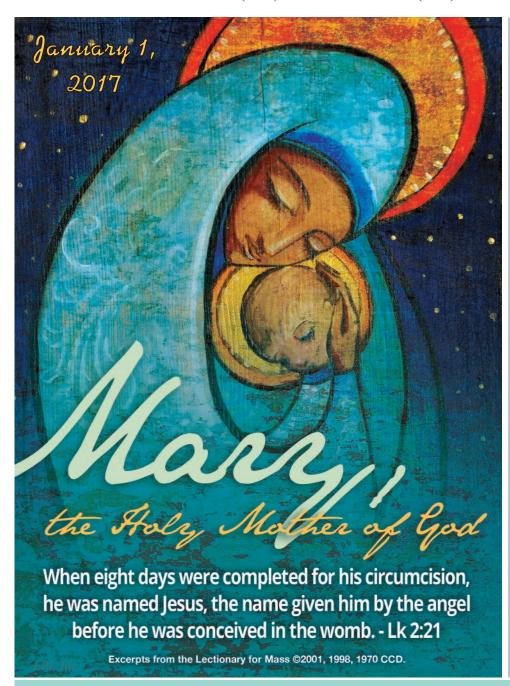
# The Catholic Church of St. Mary

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#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:00pm

#### **CLERGY/STAFF**

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#### **Intercessory Prayer Line**

Do you have a special prayer intention? Please call Marie Bantivoglio at (856) 751-8803

#### **OUR SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

Daily Mass: Monday-Friday: 8:00am (Chapel); Weekend Masses: 5:00pm (Sat.), 8:00am, 10:00am, 11:30am; Korean Mass: 5:00pm (Sunday)

Children's Liturgy of the Word: 5:00pm (Sat) & 10:00am (Sun)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat.: 8:30am & 10:00-10:30am or by appt.

Eucharistic Adoration: Monday: 8:30 am-1:15 pm

Our Parish Community extends a warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors!
If you would like to register as a member of our Parish Community, please contact the Parish Office at (856) 424-1454.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### ST. MARY MISSION STATEMENT

Monday **January 2, 2017** 8:00am Barbara Mc Blain

r/b Bob & Elizabeth Scarpa

Tuesday **January 3, 2017** 8:00am **Isabel Matula** r/b Joseph Matula

Wednesday **January 4, 2017 Isabel Matula** 8:00am

r/b Joseph Matula January 5, 2017 **Thursday** 8:00am Elsie Mc Fadden

r/b Bill & Joy Mc Garrigle

January 6, 2017 **Friday** 8:00am Efrain Rivera r/b wife, Mina

Alfred & Ottilia Vogel

r/b Jack Vogel Michael Reilly

r/b Martha & Anthony Sorce

**Saturday January 7, 2017** Paul Olson 5:00pm

r/b St. Mary Eucharistic Ministers

Sunday, January 8, 2017-Feast of the Epiphany

8:00am John Curran

r/b The "Forever Young" Ministry

10:00am **Chuck Esler** 

r/b the Esler family

Bart, Jim, Joe & Anthony Gorman

r/b Tom & Marie Gorman

Sally Campiglia r/b Carol Gallagher **Bill Stewart** 

r/b Cos & Eve Contento

11:30am Adela Sarmiento r/b Alex & Mila Cueto

#### STEWARDSHIP



12/25 Regular Collection \$5.899 94 envelopes 12/25 Christmas Collection \$32,972 330 envelopes

12/18 Online Giving \$380 10 families 12/25 Online Giving Information not available

God bless you for your generosity to our church!





We joyfully welcome into God's family, our newly baptized...

Lucas James Carroll

We, the Catholic community of St. Mary, are empowered through Baptism, guided by the Gospel and nourished by the Eucharist. We serve the People of God through active participation in the mission and ministry of the Church. We are committed to an inclusive and compassionate living out of the Gospel in our daily lives.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY & OUR SICK

US Army: Capt. Alex F. Katauskas, Ranger, Capt. Doug Sackett, PFC Christopher Vassey, Sgt. John David Vozzelli, Lt. Joseph Weston, Jr., Sgt. Deanna D'Ambrosio, SPC Christopher Hill; US Navy: E6 Bob Moeller, Ryan E. Gager, Lt. Grahm Gill, Joseph Cornell, Cmdr, JG, Michael C Rutcosky, Jr USCG Petty Officer Tim Edwards; USAF: MSgt. Tony Frieske, Zachary S Hensinger USMC: Daniel Gallemit, Thomas Grace, Adam Ardire, Holly Harrington, Cpl. Isaac Freese

