



*Peace be with you*

*Divine Mercy Sunday  
Second Sunday  
Of Easter*

**April 12, 2026**

St. Mary's Church Est. 1852  
26 Church St.  
Nassau, NY 12123

## WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S

We are happy that you decided to worship with us. If you are visiting just for today, we pray that God will be with you on your journey. If you are seeking a church to call home, we would be honored to welcome you into our parish community. If you are interested in joining our parish family, please call the parish office at 518-766-2701.

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday- Thursday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

## ST. MARY'S MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Catholic Community of St. Mary's, Nassau, vow to foster the spirit of St. Francis by becoming instruments of God's peace to help each other grow spiritually. We choose to respond to our baptismal call to live and share the gospel of Jesus Christ through our commitments of time, talent, and treasure in the love and service of all people. Adopted by St. Mary's Pastoral Council, September 16, 2001.

### Parish Happenings:

Sunday	Divine Mercy Mass 10:00 am Followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet – All are welcome to stay
Monday	Learn About Your Faith 6:30 – 7:30 pm at the Rectory
*Tuesday	Morning Mass 9:30 am St. Anthony Novena and Adoration until 10:30 am Bible Study 6:30 – 7:30 pm at the Rectory
Wednesday	Parking Lot Rosary 6:00 pm (Dress for the weather)
*Thursday	Morning Mass 9:30 am Recitation of Rosary after Mass
Friday	Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm
Saturday	Vigil Mass 5:30 pm Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday, Rosary at 5:00 pm before Mass

\*During the winter months, weekday morning Masses will be in the rectory at 9:30 am

St. Mary's Website: <http://parishes.rcda.org/St.MarysNassau>

## *Divine Mercy Sunday*

On this Second Sunday of Easter, we also celebrate a relatively new feast in the Catholic Church, the Sunday of Divine Mercy. Established in the Roman Calendar in the year 2000 by Pope Saint John Paul II, the devotion of the Divine Mercy of Christ was first promoted by Saint Faustina Kowalski who experienced a personal vision of the Risen Jesus.



In today's Gospel, Jesus greeted his apostles with a very personal, "Peace be with you." Peace is the legacy of Divine Mercy – the peace that we experience in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which Catholics believe was established by Christ in today's Gospel passage of John 20: 22-23. "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

People often think of Divine Mercy as a gift that we receive from the Risen Christ. But I also like to think of Divine Mercy as a gift that we can bring our world and to the people in our everyday lives. Since we believe we are forgiven in Christ, how can we follow his example and bring his forgiveness to others? Jesus forgave his friend Thomas for his doubts and fears. Divine Mercy is a call for us to do the same. Let us join our Lord in saying "Peace be with you."

### *We need Volunteers and New Ideas...*

Now that Spring is here and we all have recovered from the long winter, we would like to once again be active in our Nassau community. St. Mary's Spring Sweets Auction kicks off April 25. Let's plan more events!

We need new ideas!

We need new and renewed energies!

We need the support of parishioners to make this happen.

Please consider joining our volunteer group and plan or participate in an event. You DO NOT need participate in everything. We all have families and responsibilities.

Call the Rectory 518-766-2701 and speak with Dee or leave a message.

*Thank you !*

## Mass Intentions Second Sunday in Easter

April 11 & April 12, 2026

Saturday, April 11, 2026 @ 5:30 pm

Frank and Rita Dreher – Larry and Kye Sun

Barbara and Tom Yovine – for Healing – Frank and Linda Ridzi

Sunday, April 12, 2026 @ 10:00 am

Linda Ridzi – for Healing – Theresa Harty

Paul Tomchik – Mary Tomchik

Anita Zucconi – The Zucconi-Dellea Family

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 @ @ 9:30 am

MaryEllen Lito – for Healing - Theresa Harty

Thursday, April 16, 2026 @ 9:30 am

For the People of St. Mary's

April 18 & April 19, 2026

Saturday, April 18, 2026 @ 5:30 pm

Fr. Marcillinus – Dominic Russomanno

Margaret Schuyler – for Healing – The Ridzi Family

Ginny Doherty – for Healing – Theresa Harty

Sunday, April 19, 2026 @ 10:00 am

Fr. Owen Bennett – Dominic Russomanno

Lee and Bud Rausch – by Jim and Rocky Rausch

Mary Ellen Lito – for Healing – Theresa Harty

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 @ @ 9:30 am

For the People of St. Mary's

Thursday, April 24, 2026 @ 9:30 am

For the People of St. Mary's

### Please pray for our sick



Chamylla Stephanie De Frees  
Philip Sullivan  
Dom Devaney  
Michelle Dymond  
Marion Rysedorph

