

Saint Mary Parish

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JANUARY 4, 2015

Magi from the east
arrived in Jerusalem,
saying, "Where is the
newborn king of the Jews?"

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

We saw his star at its
rising and have come
to do him homage."

~ Matthew 2:1-2



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Thursday
parishbulletin@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Mass Schedule: Eucharist

Weekend	Saturday 5:00 PM (Anticipatory) Sunday 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00Noon & 5PM (Nov. 2, 2014 - March 1, 2015)
Weekday	Monday through Friday 9:00AM in Chapel unless otherwise noted Funerals held in Church

Mass Schedule

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
Saturday, January 10th
5:00 pm Mass
Sunday, January 11th
8am, 10am, 12NOON & 5:00 pm Masses



The 2015 Mass Intention Book has been opened, many appointments were taken to accommodate those who were requesting a particular day, date & Mass time. Thank you for your cooperation.

Without needing a scheduled appointment, you may come in to the parish office to request a Mass Intention. If you require a Mass card we will indicate that the intention will be announced in the parish bulletin. Suggestions may be made at the time of the request. We will strive to accommodate your requests.

You may also come to the parish office and request a Mass Intention without requiring a Mass card. The same process as stated above will be observed.

This method will insure that each and every Mass will have at least one intention assigned to it. When necessary, or due to specific requests, additional intentions may be assigned with our local parish custom being a maximum of (3).

Our parish office hours have been extended to welcome parishioners who work outside the home during the week. We have also added Sunday morning hours for your convenience. The parish office is normally closed Friday and Saturday. Thank you.

Sacraments:
Penance & Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00PM or by appointment

Marriage
Contact the Parish Office one year in advance for information and guidelines

Baptism
Registered parishioners contact the parish office in advance for information and required paperwork. Second Sunday at 12:00Noon Mass and all other Sundays immediately following 12:00Noon Mass.

Parish Membership: New Parishioners are always welcome! Registration is required. Contact Parish Office for information and paperwork.

The next New Parishioner Orientation is
February 22, 2015, 11:00AM.

**This Week at St Mary's
4 January - 11 January 2015**

Sunday, 4 January: FOOD COLLECTION

Little Church at 10AM; Singles Journey at 11:45AM; First Eucharist Intergenerational at 12noon; 2015 Confirmation Prep Group A at 5PM; GA at 7:30PM

Monday, 5 January:

AA at 9:30AM; YOGA at 10AM; Al-Anon at 12PM; RE at 4:30PM

Tuesday, 6 January:

Jesus, Mommy & Me at 9:45AM; Spiritual Readings at 10AM; RE at 4:30PM & 5:30PM; Caritas Chorale at 4:30PM; Marian Handbell at 6:30PM; Magnificat Choir at 7:30PM; Finance Council at 7:00PM; GA at 8:00PM

Wednesday, 7 January:

Liturgy of the Hours at 8:30AM; YOGA at 9AM; Eucharistic Adoration at 10AM; AA at 11:30AM: New Horizons Bridge at 1:00PM; AA at 7:30PM: Catechists' Reception at 7:30PM

Thursday, 8 January:

Men's Morning Office at 6:30AM; Tai Chi at 10AM & 7PM; Colts Neck Support at 7:30PM

Friday, 9 January:

Women's Morning Office at 6:30AM; Italian Club at 10:15AM AA at 7:15PM

Saturday, 10 January:

Men's Saturday Prayer at 7:15AM; Collectible Show

Sunday, 11 January:

Little Church at 10AM; Singles Journey at 11:45AM; 2015 Confirmation Prep Group B at 5PM; GA at 7:30PM

**Mass Intentions for the Week
5 January - 11 January 2015**

Monday, 5 January at 9am in the Chapel

Frank Yates by Colts Neck First Aid Squad

Tuesday, 6 January at 9:00AM in the Chapel

Frank Baron by Irene Baron

Wednesday, 7 January at 9AM in the Chapel

Lawrence Patrick Dickinson by Dickinson Family

Thursday, 8 January at 9AM in the Chapel

Eddie Abela by the Newman Family

Friday, 9 January at 9:00AM in the Chapel

Carl Pancila by the Pancila Family

Saturday, 10 January

5:00PM

Tom Walsh by Maureen Beyer

Nicholas Alexander by Tom and Chris Paccione & family

Lisa Montemarano by John F. Carlucci

Sunday, 11 January

8:00AM

DeStefano-Albruno Family by Marie Franschetti

10:00AM

Albert Addler, Jr. by Dolores Addler

Viola Barlotta by Vazzana Family

For the Living and Deceased Members and Benefactors

12:00 NOON

James and Bridget Barron by Mary and Bill Klein

5:00PM

Rev. Fr. Jeffrey E. Lee by Deacon Vincent Rinaldi and Family

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers, those who entered into their new and eternal life in Christ recently:

Barbara LoBello



Welcome to the newest member of our St. Mary's family who was baptized recently:



*Christopher Daniel Spagnoli Jr.
Eveleigh Elizabeth Hursa*

Please note changes in Parish Office Hours:

The Parish Office hours are Monday through Thursday 8:30AM to 7:30PM and Sunday 9AM-12NOON.

The office is closed on Friday and Saturday.

*Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!!
We wish you health, happiness, much peace
and many blessings throughout the
Christmas Season and in 2015.
Saint Mary Parish Staff*

WORSHIP & EVANGELIZATION

Worship Ministry Schedule: 10 & 11 January BAPTISM OF THE LORD

	EMs of Holy Communion	Reader 1	Reader 2
Saturday, 5:00 PM (Church)	Irene Weller - Center Cup Suzanne Schlesinger - Organ Host Emily Santangelo - Center Host Helene Lind - Tabernacle Host Carl Riley - Organ Cup Susan Murphy - Tabernacle Cup (sub request)	John Carlucci	Agnes Duffy
Sunday, 8:00 AM (Church)	Maureen Staub - Center Cup Michael Stivala - Organ Host Gina Shute - Center Host Michael Staub - Tabernacle Host Marsha Grigoli - Organ Cup Jeff Wilk - Tabernacle Cup	Charles Young	Rita Duenas
Sunday, 10:00 AM (Church)	MaryCatherine Noble - Center Cup Dawn Reinhardt - Organ Host Sue Fitzpatrick - Center Host June Zeringue - Tabernacle Host Maureen Geiger - Organ Cup Edward Moskal - Tabernacle Cup	Anthony Bongiorno	Julia Cullen
Sunday, 12:00 PM (Church)	Susan Murphy - Center Cup Lee Gesner - Organ Host Patricia Gesner - Center Host Anna May Schellenberger - Tabernacle Host Patricia Balbo - Organ Cup Irene Weller - Tabernacle Cup (sub req.)	Stanley Drusdow	Carl Simone
Sunday, 5:00 PM (Church)	Diane Antico - Center Cup Margaret Hernandez - Organ Host Linda Dickinson-Pancila - Center Host Martha Cowles - Tabernacle Host Catherine Rinaldi - Organ Cup (sub req.) Maria Thompson - Tabernacle Cup	Annette Raynor	Michele Gruenling

Pray for...



Sick List:
Please pray for the following members of our parish family who are ill:

- Cara Apgar
- Jacqueline Andras
- Eileen Beckley
- Rosemarie Bonavita
- John Bomensatt
- Natalie Chiaino
- Jo Clement
- Eleanor Corley
- Eleanor Crawford
- Logan Dayton
- John DeStefano
- Margaret Gesner
- Leanne Green
- Jacqueline Heppa
- Joseph Jurgielewicz
- Lori Lettieri
- Mary Lodato
- Barbara Matuscak
- John McInerney
- Marge Messler
- Joseph John Merante
- Nicole Montagna
- Harry Mousmoules
- Tere Nolan
- Tom Nolan
- Susan Duffy Schatzle
- Lou Schmitt
- John Sheehan
- Linda Sobel
- Daniel John Solasky
- Robert Stalzer
- Nancy Vida
- Kathy Weber

If you would like a family member who is not a parishioner to be placed on the sick list, please call the Parish Office. A person will be put on the list for eight weeks and then removed unless a renewal call is received.

Kindly call to renew 732-780-2666. Thank you.