Catherine Adelizzi, Baby John (Jack) William Adelizzi, Martin Alfano, Ruben N. Alvarez, Rita Anona, Anne Arauz, John & Mary Lou Baird, Tate Balcarek, Marie Bantivoglio, Elizabeth Belli, George Bellmiano, Mary Ann Blanco, Shirley Rios Brady, Jim Brady, Jackie Brooks, Marybeth Brooks, Eileen Buroojy, Mark Celijewski, Anthony Ciarroccki, Matthew Ciancitto, Terri Cirillo, Eve Contento, Jimmy Contento, Joe Conti, Ann Cowan, Josiah David, Julie Davis, Estelle De Lellis, Concetta Di Bella, Frank Dolan, Ricardo Domingo, Eileen Edwards, Jack Elliott, Catherine Faccine, Annette Ferraro, Frank Fieni, Mary Agnes Foldes, Mary Anne Frye, Carol Gallagher, Matthew Gallagher, Baby Andrew Paul Glaser, Carole Grady, Anne Greco, Lexi Guerin, John Hagan, Christine Hallinan, Joseph L Hallinan, Arlene Harvey, Babies Liam & Kian Hawkey, Elinor Hayes, Josiah Heino, Dorothy Higham, Lucille Horton, Jake Howerd, Angie Jacob, Jacqueline Lamboy, Nick Lamparelli, Fred La Rosa, Nathan Levinson, Helen Madison, Natalie Markiewicz, Liam Marino, Lydia Marrero, Christine Marsden, Jill Mehigan, Blasco Molle, Anthony & Michael Mosco, Tenaro Moulic, Rich Munce, Zachariah Chase Murray, Kathy Obchinetz, Eliza O'Neill, Josephine Omari, Stanley & Marie Pasternak, Vicky Peralta, Michael Piazza, Josephine Penna, Patty Plunkett, Ed Polansky, Catherine Potts, Lori P., Heidi Holscher Pryal, Jean Rayner, William Roca, Joseph Ragusa, Samuel Richards, Eleanore Rinear, Thomas & Elizabeth Rosado, Patty Ruebeck, Greg Rueppel, Gloria Santone, Alecia Bauer-Sears, Kevin Schoen, Jean Schmitz, Michael Sepessy, Bena Shah, Adrian Shaw, Deacon Jim Smith & Grace Smith, Lorraine Stenella, Rose Tartamosa, John Thomas, Lee Thurber, Charles Tobin, Jr., Joseph Tomkins, James Tyrrell, Jean Vogt, John Volpe, Steve Weber, Lena Zanghi

Please call the Parish Office to let us know when a name can be removed from the sick list. Thank you for your help!

#### Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God "Stewards Listen"

"And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart." LUKE 2:19 Mary is the perfect role model for living a *Stewardship* lifestyle. She listened to God and said "yes" to His invitation to be the Holy Mother of His son. She also trusted in the God's providence on a daily basis. As we start a new year, take time every day to listen to how God is calling you; trust that He has a better plan for you than you could ever imagine.

> Please remember in your prayers our beloved deceased Maria Vizard (mother of Frank Vizard)

Josephine Omari

(wife/family of Thaddeus Omari & children) and their family and friends.



### Gospel Meditation



"And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart." The angel Gabriel had already appeared and spoken to her when she agreed to bear God's Son. Her husband Joseph also had a kind of divine intervention in the dream where the angel told him to go ahead and marry her. When she was first pregnant, her cousin Elizabeth had been led by the Holy Spirit to know the secret that Mary was "the mother of my Lord" (Lk 1:43). Now, Jesus has just been born and a crew of earthy shepherds appears at her door with a message from heaven: that the Savior has been born. And Mary believed them. She did not doubt their sincerity or the authenticity of their message. She took the words to heart, and meditated upon the meaning of it all.

