



SAINT MARY'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH | A FRANCISCAN COMMUNITY
ALL ARE WELCOME!

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May 31, 2026

ETERNAL



God so loved the world that he
gave his only Son.

JOHN 3:16

“Tanto amó Dios al mundo, que
le entregó a su Hijo único.”

JUAN 3, 16

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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.

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

9:00 AM—Liturgy of the Word w/ Communion (Prayer Rm)
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

www.stmarys-pompton.org
www.facebook.com/smcpompton
www.youtube.com/c/stmaryspomptonlakes

INCLUSIVE SENSORY MASS

A sensory-friendly Mass offers the opportunity for those individuals with auditory and visual processing sensitivities to celebrate Mass along with their families. Our last date before summer break is June 14th at 3:00 p.m. in the Carnevale Center.



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.



FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!



This week, the Bread and Wine have been donated in memory of **Ralph Tarsitano** on his passing over 40 years ago, from his loving family. He will always be loved and missed!

MASS INTENTIONS † = Deceased, L = Living

Saturday	May 30
5:00 p.m.	† Rita Malones (heavenly birthday) † Kenny Shusko † Mary Palmisano
7:00 p.m.	† James Nolan
Sunday	May 31
7:30 a.m.	† Frank Yannaco (anniversary of passing)
8:45 a.m. (Spanish)	People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. (CC)	People of the Parish
10:30 a.m.	† Kathy Marshall † Frank Frasco † Nick Tilli † Robert Reilly † Barbara Reiche † Sharon Della Penna
12:00 p.m.	† Ralph Tarsitano (anniversary of passing) † Geraldine Maccone † Deirdre O'Flaherty † Michael Kassab
Monday	June 1
8:00 a.m.	† Caridad Maranon
Tuesday	June 2
8:00 a.m.	† Linda Novak (heavenly birthday) † Ed Wisnieski † Joan R. Krista
Wednesday	June 3
8:00 a.m.	† Robert Arthur † Alan Rienstra
7:00 p.m. (Spanish)	People of the Parish
Thursday	June 4
8:00 a.m.	† Hedwig Rottmund
Friday	June 5
8:00 a.m.	† Jennifer Fiornio
Saturday	June 6
5:00 p.m.	† Helen & Bobby Durston † Sal Farulla (20th Ann.) † Mary Palmisano
7:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday	June 7
7:30 a.m.	† Mike Kassab
8:45 a.m. (Spanish)	People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. (CC)	† Cecelia V. Hipolito † Agnus Kozubal
10:30 a.m.	† Luisa Munoz † John Gieson † Rocco Famulare † Leonard Milhalik (anniversary of passing) † William Sands
12:00 p.m.	† Anthony Vaccarino



...THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED

John DiMaria, Loretta Ann Orrok,
Richard O'Brien, Bogdan Pruska

...THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Angelo, John, Frank Furnari, John Molaro, Lynn Hutman, Kathy Green, Paula Tedesco Carreras, Eric Huss, Magnus Slyfield, David Grish, Bob Kruk, Morgan Mahon, Ella Rose Mahon, Terry Medino, Eleanor Esposito, Warren Fields, Mike M., Susan Sgro, Sandy Wyble, Mary Ann DiGiaimo, Kellie Diemer, Andrew O'Neill, Eileen O'Neill, Jeanne Sabido, Erin Panzella, Charlie Cassamento

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

...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; Tracie Kasko; LT Vincent Bellomo; Staff Sergeant Andrew Murphy; Emmanuel Folleco; Sergeant Denise Gonzalez; Staff Sergeant Victoria Zimbardo; 1st Class Petty Officer Russell Bonadonna

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

**From the
Parish Council**



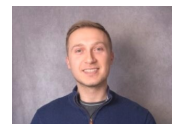
Please feel free to come up to one of the Parish Council members if you see us around or email parishcouncil@stmarys-pompton.org! For the most up-to-date report of the Parish Pastoral Council, please scan the QR code.



