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July 6, 2025



14th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Nevertheless, do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven." - Lk 10:20

"Pero no se alegren de que los demonios se les someten. Alégrese más bien de que sus nombres están escritos en el cielo". - Lc 10, 20

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FRIAR'S DESK

The Angelus

I can remember Catholics of an older generation than my own talking about praying the Angelus three times each day when they were younger. Traditionally it was prayed at 6 AM, 12 PM, and 6 PM. Many Catholics coming home from work would stop on sidewalks near Catholic churches as bells tolled at 6 PM and pray it in public. I had no memory or experience of that from my own practice of the Catholic faith. I learned it on my own as a young friar. I was never in a Franciscan community that prayed the devotion communally. Yet my religious order played a part in popularizing it among the faithful.

The Angelus is a devotion that developed over several centuries. The origin of the prayer is not fully known. There is historical evidence pointing to it in the evening tolling of the bell at Compline (Night Prayer) in monastic communities during the Middle Ages. Early Franciscans in the 13th century used to recite the Hail Mary three times after the evening ringing of the bell. That custom spread to the larger Church eventually resulting in the Angelus being recited thrice daily by laity and clergy. The prayer's final form dates to the 15th century.

What is the Angelus? It is a devotional prayer that contains a set of three antiphons from sacred scripture that reflect on the mystery of the Incarnation of Christ at the Annunciation (Luke 1:26-38). "Angelus" is a Latin word meaning "Angel". It was the Angel Gabriel who announced God's plan to Mary that she would conceive by the Holy Spirit and bear "the Son of the Most High."

Many Catholics of past generations knew the Angelus by heart. It can be prayed individually, in pairs, or in groups. When it is prayed by more than one person, a leader says the first part, with everyone else reciting the responses. There is a long-standing tradition of the pope leading the Angelus in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican on Sundays and Marian feast days. It served as a bedrock devotional prayer for the Catholic faithful for many centuries. If you are not familiar with it, I encourage you to give it a try. Please see the Angelus prayer we are including in this week's Bulletin.

**This article relied on information from a Catholic website called goodcatholic.com and the Encyclopedia of Catholicism.*

—Father John Coughlin, OFM

Angelus

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail, Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail, Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

V. And the Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail, Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ, thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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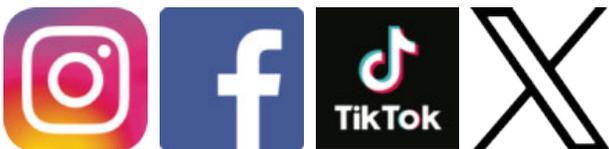
WEDDINGS

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 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 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

www.facebook.com/smcpompton

www.youtube.com/c/stmaryspomptonlakes

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33



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.



This week, the Bread and Wine have been donated in loving memory of **JoAnn C. Perrotta** from Phyllis Primavera.

Save the Date!

TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16TH

**5 PM MASS
WITH PARISH PICNIC TO FOLLOW**



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.

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MASS INTENTIONS † = Deceased, L = Living



Saturday	July 5
5:00 p.m.	† Doris Rivera (2nd Ann.) † Leonard Widovic † William Rocco † Francine Rocco † Patricia Norden
7:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday	July 6
7:30 a.m.	† Elisa Sudol
8:45 a.m. (Spanish)	People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. (CC)	† Daniel Sinclair
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
Monday	July 7
8:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Tuesday	July 8
8:00 a.m.	† Ginny Dutton † Loretta Viola Silversey † George & Catherine Conroy
Wednesday	July 9
8:00 a.m.	† Eric Clemens
7:00 p.m. (Spanish)	People of the Parish
Thursday	July 10
8:00 a.m.	† Amy Merlino
Friday	July 11
8:00 a.m.	† Robert Ricciardi (2nd Ann.)
Saturday	July 12
5:00 p.m.	† Tricia "Revis" Norden † Walter J Winrow, Jr. † Thomas Vigorito L Laura & Robert Matthews (65th Wedding Anniversary)
7:00 p.m.	† Judy Bowling
Sunday	July 13
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.	L Emily Rose Touw † Pilar Santianna (heavenly birthday) † Patrica Norden † Domingo Antonio Gonzalez Rodriguez
12:00 p.m.	† Louis Gioffre † Leon Djecki

...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 Kuszony, 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. Ciccarella, 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!



