

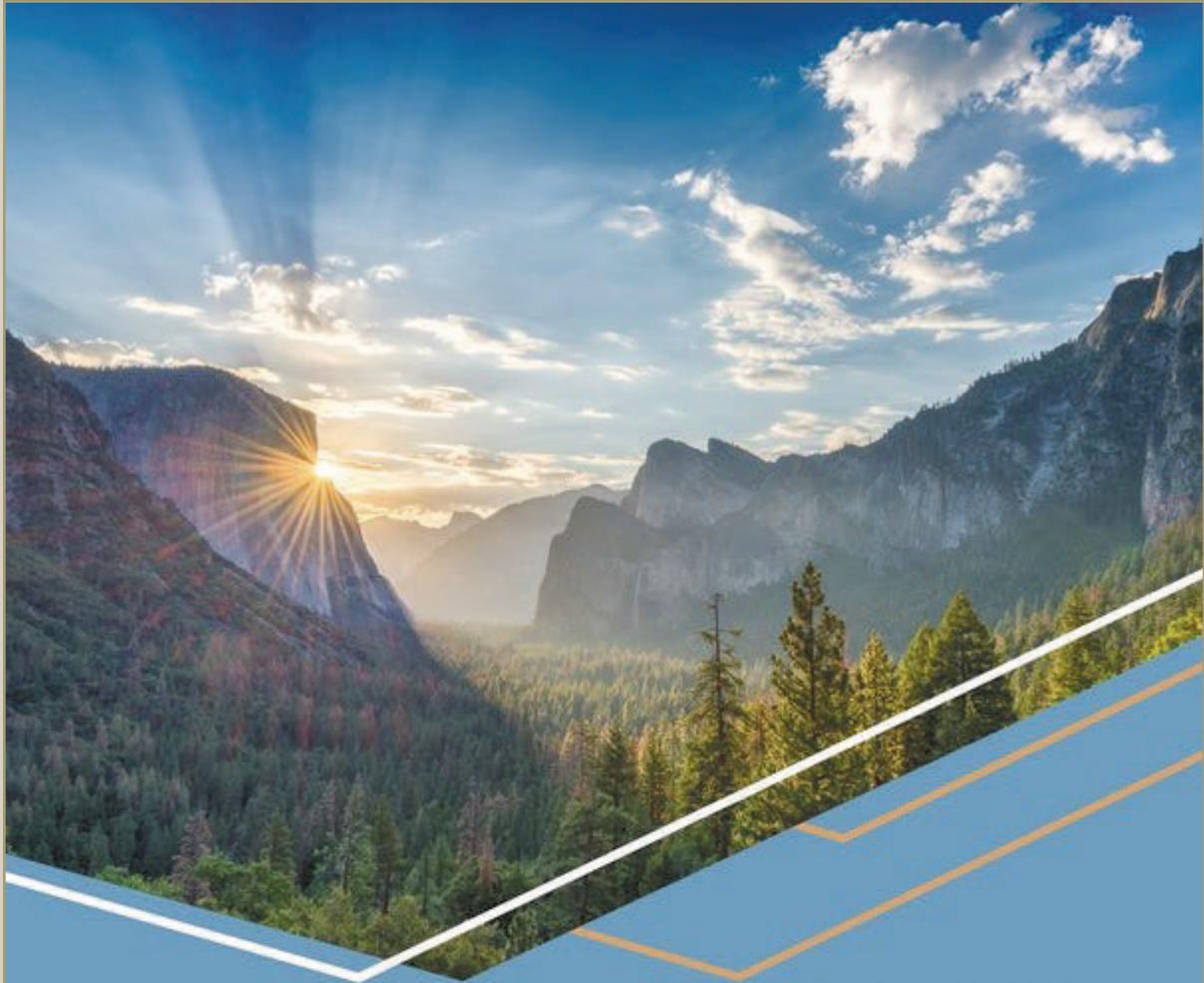


# SAINT MARY'S

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June 29, 2025

## STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:18-19

## SAN PEDRO Y SAN PABLO, APÓSTOLES

"Tú eres Pedro y sobre esta piedra edificaré mi Iglesia. Los poderes del infierno no prevalecerán sobre ella. Yo te daré las llaves del Reino de los cielos; todo lo que ates en la tierra quedará atado en el cielo, y todo lo que desates en la tierra quedará desatado en el cielo". - Mt 16, 18-19

# PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

At the last meeting of our **Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)** before the summer break, we prayed a very powerful prayer written by Saint Oscar Romero. Part of that prayer reads:

*"We cannot do everything,  
And there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.  
This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.  
It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning,  
A step along the way,  
An opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."*

As our Council looked over the last year, we recognized that the work we did was incomplete but were proud of some of the steps we took. Our work this year was primarily addressed some of the issues raised in our parish survey, which so many of you completed last year. Happily, almost 85% of parishioners who took the survey were very satisfied with the vitality of the parish, so we were starting from a very good place indeed. Following are some concerns raised in the survey and how we have begun to address them:

## 1. More opportunities to connect

Many expressed interest in getting to know their fellow parishioners. To that end, we've begun hosting monthly fellowship opportunities after our weekend Masses. In the Fall, we will be launching an exciting new program for people to gather together to break bread and talk about their faith journey. We'll also be initiating some parish-wide service projects.

People hoped to bring our English and Spanish speaking communities together. In addition to the opportunities listed above, we are also starting the process of bringing our faith formation programs closer together so our kids can get to know one another and grow in their faith together.

## 2. Improved Communication

Many of you wanted better communication, especially when it comes to finances. I have been remiss in not publishing the information about our finances more regularly in the bulletin. You'll see that information published this week, and in the weeks that follow. Thanks for your patience. In the fall, we'll also be introducing our parish to Flocknote, a text-based communication tool that will help us all be more informed at everything going on in our parish.

## 3. Attracting young people and families

So many of you expressed how much you love this Parish, and longed to see more young people and young families get excited about our faith and join our community. To that end, we've improved some of the great opportunities in our youth ministry program—we're now going to a more dynamic facility for our youth retreats and recently brought a full bus of high school students to Great Adventure. Our young adult ministry is also growing, with a good group of 20 and 30s somethings meeting twice a month to discuss Scripture. We're also providing more opportunities for our younger families to become involved in our parish life, from Easter Egg Hunts and Candy Bingo to an upcoming tailgating party for our middle schoolers and a Trunk-or-Treat for Halloween. We'll continue our monthly family masses at 10:30 in the Church, and will also be introducing some child-friendly elements to our 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. Stay tuned!

## 4. Repairing the Church

We got a fair number of comments about the state of our church building—from tattered hymnals and broken kneelers to missing tiles in the Carnevale Center. As you are aware, we've begun working with Ruotolo Associates to launch a Capital Campaign to address these problems. More information on that coming soon.

Have we solved all of the world's or the parish's problems? Not by a long shot. And there are many things we wanted to do this year, but just didn't get to. But I am proud of the work our PPC has done over the last few months, and hope you have seen some of the fruits of their work first-hand.

If you have any comments, suggestions, or want to get involved in any of the initiatives listed above, please reach out to us at [parishcouncil@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:parishcouncil@stmarys-pompton.org). We'd love to hear from, and work with you, to help this parish be the best it can be!

—Father John Aherne, OFM

Please feel free to come up to one of the Parish Council members if you see us around or email [parishcouncil@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:parishcouncil@stmarys-pompton.org)!



**Diane**



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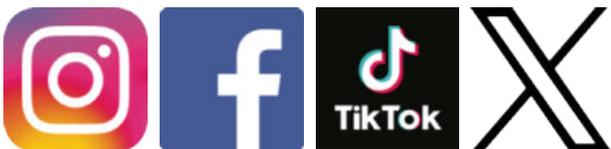
**WEDDINGS**

Getting married at St. Mary's? We'd love to celebrate the sacrament of marriage with you! Please contact Lynda Rogalski at [lrogalski@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:lrogalski@stmarys-pompton.org) six months to a year before your desired date.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

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**FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!**



**UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO**

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!

**Calendar of Events**

Please see our Parish Calendar for all the current events and activities going on at St. Mary's!

<https://stmarys-pompton.org/parish-calendar>



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## 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)

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)

## DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

**Monday:** Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 8:18-22

**Tuesday:** Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27

**Wednesday:** Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34

**Thursday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

**Friday:** Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13

**Saturday:** Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17



## CONFESSION AND ADORATION

**CONFESSION:** Thursdays from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. or call for an appointment.

**ADORATION:** The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration on Thursday from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and for one hour after morning Mass on the first Friday of each month.

During Adoration, please maintain a reverent silence.