What might strike us as peculiar in all of this is that God chose to speak to Mary in a variety of ways. This holy and immaculate woman, this Mother of God, did not always receive direct communication from on high. Sometimes, God chose to speak to her through other people. Sometimes, he revealed himself to them in order to reveal himself to her. And God does the same with us. It's easy to daydream about having our own personal revelation from God, to

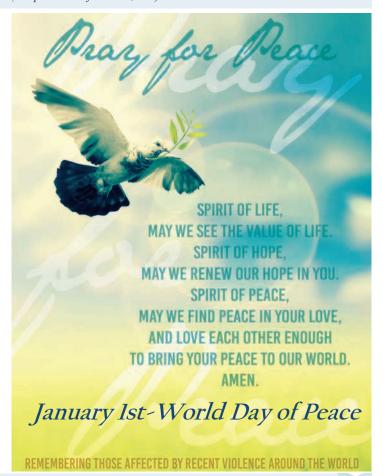
hear his voice loud and clear, directing, encouraging, and supporting us in our times of need and confusion. But this isn't the standard pattern of God's operation. Mary was tuned in enough to hear God's voice all around her instead of expecting it to always sound the same. We can imitate this same kind of openness by seeking to discover how God may be speaking to us through the voices of others. (Adapted/taken from LPI, Inc.)

# The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

The honoring of Mary as the Mother of God can be traced back to the Council of Ephesus in 431. By the 7th century, January 1st was observed as a celebration of the Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The feast is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus. The title "Mother of God" is a western derivation from the Greek Theotokos, which means "God-bearer". On this day, we are reminded of the role that the Blessed Virgin played in the plan of our salvation. Through the Holy Spirit, God the Father prepared Mary to be the dwelling place where His Son and His Spirit could dwell among men. Christ's birth was made possible by Mary's fiat, or sanctioning of God's plan with her words, "Be it done to me according to thy word". Calling Mary "Mother of God" is the highest honor we can give to her. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the "Prince of Peace", the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God honors Mary as the "Queen of Peace". New Year's Day is also designated as the "World Day of Peace", further acknowledging the role of Mary in our hearts and in our world.

Adapted & taken from http://holyfamily.org/the-solemnity-of-mary-mother-of-God-january-1/



#### LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We seek the same faith and courage that Mary possessed as she accepted the tremendous responsibility of being the Mother of God. Life often requires great and heroic things of us and we often wonder how and if we are able to meet those challenges. Mary did not doubt that God was with her, giving her everything needed to complete the task before her. Because of her Son's special relationship with his Father, we too can cry out "Abba, Father" and draw strength from the infinite and generous love God bestows upon us. *Taken from LPI, Inc* 

#### A HEARTFELT CHRISTMAS THANK YOU!

#### Dear Parishioners,

Every year, the list of responsibilities for pre-Christmas preparation in our daily lives seems to grow and become more encompassing of our thoughts and energy. It is the rare, special individual, who despite everything already on their plate, would consider taking on even more. And yet, here at St. Mary, as you see below, we are blessed with many of these "rarities". The amount of effort that goes into making all of our Christmas celebrations as prayerful, dignified, celebrative and yes, worthy, as they can be, almost boggles the mind. And yet, thanks to the efforts of the parish ministers below, our Christmas liturgies were all wonderful celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord. Hours upon hours, were put in to ensure that every detail at each Mass was in place in order to better enable every person present there to fully exercise our common, essential ministry of offering together a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to almighty God, together, for the wonderful Gift of His Son! What incredible parish ministers we have! What blessed parishioners!

"THANK YOU" does not begin to express the gratitude we feel. They all serve humbly and quietly, (some even twice the same day/feast) for the glory of God and the good of His People. In gratitude, maybe each of us could say a little prayer for each of them, and their families, as we read through their names?

<u>Art & Environment:</u> Gloria Jean Esbrandt (Coor). Frank and Elise Baratta, Dawn Bennett, John Fabritiis, Denny Harvey, Isabella Kim, John Lynch, Everett and Nancy Minchew, Jane Murphy, Deacon Bob Scarpa, Nicole Spallino, Kate Sheerin, Megan Sullivan, Lil Traino, Tom Wakeley, and Parish custodians, Mike Deets and Stanley Dziubczynski. Also, those who so generously donated specifically toward the Christmas flowers.

\*Hand made tree ornaments for tree at the 4pm Hall Mass: Our Religious Education students.

Altar Servers: Emily Boyle, Francis Cero, Aidan, & Virginia Cunningham, Nicholas Dacanay, Angel Dalumpines, Abigail Fleischmann, Lizzy, Maggie & Caitlin Hallinan, Justine Harvey, Jaden Hoopes Andrew Hudson, Erin Hurley, Isabelle Langmuir, Brena Sullivan. (Thanks also, to the team of altar Server Moms who regularly maintain their albs for us.) \*Adult Altar Servers: Ted Eleazar, Jim Miller.