Michael Stephen Allen  
Christine Anderson  
Bill Ayers  
Joan Campbell  
Chad Cardoza  
Maureen Cellery  
Madison Chesterman  
Barry and Jeanne Litt  
Gina Lo Presti  
Ann Devaney  
Joseph Messineo  
Mamie Mazzatti  
Thomas O'Grady

Stacy Hyson  
Kate Hockford  
Elizabeth Hrifko  
Bethany Jenest  
Seth Kaminski  
Sara Messineo Kent  
Cathy Lavoie  
Masresha Schaefer  
Colin Sullivan  
Avin Meyette  
Linda Walsh  
Anna May Gregg  
Charleen Papa

Nancy Quinn  
Peter Quinn  
Cory Roberts  
Jake Rysedorph  
John DeLap  
Tom Rysedorph  
Linda Schaefer  
Cathy Schaefer  
Alice Loughlin  
Michele Sweet  
Rita Labrum  
Amy Gumlaw  
Ginny Doherty

## Collections

**FOR US TO COVER PARISH EXPENSES, OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION MUST MEET** **\$2,500**

Although some of the weekly collections do meet this amount, our collections are not consistent. Therefore, we are not meeting our necessary expenses. Additionally, as noted above, some of our expenses are unforeseen or fluctuate (fuel, maintenance, snow removal).

Our Collections for April 2 & April 5, 2026 **\$6,242**

### *Important Notes Regarding the Diocesan Appeal Collections*

St. Mary's Diocesan Appeal assessment for July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026: **\$30,576**

Our Collections to Date: **\$13,681**

An addition **\$475** was added! Thank you!

To meet this year's assessment, we need **\$16,895** by June 30, 2026.

If we do not satisfy our assessment for the year, it becomes a debt that is carried over to the next year. We then are obligated to pay that debt as well as the new assessment.

Please make sure that **your name** and **St. Mary's 09-08** appear on the check. This is an **important** edit that needs to be done so your donation is reported correctly by the Diocese. If you do not receive an acknowledgement of your contribution, please call the office (518-766-2701) and let Dee know.

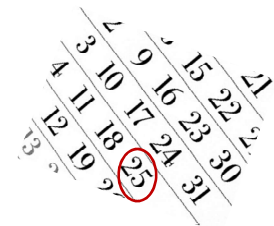
## EVENTS

St. Mary's

### St. Mary's Sweets Spring Auction

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

DOORS OPEN AT 10:00 AM      AUCTION STARTS AT 12:30 PM



**VOLUNTEERS** are needed *Please!* And Donations of **NEW ITEMS**

Mostly needed for Friday April 24 and the day of the auction. All that day we will be setting up in the hall. Anytime you can offer will be greatly appreciated. Call Jen Clement 518-203-9130 or Theresa Harty 518-466-7001 to let them know. There are sign-up sheets available in the seats.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The "Our Towne" magazine published the wrong date. The date is **Saturday, April 25** **NOT** Sunday, April 26 as the magazine printed. Anyone asking questions, please advise them of this.

## Our Coffee Hour.... Is Back!

Come one and all to the next coffee, munch, and talk.  
April 19 after 10:00 am Mass.



## Our Video Hour

Our video hour after Sunday Mass will be returning. Keep an eye open for an announcement as the details become finalized.

## In Our Community

### Kurt's Community Kitchen – Spring Fling *EVERYONE IS WELCOME!*

WHEN: Thursday, April 23  
TIME: 6:00 pm  
WHERE: Grace United Methodist Church, 42 Church Street  
MENU: Baked Ham, Baked Chicken, Au Gratin Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots, and Dessert  
COST: Free



Kurt's Community Kitchen is in honor of longtime Nassau Resident and historian, Kurt Vincent.



## April is Cemetery Spring Clean-Up Month

Believe it or not April is here! April is cemetery clean-up month. The leftover of winter debris from Mother Nature – and this year she gave us a lot – is about to be picked up and discarded. Remember, if you have any decorations, please remove them so they are not taken away during the clean-up

## Fr. Cronin

Fr. Cronin will celebrate morning Mass at St. Mary's Tuesday April 21 and Mary 5 – 9:30 am. If all goes well with Mother Nature, Mass will be in the Church May 5.



