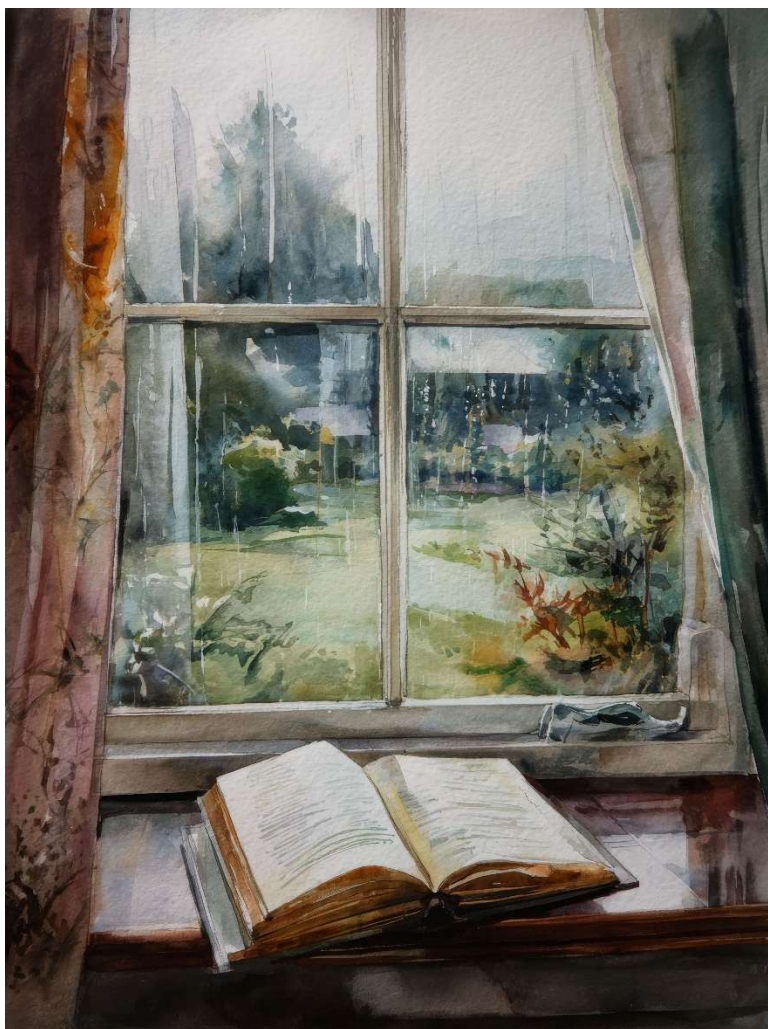




The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16, 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.

Rev. John Cronin – Pastor

Rev. John Close – Sacramental Minister

Dee McCumber – Parish Secretary

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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	Faith Formation 8:45 – 9:45 am Parish Hall before Mass Mass followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet – 10:00 am 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>

Mass Intentions *20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

August 15 & August 16, 2026

Saturday August 15, 2026 @ 5:30 pm
Theresa Harty – for Healing

Sunday, August 16, 2026 @ 10:00 am
Lee and Bud Rausch – Jim and Rocky
Audrey Kellner and Patricia Tomchik – Marlene Tomchik
Theresa Harty – for Healing – Marion

Tuesday, August 18, 2026 @ 9:30 am
For the People of St. Mary

Thursday August 20, 2026 @ 9:30 am
For the People of St. Mary

August 22 & August 23, 2026

Saturday August 22, 2026 @ 5:30 pm
Frank and Rita Dreher – Larry and Kye Sun

Sunday, August 23, 2026 @ 10:00 am
Alice Zackarewicz – Linda Dellea and Family
Theresa Harty – For Strength, Healing and Comfort – Michele Sweet

Tuesday, August 25, 2026 @ 9:30 am
For the People of St. Mary

Thursday August 27, 2026 @ 9:30 am
For the People of St. Mary

*Our thoughts and prayers extend to the Wing Family
on their loss of Beth's father, Robert Neyen*

Please pray for our sick

Michael Stephen Allen
Christine Anderson
Elizabeth Hrifko
Joan Campbell
Joseph Messineo
Maureen Cellery
Madison Chesterman
Barry and Jeanne Litt
Thomas O'Grady
Alice Loughlin
Michele Sweet
Rita Labrum
Amy Gumlaw
Cory Roberts

Stacy Hyson
Kate Hockford
Chamylla Stephanie De Frees
Bethany Jenest
Seth Kaminski
Sara Messineo Kent
Cathy Lavoie
Masresha Schaefer
Gina Lo Presti
Philip Sullivan
Dom Devaney
Michelle Dymond
Marion Rysedorph
Ann Marie Waldron

Nancy Quinn
Peter Quinn
Jake Rysedorph
John DeLap
Tom Rysedorph
Linda Schaefer
Cathy Schaefer
Colin Sullivan
Ann Devaney
Linda Walsh
Anna May Gregg
Charleen Papa



REFLECTION

By Nick Brodie

Dining with around two hundred poor and vulnerable people in the Borgo Laudato Si', a garden inspired by Pope Francis' teaching on care for creation, Pope Leo showed the world's media that the state of the earth and the welfare of vulnerable people are entwined. Care for one goes in hand with care for the other.

