



Mary, Mother of God Church

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Welcome to Our Parish Family!

*It is our hope that you will find our church a place of beauty and peace, nurture and comfort, faith and love.
 We pray that within our church you will experience our good and gracious God in Jesus Christ.*

Parish Mission Statement

*To grow and develop our faith through word and sacrament as a people of God, loving each other,
 inspired by the love of God for us. "Love one another as I have loved you." - John 13:34*

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May

Food Pantry

May's Food Pantry Collection will be this weekend, May 15 & 16. Please drop off non-perishable food items in the Gathering Space by 1:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Vacation Bible Camp

Monday, August 2 - Friday, August 6.
 See last page of the bulletin for registration information.

The Memorare

O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



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Church

Mary, Mother of God Church is open daily from 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. for prayer and meditation.

Iglesia

La iglesia, Maria, Madre de Dios está abierta diariamente de 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. para la oración y la meditación.

Daily Mass

Monday: 7:30 p.m. with Miraculous Medal Novena.
Tuesday through Saturdays: Rosary is prayed at 8:00 a.m., Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by praying the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. Daily Mass is celebrated in the Church.

Misa Diarias

Lunes, 7:30 p.m. con Novena a la Medalla Milagrosa.
Martes a Sábados: Rezo del Rosario a las 8:00 a.m., Misa a las 8:30 a.m. seguido rezo a la Divina Misericordia. Misa diaria celebrada en la iglesia.

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 4:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and, 11:30 a.m.
Weekend Masses are celebrated in the Church.

Misas de Fin de Semana

Vigilia del sábado: 4:30 p.m. Misa Español: 6:30 p.m.
Domingo: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and Liturgia de los niños 11:30 a.m.
Misa de fin de semana is celebrada en la iglesia.

Holy Day Mass

Vígil: 7:00 p.m.
Holy Day: 7:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Misas de día Preceptos

Vigilia: 7:00 p.m.
Día sagrado: 7:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. y 7:00 p.m.

Penance/Reconciliation

Saturday: 2:30-3:30 p.m. or by appointment by calling the Parish Office.

Confesiones/Reconciliación

Sábados al final de la Misa en Español o para hacer una cita llamar a la oficina Parroquial.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 9:00 a.m. through Sunday 10:00 a.m.

La Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento

Viernes de 9:00 a.m. a domingo 10:00 a.m.

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 9:15 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.
(closed 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.)
Monday evenings: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Oficina Parroquial

Lunes a Viernes: 9:15 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.
(cerrado 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.)
Lunes de 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Religious Education Office

Please call Deacon Chris Conroy in the Religious Education Office at 908-874-8604 or email him at Dre@marymotherofgod.org to register your child(ren).

Educación religiosa (Catecismo)

Para más informes Diacono Chris Conroy a DRE@marymotherofgod.org O llamar 908-874-8604

Pre-School/Kindergarten Enrichment

Our dedicated and knowledgeable faculty are committed to providing a quality experience focused on faith, family and community. Please call the Parish Office to register your child(ren).

Pre-School y Kindergarten Enrichment

Nuestros expertos y dedicados profesores están comprometidos a proporcionar una experiencia de calidad centrada en la fe, la familia y la comunidad. Llame a la oficina parroquial para registrar a su(s) hijo(s).

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Sacramental Information

Baptisms

Would you like to have your child Baptized? If your child is under the age of seven and you would like your child to be Baptized in the Faith, please call Ms. Veronica Collingwood at the Parish Office or email her at admin@marymotherofgod.org to make arrangements. Arrangements are required at least three weeks in advance to schedule Baptisms.

Baptism Godparents

One must be at least 14 years old, registered as an adult and be confirmed in the Catholic Church. If you are married, your marriage must be recognized by the Church. This is especially important if you wish to be a Godparent for Baptism. It takes six months of attending Mass to be eligible for this privilege.

Penance/Reconciliation

Would you like to clean your heart and soul and begin a new journey with Christ? We invite you to participate in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation at the times specified in the front of this bulletin.