## Eucharist Ministers and Lectors

A new quarterly schedule was distributed to Eucharist Ministers and Lectors. If you have any questions, please call Michele Sweet (518-336-4422) If you are unable to perform your duties on your scheduled, please call another Eucharist Minister or Lector to replace you.

# Learn About Your Faith

## Our Journey of Faith

Our Faith Formation and Learning About Our Faith 2026 schedules are posted on the bulletin boards.

## Religious Education Schedules

### Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes are from 8:45 am to 9:45 am for all grades, K through 10<sup>th</sup>, with Mass at 10 am. Below is the remainder of 2026 class schedule.

APRIL	MAY
4/5 – Class	5/3 – Last Class
4/12 – Class	5/10 – First Holy Communion
4/19 – Class	
4/26 – Class	

### Learning About Our Faith Schedule

Learning About Our Faith sessions meet Monday evenings in the Rectory at 6:30 pm.

Our Journey of Faith Learning About Your Faith			
Session		Date	Topic
20	Monday	TBD	Catholic Beliefs - Morality
21	Monday	TBD	Prayer Life, Discernment, Holiness, Evangelization
22	Monday	TBD	Mary
23	Monday	TBD	Purgatory
24	Monday	TBD	Conversion, The Laity, Your Special Gifts
25	Monday	TBD	The Saints

Our Easter Flowers  
in Loving Memory and Honor

Barbara Mullins

Terrence Mullins

Eugene Mullins

Myrtle Lyngard

Roberta and Bernard Buff for

In loving Memory of our Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Deusen for

Pat and Jere Van Deusen

Jim and Sadie Cozzy

Ms. Anne Messineo

Deceased members of the Messineo/Cote Family

Mrs. Brenda Connolly

Connolly Family

Latham Family

Protko Family

Mrs. Lynn Quattrini

The Moynahan and Quattrini Families

Ms. Bethann Beyer

George and Dorine Beyer

Thomas and Bertha Preston

Fredrick and Alice Beyer

Mr. and Mrs. James Wing

Marty Neyen

Mary Wing

Harry Neyen

Gertrude Neyen

Vincent Andreozzi

Connie Andreozzi

Ed McManus

Mrs. Barbara Wurzburg

Harriet and Al Boni

John and Josephine Fogerty

Bill and Joan Wurzburg

Ed Wurzburg, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Granfors

Rosemary and Ed Zimmerman

Kenneth Scallon



Our Easter Flowers  
in Loving Memory and Honor

Ms. Mel Witkowski  
The Witkowski Family  
The DiCarlos Family  
Mrs. James Harrington  
Thomas and Marion Rysedorph  
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mahar  
William K. Mahar  
M. Collins  
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bolani  
Joe and June Blair  
Ms. Jen Clement  
St. Mary's Parishioners  
Mr. and Mrs. William Clancy  
Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Martino  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Clancy  
Mary Bobersky  
Kate Mitchell  
Joann Powell  
Thomas O'Brien  
Pat O'Brien  
Emily Powell  
Albina Mattas  
Marilyn Mattas  
Darlene Mattas  
Ernest Mattas, Sr.  
Ernest Mattas, Jr.  
Margaret Van Deusen  
Arthur Van Deusen  
Dick French  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Deusen  
James and Sadie Cozzy  
Pat and Jere Van Deusen  
Mrs. Joan Hadley  
Fuller Hadley  
John Trossbach  
Ruth Trossback  
William Trossback  
John Trossback, Jr.  
Charoleet Lintner



Our Easter Flowers  
in Loving Memory and Honor

Mrs. Sharron Anselment

Patty

Donald Anselment

Viola Hotaling

Harold Hotaling

George Leffler

Ms. Jo Ann Schnurr

Deceased members of the Pardo/Schnurr Family

Maryann and Tim Roberts

Dave Carmel

Nick Boak

Tom Mazzatti

Anna and Phillip Speciale

Vincent Speciale

Mrs. Linda Dellea

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Troskowski

Jo and Carl Stickles

Peg and Ted Troskowski

Mr. And Mrs. Robert Pietrocola

Frank and Josie Pietrocola

William and Gloria Snow

Kathleen and Ernest Popp

M.T. and T.F. Finn

E.F. and B.M. Popp

P. Meineker

J. Amodeo

Theresa Harty

Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Colbert

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ridzi

Frank Ryan



IMMIGRATION - REFUGEE REPORT  
APRIL 11-12, 2026

One primary focus now will be on the three Bills proposed here in NYS that will benefit Refugees and Immigrants. Ken has summarized them from our past bulletins and you can also find them on the web as mentioned before. The complete list of our legislators, Federal and State is on the last page.