Pope Leo opened the event with remarkable unscripted words. "I have come without a prepared speech," he said, "but with hunger. A hunger for justice, a hunger for genuine charity."

The Pope expressed his "hunger for a Church that truly knows how to open its doors, to welcome and receive everyone. A Church where there is love for all, where no one is an enemy, and where we all know how to live in reconciliation, forgiveness, and peace."

"Whenever we come together," he emphasized, "whenever we share this spirit of encounter around the same table—the one table where Jesus is also present with us—we are truly building a different world: a world of hope, a world that is light."

"Let us work together," he concluded, "and always strive to live this experience of Church, of justice, of peace, and of love."



Quotes from Greeting at "Lunch with the Pope", 11 July 2026: <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/speeches/2026/july/documents/20260711-pranzo-castel-gandolfo.html>

Collection Obligations

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

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 August 8 & August 9 **\$1818**

The August 8 & August 9 collections goal fell **\$682** below our necessary weekly budget.

EVENTS

St. Mary's

St. Mary's Picnic Barbecue – the Date has been set!!

Details!



When: September 20
Time: 12 Noon
Where: Nassau Sportsmen Club
Cost: No Cost

Volunteers Needed

People that would like to

SHOP !

Help with the set-up

Cook

If you would like to help – Call (or stop him – if you can...)

Frank 518-258-8752

The parish will provide the Hot Dogs & Hamburgers & Soda & Water.

We are asking parishioners to bring a Covered dish – sharing size and to let us know how many people are coming so we can prepare food and drink. The sign-up sheets for the covered dish and attendance is on the back-door table and announcement is posted on both bulletin boards.

St. Mary's Committees

St. Mary's has several committees that play important roles in our month to month; season to season activities. These committees support the spiritual and physical well-being of our Parish. Please consider joining any of the committees. Below is the list of our committees and the chair persons contact information. Your support and input are most necessary and welcome for the well-being of our Parish.

Committee

Liturgy
Bereavement
Faith Formation
Building & Grounds
Volunteers
Fund-Raising
Technology

Contact

Dominic Russomanno	518-915-3464
Joanna Towse	518-436-7857
Antonette Perry	518-766-4345
Dominic Russomanno	518-915-3464
Joanne Schnurr	518-794-7469
Jen Clement	518-203-9130
Ellie Russomanno	518-925-4687

Father Cronin Mass Schedule

August 20

Thursday Morning- 9:30 am

Aug 29-30

Saturday 5:30

Sunday 10:00 am

Poll Inspectors Trainings Are Coming for The Fall Elections!!

Please consider serving as a Poll Inspector for the Town of Nassau. More than ever we need to make our Democracy fully participatory. NOW is the time to step up!

Anyone already trained in the Spring does not need to repeat training. This is only for those who have not been trained this year, or are NEW!

They are run by the Board of Elections, and take approximately 2 1/2 hours. Once trained you will get a shift from the Town and new Inspectors are ALWAYS teamed up with Veteran Inspectors.

Poll Inspectors Trainings Schedule

Training Dates

Tuesday	September 8	10:00 am or 2:00 pm
Wednesday	September 9	10:00 am or 2:00 pm or 6:00 pm
Thursday	September 10	10:00 am or 2:00 pm
Monday	September 14	10:00 am or 2:00 pm

Registration: Visit the County website "Inspector Training Classes:"
<https://renesco.com/601/Inspector-Training-Classes-Registration>

The Inspector Training Class for the General Election will be held at the Rensselaer County Government Center, 1600 7th Ave., Troy, NY 12180. Classes will be held on the 2nd floor.

If you have any questions, ask Ken Scallon or any of our other poll inspectors. There is a copy of the announcement on the bulletin board.

Does Someone You Know Need Communion Brought to Them?

Someone who has difficulty getting out? Cannot attend Mass as often or at all? Needs a ride?

PLEASE.....call the rectory. Let someone know. We will make sure they get it.

Looking for homes....

We have 2 adorable kitties ❤️ that are looking for a permanent indoor home. Both little guys are rescues, have all their shots, and are neutered. Great personalities and are ready for a They are indoor only kitties. Both guys are approximately 2 years old. One is Moo-Moo and the other is Honey Boo-Boo. ❤️ Pictures are on the bulletin board. ❤️ If you would like to adopt, please call Donna at **518-867-0192 (phone number change)**.

Our Community

Magnificat

Gentle Woman of Praise Chapter

Day of Reflection

GUEST SPEAKER: Fr. Rendell Torres

Albany NY Chapter of Magnificat (a Ministry to Catholic Women) is hosting a Women's Day of Reflection

Saturday, September 12, 2026, from 10 AM – 2:30 PM at the

Sisters of the Resurrection Provincial House, 35 Boltwood Ave., Castleton, NY.

Check-in begins at 9:30 AM in the vestibule of the Chapel.

The Day will include Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confession, Divine Mercy Chaplet, lunch (bring a bag lunch and beverage), time for Prayer & Praise and a talk by Deacon Gary Riggi, "*Birth of Jesus in Our Lives*".

Cost: *Free-will* donation

To Register, at: <https://magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/ny-albany/>

Registration Deadline – **Friday, August 28, 2026** **SEATING IS LIMITED – 70 PEOPLE!**

Marie @ 518-621-7376 or Diane @ 518-810-1310

Bring a bag lunch and beverage.

Poster on the bulletin board.