

St. Mary's Church Est. 1852 PO Box 435 26 Church St. Nassau, NY 12123

Easter Sunday

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 Winter 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 Parish Prayer Group 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 1st Friday, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Every 1st Saturday, Rosary at 5:00 pm before Mass

Schedule of Mass Intentions		
April 19 & 20, 2025	April 26 & 27, 2025	
Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday		
Saturday, April 19, 2025 @ 5:30 pm	Saturday, April 26, 2025 @ 5:30 pm	
Holy Saturday	Gene Mullins – Barbara Wurzburg	
	Barbara Eastman – Her Husband	
Sunday, April 20, 2025 @ 10:00 am	Sunday, April 27, 2025 @ 10:00 am	
Easter Sunday	Tom O'Brien – The Ridzi Family	
	Debra Sitser – Michele Sweet	
Tuesday, April 22, 2025 @ 9:30 am	Tuesday, April 29, 2025 @ @ 9:30 am	
Lee and Bud Rausch – by Rocky and Jim Rausch	For the People of St. Mary's	
Thursday April 24, 2025 @ 9:30 am	Thursday May 1, 2025 @ 9:30 am	
Paul Tomchik – by Mary Tomchik	Terry Moon – The Russomanno Family	

WEEKDAY MASS

The nicer weather is here and Spring has finally come. Regular weekday masses will return to the church beginning the week April 21.

Collections

4/12 & 4/13

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Erica Partak, Darlene Eagle, Chip Le Brecht, Seth Kaminski, Cory Roberts, John DeLap, Bethany Jenest, Danielle Hilton, Amy Gumlaw, Joan Campbell, Alice Loughlin, Philip Sullivan, Madison Chesterman, Chad Cardoza, Jeanne and Barry Litt, Elizabeth Hrifko, Richard Holmes, Carolyn Straus, Sophia Rysedorph, Alice Podeswa, Kate Hockford, Anna May Gregg, Linda Walsh, Linda Schaefer, Colin Sullivan, Masresha Schaefer, Michael Stephen Allen, Angelo Papa, Christine Anderson, Jake Rysedorph, Charleen Papa, Rita Labrum, Sharon Banks, Jody Risko, Dom Devaney, Ann Devaney, Peter Quinn, Stacy Hyson, Bill Ayers, Debbie

McLaughllin, Michelle Dymond, Tom Rysedorph, Marion Rysedorph, Gina Lo Presti, David Labrum, Chamylla Stephanie De Frees, Judy Hanson, Nancy Quinn, Patricia, Michele Sweet, Cathy Lavoie, Maureen Cellery, Thomas O'Grady, Stanley Giniewski, Alex Charbonnea, Mary Sager, David Wemple, Avin Meyette



An Expression of Thanks and Appreciation . .



Holy Week Schedule



Easter Vigil - 7:00 pm Immaculate Conception



Easter

10:00 am St. Mary's11:30 am St. Joseph's

Thoughts for Our Daily Lives

During the Lenten journey, we have given up many things. Perhaps instead of giving up these things only during Lent, we can, as Pope Francis advised several years ago, dedicate ourselves to making this world a better place.

EVENTS

ST. MARY'S

Sweet's Auction Annual Auction Saturday, April 26
Doors Open 10:00 am Auction Begins 12:30 pm

Volunteers are will be mostly needed for Friday April 25 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.

Reminders:

April is Cemetery Spring Clean-Up Month



Each April is scheduled for clean-up. The leftover of winter debris from Mother Nature and all else is picked up and discarded. If you have any decorations, please remove them so they are not taken away during the clean-up

STILL HOLDING! SEPTEMBER 21 WILL BE THE ANNUAL PICNIC

details to follow as the come....

EVENTS

IN OUR COMMUNITY

RISSE – Refugee Update, April 19-20, 2025

While RISSE continues to work with immigrants and Refugees, I have just had a discussion with the Immigration Office (USCRI) that oversees all vetted, approved refugees. While staff were cut, there are fortunately some left who are allowed to work with refugees who had arrived. There were \$ cuts for the last group as normally each refugee is allotted a small sum (@ 1000,) to assist them with extra expenses. (e.g., Laundry costs, which can be expensive for families).