Lifelong Catechesis Week of 5 January - 11 January

- 1/5 Monday 1Jn 3: 22 to 4: 6; Mt 4: 12-17, 23-25
- 1/6 Tuesday 1Jn 4: 7-10; Mk 6: 34-44
- 1/7 Wednesday 1Jn 4: 11-18; Mk 6: 45-52
- 1/8 Thursday 1Jn 4: 19 to 5: 4; Lk 4: 14-22a
- 1/9 Friday 1Jn 5: 5-13; Lk 5: 12-16



Saturday & Sunday Scripture Readings: January 10 & 11:

Is 42: 1-4, 6-7, Acts 10: 34-38; Mk 1: 7-11

Adults: *To whom have you been guilty of showing partiality? What can you do to correct that?*

Children: *How can you help others feel part of your class's group's games and activities?*

WORSHIP & EVANGELIZATION

Epiphany— 6 January 2015



The Solemnity of the Epiphany (from the Greek word “to reveal”) is an ancient celebration, first observed in the East where it is known as the Theophany, the revelation of God to humanity.

The Epiphany originally celebrated four different revelatory events: the Baptism of the Jesus, the first miracle at Cana, the Nativity of Christ, and the visitation of the Wise Men or Magi. Eventually, in the West, the celebration of the Nativity became the distinct feast of Christmas,

with the Epiphany coming to mark the end of Christmastide. In time, the other feasts were celebrated separately and the Epiphany came to solely signify the revelation of Christ to all humanity. This is because the Wise Men were not Jewish, thereby affirming that Jesus had come to live in hearts of all people. Because of this, the Epiphany or Three Kings Day, is still considered as significant if not more important than Christmas in many parts of the world. Epiphany is observed through the blessing of the home (recalling the Magi’s visit to Jesus’ family,) blessing water(especially the Jordan river where Jesus was baptized), exchanging gifts, performing “Magi plays (to recall Jesus’ childhood,) and by feasting, most particularly on “King Cake.”

Those in Active Military Service

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands,
Protect them as they protect us. Bless them
and their families for the sacrifices they make
for us in our hour of need and give us peace.
We ask this in the Name of Jesus,
Our Lord and Savior.
Amen*



**Coming this March to
Saint Mary Parish !!**

A Volunteers *THANK YOU*



ASLAN
YOUTH MINISTRIES

On behalf of Michele McCue, Cristie Ritz King, Aslan Youth Ministries, and myself, we want to **thank you** very much for volunteering in the Annual Sponsor-A-Family program.

Because of your generosity, compassion, and kindness, we sponsored 35 families this Christmas season.

What an accomplishment given the continued difficult economy. You brightened the lives of many children and adults. While this program comes at a very busy time of year, 55 volunteers gave of their time to help others in need. The number of presents that were purchased or donated was overwhelming.

As Jesus tells us "Whatsoever you do for the least of my people, that you do unto me." In this spirit, thank you once again for participating in this program and for making a difference in so many lives. May each of you and your families have a very merry and blessed Christmas season.

With much appreciation and gratitude,

Kathy Maher

Quo vadis...

My Dear Parishioners:

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of Our Lord. What does it mean for our everyday life to have the glory of the Lord shine upon us? What happens if we would lead our life as if the star stopped on us? The answer to these questions is most startling when we consider the gospel as a whole: what it means and what happens is that the only way to light and life is to die to self so that darkness can be overcome. Living the paschal mystery means that even in this joyous season the cross is not far away. Salvation means emptying oneself just as Jesus did—from his very birth. Salvation is manifested in our self-emptying. Life has its pits and its thorns. It also has its cherries and roses: the mystery of salvation has been revealed in Jesus. And continues to be revealed in us.

Due to the early transmission of our parish bulletins, I would like to thank all those who have shared so generously of their time and talent to serve our community. There were scores and scores of parishioners who participated as a liturgical minister throughout the past few weeks. A special word of thanks to our parish music ministers. There has been a lot of preparation as we continue to build our repertoire of sacred music, especially polyphony and Gregorian chant. The talent within our community is awe inspiring. May we continue to strive for the very best in our worship of God. Next weekend, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for several of our young people during the 12 noon Mass. May we, as a parish community, continue to support these young persons in their discipleship journey by our choices and example.

A new calendar year has begun. What will be the priorities in our lives? The search for balance is an on-going challenge for many of us. Work-Play-Service-Family-Church-Prayer-Healthy Eating-Exercise are but a few of the ingredients to wholesome spiritual living. We need to be conscious about our daily choices and how they move us forward or hold us back from becoming our very best self. Let's not choose to let this important opportunity slip before us because of our indifference or maybe even our own stubbornness.