Diane



Toma



Zach



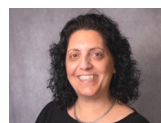
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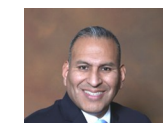
Greg



Mark



Joanne



Dino



Katie

Prayers of the Mass

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I
have failed to do,
(And, striking their breast, they say):
through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-
Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good
will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great
glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the
Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial
with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he
came down from heaven,
*(At the words that follow, up to and
including 'and became man', all bow).*
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and
the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is
adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the
prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the
forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection
of the dead, and the life of the world
to come. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord,
*(At the words that follow, up to and
including 'the Virgin Mary', all bow.)*
who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from
the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the
living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

Readings

Reading Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9

Early in the morning Moses went up Mount Sinai as the LORD had commanded him, taking along the two stone tablets.

Having come down in a cloud, the LORD stood with Moses there

and proclaimed his name, "LORD."

Thus the LORD passed before him and cried out,

"The LORD, the LORD, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity."

Moses at once bowed down to the ground in worship.

Then he said, "If I find favor with you, O Lord,

do come along in our company.

This is indeed a stiff-necked people; yet pardon our wickedness and sins,

and receive us as your own."

Responsorial Psalm Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56

Glory and praise for ever!

Reading 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Brothers and sisters, rejoice.

Mend your ways, encourage one another,

agree with one another, live in peace,

and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with a holy kiss.

All the holy ones greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ

and the love of God

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Gospel John 3:16-18

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,

so that everyone who believes in him might not perish

but might have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,

but that the world might be saved through him.

Whoever believes in him will not be condemned,

but whoever does not believe has already been condemned,

because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.



Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7/ Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16/Mk 12:1-12

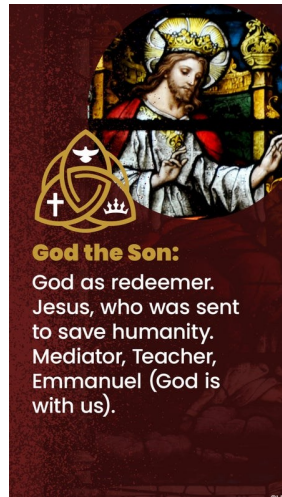
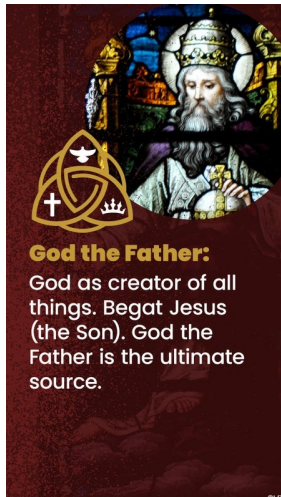
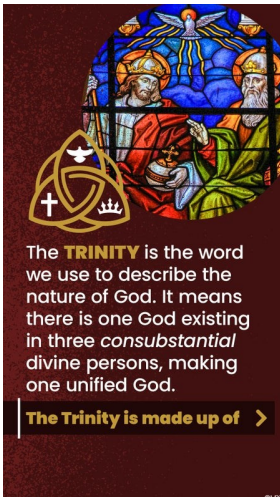
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/ Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16/Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/ Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef/Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15/ Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Mk 12:28-34

Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17/ Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168/Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8/ Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22/Mk 12:38-44



FRIAR'S DESK

THE TRINITY

Do you remember when your religion teacher tried to explain the mystery of the Trinity? She probably used a 3-legged table, or a 3-leaf clover. Her explanation was as clear as mud. We cannot understand what is a mystery.

But that doesn't mean we cannot appreciate it and how it affects our lives.

Three distinct persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, so in love with each other, that they become one.

There was a story in the news about two young boys, 8 years old. One boy was white and the other was black. And they were the best of friends.

The black boy was diagnosed with cancer. He cried and cried when he was told that his hair would fall out during the treatment. So the white boy went with him to the barber shop - and both had all their hair shaved off. Did you see the end of the interview?

After having all his hair cut off, the white boy jumped from the barber chair, put his arms around his black friend, and said: "Now no one will be able to tell us apart".

The love of our triune God - coming to life in our midst.

I once went to a local nursing home to celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of two of the residents. When I arrived the nurse told me that the wife was suffering from dementia.

Her husband sold their home and moved in with her. He explained, "I have no idea what she knows and what she doesn't know, but I'm not taking any chances that she will ever be lonely".

The love of our triune God - coming alive in our midst.

Several years ago there was an interview on TV of a man in his 80s. He lives in Florida. Every day he gave free golf lessons to the kids in the neighborhood.

