

SAINT MARY PARISH

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April 28, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter

PARISH CLERGY & STAFF

Reverend Michael K. Jones, S.T.D., *Pastor*
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Sharon O'Dea, *Director of Religious Education*
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 9:00, 10:30 am, 12:15, & 5:15 pm
Saturday Vigils: 4:00 & 7:00 pm (*Spanish Mass*)
Daily: Monday - Friday, 12:05 pm

SACRAMENTS

Confession
Saturday, 3:00 - 3:45 pm
6:00-6:45 pm (*Spanish*)

Baptism
To schedule please visit parish website or call the office.

Sacrament of Marriage
Parishioners wishing to arrange for the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact us at least nine months prior to the wedding to begin preparation.



Saint Mary Church parish center has an elevator
and accessible street parking in front.

APRIL 28, 2024

MUSIC THIS WEEKEND

Readings: 1089

Hymns: 526 Sing With All The Saints In Glory

512 At The Lamb's High Feast

527 I Know that My Redeemer Lives

Mass Setting: 353, 356, 355, 384

MASS INTENTIONS

APRIL 27 - MAY 5, 2024

SATURDAY

Easter Weekday

4:00 Ellen Reardon

7:00 Alex Ramirez and Olga Calle

SUNDAY

Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 John F. Dowling

10:30 Karen Ann Blackstone

12:15 George and Brigid Hawley

5:15 Marc Becker

MONDAY

Saint Catherine of Siena

12:05 Richard Russo

TUESDAY

Saint Pius V

12:05 Edward O'Dea

WEDNESDAY

Saint Joseph the Worker

12:05 Mary Banyra

THURSDAY

Saint Athanasius

12:05 Ante Patrk

FRIDAY

Saints Philip and James

12:05 Tom Curran

SATURDAY

Easter Weekday

4:00 Gloria Teves

7:00 For the Parishioners

SUNDAY

Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 Donald and Rose Mitchell

10:30 Brian and Betsy McNamee

12:15 Melissa Bonomo

5:15 Nick Hungerford

BAPTISM • BAPTISM • BAPTISM • BAPTISM

St. Mary Parish Welcomes Into God's Family

Gianna Capri Crocco, daughter of Andrea and Christopher Crocco, baptized into God's family on April 21, 2024.

Eloise Mary Jones, daughter of Alexandra and Matthew Jones, baptized into God's family on April 21, 2024.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY

APRIL 29

TUESDAY

APRIL 30

Walking With Purpose

9:30-11:30AM

Parish Center

WEDNESDAY

MAY 1

THURSDAY

MAY 2

Cherub Choir Rehearsal

5:30PM

Parish Hall

Youth Choir Rehearsal

6:00PM

Parish Hall

Adult Choir Rehearsal

7:30-9:30PM

Parish Hall

FRIDAY

MAY 3

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

10:00-4:00PM

Chapel

SATURDAY

MAY 4

Confession

3:00-3:45PM

Church

Confession (Spanish)

6:15-7:00PM

Church

SUNDAY

MAY 5

Family Mass

9:00AM

Church

HAVE YOU TRIED CATHOLIC CHAT?

The Institute for Catholic Formation of the Diocese of Bridgeport has partnered with Fivable, a leading innovator in digital platforms for faith-based communities, to launch Catholic Chat.

Catholic Chat provides an interactive and engaging platform for users seeking answers from the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Catholic Chat offers a unique and personalized experience tailored to each user's level of expertise and understanding. The platform features three distinct personalities to choose: child, adult, and scholar. This innovative approach allows users to access content and answers in a manner that resonates with their individual needs, fostering a deeper connection to their faith.

Visit: <https://catholic.chat>

Please visit our site regularly as it contains great information about what is happening at the church, our church bulletin, daily readings and reflections, and so much more!

stmarygreenwich.org

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

GOSPEL JN 15:1-8



Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."



Many thanks to those of you who have signed up for Online Giving and to those who continue to mail or drop off your offertory donations.

For Online Giving, please register at:

<https://osvhub.com/stmarygreenwich/funds>

The link is on our website too!!

Our parish relies on support of everyone in our parish to help us further our mission. We are blessed that there is an easy way for all of us to recommit ourselves to supporting St. Mary through Online Giving. If you have been thinking about Online Giving, now is the perfect time.