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>: Lou, Pat & Sally Amoriello, Mike Borinski, Dave & Sandy Czerniakowski, Barbara Datto, Colette Desrochers, Margie Dell, Frank Dollarton, Gail Dwyer, Myrna Escareal, Pat Galie, Christine Hallinan, Ed Kenny, Lori Kosyla, Carmen Lamboy, Chessie Mc Donald, Colleen & Sean Mc Kenna, Anne Mc Monagle, Karen Miller, Nancy Minchew, Arlene & David Morgan, Joan Olenick, Jim Plunkett, Janet Robertson, Jessie Rosado, Nick Sands, Bill Schulze, Kate Sheerin, Betsy Veitch, Elvie & Ven Ventura, Jack Walsh, Rita Whitty.

<u>Lectors:</u> Lydia Crouthamel, Ted Eleazar, Phil Esbrandt, Peter Langmuir, John Lynch, Zachary Mc Kenna, Jim Miller, Everett Minchew, Edmund Robertson, Bob Wayland, Jim Whitty.

<u>Music Ministers:</u> Jim and Linda Rabic\*, <u>Adult Choir & Cantors\*:</u> Rusty Acchinone, Tom Clark, Ani Cowley, Lauren Hurley\*, Kristine Gallemit\*, Melanie Mijares, \* Lisa Poslusny\*, Jackie Neville\*, Joe Nicastro\*, Gail Saunders, Kathy & Marissa Turley, Gemma\* & Tim Willson, Eddy Yoo. <u>Instrumentalists:</u> Melissa Brinn, Monica Frank, Tom Millan, Rob Olenic, Joseph Robertson. <u>Jr. Choir/Jr. Cantor\*:</u> Lindsay Barbato, Amanda Boyle, Kayla Conner, Kiersten Costello, Sophia Esposito, Alexa Reeves\*, Rosemary Robertson\*, Madison Shephard, Juliana Stapleton, Brena Sullivan. **Hall Sound System assistance**: James Rabic.

<u>Presentation of the Christ Child:</u> Victoria Benigno, Myrna Escareal, Luke Harvey, Megan & Bill Sullivan <u>Christmas Eve Gift presenters:</u> The Veitch Family, The Hoopes Familiy, Karen & Kieran Hurley. Liz Ciccone & Jeanne Marie Stewart.

<u>Special Parking Lot Assistance (4:00pm Masses):</u> Joe Murray, Ricki Rogers, Mike Borinski, additional Knights of Columbus assistants, who coordinated the parking for hundreds of cars for the two simultaneous Masses at 4:00pm, in the Church and the Hall. Thanks, also, to the Cherry Hill Police Department for traffic assistance on Springdale Rd.

<u>Ushers/Hospitality Ministers & Coordinators\*:</u> Al Alfano\*, Lou Amoriello, Mike Borinski & Michael Borinski, Jr., Matthew Brinn, Augie Campiglia, Tom Clerici, Richard Klimek, Jenn, Rich & Damian Crouthamel, Kieran & Colin Cunningham, Frank Dollarton, Phil Esbrandt\*, Tom Hallinan, Lou Jimenez, Ed Kenny\*, Michael Kenny, Mike Leathem, Jerry & Gloria Miller\*, Joe Murray\*, Christopher Nothnagel, Joel & Roseanne Reffner, Ricki Rogers\*, Frank & Peg Rowles\*, Kate Sheerin, Jim, Jeanne Marie & Christopher Stewart, Bob Wayland, Mark Wilson, and all who gave "on the spot" assistance for each Mass, as well.

<u>Scheduling Coordination and Clerical Preparation:</u> Deacon Bob Scarpa (Altar Servers); Gloria Jean Esbrandt (Art & Environment), Liz Ciccone (Eucharistic Ministers); Jeanne Marie Stewart (Lectors); Jim Rabic (Music Ministry); and Linda Rabic, Grayce Rando, and our parish secretary, Sharon Richards.

<u>Presiders:</u> Of course, these celebrations couldn't even happen without our generous priests: Fr. John Killeen, Fr. Jeffrey Cesarone, Fr. Robert Fritz. Our special thanks also to **Deacon** Robert Scarpa, for all of his assistance.

May God bless all those who serve so well in all of these ministries all year and, through His grace, may all of their efforts be fruitful for the spiritual life of our parish and the greater glory of His Name!

Thank you, from all of us!