The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, July 3rd and Friday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.

July 3rd Daily Mass will be at 8:00 a.m.

July 4th Daily Mass will be at 9:00 a.m.



This week, the Altar Flowers have been donated in memory of **Jack Famularo** from his loving children.



This week, the Bread and Wine have been donated with prayers for world peace and the end of hunger.

### HOLY BONES

Healthy treats for your dog!

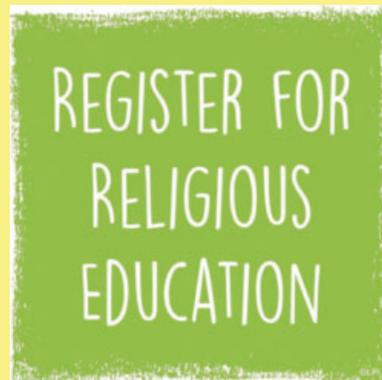


Holy Bones provides a work experience program to individuals with developmental disabilities in making and packaging all natural dog bones and bits.

There are 3 flavors in 8 oz. bags: peanut butter, sweet potato and chicken. Price is \$10 per bag

The bones and bits are on sale in the Parish Office, Monday through Thursday (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.—closed 12 to 12:30 for lunch) and Friday 9 a.m. to noon.

CCD Registration for next year (all grades) and 5th grade Peace Week is now open! Please visit our website or scan the QR code to enroll today.



# MASS INTENTIONS † = Deceased, L = Living



## ...THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED Domenica Ginolfi

## ...THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Angelo, John, Frank Furnari, Bernice Weinheimer, John Molaro, Marc Rocco, Kellie Diemer, Valentina Ionta, Lynn Hutman, Mary Grace Van Etten, Jeanmarie Stella O'Dell, Mary Catherine Fleming, Erin Veloso, Linda Bedell Kniatkowski, John Donnelly, Providence Torres, Edna Hoogerhyde, John Comiso, Sue Cambre, Jim Shea, Owen Patrick Brophy, Donald Harkin, Debbie Grish, Br. Patrick Fereday, Patricia Tompkins, Paul Gaffin, Elaine Kuszyon, John Medicino, Marie Cody

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, MCS, PFC Sean Jennings, SGT Ryan Cronin, US Navy SO, 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. Ciccarelli, Sgt. Justyn Shovlowsky, Captain Austin Canning, SSG Tiffany Thumann, 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, LT Vincent Bellomo, Staff Sergeant Andrew Murphy, Emmanuel Folleco

**IF THE STATUS OF SOMEONE ON THIS LIST HAS CHANGED, PLEASE INFORM THE PARISH OFFICE ASAP. THANK YOU!**



<b>Saturday</b>		<b>June 28</b>
5:00 p.m.	† Thomas Vigorito † Tricia Norden † Justin Lizza † Leonard Van Dyke	
7:00 p.m.	† JoAnn C. Perrotta † Margaret Gwynne	
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>June 29</b>
7:30 a.m.	† Elisa Sudol	
8:45 a.m. (Spanish)	People of the Parish	
9:00 a.m. (CC)	† Trisha Revis Norden † Lillian Putz † Juderick Salamana (5th Ann.)	
10:30 a.m.	† Francis & Lucille Marshall † Edward Kelemen † James A. Breslin, Jr. † Custodio Fernandes † Oscar Buonafina † Josephine Emilo	
12:00 p.m.	† Mario Uy (40th day of his passing) † James Reilly † Louis Gioffre † Theresa Gioffre (heavenly birthday)	
<b>Monday</b>		<b>June 30</b>
8:00 a.m.	† Maria Madera DeCastillo † John Lucente (15th Ann.)	
<b>Tuesday</b>		<b>July 1</b>
8:00 a.m.	† Matthew Rosado † Holy Souls in Purgatory	
<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>July 2</b>
8:00 a.m.	† James Nolan † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Janet Trawinski	
7:00 p.m. (Spanish)	People of the Parish	
<b>Thursday</b>		<b>July 3</b>
8:00 a.m.	L Thanksgiving for Blessing	
<b>Friday</b>		<b>July 4</b> <b>DAILY MASS 9AM</b>
9:00 a.m.	† Craig Fiskin † Daniel Nolan	
<b>Saturday</b>		<b>July 5</b>
5:00 p.m.	† Doris Rivera (2nd Ann.) † Leonard Widovic † William Rocco † Francine Rocco † Patricia Norden	
7:00 p.m.	People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>July 6</b>
7:30 a.m.	† Elisa Sudol	
8:45 a.m. (Spanish)	People of the Parish	
9:00 a.m. (CC)	People of the Parish	
10:30 a.m.	† Morgan & Madison Laccitiello † Kathleen Marshall † JoAnn Perrotta † Richard McFeely, OFM	
12:00 p.m.	† Casimir Joseph Lubas † James Reilly † JoAnn C. Perrotta † Marta Kurpias	