But before he gave the lesson, he first sat his wife of 50+ years in a chair nearby. He has to watch her closely so she doesn't wander off.

One of the questions the interviewer asked the man was, "If you could live your life all over again, what changes would you make?"

The man thought for a moment, and then he said, "Well, I would finish high school. And I think I would have moved south at a younger age. And maybe I would have invested in real estate.

Then he looked at his wife and said, "But whatever I changed, one thing would remain the same. I would do it all over again with the same woman."

The love of our triune God - coming alive in our midst.

—Father John Alderson, OFM

LA SANTÍSIMA TRINIDAD

¿Recuerdan cuando su maestro o maestra de religión trató de explicar el misterio de la Trinidad? Probablemente usó una mesa de tres patas o un trébol de tres hojas. Su explicación era tan clara como el lodo. No podemos comprender completamente lo que es un misterio.

Pero eso no significa que no podamos apreciarlo y entender cómo afecta nuestras vidas.

Tres personas distintas: el Padre, el Hijo y el Espíritu Santo, tan enamorados el uno del otro, que llegan a ser uno.

Hace un tiempo apareció una historia en las noticias sobre dos niños de 8 años. Uno era blanco y el otro era negro. Y eran los mejores amigos.

Al niño negro le diagnosticaron cáncer. Lloró y lloró cuando le dijeron que perdería el cabello durante el tratamiento. Entonces el niño blanco fue con él a la barbería, y ambos se raparon completamente la cabeza. ¿Vieron el final de la entrevista?

Después de cortarse todo el cabello, el niño blanco saltó de la silla del barbero, abrazó a su amigo negro y dijo, "Ahora nadie podrá distinguirnos".

El amor de nuestro Dios Trino — cobrando vida en medio de nosotros.

Una vez fui a un hogar de ancianos local para celebrar el 60.º aniversario de bodas de dos residentes. Cuando llegué, la enfermera me dijo que la esposa sufría de demencia.

Su esposo había vendido su casa y se mudó allí con ella. Él explicó, "No tengo idea de lo que ella sabe y de lo que no sabe, pero no voy a correr el riesgo de que alguna vez se sienta sola".

El amor de nuestro Dios Trino — cobrando vida en medio de nosotros.

Hace varios años hubo una entrevista en televisión con un hombre de más de 80 años que vive en Florida. Todos los días da clases gratuitas de golf a los niños del vecindario.

Pero antes de comenzar las lecciones, primero sienta cerca a su esposa, con quien ha estado casado más de 50 años. Tiene que vigilarla de cerca para que no se aleje.

Una de las preguntas que le hizo el entrevistador fue, "Si pudiera vivir su vida otra vez, ¿qué cambiaría?"

El hombre pensó por un momento y luego respondió, "Bueno, terminaría la preparatoria. Y creo que me habría mudado al sur a una edad más joven. Y quizás habría invertido en bienes raíces."

Luego miró a su esposa y dijo, "Pero sin importar lo que cambiara, una cosa seguiría igual. Volvería a vivirlo todo otra vez con la misma mujer."

El amor de nuestro Dios Trino — cobrando vida en medio de nosotros.

—Padre John Alderson, OFM

Please join us in singing!

How Great is Our God

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

Chorus

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

Responsorial Psalm

Glory and praise forever!

Shine Jesus Shine

Lord, the light of Your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining,
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth You now bring
us,
Shine on me, shine on me.

Chorus

Shine, Jesus shine,
Fill this land with the Father's glory,
Blaze, Spirit blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy,

Send forth Your word, Lord, and let
there be light.

Lord, I come to Your awesome
presence,
From the shadows into Your radiance,
By the blood I may enter Your
brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my
darkness,
Shine on me, shine on me.

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your
story,
Shine on me, shine on me.

We are One Body

Chorus

We are one body, one body in Christ;
And we do not stand alone.
We are one body, one body in Christ;
And he came that we might have life.

When you eat my body, and you drink
my blood,
I will live in you and you will live in my
love.
When you eat my body, and you drink
my blood,
I will live in you, and you will live in my
love.

Can you feel them Crying can you feel
their pain?
Will you feed my hungry, will you help
my lame?
See the unborn baby, the forgotten one,
they are not forsaken, they are not
unloved.

