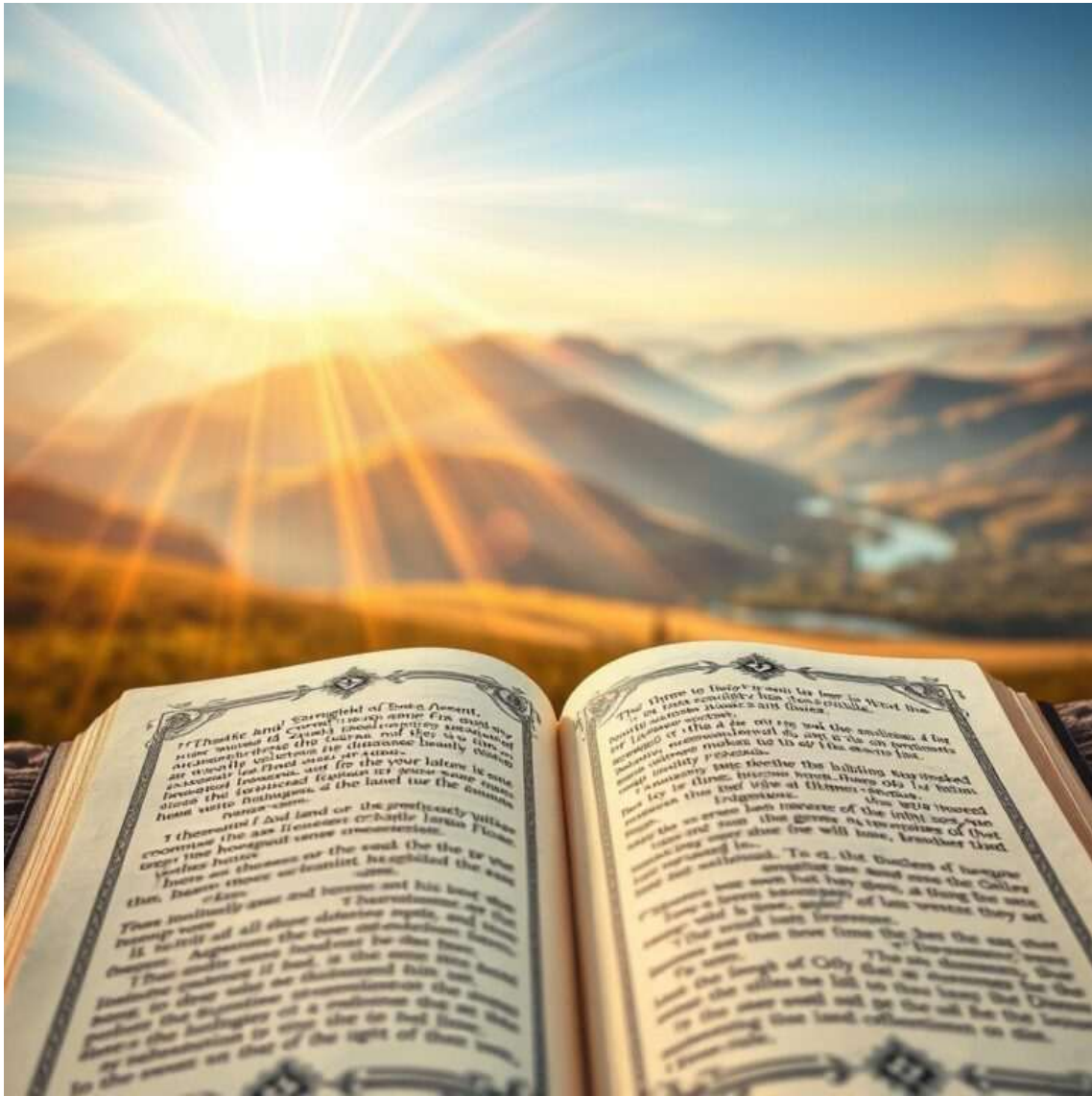




25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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.

Rev. John Cronin – Pastor

Rev. John Close – Sacramental Minister

Dee McCumber – Parish Secretary

Email – stmarysnassau1@gmail.com

Phone – 518-766-2701

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Joanna Towse – Music Minister

Phone – 518-436-7857

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 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

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

Mass Intentions
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 20 & September 21, 2025

Saturday, September 20, 2025 @ 5:30 pm

Frank and Rita Dreher – Larry and Kye Sun

Sunday, September 21, 2025 @ 10:00 pm

Lee and Bud Rausch– Rocky and Jim Rausch

Paul Tomchik – Mary Tomchik

Tuesday, September 23, 2025, 2025 @ @ 9:30 am

For the People of St. Mary's

Thursday September 25, 2025 @ 9:30 am

Tom O'Brien - -Theresa Harty

September 27 & September 28, 2025

Saturday, September 27, 2025 @ 5:30 pm

John Fitzgibbons – Maureen Cellery

Sunday, September 28, 2025 @ 10:00 pm

Oaureen Cellery – for Healing – Theresa Harty+6

Paul Tomchik – Mary Tomchik

Tuesday, September 30, 2025, 2025 @ @ 9:30 am

For the People of St. Mary's

Thursday October 2, 2025 @ 9:30 am

Tom O'Brien - -Theresa Harty

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, Sharon Banks, 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, Stanley Giniewski, Mary Sager, Avin Meyette, Mike Cudsey, Sara Messineo Kent, Joseph Messineo

Collections

September 13 & 14, 2025

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EVENTS

St. Mary's

TODAY IS THE PICNIC – **YEAH!** Nassau Sportsman Club 12:00 to ?