Holy Eucharist

We invite you to participate in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist daily at the times specified on the front of this bulletin. If you have not had the opportunity to make your Holy Eucharist, please contact Ms. Veronica Collingwood at the Parish Office or email her to make arrangements. We welcome second graders and also children who have not received the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

Communion Calls & Anointing for the Sick

Would you or your loved one like to receive Holy Communion and or the Anointing of the Sick? Please contact the Parish Office when someone is sick or shut-in, even for a few weeks; Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick will be ministered to them.

Confirmation

Would you like to receive your Confirmation? Would you like your children to be Confirmed? We invite you to participate in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please contact Ms. Veronica Collingwood at the Parish Office.

Confirmation Sponsors

One must be at least 14 years old, registered as an adult and be confirmed in the Catholic Church. If you are married, your marriage must be recognized by the Church. This is especially important if you wish to be a Sponsor for Confirmation. It takes six months of Mass attendance to be eligible for this privilege.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church or are you a Catholic who was baptized but never received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and/or Confirmation? If so, please contact Ms. Betty Buettner at the Parish Office or email her at RCIA@marymotherofgod.org.

Información Sacramental

Bautismo

Los bautismos se celebran el tercer domingo del mes a las 1:30 p.m. Por favor llame a la Sra. Veronica Collingwood en la oficina parroquial o por correo electrónico a admi@marymotherofgod.org para hacer los arreglos. Se requieren arreglos con al menos tres semanas de anticipación para programar bautismos.

Bautismo, Requisitos de los Padrinos

Debe tener 14 años de edad, estar registrado como adulto y ser confirmado en la iglesia católica. Si usted está casado, su matrimonio debe ser reconocido por la iglesia. Esto es especialmente importante si desea ser un padrino de bautismo. Se necesitan seis meses de asistir a la Misa para ser elegibles para este privilegio.

Confesiones/Reconciliación

Los invitamos a participar en la penitencia y reconciliación todos los sábados al final de la Misa en Español o para hacer una cita llamar a la oficina Parroquial.

Sagrada Eucaristía

Los invitamos a participar diariamente en la Sagrada Eucaristía en los tiempos especificados en el frente de este boletín. Si no has tenido la oportunidad de hacer tu Santa Comunión, por favor pasa por la oficina parroquial.

Visitas Domiciliarias

A enfermos y ancianos para recibir Eucaristía en sus hogares. Por favor contactar con Rafael Soto 908-310-4073.

Confirmación

¿Le gustaría recibir su confirmación? ¿Quiere que sus hijos sean confirmados? Te invitamos a participar en el Sacramento de la confirmación. Por favor contacte a la Sra. Veronica Collingwood en la oficina parroquial.

Patrocinadores de confirmación

Uno debe tener 14 años de edad, estar registrado como adulto y ser confirmado en la iglesia católica. Si usted está casado, su matrimonio debe ser reconocido por la iglesia. Esto es especialmente importante si desea ser patrocinador de la confirmación. Se necesitan seis meses de asistir a la Misa para ser elegibles para este privilegio.

Catecismo para adultos/RCIA en español

Usted o alguien que conoce está interesado en convertirse en miembros de la iglesia católica? ¿Es usted un católico que se bautizó pero nunca recibió los sacramentos de la reconciliación, la Santa Comunión o la confirmación? Si es así, comuníquese con: la Sra. Rosi Castro al teléfono 908-698-2944

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Marriages

The common policy for marriage requires that arrangements with the Church be made at least one year before the date of marriage and before any social plans are made. Either the Bride or Groom must be a registered parishioner. Please call Ms. Veronica Collingwood at the Parish Office or email her at admin@marymotherofgod.org to make arrangements.

Permanent Deacons, Priesthood or Religious Life

If you are considering a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate, Priesthood or Religious Life and would like more information and resources to properly discern, please contact Fr. John Rozembajgier at the Parish Office or email him at frjohn@marymotherofgod.org. You are also encouraged to contact Fr. Maurizio at vocations@diometuchen.org.

Registration

New families or adults 18 and over, who have moved into the parish boundaries of Mary, Mother of God Church, are invited to stop by the Parish Office to complete a new parishioner form. Additionally, let us know if you move from the Parish.

Donation by Electronic Giving

Mary, Mother of God Church offers parishioners the opportunity to make Online Church contributions. Log onto our website: www.marymotherofgod.org, scroll down, click *Online Giving*. You will be connected to a secure site to enter your information. Thank you for your continued support!