I am the Way, the Truth, the Life; I am
the Final Sacrifice,
I am the Way, the Truth, the Life;
he who believes in me will have eternal
life.
I am the Way, the Truth, the Life, I am
the Final Sacrifice,

I am the Way, the Truth, the Life;
he who believes in me will have eternal
life.

I have come your Savior that you might
have life,
through the tears and sorrow, through
the toils and strife.
Listen when I call you, for I know your
need,
come to me, your shepherd, for my flock
I feed. Refrain

Jesus is the Lord and he will come
again.
At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall
bend;
Jesus is the Lord and he will come
again.
Come receive my spirit, with my gifts be
filled.
For you are my body, you're my hands
and feet.
Speak my word of life to ev'ryone you
meet.

I Send You Out

I baptize you in the name of the Father
I baptize you in the name of the Son
I baptize you with the Holy Spirit
Go out and spread Good News

Chorus

I send you out on a mission of love
I send you out on a mission of love
I send you out on a mission of love
And know that I am with you
Always until the end of the world

Well it's time for us to become people
with spirit
It's time for us to become people of love
It's time for us to know that Jesus Christ
is risen
Forgives our sins and brings new life

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



Isabel Londono



Caterina Maria Delalla

At our Flores De Mayo / Santacruzian Mass, we had the great privilege of blessing **Angel and Kate Gonzalez** (who were married at St. Mary's by Deacon Tom) and **John and Rosie Jacela** as they celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary. May God bless them today and always!



"When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:1-4

On Pentecost the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit were given to the disciples gathered in the upper room. This enabled them to go out and proclaim the Gospel in word and deed. At our confirmations, each of us were filled with that same spirit, and commissioned to go and share our gifts to build up the church/spread the Good news. This questionnaire, which you can take online by scanning the code or here on pen and paper, is meant to suggest some ministries that might be best suited for your gifts and talents. Please fill it out, calculate your results, email smc@stmarys-pompton.org with your results, and we'll send you some information about contacting those ministries directly!





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Ministry Gifts Discernment
A Spiritual Gifts Assessment · St. Mary's Parish
Pompton Lakes, NJ

Each of us is gifted by the Holy Spirit. Rate each statement 1–5. Add your scores in the boxes below, then turn over to find your matches.

1 = Not like me 2 = Rarely true 3 = Sometimes 4 = Often 5 = Very much like me

1. I am comfortable sitting with someone who is grieving, sick, or in pain. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
2. I feel a strong pull to reach out to people who are suffering or forgotten. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
3. I find meaning in long-term, faithful presence with someone going through a hard season. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
4. I believe that simply being with someone — without fixing anything — is itself a gift. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Questions 1–4 total (add your 4 scores): _____ / 20

5. I enjoy working with my hands to build, repair, make, or maintain things. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
6. I find satisfaction in practical, behind-the-scenes work that supports the community. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
7. I notice when something needs doing and I step in, even without being asked. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
8. I feel most useful when I am contributing a concrete skill or physical effort. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Questions 5–8 total (add your 4 scores): _____ / 20

9. I feel called to share my faith with others, especially those who are searching. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
10. I am drawn to outreach — going out to meet people where they are. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
11. I feel energized by working with young people or those new to the faith. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
12. I believe the Church's mission is not just inward but outward into the world. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Questions 9–12 total (add your 4 scores): _____ / 20

13. I naturally encourage others when they are struggling or doubting. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
14. I find meaning in belonging to a fellowship or faith community that walks together over time. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
15. I am drawn to prayer, devotion, and the spiritual disciplines of the Church. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
16. My faith is central to who I am, and I don't hesitate to let that show. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Questions 13–16 total (add your 4 scores): _____ / 20

17. I love welcoming newcomers and making sure no one feels left out. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
18. I give generously of my time, talent, or resources when I see a need. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
19. I feel called to make sure everyone — regardless of background — feels at home here. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
20. I find joy in feeding people, hosting gatherings, or providing for practical needs. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Questions 17–20 total (add your 4 scores): _____ / 20

21. I love studying Scripture, theology, or the Catholic tradition in depth. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
22. I find it rewarding to help others understand or deepen their faith. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
23. I am comfortable leading or participating in discussions about faith and life. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
24. I believe ongoing learning is essential — not just for newcomers, but for everyone. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Questions 21–24 total (add your 4 scores): _____ / 20

