

**Monday, January 22**

- 7:30 AM Francesco D'Angelo
RB/Maria Bellusci
- 7:00 PM Word of Life Prayer Group (Chapel)

Tuesday, January 23

- 7:30 AM Dottie Summa
RB/Susan Villanova; and,
Carlo Mercantini, Jr.
RB/Ferdinand Loretangeli
- 2:00 PM Rosary & Prayer Hour — Chapel

Wednesday, January 24

- 7:30 AM Josephine & Joseph Radice
RB/Radice Family; and,
Joseph O'Donnell RB/Wife
- 3:00 PM Prayers for Priests, Religious, and
Vocations
- 7:00 PM Novena & Adoration Hour

Thursday, January 25

- 7:30 AM The Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
- 7:00 PM Mass for St. Mary's & Ss. Francis &
Clare Parishioners

Friday, January 26

- 7:30 AM Edward Joseph Morrow (A)
RB/Susan Kwietnieski; and,
Vincenzo Aveni RB/Vince Aveni

Saturday, January 27

- 4:00 PM Confessions
- 5:00 PM Joanne & Ken Brachelli—Mass of Living
RB/Patricia Baylog

Sunday, January 28

- 7:30 AM Betty Lou Turgyan
RB/Steve Turgyan
- 9:30 AM James Aversano, Jr.
RB/Mary Tabayoyong
- 11:30 AM Anthony J. DeLorenzo
RB/Mary & Ann Masiello; and,
Gerardo Mazzella RB/Daughter

MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5:00 P.M.
Sundays: 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30AM.
Weekdays: Tuesday thru Friday at 7:30 A.M.; Thurs. 7PM
Eve before a Holy Day: 7:00 P.M.
Holy Days: 7:00 P.M.

Religious Education

Public elementary school children on Sunday morning at 8:00,
9:45, and 11:15 AM at St. Mary School; and Tuesdays at
5:00 and 6:15 PM at Holy Assumption Church.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are done on 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month,
following the 11:30AM Masses. Please call the rectory office
to schedule.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Please notify the parish office when the sick, aged or
incapacitated are confined to home. Arrangements can be
made to bring Holy Communion to them.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The chapel is open daily. The Blessed Sacrament is
exposed for solemn adoration: M,Tu,W,F 8:00-
8:45AM; Th, 8:00AM-12:00Noon; Sat, 8:00-
10:00AM. Evening hours are Wed, 7-8PM.
Quarterly, special times & events are offered.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday from 4PM to 4:30PM; also by appointment.

NOVENA

In honor of the Miraculous Medal each Wednesday at 7PM.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements are to be made at least 1 year in advance.

SICK CALLS

Urgent calls any time of day or night. Arrangements for
Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion for those
confined to the home are to be made by contacting the rectory.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome new parishioners to the parish, and we ask them to
register as soon as possible. If you are not registered we are not
able to issue letters for sponsorship for the Sacraments or
character references to schools or for employment. If you move
from the parish please notify the rectory.

ENVELOPE SYSTEM

The regular use of envelopes provides for a stable income to
the church. This enables the pastor to plan for repairs, future
expansion and improvements. We urge all parishioners to
make regular use of the envelopes.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

<i>Adoration</i>	<i>Ginny Olsen 947-3336</i>
<i>Adult Choir</i>	<i>Jac Madson 758-7243</i>
<i>Adult Faith Formation</i>	<i>Earl Alger 298-7071</i>
<i>Altar Linen Ministry</i>	<i>Helene Shea 298-7612</i>
<i>Church Ushers</i>	<i>Ferd Loretangeli 298-2131</i>
<i>Contemporary Choir</i>	<i>Cathy Alphonse 291-9204</i>
<i>Food Pantry</i>	<i>Mike Novalis 298-4664</i>
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	<i>Ron White 903-0342</i>
<i>Liturgy Committee</i>	<i>Fr. Joe Hlubik 298-0261</i>
<i>Open Hearts, Willing Hands (Interfaith Caregivers of Greater Mercer County)</i>	<i>609-393-9922</i>
<i>Pastoral Council</i>	<i>Deacon Gary Richardson</i>
<i>Rosary & Altar Society</i>	<i>Stephanie Salewski 291-1816</i>
<i>Sports Committee</i>	<i>John Bacovin 638-9054</i>
<i>St. Vincent de Paul Society</i>	<i>Sharon Callahan 298-1414</i>
<i>Word of Life Prayer Group</i>	<i>Pat Baylog 298-4249</i>

