

ST. MARY'S PARISH

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WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S CHURCH. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Haynes or to one of our usher/greeters, and sign our guest register so that we have a record of your visit. We hope you will come again. If you have questions, need more information, or have other concerns, please contact the Parish Office at parishoffice@stmarysburlington.org or call at us (609) 386-0902. The Parish Office is located in the Guild House, Broad & Talbot Streets. The Rector is available at any time by appointment. You can contact him at the phone number above or by email at therector@stmarysburlington.org.

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR this weekend are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Bishop George Washinton Doane.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP burns this week to honor the Sacramental Presence of our Lord, in memory of Robert Hallowell.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Friday 5/3	12:00 p.m. Low Mass – New St. Mary's Church – <i>Monthly Requiem</i>
Saturday 5/4	5:30 a.m. Low Mass – New St. Mary's Church
Sunday 5/5	7:30 a.m. Low Mass – New St. Mary's Church
	9:00 a.m. Sung Mass – New St. Mary's Church

KNITTING AND CROCHETING GROUP: The next meeting of the Knitting and Crocheting Group will be on **Thursday, May 2, from 10 am to 12 pm**. We have plenty of supplies available and are happy to teach anyone who would like to learn. Everyone is welcome! This would be a great time to start a hat or scarf for the Seamen's Church Institute. Please join us! Contact Jennifer Martin with any questions.



TEACH US TO PRAY: Our **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Sessions Feb. - June** will explore how we converse with God, no matter how young we are. What do we speak about? When? Where? Why do we pray, and what results do we expect? Using the Lord's Prayer and related art activities, age-appropriate instruction will be offered during coffee hour for children ages 3-12. No pre-registration is required; just come to the **Guild House library at the start of coffee hour (10:30 a.m.) on Sunday, May 19**. We'll conclude with our **June 9 session in the Old Church**. See you there!



ST. MARY'S LADLE OF LOVE is currently operating a **Food Pantry** for the community on the **2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesday** of each month at St. Mary's Guild House. **The Food Pantry** is open from **4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on May 8th, May 15th, and May 22nd.**

Statistics from April 24th:

Children (0 - 17) in Assisted Households: 112

Adults (18 - 59) in Assisted Households: 173

Seniors (60+) in Assisted Households: 30

Total Households Assisted: 90 households with a total of 257 members

LOL Donations:


- Ladle of Love has received a donation in loving memory of Mary Birkett
- Thank you to the following who give generously throughout the year:
 - Jennifer Mendez
 - Tomiko Thompson
 - Anna Cook-Karwacki

Thank you, parishioners of St. Mary's, for your support of this ministry... for your prayers, contributions, and service. Thank you, volunteers, who make this ministry possible.

Look what's coming to St. Mary's!

We are partnering with **BookSmiles**, a local non-profit, supporting our area children and schools in building their libraries, one story at a time!

We look forward to your participation in this exciting project. Any questions, please contact Amy Ancharski (609-784-5152) or Judy Burr (856-296-3277).



St. Mary's Episcopal Church is holding a Book Drive for BookSmiles!


Book drive runs May 1-31, 2024

St. Mary's Episcopal Church has selected BookSmiles as part of our 2024 Outreach Program. Children's books collected will support area educators and schools through the BookSmiles Teacher Take Program.

Accepting books for both children and adults, antiquarian books too.

Drop off location: Behind the Guild House, corner of West Broad and Talbot Streets. Enter parking lot via Talbot St. to access the donations bin curbside.

COLLECTION GOAL 3,000 BOOKS!



BookSmiles is a local 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to collect and redistribute books to underserved families in the greater South Jersey and Philadelphia regions.

Visit our website for more info: Booksmiles.org

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS UPDATE: Thanks to Glenn Brennfleck who painted the Old Church Gate and added some gold gilt to the gate! We always appreciate anyone who wants to do solo projects or donate to our efforts to maintain the Buildings and Grounds. If you have a project or donation in mind, please speak to the Rector or Barbara Frake.



Thanks to all who helped us on a recent Parish Workday. We braved the early morning showers and enjoyed the sun once it came out. We accomplished all our goals for the day - lawns and plants are fertilized and weeded, new shrubs planted, ivy was dug out, tulip bulbs relocated, containers planted! Thanks to Daniel, Bob B, Tony, Don H, Bill and Linda Frake, Meredith, and The Rector. Thanks also to donations of hanging planters from Linda Frake.