25. I feel called to pray for others, even people I may never meet. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
26. I believe in the power of intercessory prayer and make it a regular practice. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
27. I am drawn to contemplative or devotional forms of prayer. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
28. I feel that the hidden ministry of prayer is as vital as any visible ministry. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Questions 25–28 total (add your 4 scores): _____ / 20

29. I enjoy organizing tasks, schedules, or records so things run smoothly. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
30. I am good at managing details without losing sight of the bigger picture. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
31. I feel comfortable taking initiative or stepping into a leadership role. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
32. I find satisfaction in the behind-the-scenes work that keeps the parish running. (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Questions 29–32 total (add your 4 scores): _____ / 20



Scoring Guide & Ministry Matches

St. Mary's Parish · Pompton Lakes, NJ

How to Score

Add up your four ratings for each block of questions. Your highest score points to the ministry area where your gifts may be calling you. If two areas are close, explore both — this is a conversation starter, not a final verdict.

CAREGIVING & MERCY

Qs 1–4

My score: _____ / 20

Ministries to explore:

Stephen Ministry · Consolation Ministry · Homebound Connections · Bereavement Support Group · Lost Angels · More Than Ever · Special Needs Ministry · Helping Hands/Social Worker · Baptismal Aftercare · Funeral Servers · Holy Bones

EVANGELIZATION & MISSION

Qs 9–12

My score: _____ / 20

Ministries to explore:

Youth Ministry · Young Adult Ministry · Alpha · Hispanic Ministry · Filipino Ministry · English Language Learning · Children's Liturgy of the Word · Lectors · Music Ministry · JPIC (Justice, Peace & Integrity of Creation)

GENEROSITY & HOSPITALITY

Qs 17–20

My score: _____ / 20

Ministries to explore:

Food Pantry Ministry · Meals with Love · Thanksgiving Dinner Ministry · Value our Veterans · Hospitality Ministry · Sensory Mass · LGBTQ+ Ministry

INTERCESSION & PRAYER

Qs 25–28

My score: _____ / 20

Ministries to explore:

Rosary/Divine Mercy Ministry · Spiritual Guided Meditation Hour · Women of Prayer & Spirit · Eucharistic Ministry · Prayer Shawl

CRAFTSMANSHIP & SERVICE

Qs 5–8

My score: _____ / 20

Ministries to explore:

Good Works Gang · Holy Bones · Church Ambiance · Church Decorators · Purificator Ministry · Hearts & Hands · Prayer Shawl · Ushers · Altar Servers

ENCOURAGEMENT & FAITH

Qs 13–18

My score: _____ / 20

Ministries to explore:

Men's Emmaus Fellowship · Women of Prayer & Spirit · Women's Cornerstone Ministry · Active Seniors · Original Seniors · Knights of Columbus · Rosary/Divine Mercy Ministry · Spiritual Guided Meditation Hour

KNOWLEDGE & WISDOM

Qs 21–24

My score: _____ / 20

Ministries to explore:

Bible Study · Book Group Ministry · Men's Book Group · Women's Faith Reflection · OCIA · Religious Education · Baptismal Preparation · Marriage Preparation · Children's Liturgy of the Word

ADMINISTRATION & LEADERSHIP

Qs 29–32

My score: _____ / 20

Ministries to explore:

Knights of Columbus · Ushers · Volunteer Receptionists · Money Counters · Youth Ministry · Young Adult Ministry · Women's Cornerstone Ministry

What's Next?

Bring this sheet to the parish office, or speak with any friar after Mass.

Not sure where to start? Fr. John or any of the friars would be glad to talk it through with you.

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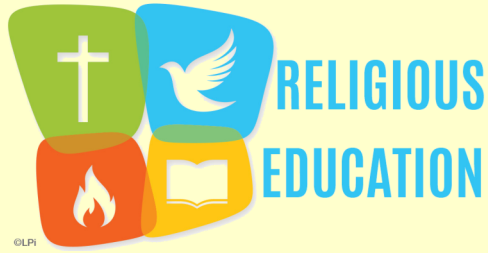
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Celebrating faith, culture, and devotion during our Santacruzan celebration honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary. Parishioners gathered for a Rosary Procession, Mass, and joyful fellowship filled with Filipino music, traditions, and community spirit.