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon.	7:00 PM	Mary's Weavers Parish Center, downstairs
	7:00 PM	Word of Life Prayer Group Chapel
	8:00 PM	Knights of Columbus #570 Parish Center, upstairs
Thurs.	7:00 PM	RCIA Seminar Parish Center, downstairs
	5PM & 6:30PM	First Penance Practice Church
Sat.	9AM & 11AM	First Penance (Church)

St. Vincent de Paul Society

January 21, 2018: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The transformation that is a necessary consequence of hearing Jesus' call to discipleship takes place through repentance. Jesus calls and the disciples abandon all to follow him. Jesus' call was to simple fishermen while they were plying their trade. The starting point for Jesus' call to discipleship isn't with "holy" or "perfect" people; the starting point is with sinful humanity. The good news is that we *can* repent and believe. All we need to do is let go and let our daily lives be characterized by repentance and belief. Jesus gives us a continuing call. Our transformation doesn't come all at once but takes place throughout our lives. We only have to repent and believe in the Gospel, for indeed the Kingdom of God is at hand.

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, call our confidential helpline (609) 298-1414.



Altar Servers — January 27th & 28th

5:00PM	Team #1	Coppola
7:30AM	Team #4	Ritter
9:30AM	Team #6	Marrano
11:30AM	Team #9	Jones

Gentlemen of St. Mary's,

Are you willing and able to serve as an Usher? St. Mary's needs additional ushers for our Saturday 5PM, Sunday 9:30AM and Sunday 11:30AM Masses. We are in need of substitute ushers as well. This is a rewarding and necessary ministry, as you will be helping your neighbors and the entire parish community.



We are grateful for the consistent dedication and long-time service provided by our ushers here at St. Mary's parish:

If you can help out, please see the head usher at your Mass, or call me directly at 609-298-2131. Many thanks!

—Ferd Loretangeli



St. Mary's Church is happy to announce that we will be starting a Children's Liturgy Program at the 9:30AM Mass on the first Sunday of each month, beginning on February 4th.

Children's Liturgy is an age-appropriate *Liturgy of the Word* offered for children of ages 5–9 (Kindergarten through 3rd grade)—all are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Just before the *Liturgy of the Word* begins the children will be invited to the back Chapel for an age-appropriate activity. During this time, the volunteers will lead the children through prayers, songs and readings that relate to the liturgy that week, and help them understand the Scripture readings. They will then rejoin their families for the *Liturgy of the Eucharist*.

This is being run by parent volunteers in an attempt to make the Mass more engaging for our children. Volunteers are needed to teach the lessons each week, as well as to assist with the supervision of the children. This is a great opportunity for adults, and middle school and high school youth, to help these eager youngsters learn the Bible stories and the Word of the Lord. Please consider volunteering your time even one or two Sunday's a year. (All volunteers will be fingerprinted and attend a "Virtus" Child Abuse Awareness training). Any questions can be directed to Colleen Morgan through the Office of Religious Education at office@stmarysre.org.

Parishioners,

Please take a moment, if you haven't done so lately, to familiarize yourself with St. Mary's website. We publish current events, dates and schedules, recent parish bulletins, links to other sites and information, easy registration for our sponsored events and trips, and an impressive library of videos to help expand your knowledge and strengthen your faith.

www.stmarysbordentown.org

Many thanks to Jwannes Singareddy and Earl Alger for this first-class website and their diligent maintenance!

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL:
A SOUND INVESTMENT IN YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE!**

Area schools will be conducting Open Houses:

- **Trenton Catholic Academy** — January 29, 8:30-10:30 AM; call 609-586-3705 or visit www.trentoncatholic.org
- **St. Raphael School** — January 28; call 609-585-7733 or email info@srsnj.org
- **St. Paul School** — January 28 & 30, and February 1; call 609-386-1645, or visit www.stpaulbrl.org
- **Notre Dame H.S.** — call 609-882-7900, x-139 or x-183, or visit www.ndnj.org
- **Our Lady of Sorrows School** — January 28, 12:30-2:30PM; call 609-587-4140
- **St. Gregory the Great Academy** — January 28; call 609-587-1131, x-202 or email sfurman@stgregorythegreat.org



Rosary Recitations



ALL ARE WELCOME—PLEASE JOIN US IN THESE PRAYER SESSIONS:

- ♦ **Daily Rosary** – 7:00AM and 8:00AM in the chapel (before and after the 7:30AM Mass);
- ♦ **Tuesdays** from 2:00—3:00PM in the chapel;
- ♦ **Wednesdays** at 3:00PM for priests and religious;
- ♦ **Saturdays** at 9:00AM the “Timeless Rosary” is recited.

