



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 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	Faith Formation 8:45 – 9:45 am Parish Hall before Divine Mercy Mass 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 st Friday, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm
Saturday	Vigil Mass 5:30 pm Every 1 st 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>

REFLECTION

by Nick Brodie

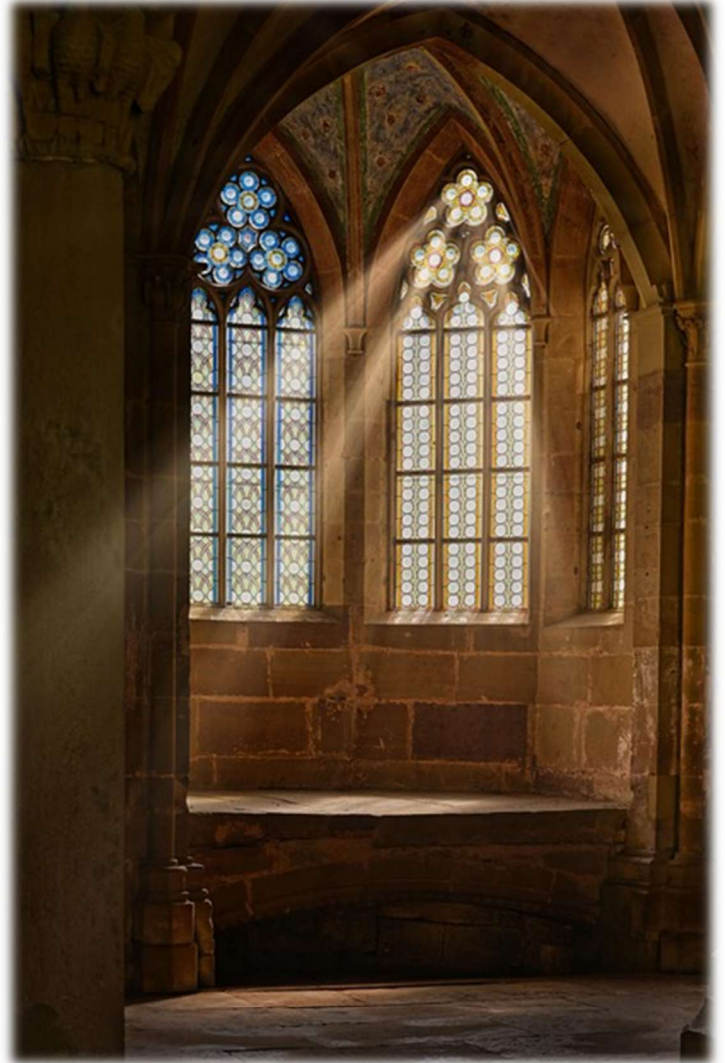
Leo's Lens

The Church, as Pope Leo XIV puts it, is called “to be certain that the Holy Spirit guides us and teaches us all things.” Jesus calls us to “remain in his love,” as the Pope reminds us, so that thereby “he comes to dwell in us and our life will become a temple of God.”

Yet this indwelling of Jesus is more than a personal fuzzy feeling. “His love enlightens us,” the Pope adds, which “influences the way we think and act.” In our attitudes and actions, Jesus’ love “spreads outwards to others and embraces every situation in our lives.”

“This dwelling of God within us,” the Pope continues, “is precisely the gift of the Holy Spirit, who takes us by the hand and enables us to experience God’s presence and closeness amid our daily lives, for he makes us his home.” With that great mystery in mind, the Pope implores us to “walk in the joy born of faith, in order to become a holy temple of the Lord.”

“Let us resolve to bring his love everywhere,” the Pope encourages us, “never forgetting that each of our sisters and brothers is a dwelling place of God and that his presence is manifested above all in the little ones, in the poor and the suffering.”