Please feel free to come up to one of the Parish Council members if you see us around or email parishcouncil@stmarys-prompton.org



Diane



Toma



Zach



Kristine



Greg



Mark



Joanne



Dino



Katie

If you are having a Sunday Mass said for a friend or family member and would like to bring up the gifts of bread and wine at the offertory, please make yourself known to a friar or volunteer before Mass begins.

ESCRITORIO DEL FRAILE

El Ángelus

Recuerdo que los católicos de una generación anterior a la mía hablaban de rezar el Ángelus tres veces al día cuando eran jóvenes. Tradicionalmente se rezaba a las 6 de la mañana, a las 12 del mediodía y a las 6 de la tarde. Muchos católicos, al volver del trabajo, se detenían en las aceras cercanas a las iglesias católicas cuando las campanas repicaban a las 6 de la tarde y lo rezaban en público. Yo no tenía ningún recuerdo ni experiencia de ello en mi propia práctica de la fe católica. Lo aprendí por mi cuenta cuando era un joven fraile. Nunca estuve en una comunidad franciscana que rezara esta devoción en comunidad. Sin embargo, mi orden religiosa contribuyó a popularizarla entre los fieles.

El Ángelus es una devoción que se desarrolló a lo largo de varios siglos. El origen de la oración no se conoce con certeza. Hay pruebas históricas que apuntan a que se remonta al repique de campanas al atardecer, durante la Completas (oración de la noche) en las comunidades monásticas de la Edad Media. Los primeros franciscanos del siglo XIII solían recitar tres veces el Ave María después del toque de campana de la tarde. Esa costumbre se extendió a toda la Iglesia, lo que acabó dando lugar a que el Angelus se recitara tres veces al día por los laicos y el clero. La forma definitiva de la oración data del siglo XV.

¿Qué es el Angelus? Es una oración devocional que contiene un conjunto de tres antifonas de la Sagrada Escritura que reflexionan sobre el misterio de la Encarnación de Cristo en la Anunciación (Lucas 1, 26-38). “Angelus” es una palabra latina que significa “ángel”. Fue el ángel Gabriel quien anunció a María el plan de Dios de que concebiría por obra del Espíritu Santo y daría a luz “al Hijo del Altísimo”.

Muchos católicos de generaciones pasadas se sabían el Ángelus de memoria. Se puede rezar individualmente, en pareja o en grupo. Cuando lo rezan más de una persona, un líder dice la primera parte y todos los demás recitan las respuestas. Existe una larga tradición de que el Papa dirija el Ángelus en la Plaza de San Pedro, en el Vaticano, los domingos y días festivos marianos. Durante muchos siglos, fue una oración devocional fundamental para los fieles católicos. Si no la conoce, le animo a que la trate de rezar. Puede consultar la oración del Ángelus que incluimos en el boletín de esta semana.

**Este artículo se basa en información de un sitio web católico llamado goodcatholic.com y de la Enciclopedia del Catolicismo.*

—Padre John Coughlin, OFM

El Angelus

V. El Ángel del Señor anunció a María.

R. Y concibió del Espíritu Santo.

Dios te salve, María, llena eres de gracia, el Señor es contigo. Bendita tú eres entre todas las mujeres y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús.

Santa María, Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros, pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte. Amén.

V. He aquí la esclava del Señor.

R. Hágase en mí según tu palabra.

Dios te salve, María, llena eres de gracia, el Señor es contigo. Bendita tú eres entre todas las mujeres y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús.

Santa María, Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros, pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte. Amén.

V. El Verbo se hizo carne.

R. Y habitó entre nosotros.

Dios te salve, María, llena eres de gracia, el Señor es contigo. Bendita tú eres entre todas las mujeres y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre, Jesús.