Ministry Information

If you and or your ministry would like to place an advertisement or announcement in the bulletin, please submit your information via email to office@marymotherofgod.org at least 14 days prior to your required date of publication. Please be aware that we cannot guarantee that your ad or announcement will be included in the bulletin. We also reserve the right to enhance, redraft or otherwise alter your submission at our own discretion. We will so advise you and your ministry.

Parish Ministries

1000 Hail Mary Prayer Group	Food Pantry
Alcoholics Anonymous	Giving Tree
Adoration	Hispanic
Adopt-A-Senior	Interfaith Hospitality Network
Adult Choir	Lazarus
Altar Servers	Liturgical Committee
Art & Environ. Committee	Men's Group
Audio & Visual Committee	Mothers Prayers
Babysitting	Music/Choir
Bereavement	Pastoral Council
Bible Study	Prayer Group
Charismatic Group	Prayer Shawl Group
Children's Liturgy	Respect Life
Circle of Friends	Readers
Coffee Social	Religious Education R.C.I.A.
Collection Counters	Rosary Altar Society
CYO-Athletic Association	Social Concerns
Drug/Narcotics Anonymous	Thanksgiving Food Baskets
Entertainment Committee	Ushers
Extraordinary Ministers	Women's Group
Finance Council	Youth Group
Folk Group	40 & Over Men's Physical Fitness

Matrimonios

La política común del matrimonio requiere que los arreglos con la iglesia sean al menos un año antes de la fecha del matrimonio y antes de que se hagan planes sociales. Ya sea la novia o el novio debe ser un feligrés registrado. Por favor llame a la Sra. Veronica Collingwood en la oficina parroquial o por correo electrónico a ella en admin@marymotherofgod.org para hacer los arreglos.

Los Diáconos Permanentes, el Sacerdocio o la Vida Religiosa

Si usted está considerando una vocación al diaconado permanente, al sacerdocio o a la vida religiosa y desea más información y recursos para discernir adecuadamente, póngase en contacto con el p. John Rozembajgier en la oficina parroquial o por email a frjohn@marymotherofgod.org. También le animamos a ponerse en contacto con el p. Maurizio en vocations@diometuchen.org.

Registración

Cualquier familia nueva o adulto mayor de 18 años, que se haya trasladado a los límites parroquiales de la iglesia de María, Madre de Dios, se invita a pasar por la oficina Parroquial para completar una nueva forma de feligreses. Por favor notifiquenos si se mueve.

Donación Electrónicamente

La iglesia María, Madre de Dios ofrece a los feligreses la oportunidad de hacer contribuciones de la iglesia en línea. Inicie sesión en nuestro sitio web: www.marymotherofgod.org, desplácese hacia abajo, haga clic en online Giving. Usted estará conectado a un sitio seguro para ingresar su información. Gracias por su apoyo continuo!

Ministry to the Needy

St. Vincent de Paul Society

We help those who are experiencing financial difficulties with food, clothing, shelter, rent, PSE&G and water bills. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the Parish Office for assistance.

Ministry to those that are pregnant and/or thinking of an abortion

We are building a culture of Life through prayer and action serving our community, state and country. We pray and serve along with the Pregnancy Aid and Information Center, by helping those in crisis pregnancies and mothers in need. Please contact 908-256-8121 (24-hour hotline).

Ministry to the Sick/Homebound

Our Priests, Deacons and or Extraordinary Ministers visit those who are sick. If you know of someone that is seriously ill or hospitalized, please contact the Parish Office.

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Mass Schedule

MONDAY, May 17, St. Paschal Baylon

7:30 PM Joseph Vieira
r/o The Family

TUESDAY, May 18, St. John I, Pope

8:30 AM Mary Costello
r/o Kathy Seltzer

WEDNESDAY, May 19, St. Theophilus of Corte

8:30 AM Regina McSweeney
r/o Terry McSweeney

THURSDAY, May 20, St. Bernardine of Siena

8:30 AM John J. McSweeney
r/o Terry McSweeney

FRIDAY, May 21, St. Christopher Magallanes

8:30 AM Stanley and Mary Kustowski
r/o Helen Heffler

SATURDAY, May 22, St. Rita of Cascia

8:30 AM Betty Cullen
r/o The Cullen Family
4:30 PM Marilyn Solimine
r/o William and Mai Chirinos
6:30 PM Por el Alma de Felipe Mora
r/o La Familia Soto-Vega