# ACTUALIZACIÓN DEL CONSEJO PARROQUIAL PASTORAL

En la última reunión de nuestro **Consejo Pastoral Parroquial (CPP)** antes de las vacaciones de verano, rezamos una oración muy poderosa escrita por San Óscar Romeo. Parte de esa oración dice:

*“No podemos hacer todo,  
Y hay una sensación de liberación al darnos cuenta de eso.  
Esto nos permite hacer algo, y hacerlo muy bien.  
Puede ser incompleto, pero es un comienzo,  
Un paso en el camino,  
Una oportunidad para que la gracia del Señor entre y haga el resto”*

Mientras nuestro Consejo revisaba el año pasado, reconocimos que el trabajo que hicimos estaba incompleto, pero estábamos orgullosos de algunos de los pasos que dimos. Nuestro trabajo este año se centró principalmente en abordar algunos de los problemas planteados en nuestra encuesta parroquial, que tantos de ustedes completaron el año pasado. Afortunadamente, casi el 85% de los feligreses que respondieron la encuesta estaban muy satisfechos con la vitalidad de la parroquia, así que estábamos comenzando desde un muy buen lugar. A continuación, se presentan algunas de las preocupaciones planteadas en la encuesta y cómo hemos comenzado a abordarlas:

## 1. Más oportunidades para conectarse

Muchos expresaron interés en conocer a sus compañeros feligreses. Con ese fin, hemos comenzado a organizar oportunidades de compañerismo mensuales después de nuestras Misas de fin de semana. En el otoño, lanzaremos un nuevo y emocionante programa para que las personas se reúnan para compartir el pan y hablar sobre su camino de fe. También iniciaremos algunos proyectos de servicio a nivel de toda la parroquia.

La gente esperaba unir a nuestras comunidades de habla inglesa y española. Además de las oportunidades mencionadas anteriormente, también estamos iniciando el proceso de acercar nuestros programas de formación en la fe para que nuestros niños puedan conocerse y crecer juntos en su fe.

## 2. Comunicación mejorada

Muchos de ustedes querían una mejor comunicación, especialmente en lo que respecta a las finanzas. He sido negligente al no publicar la información sobre nuestras finanzas con más regularidad en el boletín. Verán esa información publicada esta semana y en las semanas siguientes. Gracias por su paciencia. En el otoño, también presentaremos a nuestra parroquia Flocknote, una herramienta de comunicación basada en mensajes de texto que nos ayudará a estar más informados sobre todo lo que sucede en nuestra parroquia.

## 3. Atraer a jóvenes y familias

Muchos de ustedes expresaron cuánto aman esta Parroquia y deseaban ver a más jóvenes y familias jóvenes entusiasmarse con nuestra fe y unirse a nuestra comunidad. Con ese fin, hemos mejorado algunas de las grandes oportunidades en nuestro programa de ministerio juvenil: ahora vamos a una instalación más dinámica para nuestros retiros juveniles y recientemente llevamos un autobús lleno de estudiantes de secundaria a Great Adventure. Nuestro ministerio de adultos jóvenes también está creciendo, con un buen grupo de personas de 20 y 30 años que se reúnen dos veces al mes para discutir las Escrituras. También estamos brindando más oportunidades para que nuestras familias más jóvenes se involucren en nuestra vida parroquial, desde búsquedas de huevos de Pascua y Bingo de caramelos hasta una próxima fiesta "tailgating" para nuestros estudiantes de secundaria y un "Trunk-or-Treat" para Halloween. Continuaremos nuestras Misas familiares mensuales a las 10:30 a.m. en la Iglesia, y también introduciremos algunos elementos amigables para los niños en nuestra Misa dominical de las 9:00 a.m. ¡Estén atentos!

