

**Monday, January 29**

- 7:30 AM John J. Reilly; and,
Hugh Delaney—Healing Mass
RB/Tom Cummings
- 7:00 PM Word of Life Prayer Group (Chapel)

Tuesday, January 30

- 7:30 AM The Forgotten Souls in Purgatory; and,
Frank T. Hawrylo
RB/Hawrylo Family
- 2:00 PM Rosary & Prayer Hour — Chapel

Wednesday, January 31

- 7:30 AM Judith Caruso
RB/Joyce Myers
- 3:00 PM Prayers for Priests, Religious, and
Vocations
- 7:00 PM Novena & Adoration Hour

Thursday, February 1

- 7:30 AM Sante & Florinda Loretangeli
RB/Ferdinand Loretangeli; and,
Angiolina D'Angelo
RB/Maria Bellusci
- 7:00 PM Mass for St. Mary's & Ss. Francis &
Clare Parishioners

Friday, February 2

- 7:30 AM Everlasting Spiritual Bouquet

Saturday, February 3

- 4:00 PM Confessions
- 5:00 PM Margaret Duda

Sunday, February 4

- 7:30 AM John G. Kish—Healing Mass
- 9:30 AM William H. Thomas
RB/Gerald Howard & Susanne Williams
- 11:30 AM James Aversano, Jr.
RB/Kim & Rich Prihoda; and,
Marie Todaro Sospetti
RB/Nazaren Sospetti

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
Thurs.	7:00 PM	RCIA Seminar Parish Center, downstairs



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.

Parish Offerings:

For the weekend of January 21st, we received \$9,364 in our regular collection, and \$1,324 in Stewardship offerings.

Many thanks for your generosity!

Altar Servers — February 3rd & 4th

5:00PM	Team #2	Hutman
7:30AM	Team #5	Spivey
9:30AM	Team #7	Cooper
11:30AM	Team #10	Ogbutor

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. Cornelius, Centurion—Feast Day is Feb. 2

While St. Longinus may be known as the centurion who thrust his lance into the side of Jesus, the Church also honors another centurion as a saint.

Cornelius was a Roman military officer assigned to Palestine. He was in charge of a large regiment in Caesarea and, over the years, also became known for giving alms generously to the Jews and for his constant prayer to God. The *Acts of the Apostles* gives the account of his baptism by St. Peter. Cornelius later became the first bishop of Caesarea.

The memorial of St. Cornelius the centurion is celebrated February 2. Some consider him to be the first Gentile to convert to Christianity.

[source: [The Little Black Book](#) (2015); Diocese of Saginaw, Michigan; www.littlebooks.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.

“Amid the disharmony of our chaotic lives, the Rosary is the instrument, the harp or the psaltery with its ten chords, for each group of harmonies. With the Rosary, we continually raise a song of love from the earth.”

—Servant of God, Father Dolindo Ruotolo

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 29th.**

>>**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 February:

- Universal:** Say “No” to Corruption—That those who have material, spiritual or political power may resist any lure of corruption.

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.; Mary M. for the healing of cancer; Patricia H.; David; Daniel; Catherine; Joe C. for healing of cancer; 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 and family; Maryann for healing from cancer; 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.

Lenten Bible Study – The Book of Revelation

The parish is having a 5-week Lenten Bible Study on the Book of Revelation, to be held upstairs in the parish center at **7 PM starting Tuesday February 20th**. The study will continue every Tuesday through Lent. Our presenter is our pastor, Father Joe. Make this Lent special. Come with other parishioners on a Lenten journey and finally figure out what the heck is going on in the Book of Revelation. The cost of the study is \$10. You can sign up 2 ways—online at our website - stmarysbordentown.org or by calling the parish office at 298-0261 during normal office hours. You must sign up by Feb 12th so we can make sure you have your study book in time for the beginning of your Lenten journey thru the Book of Revelation.



Don’t miss this chance to discover the Book of Revelation! For more info call the parish office at 298-0261 during normal office hours.

If you have one hour once a week to make a difference in the life of an elderly person, please consider being an Interfaith Caregivers Volunteer.



New Volunteer Training Dates for 2018:

Feb. 6th (Tues)10 AM to 12:30 PM
 Feb. 10th (Sat)10 AM to 12:30 PM
 Mar. 6th (Tues).....10 AM to 12:30 PM
 Mar. 10th (Sat).....10 AM to 12:30 PM
 Apr. 10th (Tues).....10 AM to 12:30 PM
 Apr. 14th (Sat).....10 AM to 12:30 PM
 May 15th (Tues).....10 AM to 12:30 PM
 May 19th (Sat).....10 AM to 12:30 PM

Choose the time most convenient for you. You are the answer to someone’s prayer!