**Mass Intentions
Sixth Sunday in Easter**

May 9 & May 10, 2026

Saturday May 9, 2026 @ 5:30 pm
Frank and Rita Dreher – by Larry and Kye Sun
Viola Hotaling – by Sharron Anselment

Sunday, May 10, 2026 @ 10:00 am
The First Communion Recipients from the St. Mary's Family

Tuesday, May 12, 2026 @ @ 9:30 am
Bob Yager – for Healing Theresa Harty
Doris Papa – by Charleen Papa

Thursday May 14, 2026 @ 9:30 am
For the People of St. Mary's

May 16 & May 17, 2026

Saturday May 16, 2026 @ 5:30 pm
Maureen Cellery – Healing – Theresa Harty
Mary Scallon – Healing – Theresa Harty

Sunday, May 17, 2026 @ 10:00 am
Mamie Mazzatti – by Mary Ann and Tim Roberts
Paul Tomchik – Mary and Paul Tomchik
Fr. Antone – Larry and Kye Sun

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 @ @ 9:30 am
Maureen Cellery – Healing – Theresa Harty

Thursday May 21, 2026 @ 9:30 am
For the People of St. Mary's

*The St. Mary's family extends its hearts and prayers to the family of
Mamie Mazzatti, May 2, 2026*

Please pray for our sick

Michael Stephen Allen
Christine Anderson
Bill Ayers
Joan Campbell
Mamie Mazzatti
Maureen Cellery
Madison Chesterman
Barry and Jeanne Litt
Thomas O'Grady
Alice Loughlin
Avin Meyette
Linda Walsh
Anna May Gregg
Charleen Papa
Chamylla Stephanie De Frees

Stacy Hyson
Kate Hockford
Elizabeth Hrifko
Bethany Jenest
Seth Kaminski
Sara Messineo Kent
Cathy Lavoie
Masresha Schaefer
Gina Lo Presti
Philip Sullivan
Michele Sweet
Rita Labrum
Amy Gumlaw
Ginny Doherty

Nancy Quinn
Peter Quinn
Cory Roberts
Jake Rysedorph
John DeLap
Tom Rysedorph
Linda Schaefer
Cathy Schaefer
Colin Sullivan
Ann Devaney
Dom Devaney
Michelle Dymond
Marion Rysedorph
Joseph Messineo



Collection Obligations

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, some of our expenses are unforeseen or fluctuate.

Our Collections for May 2 & May 3 26, 2026 \$4475

Diocesan Appeal

To meet this year's assessment, we need: \$14,295 by June 30, 2026

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

Our Collections to Date: \$16,281

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



*Special Public Rosary**

Saturday, June 13, 2026 @ 5:30 pm

Prayed outdoors in front of Our Lady of Life statue

Dress appropriately

St. Mary's Catholic Church
26 Church Street
Nassau, NY 12123

Prayer Intentions

1. For world peace and triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
2. In reparation for sins committed against the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
3. For an end to the culture of death and paganism.
4. For the holy souls and conversion of sinners.
5. For every nation to honor Christ the King.

*Held in conjunction with other local initiatives from USA Prays Public Rosary, the Worldwide Public Rosary, and the Worldwide Marian Procession.

More information on our bulletin board.

*St. Mary's Church
First Eucharist
Sunday, May 10, 2026*

Fr. John Close, Celebrant

Entrance
Hymn #386

Gloria

First Reading
1 John 4:13

Responsorial Psalm
God is Very Good to us

Second reading
Phillipians 4:4-7

Gospel Acclamation (Sung)
Hymn #730 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Gospel
Matthew 26:26-30