Our Online Giving system provides you the opportunity to give to our special collections in addition to regular offerings. You can choose to do a One-Time Gift, or you can set up Regularly Scheduled Contributions that are withdrawn on the date you specify in the system. Even if you typically use your offering envelopes, you may contribute online to a particular collection. It's easy and it's convenient!

Please call the parish office or OSV Online Giving at 800.348.2886 if you have questions or need assistance in setting up your account.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children.
Catholic Catechism (2223)

Please visit stmarygreenwich.org to view the most current school calendar. If you have any questions, please email saintmre@gmail.com

CLASS SCHEDULE

APRIL 29		MONDAY
Pre-Communion (Graduation & Blessing)	4:30-5:30PM	
Grade 3	4:30-5:30PM	
Confirmation	6:00-7:00PM	
APRIL 30		TUESDAY
Reconciliation/Communion	4:30-5:30PM	
Grade 4	5:00-6:00PM	
MAY 1		WEDNESDAY
Pre-Confirmation 1 & 2	5:30-6:30PM	
LAST DAY OF CLASSES		
MAY 2		THURSDAY
REHEARSAL First Holy Communion	4:30-5:45PM	
MAY 4		SATURDAY
First Holy Communion	12 Noon	Church
MAY 16		SATURDAY
Confirmation @ St. John in Stamford	6:00PM	Church

If you are interested in becoming a Catechist or Hall Monitor working with our Religious Education program, please email: saintmre@gmail.com

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Protecting God's Children

Everyone who works or volunteers for the Diocese or any parishes or programs must attend a Protecting God's Children awareness training session and complete a criminal background check.

Please visit our website: www.stmarygreenwich.org for more information.

"I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people."



We are hopeful that 100% of our registered households will respond to the 2024 Bishop's Appeal.

While the level of sacrifice will differ from parishioner to parishioner, an Appeal gift this year is within the reach of the majority of our people. Please prayerfully consider supporting the Bishop's Appeal with a pledge, an automatic recurring gift, or one-time gift as your means allow.

Your support is much needed and will be greatly appreciated!

<i>As of 3/22/2023</i>	
ABA Goal:	\$328,900
Total Pledged:	\$201,662 (61%)
Donors to Date:	106 Donors

BECOME THE FIRST WITNESS...

You are Called to Be!

Witnessing Our Faith Begins At Home

Parents are the first witnesses of the faith. What does that mean? How can parents witness faith effectively? Visit our website to listen to Bishop Frank Caggiano's welcome message and learn more about what it means to be a witness of your faith – first!

<https://firstwitnesses.org/>

New Parishioners

This time of year is a good time to register your family in the parish. Many people who attend our Church on a regular basis think that attendance alone constitutes registration. You must complete a Parish Registration Form in order to be part of St. Mary Parish.

Registration affords you the opportunity for in-parish tuition assistance at Greenwich Catholic School, having your children baptized, obtaining a sacramental sponsor certificate, and enrollment in our Religious Education program.

Register online at stmarygreenwich.org, or call the Parish Office at 203.869.9393.

Social Concerns

We thank all who bring food each week for our ongoing food pantry effort with Neighbor to Neighbor. Since our deliveries aren't made on a weekly basis, we ask that you NOT bring anything perishable. Bread, fresh fruit or veggies will go bad between deliveries.

When you come to Mass, bring a few items (*unopened and un-expired*). Canned soups, canned vegetables, pasta, sauces, cereals, juices, rice, peanut butter, jams, and healthy treats for children are all good.

Your generosity enables Saint Mary to be a strong contributor to their food pantry.

Again...many, many thanks!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Signup Sheet located in the Parish Center

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Check out a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience today. It will help your relationship and teach you tools to transform your marriage. You can find one by looking up WWME.org. Some of the dates to sign up are:

June 7-June 9 in Upton, MA

June 21-June 23 in Huntington, NY

August 2-4, in Portland, CT

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church.

Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860.337.2447 or <https://wwmectw.org>.



Getting married in the Catholic Church takes time and preparation. Before setting a date, please contact the parish office at least nine months before the proposed wedding date to arrange for marriage preparation. Waiting too long to begin formation might delay your wedding.

Bride and/or groom are required to be active, registered parishioners of St. Mary at the time of the request.

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