Fr. Edward J. Maher
Pastor

Kathleen G Rando
Pastoral Associate, Director of Liturgy



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Resurrection Catholic School - Registration is now underway for next September. Join us and bring a friend to the Preschool 3 - 8th Grade Open House: Sunday, January 29th 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Or, take a tour and see the Intermediate Grades Musical, "Shrek, Jr." at the Red Carpet Tour on Saturday, February 4th at 11:00 am. Contact Alli Smith for more information or to RSVP for the Red Carpet Tour (856-667-3034, ext. 254 or asmith@rcscherryhill.com).

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Just a little reminder that Religious Education Classes start again this week, Tuesday, January 3rd & Wednesday, January 4th! Welcome back to our students & families!



Tuesday, February 14th—Celebrate with "Forever Young 55+" at the "The Love Board Cruise" at 1:00pm.

Monday, February 6th in Room 102, our G.I.F.T. Book Discussion Group resumes! Please call the Parish Center for more information on the topic.

#### ST. MARY MAINTENANCE UPDATES



We had a few more unexpected situations here at St. Mary over the last few weeks. All of them had to do with water. Repairs needed to be completed on the Parish Hall classroom roof because of severe

leaking after a harsh rainfall. We also had a water main break on the property in the grove of trees behind the St. Mary bell which needed to be excavated and found before being repaired. Lastly, we had a faulty shut off valve in the Parish Hall kitchen which needed repair. Thank you for your continued support to our church!



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7:00-8:30pm-First Wed. of each month

Novena to the Holy Face of Jesus

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#### **HEARTS ON FIRE-A WOMENS' RETREAT**

w/Anne Trufant February 17-19, 2017

What happens when heaven invades earth? Have you ever read Scriptures or heard testimonies that talk about knowing Jesus in a way that you have longed for? Come join us as we unpack that first Pentecost morning, as we encounter that same power & presence of the risen Jesus.

#### JOURNEY OF A CELTIC HEART

w/ Carmel Boyle, M. Min March 10-12, 2017

During this weekend retreat, you are invited to pray with Celtic themes through song & reflection. A beautiful experience you won't want to miss!

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## It's Our Turn At The Cherry Hill Food Pantry!

The Catholic Church of St. Mary has been asked to help out at the Cherry Hill Food Pantry on January 24th, January 26th, January 31st, & February 2nd. If you are already—

a volunteer, and think you can help on one of those dates, please let us know. If you are not a volunteer, but would like to be, please call Midge at (856) 234-2390 or email at mwinkg159@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support for this important service to our community. God bless you!

#### **Young Adults:**

#### Theology on Tap to cover Youth Homelessness

**Guest Speaker**: Mandi Cruz is the co-chair of the Homeless Network and Planning Committee of Camden County and also has extensive experience working with homeless and disadvantaged youth through Covenant House in Camden, NJ.

When: Tuesday, January 10, 2017

Where: Tir Na Nog, 482 E. Evesham Road, Cherry Hill,

**Time:** 7 :00pm- 9:00pm

It's a great chance to hear a dynamic speaker and engage in meaningful conversation in a relaxed and casual atmosphere. No cost to attend. Participants are welcome to purchase food and beverages. For more info: (856) 583-2908, gregory.coogan@camdendiocese.org, or join "Theology on Tap – South Jersey" on Facebook or follow

"Theology on Tap – South Jersey" on Facebook or follow "Theology on Tap SJ" on Twitter.

| Ministry Schedule for January 7th/8th |                            |                               |  |   |                                 |   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------|---|
| <u>Mass</u><br><u>Time</u>            | <u>Presider/</u><br>Deacon | <u>Music</u>                  | <u>Eucharistic</u>                                 | <u>Minister</u>                           | <u>Lector</u>                   | Altar Server                            |
| 5:00 PM                               | Fr. Ed                     | J. Nicastro<br>J. Rabic       | L. Amoriello (C) L. Jimenez (4) R. Von Stetina (A) | J. Byrne (1)<br>M. Von Stetina (2)        | F. Baratta (A) P. O'Brien (B)   | E. Baratta<br>A. Fleischmann            |
| 8:00 AM                               | Fr. Cesarone<br>Deacon Bob | J. Neville J. Rabic T. Millan | R. Cowley (C)<br>K. Sheerin (2)                    | G. Daniero (4)<br>K. Young (1)            | J. Langmuir (A) P. Langmuir (B) | Langmuir<br>Langmuir<br>Langmuir        |
| 10:00 AM                              | Fr. John<br>Deacon Bob     | L. Poslusny<br>J. Rabic       | M. Borinski (2)<br>C. Lamboy (1)<br>D. Morgan (D)  | P. Galie (4) A. Morgan (C) J. Olenick (2) | C. Stewart (A) T. Cost (B)      | H. Sullivan<br>T. Sullivan              |
| 11:30 AM                              | Fr. Ed<br>Deacon Jim       | L. Rabic<br>M. Brinn          | E. Kenny (2)<br>K. Omari (C)<br>B. Veitch (4)      | N. Minchew (A)<br>S. Palladinetti (1)     | D. Gonzalez (A)<br>M. Brinn (B) | T. Gonzalez<br>C. Hallinan<br>A. Hudson |