Offertory Hymn
Hymn #535 Like a Child Rests

Holy, Holy, Holy *Sung by the
Congregation*

Memorial Acclamation *Sung by
Congregation*

Great Amen *Sung by the Congregation*

The Lord's Prayer

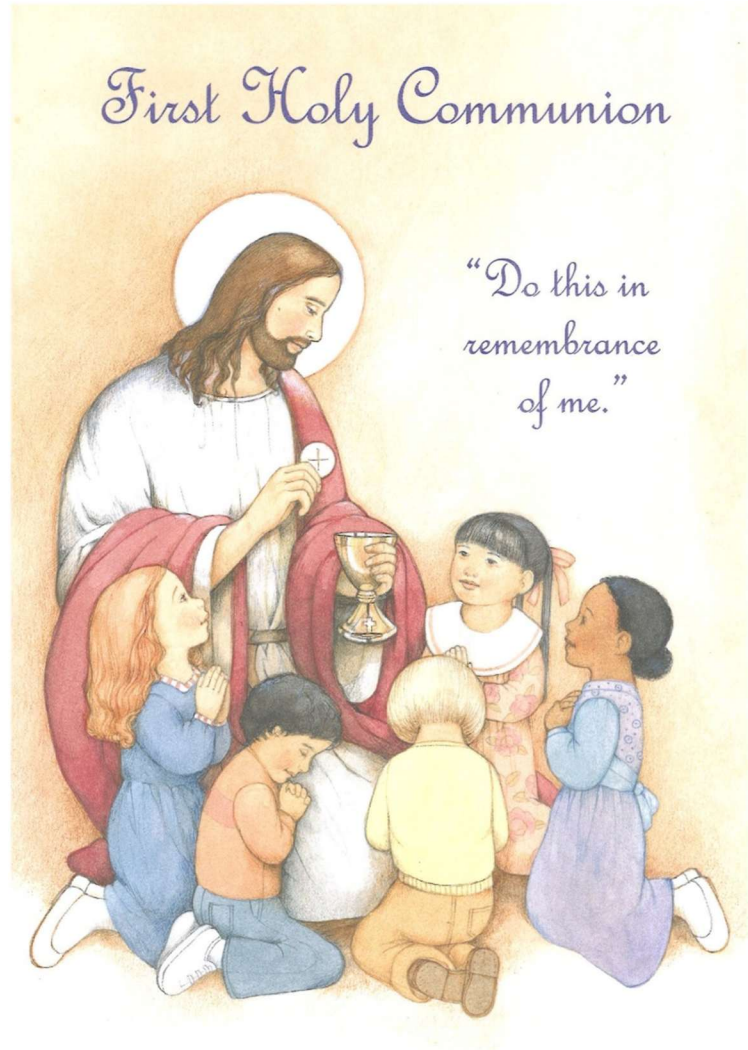
First Communion Class will receive first

Communion Hymn
Hymn #364 Take and Eat

Silent Meditation

Final Blessing

Closing Hymn
Hymn #702 Hail Mary Gentle Woman



2026 Class

*Alexis Mayhew
Liam Mayhew*

Ascension Thursday

May 14 is Ascension Thursday, a holy day of obligation. Below is the Mass schedule for this year.

Mass Schedule

Wednesday, May 13

St. Mary's 7:00 PM

Thursday, May 14

Mass at Immaculate Conception Church 9:30 AM

Mass at St. Joseph's 12:10 PM



A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

TO MAKE OR RENEW YOUR
CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY EUCHARIST

MAY 5 – JUNE 7

THE HISTORICAL ST. MARY'S CHURCH IN ALBANY

THURSDAYS
6:30 – 8:30 PM

BEGINNING APRIL 30

For more information. Contact Ellie or Dominic Russomanno:
518-915-3464
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This announcement is also on our bulletin board.

Something New! Coffee Hour & Video!

Our coffee hour is back May 17 after 10:00 Mass.

This time with the goodies there will be a video – details to follow. Keep checking back here!



THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS AND BUSINESSES WHO HELPED MAKE OUR SPRING AUCTION A SUCCESS! THIS YEAR'S AUCTION RAISED \$1500!



Weekday Mass

The nice weather is finally here! Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 morning Mass will resume in the church. Father Cronin will be celebrating morning Mass every other Tuesday on the following dates:

May 19, June 2, June 16, and June 30.

On **weekday evenings**, the following groups meet in the Rectory or Parking Lot. All are Welcome!

- Monday Parish Prayer Group 6:30 – 7:30 pm at the Rectory
- Tuesday Bible Study 6:30 – 7:30 pm at the Rectory
- Wednesday Parking Lot Rosary 6:00 pm (Dress for the weather).