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Anyone planning to attend should call the Parish office (518)766-2701. So that we have the right number of handouts. The first seven sessions are:

<u>Session Number</u>		<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Complete</u>
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20	Mon	10/27/2025	The Early Church & Church History	

The full curriculum is the last page of the bulletin and also posted on both bulletin boards.

In Our Community

IMMIGRATION – Refugee Update September 20 - 21, & September 27 – 28, 2025

**Please allow me to write this for TWO weeksat this point without major changes it saves us all time.

** Most important is the wants list in your pews as we enter this different phase. We realize this can be difficult but hope you will do what you can. The question came up, are we still taking money, especially in lieu of goods. Yes. If you wish to do that just use the donation box which is still in the back of church. I will use any money for needed goods or make a direct donation when i make my runs into USCRI.

** Household items? we have to hold out for now so we don't have to store, move, load more than once. I will follow the direction AND needs from Shannon and Sara at CRI.

** Thanks to at least one other person who called their legislator. Use their numbers etc. below if you have not. Since Schumer is investigating you need not call that office. The other two offices can still be called. THE MORE PEOPLE THEY HEAR FROM THE MORE PRESSURE WE CREATE. ITS OUR MONEY, REMEMBER?

IMMIGRATION – Refugee Update Cont...

** The letter from USCRI that Father referred to last week is ATTACHED to this Bulletin. note, it mentions over \$2000, donated. Remember that when we started we donated to RISSE as that was the first organization identified and we donated to them for a time before i found USCRI who also took the material goods. So, our actual total is over \$4000, between BOTH agencies. I now work solely with USCRI as it means I can do ONE stop in Albany instead of two, as RISSE does not take household goods, etc. The two organizations do collaborate with each other.

Lastly, I would urge you to follow the news on Immigration and refugees. The more informed we all are the better we can HELP OTHERS TO UNDERSTAND AND NOT BELIEVE THE MISINFORMATION OUT THERE!!!! CHECK YOUR SOURCES, AND CORROBERATE WHAT YOU SEE AND HEAR.

Keep the Faith *Ken*

"So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets."

– Matthew 7:12

Fr. Close and St. Mary's parishioners has received a Thank You letter from the US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants acknowledging the generous gift cards, money, and household items, bicycles, children's toys and hygiene supplies in support of their clients. The letter was also scribed with a personal note from David Sussman, the Director, expressing his gratitude. The letter is attached to the bulletin and also on the bulletin board

OUR LEGISLATORS CONTACT NUMBERS

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

ALL OF THE ABOVE HAVE EASY TO USE EMAIL PAGES ON THEIR WEB SITES WITH A SIMPLE FORM TO FILL OUT AND INCLUDE YOUR MESSAGE.

Reminders...

Learn About Your Faith Begins Faith Formation 2025-2026 Catholic University Collection	Monday nights, 6:30- 7:30 in the Rectory Begins Sunday, September 28 in the Parish Hall Sunday, September 28, 2025
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Eucharistic Ministers

If you are unable to perform your duties on your scheduled time, please call another Eucharist Minister or Lector to replace you.

FAITH FORMATION

It is that time of year again for Faith Formation classes to resume. We begin on Sunday, September 28th in the Parish Hall. The classes are from 8:45 am to 9:45 am for all grades, K through 10th, with Mass at 10 am. Tuition is still \$60.00 for one child - \$5.00 more for each additional child.

Parents and family can show our children how their Catholic faith is not just a religion, but a way to live life. Faith Formation classes help to show how to do this. We welcome our parents to share in their children’s faith learning experience here at Faith Formation. Please come and join us.

For any questions or concerns please call the Parish Office at 518-766-2701.

SPECIAL PRAYERS

- † Let us pray for the families, friends, and teachers; the victims of the Annunciation Catholic School mass shooting.
- † Let us pray for peace: peace in the world and in each of our hearts. Pope Francis
- † For all healthcare professionals, first responders and others involved in caring for the sick or injured, that God would give them strength and wisdom a they perform their duties with diminishing staff and heavy patient loads, let us pray to the Lord.

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ALBANY 2025 COLLECTIONS

COLLECTION	DATE
Catholic University Collection	Sunday, September 28, 2025
Mission Sunday	Sunday, October 19, 2025
Campaign for Human Development	Sunday, November 16, 2025

St. Mary's, Nassau – What do Catholics really believe?

September 2025

RCIA 2025

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15	Mon	TBA	The Sacraments - Holy Orders	
16	Mon	TBA	The Sacraments - Anointing of the Sick	
17	Mon	TBA	The Sacraments - Social Justice and Dignity of Life	
18	Mon	TBA	The Mass	
19	Mon	TBA	Mary	
21	Mon	TBA	Purgatory	
		TBA	The Saints	
22	Mon	TBA	Conversion, The Laity, Your Special Gifts	
23	Mon	TBA	Prayer Life, Discernment, Holiness, Evangelization	
4	Mon	TBA	What is Lent	
6	Mon	TBA	The Way of the Cross	
7	Mon	TBA	The Lord's Prayer	
8	Mon	TBA	The Meaning of Holy Week	
9	Mon	TBA	Catholic Beliefs - The Eucharist	
10	Mon	TBA	Catholic Beliefs - Morality	
12	Mon	TBA	The Sacraments - Baptism & Confirmation	
13	Mon	TBA	The Sacraments - Penance & Reconciliation	

If you think you might want to attend some of these meetings, call the parish office 518-766-2701 to learn more. The meetings will be held in the parish rectory (across from the church on Route 20) or in the downstairs meeting room in the parish hall (depending on number of people).