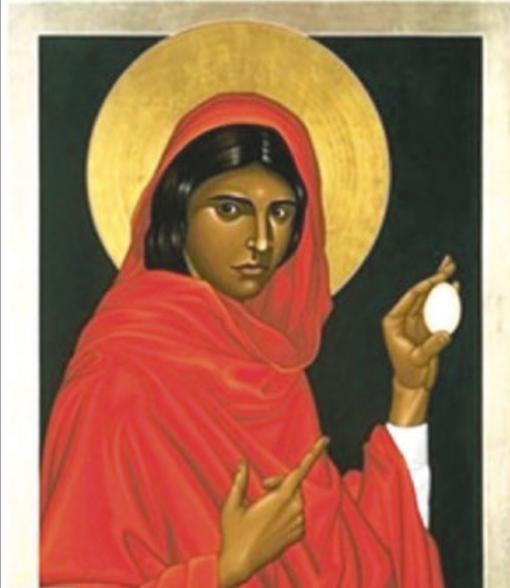
Santa María, Madre de Dios, ruega por nosotros, pecadores, ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte. Amén.

V. Ruega por nosotros, Santa Madre de Dios.

R. Para que seamos dignos de alcanzar las promesas de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

Oración:

Te suplicamos, Señor, que derrames tu gracia en nuestras almas para que los que, por el anuncio del Ángel hemos conocido la Encarnación de tu Hijo Jesucristo, por su Pasión y Cruz seamos llevados a la gloria de su Resurrección. Por el mismo Jesucristo Nuestro Señor. Amén.



In 2016, Pope Francis elevated the annual memorial of **Mary Magdalene** on July 22nd to that of a Feast, the same status as celebrations of the apostles and evangelists.

In light of the fact that she announced the good news of the resurrection to the Twelve on Easter Morning, she is fittingly called "Apostle to the Apostles."

We will honor and celebrate Mary Magdalene at the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday, July 22nd.

En 2016, el Papa Francisco elevó la conmemoración anual de **María Magdalena**, el 22 de julio, a la categoría de Fiesta, al mismo nivel que las celebraciones de los apóstoles y evangelistas.

Dado que anunció la buena nueva de la resurrección a los Doce en la mañana de Pascua, se le llama apropiadamente "Apóstol de los Apóstoles".

Honraremos y celebraremos a María Magdalena en la misa de las 8:00 a. m. del martes 22 de julio.

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES

We have several ways that you can remember your loved ones at St. Mary's.

- **Mass intentions:** Mass intentions are listed in the bulletin and announced during Mass. Suggested offerings are \$15 for weekday Masses and \$20 for weekend Masses.
- **Bread and Wine:** This offering covers the cost of the bread and wine we use during the week. This offering is listed in the bulletin and announced at weekend Masses. Suggested offering is \$35.
- **Altar Flowers:** This offering covers the cost of the flowers on the altar during the week. This offering is listed in the bulletin and announced at weekend Masses. Suggested offering is \$50.
- **Vigil Lights:** Vigil Lights are the candles in the vestibule of the church which burn for one year. A small plaque can be placed on the candle commemorating your loved one. Offering is \$100 for one year (with the option to renew every year) and \$25 to engrave the plaque. We currently have 3 vigil lights available.
- **Paving Stones:** You can have a stone with your loved one's name placed in our prayer garden which will remain in perpetuity and be cleaned on a regular basis. Stones are \$350. Please be aware that it may take several months for your stone to be engraved and placed.
- **Tree of Life:** In the vestibule of the church, you will see our Tree of Life, which has the names of people who have died. Leaves are \$500 and stones are \$1,000.
- **Intenciones de Misa:** Las intenciones de misa se enumeran en el boletín y se anuncian durante la misa. Las ofrendas sugeridas son \$15 para las misas entre semana y \$20 para las misas de fin de semana.
- **Pan y Vino:** Esta ofrenda cubre el costo del pan y el vino que usamos durante la semana. Esta ofrenda aparece en el boletín y se anuncia en las misas de fin de semana. La ofrenda es de \$35.
- **Flores del Altar:** Esta ofrenda cubre el costo de las flores del altar durante la semana. Esta ofrenda aparece en el boletín y se anuncia en las misas de fin de semana. La ofrenda es de \$50.
- **Luces de Vigilia:** Las Luces de Vigilia son las velas en el vestíbulo de la iglesia que arden por un año. Se coloca una pequeña placa en la vela conmemorando a su ser querido. La ofrenda es de \$100 por un año, con la opción de renovar cada año. Actualmente tenemos 3 luces de vigilia disponibles.
- **Ladrillos:** Usted puede tener una piedra con el nombre de su ser querido colocado en nuestro jardín de oración que permanecerá en la perpetuidad, y limpiado sobre una base regular. Las piedras cuestan \$350. Tenga en cuenta que su piedra puede tardar varios meses en ser grabada y colocada.
- **Árbol de la Vida:** En el vestíbulo de la Iglesia, verá nuestro Árbol de la Vida, que tiene los nombres de personas que han fallecido. Las hojas cuestan \$500 y las piedras \$1000.