SUNDAY, May 23, Pentecost Sunday

7:30 AM Joy Bolton
r/o John and Margie Bolton
9:30 AM The Zalewski and Bryner Families
r/o Donald and Marjorie Bryner
For the People of the Parish
11:30 AM Anthony Polnasek
r/o Anna Mae Polnasek

Please keep all those listed above in your prayers, especially Fr. Robert Badger, Deacon Larry Kawula, and Janet Kluzen, who have recently died. Eternal rest grant unto them, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

This Week's Daily Bible Reading

Sunday
Acts 1:1-11;
Eph 1:17-23
Mk 16:15-20

Monday
Acts 19:1-8;
Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday
Acts 20:17-27;
Jn 17:1-11

Wednesday
Acts 20:28-38;
Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday
Acts 22:30, 23:6-11;
Jn 17:20-26

Friday
Acts 25:13b-21;
Jn 21:15-19

Saturday
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31;
Jn 21:20-25

Please Remember the Following in Your Prayers:

We ask God's blessing for the strengthening and healing of our sick and homebound.

Colin Coakley
Jerry Costanzo
Regina Gallagher
Nancy Greggo
Fr. Michael Kottar
Edythe Leddy
Judy Mandia
Martin Mc Nally

Joseph Mupo
Sean O'Connell
Muriel Pueyo
Clarita Ramos
Isolde Rozembajgier
Catherine Sloomaker
Carl Snipes

All names will remain on the list for 4 weeks

Please Note: If you see that the name of your loved one has been removed, and you desire that it be put back on the list, please contact the parish office at 908-874-8220, Ext. 302. His or her name will once again be placed on the list and will remain there for four weeks. Given the size of our parish, we appreciate your patience and understanding.

Sanctuary Candles

The Blessed Virgin Mary candle in the Church will be lit this week for Frank McHugh at the request of Wife, Irene.

The St. Joseph candle in the Church will be lit this week for Randy Cutlip at the request of Wife, Barbara.

The Blessed Virgin Mary candle in the Chapel will be lit this week for Michael Hobora, Jr. at the request of Daughters.

If you would like to request a sanctuary candle in the Church and or Chapel, please contact the parish office at 908-874-8220, Ext. 302.

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"Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another God remains in us, and His love is brought to perfection in us. This is how we know that we remain in him and he in us, that he has given us of his Spirit."

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

Jesus had appeared many times to His disciples after His resurrection. On this final occasion, Jesus' departing message is that they will soon receive the Holy Spirit to strengthen them in their work. No sooner does He say this, he is taken up to heaven before their eyes.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

Paul prays that God may grant wisdom and enlightenment to the Ephesians so that they may know the great hope to which they are called. Every power has been given to Christ who now reigns in heaven. He is the "head of the church, which is His body."

Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

Jesus told His disciples to go and spread the gospel to every creature, to the world. Jesus also spoke of the signs that will accompany those who believe in Christ. After He spoke with them, He was taken into heaven and took His seat the right hand of God.



Please Remember the Military in Your Prayers:

Let us remember the men & women from our parish
serving in our nation's Armed Forces.

Lt. Col. Kathryn E. Wagner, U.S. Marine Corps.	T/Sgt. Jared A. Carluen U.S. Air Force
Lt. Col. Christopher M. Wagner, U.S. Marine Corps.	Cdr. Robert Uniszkievicz U.S. Navy
Maj. Jennifer Brown, U.S. Army	Lt. Anthony P. Jenkins U.S. Navy
CPT. Hunter Mancini U.S. Army	Lt. Kiel Von Khan U.S. Navy
Lt. Nicholas Bierwirth, U.S. Army	Lt. Laura Krause U.S. Navy Reserves
2 nd Lt. Erin Moore, U.S. Army	S.C. Cristopher Jordan U.S. Navy
Sgt. Katherine M. Janiec U.S. Army	Chief Kevin Von Khan, U.S. Navy
Sgt. David Perez, U.S. Army	SR Anthonia M. Ibirongbe U.S. Navy
SPC. Christopher LaZaro U.S. Army	BM3 Maximilian Franer U.S. Coast Guard

Prayer for the Poor

God of Justice, open our eyes to see you in the face of the poor. Open our ears to hear you in the cries of the exploited. Open our mouths to defend You in the public squares as well as in private deeds. Remind us that what we do to the least ones, we do to You. Amen.

