peace.

### Cleaning Crew

We are looking for volunteers to join St. Mary's Church's cleaning crew. Cleaning teams meet at 9am on Tuesday mornings to vacuum, clean and tidy up our worship space. For more information, please contact Bernadette Nolan at [nolanbern@verizon.net](mailto:nolanbern@verizon.net).

### Hearts & Hands Crocheting & Knitting Ministry

Volunteers of various ability (beginners to experienced) gather once a month to "stitch with love" baby items for babies in Baptismal Aftercare and Franciscan missions. Patterns, yarn, and free lessons provided! All are welcome! We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the Carnevale Center Assisi Rm from 10-11:30am and the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Carnevale Center Assisi Rm from 6:30-8:00pm. Contact Mary Lenoir at 973-725-3178.

### Homebound Connections Ministry

If you or someone you know is homebound and would like a visit to receive the Eucharist, please contact the Parish Office so we can set up a time. Fr. John Alderson will be there to brighten your day!

### Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation Ministry

We welcome new members! To learn more contact Jane Egan at [jpjac@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:jpjac@stmarys-pompton.org).

### Lost Angels Bereavement Ministry

The loss of a loved one forever changes us. When experiencing the tragedy of a child's death from drugs and alcohol, parents and loved ones often find themselves isolated and confused. Lost Angels bereavement/support group offers support, compassion, understanding and hope to parents and loved ones struggling to rebuild their lives after the death of a child or loved one as a result of substance abuse/addiction and overdose. For meeting dates and times, contact Donna Andelora at 973-713-9962 or [dandelora@yahoo.com](mailto:dandelora@yahoo.com).

### Meals With Love!

St Mary's has joined with NJ Buddies to provide home cooked meals for 8 people living with HIV/AIDS. We have offered to take the 4th Tuesday of each month and are looking for 12 people to each take a month. Contact Peggy Turpan at [Peggyturpan@gmail.com](mailto:Peggyturpan@gmail.com).

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer shawls can be picked up at the Parish Office. The shawls can be given to celebrate a joyous occasion, to console those in need or to give hope and comfort.

### Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed in the church at the end of daily Mass, Monday through Friday.

### St. Mary's Original Seniors

We meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 11:30am in the Carnevale Center. Pompton Lakes residents 55+ are welcome to join us. Contact Anne Marie Michael at 862-248-7967.

### St. Mary's Active Seniors

We meet the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 11:30am in the Carnevale Center. Anyone 55 and over is welcome to join us. Questions? Contact Rose Ann Estep at [rose-aestep@yahoo.com](mailto:rose-aestep@yahoo.com)

### St. Mary's Book Group

If you enjoy reading and would like to explore and discuss current as well as classic works about faith, religion, spirituality and human connectedness, please join us. For questions, please contact Monica Coyle at [mgcocyle@verizon.net](mailto:mgcocyle@verizon.net).

### Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are lay congregation members trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or relocation. If you would like to become a Stephen Minister—or think you or someone you love might benefit from having a Stephen Minister accompany you through a difficult time in life—please call us at 973-835-0374 x 113.

### Women's Faith Reflections

We meet on Wednesdays from 10 -11:30 a.m. in the Carnevale Center. We use the Lector books to reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings for Mass. Fr John Alderson aids us in our discussions. There is no registration needed.

### Women of Prayer and Spirit

A group of women who meet monthly to discuss one chapter of a book and to pray for the intentions members bring to the group. We meet via zoom on the first Tuesday of each month from 7:00-8:30. Women of Prayer and Spirit reflects the early church when Christians met in small groups to pray, to inspire, and to be inspired by other Christians. If you would like to join this group, please email Jean Barkovitz [jbarkovitz1009@gmail.com](mailto:jbarkovitz1009@gmail.com).

## MINISTERIO HISPANO DE SANTA MARIA

### La Santa Misa en español

Miércoles a las 7:00pm

Domingos a las 8:45am

En la iglesia Principal

### La Santa Misa



**Bautismos en español** - Requisitos: Certificado de Nacimiento del(a) niño(a), padrinos y asistir a una clase antes de la celebración del Sacramento (padres y padrinos). Información: Milagros Anto o con el Hermano Luis Rosado. Si desea bautizar su hijo(a) en inglés debe asistir a una clase y llamar a Lynda 973-835-5841, ext 120.

### Ministerio de Proclamadores de la Palabra.

Por favor comunicarse con Lourdes Huerta (973-270-3453). Este Ministerio se reunirá el lunes 7 de noviembre de 7:30pm a 9:30pm en el salón 201 del centro Carnevale.



Visita de "Nuestra  
Señora de Guadalupe"  
a tu hogar.