The last group did NOT receive that money so USCRI sought out private donations to close that gap. This would be an example of how other organizations, churches, etc. can help. This change from the administration is another example of the confusion for new legal arrivals. *She informed me that other diocese churches are interested in helping so after Easter we will be looking into that. She also noted that NYS government has been very supportive in helping where they can. (e.g. consumer protection to prevent scams as we mentioned previously).

Food Banks- Last week the NE Regional Food Bank announced that the Administration cuts will initially result in the loss of 22 Tractor Trailer loads of foodstuffs! My contact said they are "navigating" through this by looking for OTHER sources to fill certain product gaps as this potentially worsens.

The gift cards ARE a key resource both at RISSE and at USCRI. Some donors are also doing gift VISA, etc. cards as these allow more flexibility for foodstuffs for our Muslim refugees that are not always available at standard grocery stores.

Jim Shannon, our parishioner, has informed me that he has now met with the Employment staffer at RISSE so that they can interview appropriate refugees, etc. for possible employment through his company.

Also, thanks to Mary Ann Roberts for the 2 strollers which I delivered Apr. 9th. They still have a waiting list and the best choice are the foldable "umbrella" types that are easy to use with public transportation.

I must tell you quite honestly, when I drop off cards, etc. I often come away near tears for what these people are going through, especially since some of them have been waiting in camps overseas for literally YEARS as all the vetting, security steps are taken to allow them to finally arrive here in the states. The phrase, "Judge ye not, lest ye be judged," comes to mind.

Thanks everyone for your caring, Ken Scallon

SPECIAL PRAYERS

For all healthcare professionals, first responders and others involved in caring for he sick or injured, that God would give them strength and wisdom as they perform their duties with diminishing staff and heavy patient loads, let us pray to the Lord.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation enrollment is available all year, for all grades, including Sacramental Instructions. This also includes adult programs for anyone interested in increasing their knowledge of faith or to receive sacraments. Please contact our parish office for more information on enrollment or questions at 518-766-2701.

Faith instructions resumed on Sunday, January 26th, for all grades, K- 8th including Confirmation 9th and 10th grade students. Classes are, in the Church Hall from 8:45 am to 9:45 am, followed by the 10 am Mass or attending the 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday evening.

Make every effort to attend Mass with your child. More than anything else you teach your child, bringing them and to Mass gives way to a firm untouchable faith in all of life's ups and downs.

2025 Faith Formation Class Instruction 8:45 am – 9:45 AM		
April	May	
6 th - CLASS	4th - Last Class	
13th CLASS Palm Sunday	10 th First Holy Communion	
20th NO CLASSES Easter!		
27th CLASS		

Carlos Acutis

From the Catholic News Agency....

"The new film on Carlo Acutis to be released on his canonization date, **Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality**, the highly anticipated documentary on the life of the soon-to-be saint, will be released in theaters nationwide for a limited time from April 27–29. The release date coincides with Pope Francis' canonization of Carlo Actuis, the Catholic Church's first millennial saint, on April 27.

Roadmap to Reality explores the life of Acutis and the lessons he offers young people regarding the challenges of the digital world. The documentary blends live action, animation, and documentary-style interviews with Acutis' family, friends, tech experts, and scholars to tackle urgent questions about artificial intelligence and the technological world we live in."

For much more information on this film, visit https://www.carloacutisfilm.com/

OUR CENSUS

Many have returned the census update form *Thank you*! We are still missing half of the updates. If you have not returned an update, please do. *If you do not have any changes to return, it is still important to respond with no changes.* If you know someone who does not regularly attend service or is sick or homebound, or is on vacation, please consider bringing or mailing them a form. The forms are near the bulletin in the front of the church. Even though it is now a few months into 2025, this is still important and must be completed. Thank you.

ST. MARY'S WEBSITE

Our website address is: http://parishes.rcda.org/St.MarysNassau

Please take a few minutes to look at it, select any of the links mentioned to read additional information. Let us know if you want to see more and if so what.

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ALBANY 2025 COLLECTIONS

COLLECTION	DATE
Holy Land	Friday, April 18, 2025
Catholic Charities	Sunday, May 18, 2025
Eastern European Collection	Sunday, May 25,2025
Catholic Communication Campaign	Sunday, June 1, 2025
Holy Father	Sunday July 27, 2025
Catholic Home Missions `	Sunday, August 24, 2025
Catholic University Collection	Sunday, September 28, 2025
Mission Sunday	Sunday, October 19, 2025
Campaign for Human Development	Sunday, November 16, 2025