## 4. Reparación de la Iglesia

Recibimos un buen número de comentarios sobre el estado de nuestro edificio de la iglesia, desde himnarios desgastados y reclinatorios rotos hasta baldosas faltantes en el Centro Carnevale. Como saben, hemos comenzado a trabajar con Ruotolo Associates para lanzar una Campaña de Capital para abordar estos problemas. Próximamente habrá más información al respecto.

¿Hemos resuelto todos los problemas del mundo o de la parroquia? Ni de lejos. Y hay muchas cosas que queríamos hacer este año, pero simplemente no pudimos. Pero estoy orgulloso del trabajo que nuestro CPP ha realizado en los últimos meses, y espero que hayan visto algunos de los frutos de su trabajo de primera mano.

Si tienen algún comentario, sugerencia o desean involucrarse en alguna de las iniciativas mencionadas, por favor contáctennos en [parishcouncil@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:parishcouncil@stmarys-pompton.org). ¡Nos encantaría escucharlos y trabajar con ustedes para ayudar a que esta parroquia sea lo mejor posible!

—Padre John Aherne, OFM

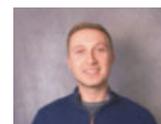
¡No dudes en acercarte a uno de los miembros del Consejo Parroquial si nos ves por ahí o envía un correo electrónico a [parishcouncil@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:parishcouncil@stmarys-pompton.org)!



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**Katie**



Through the waters of Baptism,  
we welcome into the Body of Christ...

**Nicholas Andrew Romero** (left)

**Liam & Laia Huerta** (below left)

**Bianca Maria Vecchione** (below right)



**Income:** The following reflects our May income as of June 18, 2025.

*(Some donations made electronically may still not be posted yet.)*

Income from all sources including offertory and other donations for May:	\$81,039.08
Building and maintenance fund collected for May:	\$6,856.00
Total Income for May:	\$87,895.08



**Expenses:** Our monthly expenses vary throughout the year. As a reference point, an average of our expenses per month based on what we spent in Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is \$192,756.06.

**The Big Picture:** Although this represents a net loss for this month, overall we are on track to have a balanced budget by the end of the Fiscal Year.

We will continue to refine our presentation of our finances so we can be as transparent as possible. For a more complete breakdown of expenses and income, please see our **October 20, 2024** bulletin which can be accessed from our website.



Congratulations and God bless **Ramses and Maria Laxina** who recently celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary!

Some Say

*By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

At first, the Apostles try to dodge the question.

When Jesus confronts them — and make no mistake, it is a confrontation — with the question “Who do you say that I am?” they act like a man whose wife has just asked him if she looks fat in these jeans.

The evasiveness of their answer puts politicians to shame: “Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

Some say.

But Jesus doesn't let them off easy. He repeats himself. He wants an answer. “Who do you say that I am?”

They all know the answer. They all believe the answer. And they all know the answer could get them thrown in prison or killed. Only Peter is brave enough to say it: “You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God.”

People have a lot of opinions about God. They always have. They have a lot of opinions about Jesus and the Bible, about the Catholic Church and the Pope. Some of these opinions are well-founded, well-researched. Some of them are based in ignorance. Many are born of painful misunderstandings. But they are all just that: opinions.

Some say.

We know who Jesus is. We know who the Eucharist is. We know what the truth is. Amid the chaos and the violence and the excruciating loudness of this fallen world and all the words it shouts into the void about God and Jesus and right and wrong, we know.

But will we answer?



## FOOD PANTRY

### Upcoming Food Pantry distribution dates/times:

Saturday, June 28	9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)
Wednesday, July 2	4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)
Saturday, July 19	9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)
Wednesday, July 23	4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)

### Current needed items:

Deodorant, toothpaste, cleaning supplies, paper napkins, spices (other than salt, pepper and garlic powder).

We need drivers for the pantry's truck. A special license is not needed! Please call the Parish Office if interested.

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 church unless otherwise specified.**

**NO CLOTHING DONATIONS PLEASE.**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Who still needs service hours? We have the perfect opportunity for you to complete your service hours by volunteering at the Religious Education 5th Grade Peace Week Program this summer!

We offer three opportunities beginning June 26th. One week gives you 40 service hours and volunteers can do as many weeks as they would like.

If you are interested, please contact Toni Wong at [Twong@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:Twong@stmarys-pompton.org).