In the name of our parish staff, I would like to wish everyone a very Happy, Healthy and Holy New Year. We have so many blessings in our lives for which we are to be grateful. Cultivating an attitude of gratitude is one way in which we distinguish ourselves from others. The Eucharist is the place where we are reminded of the many and varied blessings in our lives. So let us be a people of gratitude not just at this time, but throughout the year. In the coming weeks, we will provide you with an accounting of the 2014 Christmas Collection. If you have not made your gift to the Christmas Collection as of this time, please do so this coming week. Later in the month, we will send out our parish stewardship report for the Calendar Year 2013 and the Fiscal Year Ending 30 June 2014. I will make a presentation on this report at all of the weekend Masses later this month. Have a great week. Let us remember one another in prayer. Happy New Year.

Peace.
Father Jeff

FAITH FORMATION and LIFE LONG LEARNING

Saturday 10 January

When: 7:15-8:30AM
Where: Chapel

Begin the weekend with the spiritual lift of prayer, reflection, and thoughtful discussion.

All men are invited to attend!



Unique Opportunities for Our Youth
Two incredible options this summer for leadership and service.



July 19-25 * ServiceWorX program

is a life-changing program that explores Catholic faith through service to those in need in our own community.

This program is for youth currently enrolled in the **grades 6-8** confirmation prep religious education program and is limited to 30 youth participants. A registration session coming soon. Stay tuned!

For more information contact Cristie at youthministry@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Catechists ARE the Gifts Party

EAT, DRINK & BE MERRY

Host: Cristie Ritz-King & Michele McCue
RSVP: 732.780.2666

When: Wednesday, January 7 at 7:00 PM

Where: Madonna Hall

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE:


Grades 1/2 First Eucharist Prep:

Classes resume Monday, January 5, 2015

7/8th Grade Confirmation Prep Classes:

Group A: January 4th, 18th

Group B: January 11th, 25th



June 25-30, 2015
The One Bread One Cup
Conference

Youth in **grades 9-12** will have the chance to discover the Church's treasures of Word, Sacrament and Mission and enjoy much fellowship and fun through team building, outdoor recreation, a variety show and a dance party. This trip will fill up quickly as we have limited slots so please contact Cristie right away to reserve your slot for this unique chance to grow in faith and have a lot of fun doing it!

youthministry@stmaryscoltsneck.org



Liturgy of the Word Dismissal

All children ages 4-12 years of age are invited to join us at 10am, 12noon, & 5pm Sunday Masses.

Before the readings from Scripture, the children are dismissed from the adult assembly to hear the Gospel proclaimed and explained at their level of understanding. They talk about its meaning for their lives and to enter into prayer with the other children gathered. Children will return to the Church during the time of collection.

****Volunteers are needed ** Training is available for those interested. Great opportunity for those College students and Community Service hours.**

Contact Michele McCue for more information
faithformation@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Faith Formation Office Help - flexible schedule!

- I. Subs, Aides, Hall Monitors
- II. Assistance for Grade 1 & 2 family sessions.

Call Michele 732-780-2666 X312



Junior High Holiday Social

Junior High: (Grades 6-8) Youth Group New Year's Social: January 14th 6:30-8:30.

We'll have snacks, drinks and plenty of laughter. See you there!

Contact Cristie with any questions.
smcyouthmin@gmail.com

STEWARDSHIP & OUTREACH

Sharing Our Treasure 20 / 21 December

Weekly Sacrificial Stewardship Offering \$ 15,827

Envelope Contributions	\$ 11,704
Electronic/Online Contributions	\$ 2,945
Loose Contributions	\$ 1,178

Average Contribution per Household
this week \$ 35.47

of Contributing Households
(# envelopes & # online) 413
of Registered Parishioner Households 1,903

2014 Christmas Collection: We hope to publish the amount of our parish Christmas Collection in the coming weeks. We are grateful to all who contributed; if you have not yet participated, please do so this coming week so that we can offer a timely proper accounting to you.

THANK YOU
for your **Sacrificial Stewardship Offerings.**
May God Bless you for the sacrifices that you make.