Please call the Parish Office or email us at smc@stmarys-pompton.org for more information about these memorial opportunities.

Por favor llame a la oficina de la parroquia o envíenos un correo electrónico a smc@stmarys-pompton.org para más información sobre estas oportunidades conmemorativas.



We were so happy to host Debbie DuHaime and Good Counsel Homes last week. Not only did Debbie give a great traffic report, but she also raised our awareness, and some much needed funds, for a wonderful, pro-life cause.

Here she is with Fr. John and Trevor George (the head of our youth ministry program, who gets his traffic information from Debbie every morning) and Dora Csogar, who are getting married in October!

Please visit <https://help.goodcounselhomes.org> for more information and to donate today!



**★ GOD BLESS ★
OUR VETERANS!**

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PANTRY

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the wonderful parishioners for preparing baked ziti and brownies in June. Your generosity and support are deeply appreciated!

A special thank you to our dedicated volunteers who helped with the preparation and/or the distribution at the Military Assistance Pantry.

We were also fortunate to welcome a new volunteer this month, and a veteran himself!

Thank you all for making a difference in our community.



**IRISH DANCING
WITH FATHER JOHN**

Wednesdays, starting July 16th through August 13th
7-8 p.m. in St. Clare Hall (Carnegie Center)

Suggested donation \$25 (\$5 per class)

Dancers should be prepared to sweat a little, so comfortable workout clothes and water bottles are recommended. Light, flexible, and smooth-soled shoes or dancing sneakers are best but regular sneakers are fine, too!

Please register at
<https://www.stmarys-pompton.org/irish-dancing-with-father-john>
or call the Parish Office.



Carry Your Cross

Question:

As Catholics, we talk a lot about “redemptive suffering” and “carrying your cross.” What does that mean practically in daily life?

Answer:

When Jesus spoke these words, they would have sounded quite intense to his hearers. “Pick up your cross daily and follow me.” At the time, Jesus hadn’t yet been crucified. A cross was a Roman torture instrument. “Pick up the thing that tortures you the most,” Jesus seemed to say. Unfortunately, most of us have no real shortage of these in our life. To take up the cross isn’t to seek out new sufferings in our life. It’s to accept the life we have.

Of course, unjust or unhealthy circumstances should be rectified when possible. But there are always circumstances that remain out of our immediate control. It could be pain management, the defiance of our teenage child, or an unhealthy work environment ... but you need the paycheck to pay the bills. In difficult circumstances, it can be easier to blame, complain, or daydream our way out of it. None of these are real solutions, since none of them accept the reality of the situation at hand. Those options only add to our suffering, since they damage relationships, fixate on the problem, or set up unrealistic expectations.

Instead, Jesus invites us to take up our cross — to look at the uncomfortable situation square in the eyes, take a deep breath, and do our best to be present to God’s grace in the moment. To love those in our path. To take things one step at a time.

FOOD PANTRY

Upcoming Food Pantry distribution dates/times:

Saturday, July 19	9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)
Wednesday, July 23	4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)
Saturday, July 26	9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)
Wednesday, July 30	4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)
Saturday, August 16	9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)
Wednesday, August 20	4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)

Current needed items:

Salad dressing, baked beans, ketchup, jar spaghetti sauce, spices (not salt, pepper or 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

The first session of 5th Grade Peace Week begins tomorrow! We are looking forward to our students having a wonderful experience this week. Please keep them in your prayers!



It is that time again! We need volunteer teachers to help us with our CCD classes during the upcoming school year. You will be provided with all lesson plans and materials to teach.

New volunteer teachers must follow the requirements set forth by the Diocese of Paterson. Please reach out to the Religious Education Department if you are interested and we will provide detailed information to fulfill the requirements.