Peace Week dates and time:

7/7 - 7/11 8:45am - 3:30pm

7/14-7/18 8:45am - 3:30pm

7/21-7/25 8:45am - 3:30pm

For any children that did not complete 1st grade, please remember to pick up the "First Grade Packet" in the Parish office. There is a \$50 fee for the book and materials.



# FAITH, FELLOWSHIP & COFFEE

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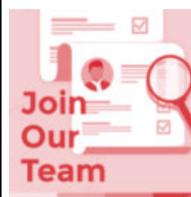
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# MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

For more information about these and our other ministries, call the Parish Office or email us at [smc@stmarys-pompton.org](mailto:smc@stmarys-pompton.org)

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**JPIC (Justice, Peace & Integrity of Creation):** We take our inspiration from the life of St. Francis and the Franciscan movement. We are guided by our passion for peace, justice and sustainability for the Earth and all on it.

**Men's Emmaus Fellowship:** We are a men's group that gathers to consider the scripture readings for the current weekend. We discuss scripture and how it applies to the challenges and opportunities we have as Catholic Christian men today.

**Rosary/Divine Mercy Ministry:** We pray the Holy Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet as well as prayers from other Catholic luminaries.

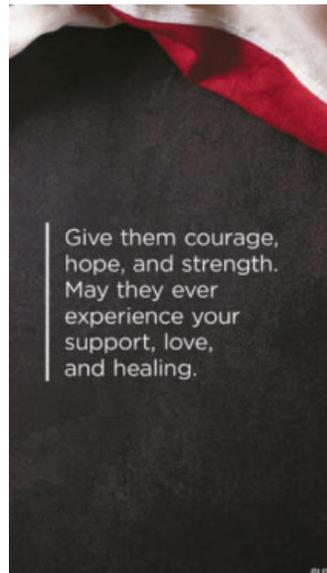
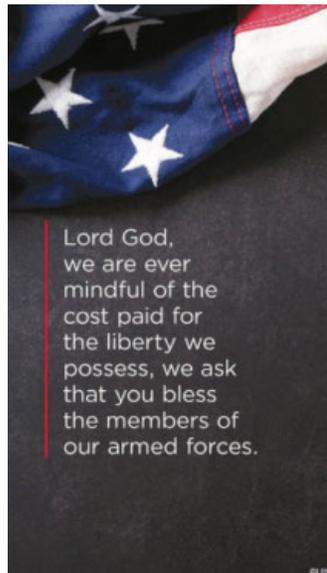
**Special Needs Ministry:** We provide children and adults with religious and social services. The children's portion provides special education religious education for students receiving the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. The adult portion provides social events. Workshops and day-long retreats are scheduled throughout the year, along with our week-long bible camp every summer.

**Women of Prayer & Spirit:** We are a group of women who bring prayer intentions to the group and meet to discuss spiritually-themed books, one chapter at a time. All are welcome!

**Women's Cornerstone Ministry:** We provide an opportunity for women in the community to revitalize and deepen their spiritual lives through a combination of quiet reflection, prayer and social interaction and sharing the story of one's own personal faith journey.

**Women's Faith Reflection:** We are a group of women that gather and reflect on the upcoming Sunday's readings. We meet at 9:45 - 11:30 AM in the Carnevale Center Banta Room (first floor). No registration needed, just come by!

**We are on a break and will resume on September 10th. Have a great summer!**



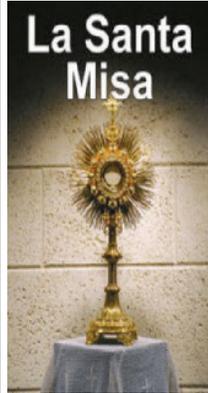
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# ANUNCIOS

1.- **Orar al Santísimo** es un momento de intimidad y amistad con Dios. Tendremos exposición al Santísimo después de la misa en español el miércoles 16 de julio de 2025. Si conoces a alguien que no pueda comulgar por enfermedad u otros motivos, por favor, infórmale al Padre John Coughlin para que pueda visitarle.

2.- Si usted quiere celebrar el **sacramento de Matrimonio** puede hablar y pedir la información pertinente al Padre John Coughlin después de nuestras misas en español de los miércoles o domingos.