Due to the holiday season and the early transmission deadlines of the bulletin, Sharing of our Treasure numbers for 27 & 28 December will be reported in the coming weeks.

End of year contribution statements will be ready Wednesday, January 28, 2015. If you would like your contribution statement for 2014, please drop a self addressed stamped envelope in the collection basket marked in the lower left hand corner "2014 Contribution Statement" and we will mail it to you.

COLLECTIBLE SHOW

**** JANUARY 10 ****
9AM TO 3PM
PARISH HALL
CARDS - COINS -
CURRENCY - STAMPS

Used Furniture for People affected by Sandy We do the delivery.....

The First Presbyterian Church at Red Bank (also known as Tower Hill) solicits donations of used furniture for families affected by Sandy in Union Beach and elsewhere in the Bayshore area. We have already delivered over 200 pieces of gently used furniture.

People particularly need dressers, beds, chairs, sofas, and tables and mattresses only if they are "nearly new". No appliances, TVs, sports equipment, car seats, etc. **Items must be in very good and usable condition.**

The donation process is easy.

Just e-mail a digital photo to church-member Gerd Printz gerdprintz@towerhillchurch.org or call Gerd at 732-747-6589. Include a brief description of the item, its condition, dimensions, and an end date that item must be picked up by. If needed, a church member can stop by and take the photo. Families view available items at the Sandy Recovery Center in Union Beach.

Pick-up is arranged when the item is requested.

As families slowly return to their homes,
the need continues.

**Please consider donating to this
important local cause.**



**Habitat for Humanity
Fund Raiser- Jan 17**

A benefit band concert is scheduled at St. Rose of Lima School gym at 6 p.m. on Jan 17 to help fund a new Freehold Habitat for Humanity house, a joint building project of St. Rose of Lima and the Colts Neck Reformed Church. Bands will perform music of the Beatles, Elvis and Rock and Roll icons. Food prepared by the Knights of Columbus will be available for sale. Admission is \$10 and tickets are at the door. For more information call Tony Santoriello at 732-513-9073.

COMMUNITY BUILDING & COMMUNICATIONS

JOIN US FOR AGAPE 2015

All are welcomed for fellowship and hospitality in the Parish Hall. Learn about many parish ministries and meet with your Parish Family Friends.

Agape 2015 will be held on the following Sundays after all Masses: No Agape during Lent

January 25 February 22 April 26

AGAPE NEEDS YOU!!

We are looking for families, community service volunteers and ministry groups to help out each month with Agape's set up, clean up, and the preparation of food and beverages that will be served.

jcoppola007@gmail.com

Ministries — please contact the Catherine in the office to sign up for a ministry table for AGAPE. communications@stmaryscoltsneck.org

The Project CARE Program is in the planning stages: All ministry and committee leaders please consider sharing your ministry through offering a sampling of your ministry and the work you do to participants of the Project CARE Program (Community Always Reaching Everyone). Join the team, volunteer, lead a group... Contact Linda communitybuilding@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Join us for our next parish community building event



Couples Night Out

Friday, February 6, 2015

Love is in the Air...

Couple event will be held at St Mary's Parish in Madonna Hall from 8pm to midnight... Plan with friends to fill a table of 8. We supply the venue, atmosphere, music, & desserts/coffee to end the evening. **BYOB & BYOF**. Plan your table menu with friends. **Tickets: \$5.00 each** & must be purchased in advance.



Join the *Couples Night Out* committee: communitybuilding@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Rosemarie Poverman Returns to Speak to the Martha Mary Guild



Sometimes a group enjoys a speaker so much that it results in a return invitation. Well, Rosemarie Poverman (pictured here) was such a hit with the Martha Mary Guild, that she is going to be the guest speaker for the third time! Rosemarie isn't "just a speaker". She educates, entertains and makes her audience think. She has a delightful sense of humor, while imparting gems of insight. Accomplishing this is a true gift!

Rosemarie, who is licensed as both a Clinical Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist in NJ, has been a psychotherapist since 1977 and has been an adjunct faculty member at Ocean County College for over 20 years. She presents keynote programs to corporate, professional and civic groups throughout the country. The Martha Mary Guild is thrilled to have her speak to us about "the magic of moderation and the beauty of balance in living as we maximize the value of one's life experience". How appropriate for the beginning of a new year!!