Pray the Rosary as a family, even if only a decade a day—just begin.

“Meditating on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary, we learn, after the example of Mary, to have peace in our souls through the unceasing and loving contact with Jesus and the mysteries of His redemptive life.”—Blessed Pope Paul VI

UPCOMING EVENTS:

>>PRAYER SHAWL PROJECT – Mary’s Weavers —Monday evenings at 7 PM in the downstairs meeting room, Parish Center. Call Helene Shea for more information at 298-7612. Next Meeting is on January 22nd.

>>CLARE ESTATE ROSARY—First Tuesday at 10:30; next recitation scheduled—February 6th. All are welcome.

>>COMMUNION SUNDAY – February 11th—9:30 AM Mass for all Rosarians, living and deceased.

>>ROSARIAN MONTHLY ROSARY—Rosarians will meet to recite together their monthly public Rosary during the regular Tuesday Rosary Hour on February 13th at 2:00 PM, in the Chapel.

>>WOMEN’S LENTEN RETREAT AT SAN ALFONSO—See details in separate bulletin ad.

Holy Father’s Prayer Intentions for January:

- ♦ *Evangelization: Religious Minorities in Asia—That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.*

Let us pray Our Lady of Lourdes, we pray for our currently ill or suffering members, family and friends: Emily; Frank H.; Jack Laciskey; Samme; Ruth B.; Patricia H.; Mary M., Maryann, and Joe C. for the healing of cancer; John Mullen; David; Daniel; Catherine; Ginny’s brother Bob; B.J. and Pam; George T.; Ginny M.; Veronica Shea; Amelia; Carol P.; Bill S; Paul Shea; Michael S.; Attila, Pat & family; Deacon Ron S.; Marge Johnson; Josephine H.; Christy, Joan and family members; for Jo for healing in her grief; Benjamin; Nancy P.; Nancy K.; Gail; Marilyn Rogalski; Julie and family; Addie; and Rosemarie Brodowski. We continue to pray for peace in our world and in our country that we may come together in harmony and mutual respect for each other; for our religious freedoms and conscience rights; for the recognition of the civil right of the unborn to be recognized as persons; for the family and sacramental marriage; for our civil protectors in the military, the police, firefighters and EMTs; for vocations; for the people affected by natural disasters; and for the Holy Father and the Church throughout the world. We ask for the continuing health of our parish clergy, and give thanks for our Deacons and their families for their dedication and self-giving help in the ministries of the Church. We pray for our homebound that they may know that they remain with us in our hearts and prayers. We pray for family members having responsibility for decisions in the care of family members.

Evening of Prayer - January 22

In observance of the 45th anniversary of Roe v Wade, the 1973 US Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion, the Respect Life Committee of St. Raphael-Holy Angels Parish invites you to an EVENING OF PRAYER on Monday, January 22nd beginning with the 6:30 PM Mass in St. Raphael Church in Hamilton. The evening will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Rosary, Adoration and Benediction. Since 1973 more than 59 million children's lives have been lost to abortion in the US. Join us in praying for an end to abortion and for the respect and protection of all human life at every stage. Every human life is a gift from God. Respect life materials and light refreshments will be available in the Narthex.

Parish Offerings:

For the weekend of January 14th, we received \$9,311 in our regular collection, in addition to subscription fees for The Monitor.

Many thanks for your generosity!

Visit Italy in May 2018

Join Fr. Timothy Byerley and Brenda Quinn for 9 days in Rome from **May 21-May 30, 2018!** We will be departing from Philadelphia, and staying at the beautiful Michelangelo Hotel, next to the Vatican! Our travelers will visit Assisi, Orvieto, and Siena, and we will celebrate Mass everyday. Included is a Papal Audience, visits to the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican Museum and the Sistine Chapel, St. Mary Major and St. John the Lateran Churches, Mass in the Catacombs, The Spanish Steps, San Domiano Convent, The Basilica of St. Francis, the steps stained with the Blood of the Eucharistic Miracle in Orvieto, and more!!

For more information, go online to <https://thecollegiumcenter.org/rome-italy-may-21-may-30-2018/> or contact Brenda at 856-534-0400 or via email at olvbquinn@aol.com

Visit thecollegiumcenter.org for information about upcoming events. Due to high demand for The Michelangelo Hotel, we need reservations by Jan. 30th. Thank you!