3.- **Celebración Guadalupana:** Se acerca la esperada celebración en honor a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe que será el 12 de diciembre, y queremos invitar a todos a sumarse con entusiasmo a la organización de la procesión y la fiesta. Los invitamos a realizar sus donaciones, ya sea en efectivo, o brindando su tiempo y talento. Cada aporte, por pequeño que sea, ayudará a que vivamos juntos una celebración llena de alegría, devoción y unidad. Contáctese con el Comité Guadalupano.

4.- **Catecismo de Primera Comunión, y Confirmación:** Ya están abiertas las inscripciones para estos catecismos que empezaran la tercera semana de septiembre.2025. Si necesita más información por favor comuníquese con Angelina Nuci o Milagros Anto.

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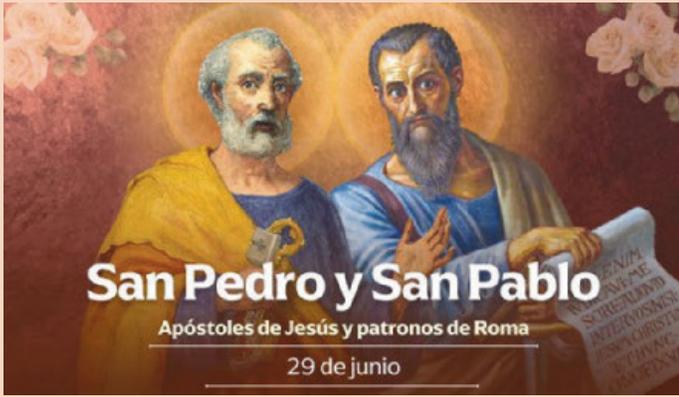


### Lecturas Bíblicas — Solemnidad de san Pedro y san Pablo, Apóstoles-Ciclo C - (29 de junio de 2025)

**Primera Lectura:** Hechos 12, 1-11  
**Salmo Responsorial:** 33, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9  
**Segunda Lectura:** 2 Timoteo 4, 6-8. 17-18  
**+Evangelio:** Mateo 16, 13-19

### Ministerio de Proclamadores de la Palabra

Por favor comunicarse con Lourdes Huerta (973-270-3453). Este Ministerio se reunirá el lunes 30 de junio de 2025 de 7:30pm a 8:30pm en el salón Alma Banta del Centro Carnevale.



La fiesta de San Pedro y San Pablo, celebrada cada 29 de junio, es una de las solemnidades más significativas para toda la Iglesia universal. Esta celebración conmemora el martirio de los dos grandes apóstoles en Roma y reconoce su papel como columnas fundamentales del cristianismo. San Pedro, el primero en confesar a Cristo como el Hijo de Dios vivo, y San Pablo, el apóstol de los gentiles, dedicaron su vida a anunciar el Evangelio y a consolidar la comunidad cristiana primitiva, incluso hasta dar la vida por su fe. Para nuestra comunidad parroquial, esta fiesta es una ocasión para reflexionar sobre la importancia de la fe, la unidad y la misión evangelizadora de la Iglesia. San Pedro y San Pablo, a

pesar de sus diferencias y trayectorias personales, estuvieron unidos en la misma misión: llevar la Buena Nueva a todos los pueblos y testimoniar a Cristo con valentía. Su ejemplo inspira a los fieles a renovar su compromiso cristiano y a trabajar por la unidad y el crecimiento de la comunidad, recordando que la Iglesia está fundada sobre la fe y el testimonio de los apóstoles. Las enseñanzas de San Pedro y San Pablo son especialmente valiosas. Pedro nos enseña la humildad, la fidelidad y la confianza en la misericordia de Dios, incluso después de haber fallado. Pablo nos muestra la fuerza de la conversión, el celo misionero y la entrega total a Cristo. Ambos nos invitan a ser discípulos auténticos, a no temer las dificultades y a vivir con esperanza y caridad. Como dice el Evangelio: “Tú eres Pedro y sobre esta piedra edificaré mi Iglesia; los poderes de la muerte jamás la podrán vencer” (Mateo 16,18). Y Pablo proclama: “He combatido el buen combate, he terminado mi carrera, he guardado la fe” (2 Timoteo 4,7). Así, la fiesta de San Pedro y San Pablo es un llamado para la parroquia de Santa María a fortalecer la fe, la unidad y el compromiso misionero, siguiendo el ejemplo de estos dos grandes apóstoles que, con sus vidas, enseñaron a amar y servir a Cristo hasta el final.

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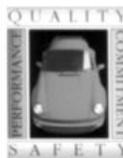
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