Prayer for the Sick

God of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these individuals find lasting health and deliverance and so join us in thanking You for all your gifts. Amen.

Prayer for Respect Life

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life. Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy. Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of life with honesty and love to the people of our time. Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever-new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives, and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.

Prayer For Priestly Vocations

Almighty and Eternal God, in Your unfailing love You provide ministers for Your Church. We pray that more men may hear Your call to serve the Church of Metuchen as priests. Inspire in them a generous response. Grant them courage and vision to serve Your people. May their lives and service as Men of the Eucharist call Your people to respond to the presence of Jesus Christ so that we may all be reconciled to God, announce glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, set prisoners free and renew the face of the earth. Amen.

Please Remember the Seminarians of the Diocese of Metuchen in your Prayers:

Rev. Mr. Jun Joseph Alquiros	Mr. Larry Magdasoc
Mr. Marco Barcenas	Mr. Dawid Malik
Rev. Mr. Ariel Bautista	Mr. Jacob Miller
Br. Steven John Bolton, C.O.	Mr. Jerome Ocampo
Mr. Jonas Jara-Diaz	Mr. Ronal Vega-Pastrana
Mr. Anthony Echezona	Mr. Ai Van "Peter" Phan
Rev. Mr. Timothy Eck II	Mr. Thomas Pluhar
Mr. Randy J. Gamboa Espinoza	Mr. James Promos
Mr. Ban Thien "Joseph" Ho	Mr. Patrick Rasimowicz
Mr. Luis De Jesus	Mr. Flavio C. Rojas-Enciso
Mr. Justin Lang	Mr. Ngu Quoc "Peter" Tran
Mr. Jose Lim	Rev. Mr. Gregory Zanetti

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Pope Francis

"Contemplation"

*"Contemplative prayer, a guide
along path of love"*

"My Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Added Pope Francis, the contemplative aspect of our nature requires us to enter into faith and love before it can become prayer. "Being contemplatives does not depend on the eyes, but on the heart," he noted. "And here prayer enters into play as an act of faith and love, as the 'breath' of our relationship with God." The Pope said prayer purifies our heart and sharpens our gaze, "allowing it to grasp reality from another point of view." Citing the Holy Curé of Ars, he said "contemplation is a gaze of faith, fixed on Jesus." "Everything comes from this: from a heart that feels that it is looked on with love. Then reality is contemplated with different eyes."

Pope Francis then warned against falling into the ancient temptation of thinking contemplation is opposed to action. He said some spiritual masters of the past advocated this dualistic understanding of prayer. "In reality, in Jesus Christ and the Gospel, there is no opposition between contemplation and action," said the Pope. He said the only great call in the Gospel is to follow Jesus along the path of love. "This is the pinnacle and center of everything. In this sense, charity and contemplation are synonymous; they say the same thing."

Pope Francis concluded his catechesis recalling a teaching from St. John of the Cross, one of the Church's greatest mystics and masters of contemplative prayer. "A small act of pure love is more useful to the Church than all the other works combined," said the Pope. "What is born of prayer and not from the presumption of our ego, what is purified by humility, even if it is a hidden and silent act of love, is the greatest miracle that a Christian can perform."



Prayer Intention for May 2021

The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Most Reverend

James F. Checchio

Bishop of Metuchen



*"Bishop encourages seniors to continue as
keepers of the faith"*

"My Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Standing beneath a stained glass window depicting the visitation of the angel Gabriel to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Bishop James F. Checchio told the seniors seated before him, "Like Mary, you are deeply aware of the presence of God in your lives. You, too, model discipleship in our day."

In his homily, Bishop Checchio said Mary was the ideal disciple, and her freely-given "yes" to carry the Son of God in her womb "was the jubilant door through which God entered the world becoming man." "She prepared herself by prayer, opened herself to God and his will... she was the first missionary by sharing the Good News with her cousin, Elizabeth," he added. Bishop Checchio charged the seniors to continue their important role as keepers of the faith, saying: "Speak with and to God. Be a missionary. Bring the presence of Christ into the world by what you say and do."