ALTAR LINEN MINISTRY

Week of January 21: *Mary Smith*

Week of January 28: *Donna Valeri*

For more information, call Helene Shea at 298-7612

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the most unusual Catholic churches in the world is in Amsterdam: *Our Lord in the Attic*, or as the locals say, “Ons Lieve Heer op Solder.” What looks like a beautiful narrow brick mansion alongside a canal is a clever disguise for a very well-preserved 17th-century home and a secret church. During the Reformation, the Netherlands was divided into Protestant Holland and the Spanish Netherlands, now known as Belgium, a Catholic stronghold. Protestant reformers seized all the Catholic parishes in Holland and “de-Catholicized” them. New laws forbade the celebration of the Mass in public. St. Nicholas Church was renamed “Old Church” by the new owners, and the dispossessed Catholics got to work “hiding” St. Nicholas Parish in the upper floors of this mansion. Other Catholics did the same thing, but this is the only hidden church that survives today. Sunday Mass is still celebrated here.

It’s a beautiful hideaway, with nothing spared in regard to marble, gilding, a pipe organ, and classic Dutch painting. A few steps away, the Old Church, begun in 1250, stands emptied of the statues and carvings of its Catholic days, its windows replaced by plain glass. The new tenants gave up when it came to the ceiling, which is still painted with saints, biblical scenes, and merchant ships. The Dutch reformers were tolerant sorts, and as long as the Catholics kept out of sight, they were out of mind. Catholicism was at last tolerated in Holland after 1853, but in 1924 when the International Eucharistic Congress was held in Amsterdam, processions of Catholics were still forbidden in the streets. Today, Roman Catholics are about 19 percent of the population, and there’s no need for any of them to hide in the attic.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

The peddlers of death have been successful in altering how people think about human life, its sacredness and beauty. They have successfully affected the conversation. The only way to build a Culture of Life is to once again speak the proper language—originating in God and His definition of human life. As Dr. Kalpakgian points out: *“When life is no longer a miracle, goodness loses its purity, truth is deprived of its divine authority, and beauty loses its glory. A profane culture that destroys life also desecrates the magic of childhood, the mystery of romance, the holiness of marriage, and the sanctity of the home.”*

Sincerely yours in Christ,
 Father Shenan J. Boquet
 President, Human Life International



...THE SICK who have been recommended to our prayers:

Sr. Joyce Marie Riley, Victoria Seda, Marilyn Rogalski, Lois MacArthur, Francis Schuessler, Lucy Johnson, John Young, D.J. Hoch, Rileigh Sunday, Alvah Schully, Nicole Cochran, Boleslaw Pacholek, Tony LaPointe, John Campo, Quincy Johnson, Elizabeth Gusrang, Maida Burke, Dave and Arlene Bibus, Gerry Jacobs, Debbie LePre, Thaddeus Custer, Donald & Ann McGarrity, Rev. John Owens, Maureen Fabriano, John Fitzgerald, Anna Vosila, Hugh Delaney, Cindy Marriot, Michael Albano, Brody Lingle, Nadine Daddona, Patricia Gates, May Browning, Suzanne Madson, Alice tenBerge, John Wehrman, Frances Mercantini and all of the sick of the parish.

Pray For Our Deceased

Chapel Sanctuary Lamp
 Parishioners & Benefactors

Church Sanctuary Lamp
 Edward MacMullan
 RB/Wife

NOTE: Prayer List entries will be removed after 90 days unless we are notified that your loved one requires continued prayer support.

**Mass for Life/Rally for Life in Trenton
 Monday, January 22, 2018
 45th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade**

Join hundreds of people from all over New Jersey who oppose the killing of the innocent unborn through abortion as we PRAY and RALLY for LIFE! This day will be *Pro-Life, Pro-Woman and Pro-Family!* Join Bishop O’Connell for a **Mass for Life** at 9:30 AM at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, 151 N. Warren St., Trenton. Find directions to the Cathedral at: saintmaryscathedral-trenton.org/directions/. On-street parking may be metered. There is a reasonable public parking garage on Warren St., just down the street and across from the Cathedral. After Mass, we will process to the Statehouse Annex, 131 W. State St. (next to the State House) for the **Rally for Life** which will begin at 11:00 AM and end at about 1:00 PM. Signs will be provided by NJ Right to Life.

Come to hear Pro-Life Leaders, elected officials and clergy address the current abortion related issues. Be a *Voice for the Voiceless* and join us in Trenton!

GIFTING

What I am is God’s gift to me.
 What I become is my gift back to God.
 —Anonymous

2018 Parish Calendars

Parish Calendars for 2018 are now available at our church exits, from our ushers, and in our parish center.