NEXT UP: Cleanup for move to Old Church for summer worship: We will be moving to **Old St. Mary's on Friday, May 31st for services.** If you would like to help with getting the Old Church ready for the move we will be working on **Friday, May 24th from 9:30 a.m. to Noon** in the Old Church to get it in ship shape for the move.

COFFEE DATES FOR 2024: Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to host Coffee Hour for the next 5 months! Thanks to all who have volunteered in 2024 to date. Here is the schedule through August:



- May 19th - Sharon Walton
- June 9th - Jennifer Martin and Cindy Robertson
- July 21st - Maway and MJ Dolo
- August 18th - St. Mary's Choral Society

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 4/27	Barbara Quinn, Madison Gonzalez
Sunday 4/28	Jessica Kendall
	Mark & Kathleen McCann (<i>anniversary</i>)
Wednesday 5/1	Cynthia Robertson
Saturday 5/4	Laura Reynolds

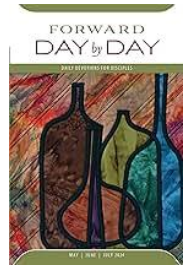
SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE: During the month of July, we'll be collecting personal care items for the SCI Christmas at Sea program, and in August we will assemble Ditty Bags for the seafarers. We like to include a hand-knitted or crocheted scarf, hat, or other warm and cozy item in each bag. If you are interested in knitting or crocheting something for the Ditty Bags, now is a great time to begin! Whether you create one item or dozens, your donation of time and care is always greatly appreciated. For knit and crochet patterns, or if you would like yarn, crochet hooks or knitting needles, please see Jennifer Martin.





BLESSING BOX: Personal care items to stock the Blessing Box are needed on an ongoing basis. When you are doing your regular shopping, please consider purchasing some individual-sized shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, bar soap, sunscreen, hand sanitizer or similar products for the Blessing Box. Donations may be left in the box at the back of the church. We need extra hands to keep the blessing box stocked! If you are interested in helping on a particular Saturday or Sunday, please sign up at the back of the church. You can choose to sign up only once or on a regular basis, whatever works best! On your day, just take a few items from the donation box and place them in the Blessing Box to share with those in need.

FORWARD DAY BY DAY: The May/June/July 2024 edition is available at the back of the church, or in the Parish Office. Many have found this devotional booklet a good way to deepen their familiarity with Scripture, and a valuable tool in their spiritual journey. You could find it helpful as well! A \$1.00 donation is requested.



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS



We encourage you to take our prayer list with you and pray for them at home. Those on the list are remembered during worship services. Request forms can be found at the back of the church, if you would like to ask that a name be added to the prayer list. Give the completed form to an usher or to the rector. Please pray for

THE ILL AND THOSE IN NEED: Edna Anyzek, Kitty Birkett, Susan Bonino, Linda Bowker, James Clark, Maway Dolo, Dan Dufner, Gerald Gares, Rachel Hammell, Maryellen Hansen, Ross Hudson, Robin Johnson, Robert Maier, Alex Mavrodin, Kim McDonald, Beryl Mertz, Barbara Reynolds, Claudia Schoener, Lee Sturbridge, Rick Thomas, Sheri Thompson, Catherine, Princess of Wales.

THE DEPARTED: Wayne Lisehora, Georgia Ann Wolverton, Barbara Lay, Judith Coyle

THE CHRONICALLY ILL/SHUT-IN: Bill Baird, Rita Barber, Judy Battista, Christopher Browne, Renee Calderone, Barbara Candelaria, Luise Cherubini, Linda de la Rosa, Jackie Fine, Harry Fisher, Esther Franklin, Christine Gakeler, William Gares, Bronwyn Haynes, Diane Koger, Dwight Koger, Brett McCaw, Courtney Page, Davis Parker, Barry Petty, Marian Pierpont, Nelson Rainier, Harry Rebeck, Dae Rebeck Sanchez, Michael Stoer, Rosemary Thomas, William Ward, Joe Whitehouse, Dawn Rebeck Winser, Camille Zagaroli.