"It can be an opportunity to be reminded that our elderly brothers and sisters have lived a life of 'fiat' and, in their golden years, are profound witnesses of saying 'yes' to God over and over again," she wrote. "As we begin this year of the family, let us express our profound gratitude for the many ways in which faithful and generous older Catholics have built — and continue to build — the Church."

"You, too, model discipleship in our day. Children need that example and you clearly provide it for them," he said. "Seminarians reference their grandparents' faith for reawakening their faith or for being a priest. Know it provides you a strong, solid foundation in their lives. Your examples will come back to them. Never doubt it."

"The seniors have been impacted significantly during the pandemic," Sister Anna said. "Our grandparents are needed, they are special, and they are our example of Mary's fiat."

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2021 Mass Intentions

Until further notice, the 2021 Masses will continue under the COVID Revised Mass Schedule. Please check the bulletin or call the Parish Office to confirm the updated times of your Mass intentions.

Revised Mass Schedule

With the reopening of our Church and in keeping with social distancing and safety, the Mass schedule until further notice has been revised to allow for the sanitation after all Masses.

Saturday - 4:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. (both livestreamed).
Sunday - 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (livestreamed)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

During this time of COVID-19 the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturdays between 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. or until the last penitent is heard. The priests will be hearing confessions in the Reconciliation Room. Social distancing and mask are required.

Feed Your Soul Gospel Reflection Program

Matthew Kelly and Allen Hunt, principles from Dynamic Catholic, will present a weekly Gospel Reflection delivered to your inbox every Thursday.

The weekly program includes:

- Relatable Wisdom from Matthew and Allen
- Satisfy your desire for something deeper
- A fresh, new perspective on the Gospel
- Preparation for Sunday Mass in a new and unique way
- Elimination of your spiritual hunger

Program Enrollment:

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/feed-your-soul>.

Children's Religious Education Registration

Registration for the 2021-2022 Children's Religious Education program will begin on May 15 and run until August 15. Forms are available for download on the parish website and may be dropped off or mailed to the Parish Office. Payment is expected at registration unless other arrangements are made with Fr. John or Dcn. Chris. The 2021-2022 program will continue to be a virtual environment, however there will be several on-site instructional sessions for each class. We are in need of volunteer Catechists at all grade levels. If you would like additional information on the Catechist vacancies or the 2021-2022 program, please call or email Dcn. Chris at (908) 874-8604 or dre@marymotherofgod.org.

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I would like to thank you for your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal. The Diocesan Development Office has reported \$141,304.11 towards the 2021 campaign from Mary, Mother of God Church. This represents 392 parishioners and 92.9% of our parish's goal of \$166,000.00.

Livestream Platform Update

Masses will now be shown on (our Mary, Mother of God) YouTube Channel. Each live event will be broadcasted to our Facebook page. Subscribe to the YouTube to receive notifications of upcoming events.

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<https://www.youtube.com/c/MaryMotherofGodRCChurch>

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VFW "Buddy Poppy" Fundraiser

The Hillsborough Memorial VFW Post #8371 will be conducting their annual "Buddy Poppy" fundraiser the weekend of May 22 and 23 after all Masses. Funds are used to support disabled and needy veterans, the VFW National Home for Children, the Lyons VA Hospital, and scholarship funding to local students. Thank you for your support.

Weekly Offering

Thank you very much for your continued support of our Parish family! If you would like to begin On-Line Giving, please see the Home Page of our website. Please help us bridge our budget gap of \$226,000 by helping us attain our weekly collection of \$25,000. An additional \$5 to \$10 per week would help us close the gap.

WEEK ENDED	COLLECTION			FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
	ORDINARY	2ND	WEEKLY	
04/18/21	18,389	2,747	21,136	-15%
04/25/21	10,010	2,492	12,502	-50%
05/02/21	16,903	3,356	20,259	-19%
05/09/21	13,058	3,184	16,242	-35%
4-Week Total	58,360	11,779	70,139	-30%
4-Week Avg	14,590	2,945	17,535	-30%

Ascension of the Lord - May 16, 2021

Avisos Parroquiales

A los nuevos feligreses por favor registrarse visitando la Secretaría durante horas de oficina y/o asistir a la próxima reunión de Registración Parroquial, durante el Café social ofrecido en español los últimos sábados del mes, después de misa.