FAITH, FELLOWSHIP & COFFEE

Date	Sponsored by
JULY 12	Military Assistance Pantry
JULY 13	Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation
JULY 13	Emmaus Catholic Men's Fellowship
AUGUST 10	OCIA
AUGUST 10	Lectors

Join us on the pavers after Mass for a cup of coffee and a sweet treat.

PEER MINISTRY

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Peer Ministry Training
 Sunday July 13th, 9:30-11:30am
 Banta Room in the Carnevale Center

Are you looking for new opportunities to lead and serve?
 Are you looking for a group of fun, dynamic teens in a supportive faith community? Would you like to be a member of our retreat team?

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The Children's and Adult Special Needs Ministries is once again hosting our **Summer Bible Camp** on Monday, August 18-Thursday, August 21 in the Carnevale Center.

Campers who have received their First Eucharist up through adulthood are welcome to join us at "Wonder Junction" for an exciting week of stories, music, crafts and games.

To register or for more information, please contact Andrea Piccirillo at apiccirillo@stmarys-pompton.org or 973-632-4546.

Holy Bones is looking to employ the following starting September 2025:

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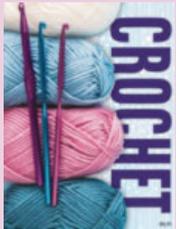
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While our young people are home from school, the **Hearts and Hands Crochet Ministry** invites them to learn how to crochet and have fun!
(Ages 8 and up.)

Meetings are on the third Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and on the third Tuesday of each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All meetings are in the Carnevale Center Assisi Room.

Yarn and crochet supplies will be provided!

Support Group for Caregivers of loved ones with Dementia



A monthly meeting is held in the Carnevale Center for caregivers assisting loved ones with dementia.

Meetings are on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00pm. Our upcoming meeting dates are July 10th, August 14th and September 11th.

For further information, please contact Margaret Klach at mklach60@gmail.com.



The "Journey Through Grief" group of Spring 2025 will have a reunion meeting on Monday, July 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Banta Room of the Carnevale Center.



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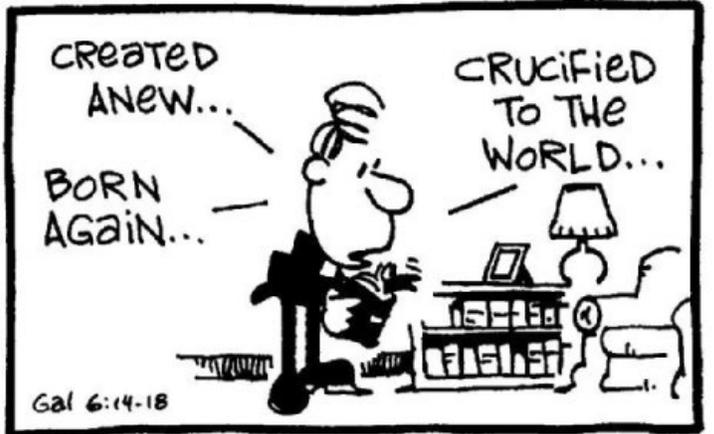
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MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

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SERVE WITH US

Food Pantry Ministry: We are a ministry of the parish that provides food and household supplies to people in need from Pompton Lakes and the surrounding communities.

Good Works Gang Ministry: We help other parishioners and members of the community who are in need of help with various projects, i.e. light yard clean ups, moving personal items and projects that, for various reasons, they are unable to do themselves.

Helping Hands/Social Worker Ministry: We provide concrete services and material assistance to needy, sick or disabled persons or families in our local community.

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

Hospitality Ministry: We provide and serve food and drink at Parish events both large and small. Opportunities to volunteer include: baking, decorating, setup, food service, and cleanup, and each role is essential to the success of the event.

Lasagna Love: Our mission is simply this: to feed families, spread kindness, and strengthen communities. Volunteers from this wonderful organization make meals for our Food Pantry families.

Meals with Love: We help the NJ Buddies serve people living with HIV/AIDS while they rebuild their lives. It is simply a ministry of making home-cooked meals for 8 people and delivering them twice a month to Paramus.