January 2018						
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



Religious Education & Sacramental Programs
For St. Mary's and Ss. Francis & Clare Parishes
 1st through 8th Grade & High School

January 21 ,28.....January RE Classes at 8:00, 9:45, and 11:15 AM in St. Mary's School
January 23, 30.....January RE Classes at 5:00 and 6:30 PM in Holy Assumption Church
January 25.....First Penance Practice Group A — 5:00-6:00PM in St. Mary's Church
January 25.....First Penance Practice Group B — 6:30-7:30PM in St. Mary's Church
January 27.....First Penance: Group A—9AM; and Group B—11AM in St. Mary's Church
February 4, 11 ,25....February RE Classes at 8:00, 9:45, and 11:15 AM in St. Mary's School
February 6, 13, 27....February RE Classes at 5:00 and 6:30 PM in Holy Assumption Church
February 5, 7.....Confirmation candidates interviews in the Parish Office
February 15.....First Eucharist Parent Prep Meeting, 6:30-8:00PM in St. Mary's School

Our 2nd Graders will be receiving their First Penance Sacrament on Saturday, January 27th. Please pray for all our boys and girls that they may open their hearts and minds to this beautiful sacrament of forgiveness. Help them turn to God for forgiveness. Those with true sorrow who confess their sins will be granted absolution. Parents, as a reminder, Group A will be receiving at 9:00AM and Group B at 11:00AM. Please have your child in Church on January 27th 15 minutes early so we can begin on time.

Confirmation Candidates – all your paperwork is now due. You will be receiving information about your Confirmation Interview shortly. If all of your paperwork and service hours are finished, you will be receiving your Confirmation Application. You will also be measured for Confirmation Robes. As you move closer to your Confirmation be reminded that its purpose is to perfect in us that which was begun in Baptism.

Parents of 2nd Grade students are asked to attend a very important meeting on February 15th from 6:30-8:00PM in the School Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Only one parent need attend. We look forward to seeing you at this time.

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**St. Mary's and Ss. Francis & Clare RE Office**

Phone: (609) 291-8281 ext. 18 (CRE) or ext.17 (Asst.); Fax: (609) 298-7178  
 Email: [office@stmarysre.org](mailto:office@stmarysre.org) or [office2@stmarysre.org](mailto:office2@stmarysre.org); Website: [www.stmarysre.org](http://www.stmarysre.org).  
 Facebook page: St. Mary's Church—Bordentown, NJ

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***I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
 whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.***

Annual Women's Weekend Retreat

Sponsored by Rosarians from our Cohort Parishes

SAN ALFONSO RETREAT HOUSE, Long Branch, NJ
March 9-11 or March 16-18 or April 20-22

Please join us for *any one* of three women's retreats this year. **Come away from your busy life and refresh your spirit.** The theme for 2018 is "*Living from the Heart*". The sessions will examine how life is marked by experiences of the heart in light of our own stories and the guiding and plentiful love of God. The weekend consists of several conferences, homilies, opportunities for consultation with the Redemptorist priests, the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, reflection, rest and prayer. The retreat begins on Friday evening with registration at 4PM and concludes on Sunday with departure after lunch. **The cost is \$220 for the weekend (includes two overnights and six meals).** A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is required in advance to participate in the retreat. For more information call:



Stephanie Salewski (St. Mary's) at 291-1816 for **March 9-11**

Barbara Boldezar (FNC) at 499-0900 for **March 16-18**

Betty Mazur (St. Kath. Drexel) at 386-9386 for **April 20-22**

St. Mary's Community Food Pantry

We are a supplemental food source run by volunteers who donate their time collecting and distributing food to over 300 families in need in Bordentown, Chesterfield, Crosswicks, Fieldsboro, and 4 area motels that house people on our register.

We are funded by generous parishioners, community churches and members, to whom we are most grateful!

Current needs: canned chicken, canned stew, and Ramen noodles . *We are no longer collecting empty egg cartons.*

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Our food pantry hours are as follows: **M-W-F 2-3:00 PM; Tu-Th 9-10:00 AM and 6-7:00 PM; and Sat. 9-10:00 AM.** To learn more, go to: [Facebook.com/St.MarysFoodPantry](https://www.facebook.com/St.MarysFoodPantry).

A **Post-Holiday Food Pantry Volunteer Luncheon** will be held on **Sunday January 21, 2PM**, in the Parish Office, 2nd floor conference room. This pizza and salad luncheon is to thank all of our volunteers for their service and dedication in support of the Food Pantry. There will be a sign-up sheet for volunteers at the Pantry so we have an accurate count, ensuring plenty of food.

