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The Feast of Kings
Sunday, November 23, 2025

St. Mary's Church
Est. 1852
PO Box 435
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 10:00am Followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet – All are welcome to stay
Monday	Learn About Your Faith 6:30 – 7:30pm at the Rectory
*Tuesday	Morning Mass 9:30am St. Anthony Novena and Adoration until 10:30am Bible Study 6:30 – 7:30pm at the Rectory
Wednesday	Parking Lot Rosary 6:00pm (Dress for the weather)
*Thursday	Morning Mass 9:30am Recitation of Rosary after Mass
Friday	Every 1 st Friday, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00pm
Saturday	Vigil Mass 5:30pm Every 1 st Saturday, Rosary at 5:00pm 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>

Mass Intentions 34th Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 22&November 23, 2025

Saturday, November 22, 2025 @ 5:30 pm

Joseph Zucconi– The Zucconi-Dellea Family

John DiCarlo – Wife, Mel Witkowski

The Victims in Sudan – Beth Wing

Sunday, November 23, 2025 @ 10:00 pm

The Christian Martyrs in Nigeria– Beth Wing

Tuesday, November 25, 2025 @ 9:30 am

The People of St. Mary's

Thursday, November 27, 2025 @ 9:30 am

No Mass. Happy Thanksgiving to All

November 29&November 30, 2025

Saturday, November 29, 2025 @ 5:30 pm

Melissa Wing for healing – Beth Wing

Al Reha for healing – Beth Wing

Sunday, November 30, 2025 @ 10:00 pm

The Christian Martyrs in Nigeria– Beth Wing

Tuesday, December 2, 2025 @ 9:30 am

The People of St. Mary's

Thursday, December 4, 2025 @ 9:30 am

The People of St. Mary's

Please pray for our sick



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, Sophia Rysedorph, Kate Hockford, Anna May Gregg, Linda Walsh, Linda Schaefer, Colin Sullivan, Masresha Schaefer, Michael Stephen Allen, Christine Anderson, Jake Rysedorph, Charleen Papa, Rita Labrum, Dom Devaney, Ann Devaney, Peter Quinn, Stacy Hyson, Bill Ayers, Michelle Dymond, Tom Rysedorph, Marion

Rysedorph, Gina Lo Presti, David Labrum, Chamylla Stephanie De Frees, Nancy Quinn, Michele Sweet, Maureen Cellery, Thomas O'Grady, AvinMeyette, Mike Cudsey, Sara Messineo Kent, Joseph Messineo, Cathy Lavoie

Collections

- The average weekly collection necessary to cover parish expenses: **\$4180.**
- Our Collections for **November 15 & 16, 2025** **\$2792**

This includes the monies collected for the Thanksgiving Food drive. Next week at the conclusion of the drive, the total amount collected for the food drive will be broken out of our weekly collections and added here.

Thanksgiving Mass Schedule

St. Mary's
Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, November 26 at 7:00 pm
Thursday, November 27 at 10:00 am

EVENTS

St. Mary's



Sunday, December 7 after Mass we will be decorating the church for Christmas and putting out the manger in front of the church.



Sunday, December 14 after Mass is our next coffee hour. Get your mug ready!

Sunday, December 21 after Mass we will have our parish Greccio put on by the children of our Parish.

Saturday, December 20 and Sunday, December 21 Father Cronin will be saying Mass at St. Mary's



This is the last weekend for our Thanksgiving Trees. Even though Thanksgiving is only days away, all donations are greatly appreciated. This is a community effort and again, this year, we continue our practice of helping the Nassau Resource Center with Thanksgiving dinners.

Learn About Your Faith

Faith Formation

Faith instructions the Sunday, November 23 for all grades K-8th including 9th and 10th grade confirmation students in the Church Hall from 8:45 to 9:45 and followed by the 10 am Mass or attending the Saturday evening Mass at 5:30.

There is no instructions next Sunday, November 30. Classes resume Sunday, December 7.

The school year 2025-2026 class schedule is published on the last page in the "Religious Education" section of our bulletin. Additionally, updates that are not included in the bulletin are emailed to parents. Please check your email for these.

Our Journey of Faith

Our next one hour “**Learning About Our Faith**” session is Monday November 24 in the Rectory at 6:30 PM. The topic is “**Catholic Beliefs - The Eucharist**”. If you plan to attend, let the Parish Office know 766-2701. Our weekly schedule until the end of this year is published on the last page in the “Religious Education” section of our bulletin.

In Our Community

IMMIGRATION – Refugee Update November 22 – 23, 2025

We remain ready for our **REMADE FOR Mission** process. This has a direct relationship to this work with the Refugees.