#### **Eucharistic Adoration:** Mondays, 8:30 am-1:15 pm (Chapel)

Come! Rest in the Presence of our Lord!

Recitation of the Holy Rosary at St. Mary

Join us on Thursday mornings, after the 8:00am Mass, for the Rosary. In January, we will be praying the Sorrowful Mysteries for the intention of peace in the world.

#### Mary Undoer of Knots Young Adult Ministry 1-5-2017 (Thursday) Trivia Fellowship Night

Come join us at the Whistler's Inn, 901 Route 130, in Cinnaminson, NJ for a fun night of Fellowship! We'll meet in the entrance way at 7:30 PM. We'll enjoy appetizers, drinks, and dinner while working in teams to answer trivia questions. (SNOW DATE 1-19-2017) **Ouestions?** Contact Rosanne at persistent21@verizon.net Haven't joined us yet? Give it a try!

#### PARISH INFORMATION

Sacrament of Baptism: Celebrated on the 1st Sunday of the month at the 11:30am Mass, and on the 3rd Sunday at 12:30pm. Parents are required to attend a preparatory session. Please make arrangements in advance through the Parish Office.

Visitation & Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office if a family member is seriously ill, facing/recovering from surgery and would like to see a priest or receive the Anointing of the Sick. Holy Communion is also available to those who are homebound.

Marriage: Couples planning to marry will attend a marriage preparation program. Please contact the Parish Office one year in advance of the wedding date.

Funerals: The proper form of Church burial for a baptized Catholic is the Mass of Christian Burial, not a service at a funeral home. The Mass is the greatest prayer of the Church.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): The RCIA is a process of formation for full initiation into the Catholic Church. It is open to those never baptized, those baptized in another faith, and Catholics who have not received First Communion and Confirmation. For more information, please contact Kathleen Rando, Pastoral Associate.

Liturgy Committee meets the second Tuesday of the month (September through June) at 7:00pm in the Parish Office.

Parish Pastoral Council meets throughout the year as an advisory board to the Pastor. Next meeting: January 19, 2017 in the Parish Office Meeting Room. If you would like to address the Council, please email us.

Catholic Grade School: Resurrection Catholic School, 402 N. Kings Highway, Cherry Hill. Principal: Sister Lydia Etter, OSF, (856) 667-3034.

#### PARISH CALENDAR

#### Weekend, December 31st/January 1st

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Happy New Year!

#### Monday, January 2nd

Parish Office Closed

8:30am-1:15pm Eucharistic Adoration

#### Tuesday, January 3rd

Religious Education Classes resume 4:30pm & 6:30pm

#### Wednesday, January 4th

Religious Education Class resumes 6:30pm 7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church)

#### Thursday, January 5th

Recitation/Holy Rosary after 8:00am Mass (Chapel)

1:00pm Senior Exercise class (Hall)

#### Next Weekend, January 7th/8th

First Penance Retreat (Church & Hall) 9:30am-Noon Children's Liturgy of the Word

5:00pm & 10:00am Mass

#### Monday, January 9th

8:30am-1:15pm Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel) 6:30pm RCIA (Meeting Room) 7:30pm IHOC (102)

Paul VI Slam Dunk Tours: Please join us for a special pre-game tour of our beautiful school, followed by an exciting Paul VI home basketball game: Paul VI Boys vs. Eastern, Saturday, January 7, 2017, Tours at Noon, Game at 1:00pm & Paul VI Girls vs. Lenape, Saturday, January 14, 2017, Tours at Noon, Game at 1:00pm; Reservations are appreciated; please visit www.pvihs.org. Students must be accompanied by an adult. Please come to the gym entrance at tour time; students and an accompanying adult will receive a complimentary game passes. Questions? Please email Mrs. Kathleen Stewart, Director of Admissions at kstewart@pvihs.org.

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