Grupos de Oraciones

Invitamos a todos los feligreses a participar o unirse a los grupos parroquiales hispanos de nuestra parroquia.

Carismático "María te invita conocer a Jesús"

Todos los martes a las 7:00 p.m., Virtual via Zoom

Mas informes con Juana Marín 908-531-1493

Las Mil Ave María

Primer Sábado de cada mes comenzado a las 8:30 am con la Santa Misa, en la Capilla frente al Santísimo Sacramento.

Mas información con Ana 732-648-8215

Rosario Al Divino Niño

Todo tercer miércoles del mes a las 7 p.m. en la Capilla. Mas información con Melba Boza 908.644.7420 o Carolina Burgos 917.721,1363

Grupos De Apoyo y Ayuda

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Familias necesitadas de recibir asistencia espiritual
Contactar con la Sra. Roció Velazco Telf. 908-392-2756

Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial

Es un fin de semana designado para darle las parejas casadas la oportunidad de examinar sus vidas y ayudarles a comunicarse mejor. Informes con María Zaira & Oscar Quirós. 908-642-6644. Mas Informes 201-707-8583.

Ofrendas Semanales

Si Ud. Y Familia desea llevar las ofrendas y/o el Pan y Vino al altar para las consagración durante la misa por favor comunicarse con Ismael Escamilla 908-268-3293.

Catecismo para adultos/RCIA en español

Usted o alguien que conoce está interesado en convertirse en miembros de la iglesia católica? ¿Es usted un católico que se bautizó pero nunca recibió los sacramentos de la reconciliación, la Santa Comunión o la confirmación?

Si es así, y desea recibir los sacramentos comuníquese con:

Rosi Castro al teléfono 908-698-2944 o al email

rosicastrovalverde@gmail.com

Hora Santa

Los Primeros Viernes del Mes

Únase a su Santa presencia de 7:00 p.m. a 8:00 p.m. La Hora Santa incluye Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento, Exposición, Bendición, el Santo Rosario, Meditaciones, oraciones y canto, Si esta interesado en dirigir un misterio del Rosario en Español por favor comunicarse con Ronnie Collingwood, admin@marymotherofgod.org.

Distribución de la Santísima Comunión para enfermos a los hogares

Llamar a Rafael Soto 908-310-4073

Sacramento de Reconciliación

Todos los sábados de 2:30pm and 3:30pm o hasta que la ultima confesión sea escuchada, ambos Padre Alex and John estarán disponibles en la Iglesia.

Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento

El horario de Adoración al Santísimo Vuelve a la normalidad en la Capilla, Las horas son de 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. de Viernes y los Sábados 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Distanciamiento Social y mascararas son requeridos .

Nueva Plataformas Para Transmisiones en Vivo

Las misas ahora se mostrarán en (nuestra María, Madre de Dios) Canal de YouTube. Cada evento en vivo se transmitirá a nuestra página de Facebook. Suscríbete al You Tube para recibir notificaciones de los próximos eventos

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Inscripciones Abiertas de Educación religiosa infantil

La inscripción para el programa de Educación Religiosa Infantil 2021-2022 comenzará el 15 de mayo y se extenderá hasta el 15 de agosto. Los formularios están disponibles para su descarga en el sitio web de la parroquia y pueden ser dejados o enviados por correo a la Oficina Parroquial. El pago se espera en el registro a menos que se hagan otros arreglos con el P. John o Den. El programa 2021-2022 seguirá siendo un entorno virtual, sin embargo habrá varias sesiones de instrucción in situ para cada clase. Necesitamos catequistas voluntarios en todos los niveles de grado. Si desea obtener información adicional sobre las vacantes atequistas o el programa 2021-2022, llame o envíe un correo electrónico Den. Chris at (908) 874-8604 or dre@marymotherofgod.org.

Sitio web de la Iglesia en Español

Nuestro sitio web esta siendo actualizado con informaciones importantes como catecismo, horarios de misa y confesiones, sacramentos y otros, por favor visítelo .

<https://marymotherofgod.org/espanol>

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