Military Assistance Pantry: We support the Military Assistance Pantry located in Paterson. We serve Northern NJ Veterans and their families who are facing food insecurity. Every other month, our parishioners make baked ziti and brownies. We distribute the home-cooked meals and desserts directly to the Veterans.

Thanksgiving Dinner Ministry: We prepare and cook Thanksgiving Dinner for residents of local Care Centers on the Saturday before Thanksgiving.

WORSHIP WITH US

Altar Servers: We are a group of young men and women ages 7-18 who assist the priests, deacons and Mass captains during the celebration of the Eucharist. Altar Servers learn more about the Mass and grow in their faith. Scheduling is flexible and based around their normally attended Mass.

Church Ambiance: We gather to clean and tidy up our church building on a regular basis.

Church Decorators: We add a welcoming, beautiful, spiritual and reverent atmosphere as we worship together.

Eucharistic Ministry: We distribute the body and blood of Jesus Christ at Masses, and also bring Eucharist to people in hospitals, rehab facilities and to people who cannot make it to Church.

Funeral Servers: We assist the friars in setting up for and serving funeral Masses at St. Mary's Church.

Lectors: We proclaim Scripture at Sunday Masses and other liturgical celebrations throughout the year.

Music Ministry: We provide music for all parish Masses and celebrations. We are open to every parishioner, no matter their age or level of experience.

Purificator Ministry: We take home, wash, and press the sacred linens that are used during the Mass. These linens are considered sacred because they touch the body and blood of Christ during the Mass.

Ushers: We who assist at our Sunday Liturgies by welcoming parishioners, showing people to their seats, and taking up the collection.

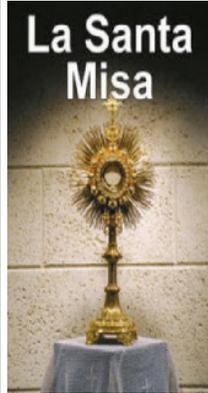
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ANUNCIOS

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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XIV Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario Ciclo C - (6 de julio de 2025)

Primera Lectura: Isaías 66, 10-14
Salmo Responsorial: 65, 1-3a. 4-5. 6-7a, 16 y 20
Segunda Lectura: Gálatas 6, 14-18
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Ministerio de Proclamadores de la Palabra

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

Santo Tomás, Apóstol



El pasado 3 de julio celebramos la fiesta de Santo Tomás Apóstol, conocido en el Evangelio como aquel discípulo que dudó de la Resurrección de Jesús hasta ver y tocar sus llagas. Sin embargo, lejos de ser solo un ejemplo de incredulidad, Tomás nos enseña que la fe auténtica muchas veces pasa por el camino de la duda y la búsqueda sincera de la verdad. Así, su historia nos invita a no temer nuestras preguntas, sino a llevarlas ante el Señor con humildad y confianza. Ahora bien, la respuesta de Jesús a Tomás es profundamente consoladora: “Bienaventurados los que no vieron, y creyeron” (Juan 20,29). Este mensaje sigue resonando en nuestros corazones, recordándonos que la fe no es ausencia de dudas, sino la decisión de abrirnos al encuentro con Cristo, incluso en medio de nuestras incertidumbres. De este modo, la experiencia de

Tomás se convierte en un puente entre la duda humana y la certeza divina. Además, la figura de Tomás nos anima a profundizar en nuestro propio encuentro personal con Cristo. No basta con conocerlo de oídas o por tradición; estamos llamados a buscarlo, a dialogar con Él en la oración y a reconocerlo en los sacramentos y en la vida cotidiana. Cuando, como Tomás, nos atrevemos a acercarnos a Jesús con nuestras inquietudes, Él nos ofrece su paz y nos fortalece en la fe. Por eso, en este domingo después de la fiesta de Santo Tomás, invito a toda la comunidad de Santa María a mirar a Tomás no como el apóstol de la duda, sino como el apóstol del encuentro.

Que su ejemplo nos motive a no conformarnos con una fe superficial, sino a buscar siempre una relación viva y personal con Cristo, especialmente en los momentos de dificultad. Así, podremos exclamar también nosotros, con alegría y certeza: “¡Señor mío y Dios mío!” (Juan 20,28)

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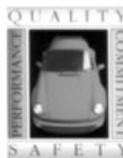
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