Steve Clarson who attends the Nassau Wednesday Nights Parking Lot Rosary will be starting a new weekly Public Rosary at Immaculate Conception, 732 US-20, New Lebanon starting Wednesday, Mary 13 at 6:00 PM.

For more information, contact Steve Clarson at 917-580-0620

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.

Faith Formation

Sunday, May 10, 2026 - First Holy Communion

As we enter the summer season of no school, vacations etc. practicing our Faith does not stop - God does not stop. God remains with us always. He wants you to remain with Him. So, come to Mass and receive the Eucharist throughout the season. Keep in mind that as parents and grandparents, YOU are the most instrumental teacher of your children. More than what you say, is what you do - they will copy it. Continue with morning and evening prayers and prayers before meals.

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
21	Monday	5/11	Prayer Life, Discernment, Holiness, Evangelization
22	Monday	5/18	Mary
23	Monday	6/1	Purgatory
16	Monday	6/8	The Sacraments – Anointing of the Sick
24	Monday	6/15	Conversion, The Laity, Your Special Gifts
25	Monday	6/20	The Saints

IMMIGRATION - REFUGEE REPORT
May 9 -10, 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.

If you do not know who your legislator is...

Go on NYS government web site and ask for it by entering your address.

Please understand that legislators' regions do not go by counties alone!! They often cross county lines, etc. As I explained last Sunday at mass.

To date I have received NO RESPONSE from Senator Ashby and Assemblyman Bendett our NYS legislators on support for these bills. IF ANYONE ELSE HAS RECEIVED A RESPONSE LET ME KNOW.

YOU HAVE CONTACTED THEM HAVEN'T YOU??

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

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

White Afrikaners - NEW!!

While some have been delayed in leaving South Africa, the US has ALLOWED 4,496 in this year!! Given the ceiling of 7500 for ANYONE, set by the President, that looks like it will continue to fill. (3 Afghans were also allowed in. What does that tell you?)

NOTE! The Episcopal Church is **ENDING** its refugee services program with the US Govt, and declining to resettle white South Africans OVER OTHERS.

Senator Gillibrand assisted 1 Ukrainian to find their paperwork. USCRI told me Monday when I contacted them on this that some others have finally gotten their paperwork. I "suggested " that they direct any others to Gillibrand's office since she got the one through and they agreed. I have asked again that we re-contact Schumer's office and have offered to assist in person with their liaison. I guess you could call this an example of OUR bureaucracy! Not too encouraging.

WHY DO WE NEED THE LEGISLATIVE BILLS MENTIONED ABOVE TO PASS??

Nearly 340,000!! cases are pending before Immigration Courts located in New York!! The Bills above will help reduce that number by providing SUPPORT FOR SERVICES to a very overworked body of Immigration lawyers and staff. See Commentary in TU, Apr. 9th, by Lauren Desrosiers, of Albany Law Schools Immigration Law Clinic.

US Conference of Catholic Bishops recent immigration /refugee statements ---- NONE!!

Thanks, *Ken*

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We must regain the conviction that we need one another, that we have a shared responsibility for others and the world, and that being good and decent are worth it.

POPE FRANCIS

OUR FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATORS CONTACT INFORMATION

Federal Representatives

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

State Representatives

Legislator	Area Office	Phone
Senator Jake Ashby Contact:	https://www.nysenate.gov/senators/jacob-ashby 594 Columbia Turnpike East Greenbush, NY 12061 https://www.nysenate.gov/senators/jacob-ashby/contact	Phone: 518-371-2751
Assemblyman Scott Bendett Contact:	https://nyassembly.gov/mem/Scott-Bendett 1580 Columbia Turnpike Building 4, Suite 1A Castleton on the Hudson, NY 12033 bendett@nysassembly.gov	Phone: 518-272-6149

NYS Bills

NYS Senate Bill S141	https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S141
NYS Assembly Bill A270	https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/A270
NYS Senate / Assembly Bills (S2235/A3506.)	https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S2235/amendment/A
NYS Senate / Assembly Bills (S4538/A2689)	https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S4538

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.