New York For All. (S2235/A3506.). Primarily would prevent state and local law enforcement from participating in civil immigration enforcement. Also protects their personal data.

The BUILD Act. (S4538/A2689). Provides grants for workforce development and capacity to eligible organizations for representation for individuals facing deportation. Strengthens legal services.

Access to Representation Act. (ARA). (S141/A270). Establishes right to counsel in Immigration Court ensuring those without lawyers will be provided one.

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**NEEDS:** Bikes (we will be exploring the ones available over in Lebanon)  
Sewing Machines  
Food stuffs  
Soccer Balls  
Clothing for Children UNDER 6!

**NOTE:** You can bring food stuffs to church in paper bags if you do not have totes!! I combine them into totes that I have in order to deliver to CRI. THANKS to those doing that!

I want to continue ask for a special prayer for our Bishops at USCCB. While they have been outspoken in their comments, etc. on Immigrants, deportation centers, etc. we are going to need them to literally stand up and REQUEST MEETINGS WITH THIS ADMINISTRATION to make changes to this current policy that is being actively pursued by Stephen Miller, the President's Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy and Homeland Security advisor. This is the person who is engineering all of these changes for deportation centers, etc. And when these people are IN THE CENTERS, being guarded by the 30,000 plus new Homeland Defenders that were just hired, will we use our tax dollars to support them there, after we have removed them from the economy and while we wait for the flights to fly them out to where?

The US Council of Catholic Bishops has a NEW request of churches and I will speak to that next week as I have linked us to them earlier ....for what it's worth.

Let us continue in this struggle which is growing more dire by the week. *Ken*

kmscallon@yahoo.com

The world is suffering from a shortage of love, between nations and individuals,  
and something drastic and dramatic is needed to meet this hunger  
Frank Sinatra

## OUR FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATORS CONTACT INFORMATION

### Federal Representatives

Legislator	Area Office	Phone
Senator Charles Schumer Website Contact Page	Albany Office. <a href="https://www.schumer.senate.gov/contact/message-chuck">https://www.schumer.senate.gov/contact/message-chuck</a>	518-431-4070
Senator Kirsten Gillibrand Website Contact Page	Albany Office <a href="https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/contact/email-me/">https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/contact/email-me/</a>	518-431-0120
Representative Josh Riley - Website Contact Page	Leeds Office <a href="https://riley.house.gov/contact">https://riley.house.gov/contact</a>	518-625-2100

### State Representatives

Legislator	Area Office	Phone
Senator Jake Ashby  Contact:	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/senators/jacob-ashby">https://www.nysenate.gov/senators/jacob-ashby</a>  594 Columbia Turnpike East Greenbush, NY 12061 <a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/senators/jacob-ashby/contact">https://www.nysenate.gov/senators/jacob-ashby/contact</a>	Phone: 518-371-2751
Assemblyman Scott Bendett  Contact:	<a href="https://nyassembly.gov/mem/Scott-Bendett">https://nyassembly.gov/mem/Scott-Bendett</a>  1580 Columbia Turnpike Building 4, Suite 1A Castleton on the Hudson, NY 12033 <a href="mailto:bendetts@nyassembly.gov">bendetts@nyassembly.gov</a>	Phone: 518-272-6149
NYS Senate Bill S141	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S141">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S141</a>	
NYS Assembly Bill A270	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/A270">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/A270</a>	
NYS Senate / Assembly Bills (S2235/A3506.)	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S2235/amendment/A">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S2235/amendment/A</a>	
NYS Senate / Assembly Bills (S4538/A2689)	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S4538">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S4538</a>	

If you would like to be kept up-to-date with any of these bills, there is a box on the right-hand side of the page titled, "Get Status Alerts" here you can enter your email address to receive status updates. Additionally, in a box above, you can cast an AYE or NAY vote in support the bill.