Join us on Wednesday, Jan. 14 in the Spiritual Center Chapel at 11:30 for the rosary, followed by BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch) in Madonna Hall at noon. The Guild will provide refreshments and dessert. Rosemarie will commence around 12:30.

Quilting and Sewing Ministry will meet:

January 13 and 27, February 10 and 24 from 1-3pm in Meeting Room 11

New members always welcome!!

Would you like to join this ministry but are not available during the day? Well, we have been thinking of adding an evening meeting. For those who are interested in joining us on a Wednesday or Thursday evening from 7pm-8:30pm, please contact Linda lindad16@optonline.net for more information. Peace!!

St Mary Parish Golf Outing Committee is

looking for those experienced in the area of **marketing** who would be willing to help out with all market-

ing needs for the 2015 Golf Outing and Summer Social. Please contact Bill Lenahan 908-419-6694 for more info.



COMMUNITY BUILDING & COMMUNICATIONS



Making a 2015 New Year's Resolution?

Resolutions offer a very positive opportunity to change areas in our lives that we would like to improve upon.

Resolutions can bring us a rewarding sense of accomplishment. Make realistic resolutions so you do not give up on them or yourself too quickly. This can help make resolutions work and help you stick with them. Accept that sometimes resolutions are a slow process and take time to implement in our daily lives. Info from "Counseling Corner" provided by the American Counseling Association. www.counseling.org

A few suggested New Year's Resolutions: (pick one or two)

- Become more prayerful in 2015
- Buy a bible or download the app for your phone
- Open the bible daily or weekly and read a verse or two
- Talk to your children (or others) about God and the importance of faith in your life
- Invite a friend, family member, or neighbor to attend Mass or an upcoming parish event with you
- Attend Mass
- Attend Mass more regularly
- Become more involved and engaged in the Parish community and in parish life by volunteering for a parish committee or ministry.
- Introduce yourself (and family members) to other parishioners. Make a new friend this year!!
- Say hi to your pew neighbor before the start of Mass
- Leave Mass quietly so not to disturb those still in prayer
- Switch to online giving to simplify managing of your parish contributions
- Increase your offertory by 5%, 10% or more this year
- Get to Mass 5 minutes early so to take a few minutes to clear your mind and open your heart to hear the Word of God and receive the Eucharist
- Stay informed: Read the weekly bulletin either the paper version available at Mass or the electronic version available on the parish website
- Open emails from the parish
- Attend reconciliation this year. Try it, you may feel relief from the heavy load your were carrying
- Put down the phone, shut off the TV and the computer and enjoy a few minutes of peace and quiet
- Eat together as a family
- Visit someone who is homebound this winter to say hello



Coming soon in 2015 to the parish website: *Volunteer Corner* Volunteer Postings by ministries, committees and by various parish offices for specific help needed



Parish wide Clean up March 21 Rain date: March 28

Help us meet our goal of **300 participants!!**

Join us as many in the parish will pick up leaves, fallen branches and misc. debris deposited on our beautiful grounds during the winter months. This is a great community service opportunity. We are in need of Team captains that will oversee a group of 5-10 volunteers in the clean up efforts. If you are interested, please contact Linda Dickinson-Pancila, Coordinator of Community Building and Communications 732-780-2666 x 305 or email communitybuilding@stmaryscoltsneck.org

More info to follow in the coming months!!



Environmental Committee Meeting Next Meeting Thursday, January 15 7pm in Meeting Room 11

Looking to the future of the committee and planning for the coming years' events.

We are called to be stewards of the Earth!!

This meeting is *open to new and current members*, all adopt-a-spot members, past 2012, 2013, & 2014 Project Care clean-up and planting participants, and ALL others—gardeners, earth lovers, environmentalists, recyclers...

Come with your ideas and suggestions.

RSVP your attendance to Linda Dickinson-Pancila at communitybuilding@stmaryscoltsneck.org or Doreen.thetigerfans@gmail.com



EMERGENCY CLOSING INFORMATION

In the event that the Parish Office is closed and Religious Education classes or Masses must be cancelled due to inclement weather, loss of power, etc., we will attempt to keep you informed as follows:

- Updated outgoing announcements on our main telephone line
- Parish-wide email sent to all families whose email address is on file
- Notification on website stmaryscoltsneck.org

Thank you Parish Staff