**3635 Quakerbridge Road, Suite 16
 Hamilton, NJ 08619
 609-393-9922**

ALTAR LINEN MINISTRYWeek of January 28: *Donna Valeri*Week of February 4: *Luz Moore*

For more information, call Helene Shea at 298-7612

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This is the year of St. Paul, and so one of the most visited churches of Rome is also one of the most beautiful: the *Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls*. Like so many other churches, it was founded by the master-builder (or financier) Emperor Constantine about the year 315. Paul was martyred outside the walls of the City of Rome at a place called Tre Fontaine, probably on June 29, in the year 65, perhaps the first anniversary of St. Peter's crucifixion. Christians buried him in a quiet place about two miles away, and visited to pray. Constantine was running low on bricks, apparently, because the first church was tiny. In 386 it was demolished and today's basilica begun. This vast and towering space looks much the same today as it did in the fourth century.

The centuries have not been kind to ancient Rome, but until the early 1800s St. Paul Outside the Walls survived beautifully, perhaps because it has been assigned for nearly a thousand years to Benedictine monks. It was therefore a vibrant place of daily prayer even through the centuries when Rome was a poor and nearly abandoned city. In 1823 a great fire resulted from a botched repair job to lead on the roof, and St. Paul's was destroyed. It is said that the whole world contributed to its restoration. Even the Russian czar and the viceroy of Egypt gave alabaster, malachite, and lapis lazuli for the pillars and the tabernacle. Several of the precious mosaics were able to be restored, bringing the ancient basilica back to life. One of the great treasures of the basilica is a set of prison chains, said to have been worn by the Apostle in the last days before his martyrdom.

Unlike other Roman churches, St. Paul's stands in a garden-like suburban neighborhood, surrounded by stately palm trees, gardens, and parks.

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

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be re-enacted at our Good Friday evening service at 7PM on March 30, at St. Mary's Church.

PARTICIPANTS ARE NEEDED FROM BOTH STS. FRANCIS AND CLARE AND ST. MARY'S.

We need Roman soldiers (including Longinus who pierced Our Lord's side and the centurion who recognized Our Lord as Our Savior), and members of the crowd (including our Blessed Mother and St. Veronica).

NO LINES TO MEMORIZE!!!

Authentic costumes are provided.

Please be part of this living devotion.

Kindly call either Pat Baylog (609-298-4249) and/or Ginny Olsen (609-947-3336) for details and to sign up.



...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, Raleigh 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
Men & Women of our Military Services
RB/Tersina DiPietro

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

Blessing of Throats

February 3rd, the Feast of St. Blaise, is the traditional day for the Blessing of Throats. We will offer this blessing after our weekend Masses on Feb. 3rd & 4th.

"Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Blessing of St. Blaise).

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**



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

January 28.....January RE Classes at 8:00, 9:45, and 11:15 AM in St. Mary's School
January 30.....January RE Classes at 5:00 and 6:30 PM in Holy Assumption 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
February 25.....AT-HOME FAITH Unit 3 Test is due

Congratulations to the 67 children in 2nd grade who received the Sacrament of Penance on Saturday, January 27th. You all did a great job on receiving this beautiful sacrament for the first time! We will continue to pray for you as you prepare for your First Eucharist.

Congratulations and thank you to all the children that participated in the Knights of Columbus poster coloring contest "*Keep Christ in Christmas*". We received many beautiful posters that are available to view on our Facebook page. Congratulations to our first-place winners in each of the three groups; from 7th Grade—Catherine B., 5th Grade—Sophia D., and 2nd Grade—Peter S. Congratulation to our second-place winners in each of the three groups; from 6th Grade—Mason W., 4th Grade—Matthew L., and 2nd Grade—Edward S. Good luck at the next level of competition.

Confirmation Candidates – Your paperwork and service hours are now overdue. Your Confirmation Interviews have been scheduled for February 5th or 7th. Once again you will hear about your Tracking Form. You will also be measured for Confirmation Robes. If you have turned in all your paperwork and your class and Mass attendance is spectacular, you will be receiving your Confirmation Application. 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. We ask that at least one parent attend, and no children, if possible.

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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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Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.
Blessed are the meek, for they shall possess the land.

LEADERS

Leaders are like eagles. They don't flock.
 You find them . . . one at a time. —Anonymous

St. Vincent de Paul Society

January 28, 2018: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

From that point on, they "remembered" and told the story and "his reputation spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee." "Remember" is a word that is often on our lips when we pray and when we speak to our friends. Sometimes we also feel ourselves to be better people when we remember the goodness of others to us, their generosity, their unselfishness, their tenderness, their thoughtfulness. This word "remember" is important, for Jesus has also done great things for us.

In December the St. Vincent de Paul Society helped six families with \$6,051 for rent and utilities.

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



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; Ramen noodles; granola bars. *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).



Mass While Away From Home?

Keep God in your travel plans—visit www.masstimes.org.