St. Mary's representing at the NJ Catholic Youth Rally on May 17th. We were among the largest parishes represented, and we closed out the day with a Mass attended by over 750 other young Catholics. Many thanks to Trevor, Kayleigh and Nicole for their help putting this together. It's good to be here!





2026-2027 registration for Religious Education for all grades is open online. Your request for what day you would like your child to attend class can be guaranteed if you register now. Please go to the St Mary's website and complete all forms as prompted. A class schedule calendar for 2026-2027 is available on the St. Mary's website.

Once again, we are reminding all parents who have a child going into 5th grade to register your child for Peace Week. This will be the only opportunity to complete the 5th grade Religious Education requirement. We will not be holding a 5th grade class in the Fall.

"Mentoring is a brain to pick, an ear to listen, and a push in the right direction." — John Crosby

FOOD PANTRY

Upcoming Food Pantry distribution dates/times:

Saturday, June 20	9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)
Wednesday, June 24	4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)
Saturday, June 27	9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)
Wednesday, July 1	4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)
Saturday, July 18	9:30am to 3:30pm (arrive by 3:00)
Wednesday, July 22	4:00pm to 7:00pm (arrive by 6:30)

Current needed items:

Tuna, Spam, spaghetti (we have other pastas), 2% and whole shelf stable milk, laundry detergent

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.

Donations can be purchased online and shipped directly to the church at 31 Pompton Avenue, Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442

Clothing can be dropped off in the Catholic Charities clothing bins located on our campus.

We need a truck driver for Tuesday and Thursday morning and someone that will help unload the truck.

Please call the Parish Office if you are interested!



WE NEED YOU!
St. Mary's Good Works Gang Ministry is receiving increased requests for transportation and other needs, and they are seeking additional volunteers. If you can join the "gang" please email Ron Rauschart at ror102@yahoo.com



Whether you wish to honor a loved one, or celebrate a special occasion, submitting your intention is now just a few clicks away. Visit our parish website to fill out the simple online form: <https://stmarys-pompton.org/mass-intentions>

Masses must be submitted three weeks prior to the date requested in order to appear in the bulletin.



Income For April 2026:

Income from all sources including offertory and other donations:	\$140,455.59
Building and Maintenance fund collection:	\$6,507.74
Easter Collection:	\$72,339.79
TOTAL INCOME:	\$219,303.12



Expenses for April 2026:

Our monthly expenses vary throughout the year. As a reference point, an average of our expenses per month, not including building and maintenance expenses, based on what we spent in Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is \$145,450. Building and maintenance expenses on average per month are \$44,692.

Utilities for all buildings in April: \$9,791.77

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 19, 2025** bulletin which can be accessed from our website.

FELLOWSHIP WEEKENDS

Join us after Mass for treats, conversation, and fellowship with other parishioners. Gather on the pavers outside the church after all Masses, and at the rear of the building near the parking lot following the 9:00 AM mass in the Carnevale Center.

June 6th and 7th
July 4th and 5th
August 1st and 2nd
September 5th and 6th
October 3rd and 4th

NAME TAG WEEKEND

June 6th and 7th All Masses

Do you see the same people at Mass each week but don't know their names? During the Sign of Peace, do you turn and nod to the same people around you, but your familiarity stops there?

Join us for Name Tag Weekend. Name tags will be available at all the church entrances for you to fill out - or feel free to bring one from home that you personalized and decorated.

We are all brothers and sisters in Christ!



As summer begins, many people look forward to vacations, family gatherings, and time to relax. Yet for others, this season can also bring feelings of loneliness, grief, stress, or uncertainty. Changes in routines, being away from loved ones, or facing personal struggles can make the summer months especially difficult.

If you are going through a challenging time, please know that you do not have to walk through it alone. Stephen Ministers are here to help. A Stephen Minister is a caring and compassionate Christian who is specially trained to provide confidential one-on-one emotional and spiritual support during life's challenges. Whether you are experiencing loss, illness, family difficulties, caregiving stress, or simply feeling overwhelmed, a Stephen Minister can offer a listening ear, prayerful support, and a caring presence.