Si deseas que Nuestra Morenita visite tu hogar ponte en contacto con **Angelina Nuci** después de nuestra misa dominical o escríbele al siguiente correo electrónico: [angehannuci@yahoo.com](mailto:angehannuci@yahoo.com). Cada domingo en misa con la bendición de nuestra comunidad; "Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe" es enviada a visitar cada familia que así lo requiere.

# Anuncios

### A tomar en cuenta:

-Orar al Santísimo es un momento de intimidad, de confianza y de amistad con Dios. Tendremos exposición al Santísimo después de la misa en español **el miércoles 16 de noviembre**. Por otro lado, si conoces a alguien que por motivos de enfermedad u otros no pueda comulgar déjele saber al Padre John o al hermano Luis Rosado para visitarle.

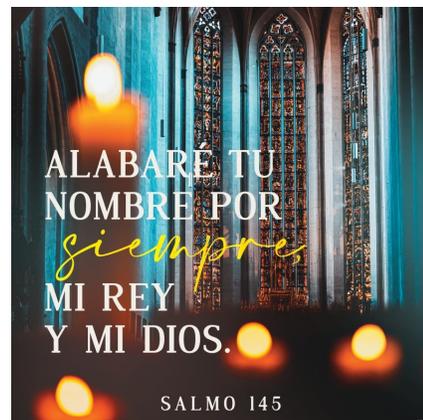
-Las inscripciones para la **Catequesis de Confirmación 2023-2025** están abiertas. Puede hablar con el Padre John Coughlin, el hermano Luis Rosado, Angelina Nuci o Milagros Anto después de la misa dominical de 8:45am. También, puede enviar un correo electrónico a [miliorange@gmail.com](mailto:miliorange@gmail.com); si necesita más información.

-La misa por nuestros Fieles Difuntos será el miércoles 2 de noviembre a las 7:00pm la iglesia principal.

El viernes 11 de noviembre a las 7:00pm en el Centro Carnevale tendremos una jornada de reflexión sobre el tiempo **ADVIENTO 2022**. Todos están invitados a participar.

- El Día de Acción de Gracias tendremos Eucaristía Bilingüe a las 9:00am en la iglesia principal

- **POSADAS 2022**- Las posadas empezarán con la que organiza nuestra comunidad el viernes 16 de diciembre en el Centro Carnevale a las 7:00pm. Si desea darnos posada este año contacte al hermano Luis Rosado o a Milagros Anto. Gracias infinitas.





## Conmemoración de los Fieles Difuntos

El día 2 de noviembre, nuestra Iglesia Católica celebra la Conmemoración de los Fieles Difuntos. La práctica de orar por los difuntos es sumamente antigua. En la biblia, en el Antiguo Testamento se nos dice: "Mandó Juan Macabeo ofrecer sacrificios por los muertos, para que quedaran libres de sus pecados" (2Mac. 12, 46). Desde los primeros siglos, nuestra Iglesia ha tenido la costumbre de orar por los difuntos, y es a partir del 2 de noviembre del año 998 cuando se determinó este día especial para ellos; la cual fue instituida por San Odilón de Cluny, monje benedictino. Después fue adoptada por Roma en el siglo XVI y desde ahí se difundió al mundo entero. Este día se

dedica especialmente a la oración por su eterno descanso, un recuerdo que se hace en favor de los que han muerto en este mundo, pero aún se encuentran en estado de purificación en el Purgatorio. La conmemoración de los fieles difuntos es una oportunidad para renovar nuestra fe en la resurrección de los muertos, sabiendo que la muerte, pues, no es el fin de todo, sino el comienzo de una nueva vida. Sabemos que los que nos han precedido están un paso más allá mientras que nosotros aún estamos peregrinando. Por tanto, esta conmemoración, además de recordarnos de los que ya no están presentes, nos indican que la muerte es un puente, un paso que nos conducirá al otro lado, al que todos estamos destinados. El Papa Francisco nos dice: **"El recuerdo de los difuntos, el cuidado de los sepulcros y los sufragios son testimonios de confiada esperanza, arraigada en la certeza de que la muerte no es la última palabra sobre la suerte humana, puesto que el hombre está destinado a una vida sin límites, cuya raíz y realización están en Dios"**. Para nosotros los creyentes, nuestros muertos no están "definitivamente muertos", sino "sólo difuntos", es decir, "duermen el sueño de la paz" mientras esperan que sus cuerpos sean transformados por la resurrección (cf 1 Cor 15,14). Que el Señor reciba el humilde ruego que le presentamos por manos de María Santísima, hoy, con más fuerzas que nunca: "Concédeles, Señor, el descanso eterno, y brille para ellos la luz que no tiene fin. Descansen en paz". Amén.

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