*With SNAP re-starting we can only hope that this will get our Refugees back on track for some of their needs.

*The Times Union last Sunday in their special Giving Section has a very good article on USCRI. This came from an interview they did with the CEO, right after our article appeared in the Evangelist. It is a good core explanation of their operations.

The link to this article is:

<https://www.timesunion.com/gives/article/albany-nonprofit-rallies-community-support-21104098.php>

*We still have no word on our Ukrainians working papers ..so USCRI will continue to support them given loss of jobs.

*Earlier I described two categories of Refugees in the US system. Here are two more:

Asylum Seeker - someone who (usually as an individual) applied for asylum in the US and is waiting for a decision. This is one of the HARDEST CATEGORIES to use to get into the US.

Asylee - Applied for and WAS GRANTED asylum in the US. They can apply for Lawful Permanent Resident within one year.

***The Cabrini Pledge and the Statement by the NYS Bishops**. This was handed out last week as a separate document for us. Did you get a copy? Have a chance to read yet? If your days are like mine I can understand..... although I get the Evangelist, so I had read it earlier. Yet another advantage of getting the Evangelist delivered in your mail. Please do read itit's about where we are going with this administration. More on this next week!

*US Aid-- You remember this -----overseen by our State Dept., this was among the cuts by DOGE. Many Americans don't seem to realize the vast amount of good will AND SUPPORT that this Aid gained us. Money that was well spent in the majority of cases. Working overseas can be frustrating, ask a Peace Corps Volunteer. Many Americans assumed that this amounted to 15 or 20 % of our National Budget. But it was not --it was LESS THAN 1%! And what kind of effect do you think this might have on someone considering immigrating or seeking refuge here?

IMMIGRATION – Refugee Update Cont.'...

*Again, winter is coming and if you have goods that can be used please bring them to church.

.....let us try to stay positive and prayerful at this time, *Ken*

At the end of life, we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made, or how many great things we have done. We will be judged by "I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was naked and you clothed me. I was homeless, and you took me in. – **Mother Teresa**

Reminders...

Faith Formation

Greccio Practice Sunday

Eucharistic Ministers

Eucharist Ministers If you are unable to perform your duties on your scheduled me, please call another Eucharist Minister or Lector to replace you. Contact phone numbers were included in the mailing. Please call Michele Sweet (518-336-4422) if you have any questions.

The Diocesan Appeal

Please print **St. Mary's Nassau 09-08** on your donation envelope. This will ensure your

Religious Education

Schedules, Updates, and Announcements

Learning About Our Faith

Learning About Our Faith sessions are on Monday evenings in the Rectory at 6:30 PM

Session		Date		Topic
1	Mon	9/8/25		Catholic Beliefs - Jesus
2	Mon	9/15/25		Catholic Beliefs - The Papacy
3	Mon	10/6/25		Catholic Beliefs - The Bible
4	Mon	10/20/25		Catholic Beliefs - Scripture & Tradition
5	Mon	10/27/25		The Early Church & Church History
6	Mon	10/27/25		Who's Who in the Church
7	Mon	11/10/25		The Nicene Creed
8	Mon	11/24/25		Catholic Beliefs - The Eucharist
9	Mon	12/1/25		The Mass
10	Mon	12/8/25		The Lord's Prayer

Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes are from 8:45 am to 9:45 am for all grades, K through 10th, with Mass at 10 am

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
10/5 – Class 10/12 – No Class- Columbus weekend 10/19 – Class (Decorate Pumpkins) 10/26 – Class (Blessing the Pumpkins)	11/2 – Class (Greccio Practice) Daylight Savings Time Ends 11/9 – Class 11/16 – Class 11/23 – No Class (Thanksgiving Break) 11/30 – No Class (1 st Sunday of Advent)	12/7 – Class (Practice) 12/14 – Class (Practice) 12/21 – Grecco! And Christmas Break
JANUARY 2026	FEBRUARY	MARCH
1/4 – Class 1/11 – Class 1/18 – No Class 1/25 – Class	2/1 – Class 2/8 – Class 2/15 – No Class (Winter Break) 2/22 – Class	3/1 – Class 3/8 – Class Daylight Savings Time Starts 3/15 – Class 3/22 – Class 3/29 – Class (Palm Sunday)
APRIL	MAY	
4/5 – Class 4/12 – Class 4/19 – Class 4/26 – Class	5/3 – Last Class 5/9 – First Holy Communion	

Any questions, please call the office (518) 766-2701.