This ministry is completely free and rooted in Christ's call to love and care for one another. Many people have found comfort, encouragement, and renewed hope simply by having someone walk beside them through difficult moments. If you or someone you know could benefit from this ministry during the summer season, we encourage you to reach out.

Please call Clare at 973-835-0374, ext. 113 to learn more.
Christ Caring for People through People

SPIRITUAL GUIDED MEDITATION

Thursday, June 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the Prayer Room



What is Guided Meditation?

Meditation, or contemplation, is a form of prayer that invites us to encounter God through our imagination, while being led with a story.

It engages both the mind and heart, using our thoughts and emotions to deepen our awareness of God's Presence in our lives. We begin with quiet music, deep breathing, and relaxation, stilling our minds so we can be open to the grace to be led by our loving God.

I hope you can join us for this meaningful time of private reflection and prayer.



There will be an Outdoor Movie Night on Friday, June 12th.
More information to come!

Holy Bones Sales Associate Needed!

Holy Bones is looking for a part time sales person to help open up new stores in the Passaic County area. Compensation is \$15.92/hour, plus mileage and commission. Must be 18+ years old and have reliable transportation. For more information on Holy Bones, visit our website at <http://holy-bones.org>. To apply, please email Marie at mcioletti@stmarys-pompton.org.



LECTORS WANTED

Are you called to proclaim God's Word at Mass? St. Mary's Parish is looking for new lectors to join our ministry! Lectors play a vital role in our liturgy, bringing the Scriptures to life for our parish family. No prior experience is necessary — training will be provided. We welcome parishioners who are comfortable speaking before others and have a desire to serve. Both English and Spanish speakers are encouraged to apply. If you feel called to this ministry, please email the Parish Office at smc@stmarys-pompton.org!

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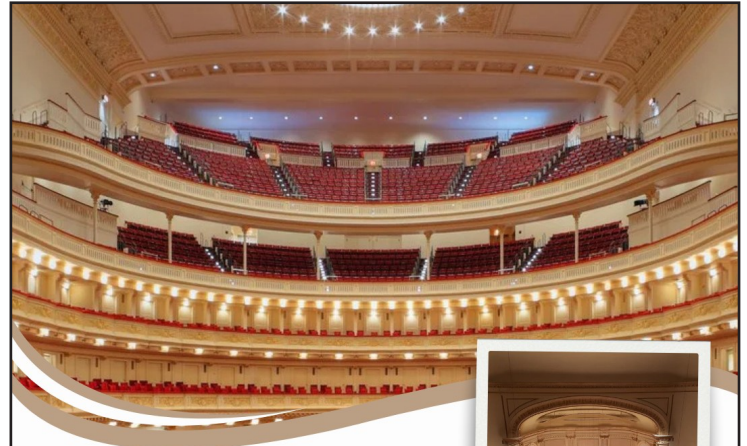


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Chamber Choir at CARNEGIE HALL



St. Mary's Chamber Choir will be joining other choirs from across the country to perform Faure's Requiem with New England Symphonic Ensemble on June 27th at Carnegie Hall!!! This is an exciting and wonderful accomplishment. If you would like to purchase tickets to attend please scan the QR code

Support Group for Caregivers of loved ones with Dementia



A monthly meeting is held in the Carnevale Center (room 203/204) for caregivers assisting loved ones with dementia. Meetings are on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00pm. Upcoming date is June 11th. For further information, please contact Margaret Klach at mklach60@gmail.com.



Please join us the weekend of June 20th to hear Rev. Mr. Stephen Buttrick speak at all the services about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

Deacon Buttrick will share personal witness about Food For The Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

Deacon Steve was ordained in 2004 at the Archdiocese of Boston. He has had four parish assignments over the 20 years. He first traveled to Haiti with FFTP three weeks before the earthquake and have since opened an orphanage for 30 orphaned girls who are now finishing high school or are in college. He has been the key note speaker and retreat leader for the New England Regional Daughters of America.

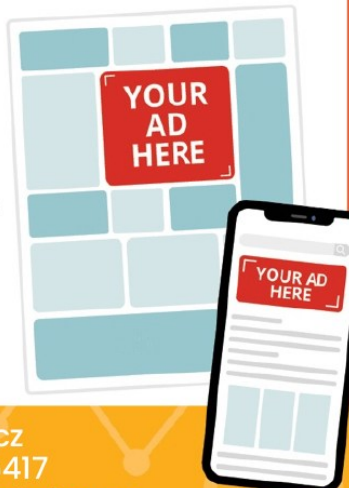


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- 2:30 p.m. Liturgy w/Bishop Kevin J. Sweeney and priests of the Diocese



ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE

- Transportation and Gratuity
- All day activities at the Shrine
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- Depart Washington at 4:15 p.m.

\$70/person Deadline: Oct. 1, 2026

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE OFFICE

Father Michael Rodak, director
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OVERNIGHT OPTION - DEPART FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

- Friday visit the Museum of the Bible with lunch
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- Friday banquet w/Bishop Sweeney
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 - *Designar padrinos (uno o dos) mayores de 18 años y confirmados.
 - *Asistir a una clase preparatoria antes de la celebración del Sacramento (obligatoria para padres y padrinos).
 - ***Información de contacto:** Milagros Anto (201-841-0269)
 - ***Bautismo en inglés:** Asistir a una charla prebautismal.
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ANUNCIOS

1.- **Adorar al Santísimo** es un encuentro personal con Dios. Habrá exposición del Santísimo después de la misa en español el miércoles 17 de junio de 2026. Si alguien no puede comulgar por enfermedad u otra razón, avise al padre John Coughlin para programar una visita.

2.- **Confesiones:** Si desea confesarse, por favor hable con el padre John Coughlin después de la misa en español de los miércoles a las 7:00pm, o bien puede contactarlo en la oficina parroquial para agendar una cita en otro horario.

3.- Inscripciones para los catecismos 2026-2028

Primera Comunión – Angelina Nuci

Confirmación – Milagros Anto

RICA – Ana Cadena

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✋ **Ministros de la Eucaristía:** acerca el Cuerpo de Cristo a tus hermanos con reverencia. Contacto: Ana Cadena.

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Lecturas Bíblicas –LA SANTÍSIMA TRINIDAD – Ciclo A (31 de mayo de 2026)

Primera Lectura: Éxodo 34, 4b-6. 8-9
Salmo Responsorial: Daniel 3, 52. 53. 54. 55. 56
Segunda Lectura: 2 Corintios 13, 11-13
+Evangelio: Juan 3, 16-18





La Santísima Trinidad es el misterio central de nuestra fe: un solo Dios en tres Personas Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo que viven en perfecta comunión de amor. Este misterio no es una idea abstracta, sino una realidad viva que nos revela que Dios es relación, entrega y unidad. Como comunidad cristiana, estamos llamados a reflejar esa misma comunión en nuestras relaciones diarias, construyendo vínculos basados en el amor, la misericordia y la verdad. En la parroquia de Santa María en Pompton Lakes, la Trinidad resuena de manera concreta en la vida comunitaria. Cada celebración, cada servicio y cada encuentro fraterno se convierten en una oportunidad para vivir esa unidad en la diversidad. Así como las Personas divinas son distintas pero inseparables, nuestra comunidad está formada por personas con diferentes dones y culturas que, unidas en Cristo, forman un solo cuerpo. Esta realidad nos invita a fortalecer la colaboración, el respeto y la corresponsabilidad en la misión de la Iglesia.

La enseñanza de la Santísima Trinidad nos impulsa a salir de nosotros mismos y a vivir en comunión. El Padre nos crea por amor, el Hijo nos salva con su entrega, y el Espíritu Santo nos guía y santifica continuamente. Este dinamismo trinitario nos llama a ser una comunidad activa, acogedora y misionera, donde cada miembro se siente valorado y enviado a compartir el Evangelio. Vivir la Trinidad significa vivir en constante apertura al otro, reconociendo la presencia de Dios en cada hermano y hermana. San Agustín, al contemplar este misterio, elevó una oración que sigue iluminando nuestra fe: "Oh Dios mío, Trinidad a quien adoro, ayúdame a olvidarme de mí mismo para establecerme en Ti, inmóvil y en paz, como si mi alma estuviera ya en la eternidad. Que nada pueda turbar mi paz ni apartarme de Ti, oh mi inmutable Señor, sino que cada instante me sumerja más profundamente en la profundidad de tu misterio."

Que esta oración inspire a nuestra comunidad de Santa María a vivir unida, en paz y en constante crecimiento en el amor trinitario.

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