

*The Most Holy Trinity Sunday*

**May 31, 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 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 <sup>st</sup> Friday, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 pm
Saturday	Vigil Mass 5:30 pm Every 1 <sup>st</sup> 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

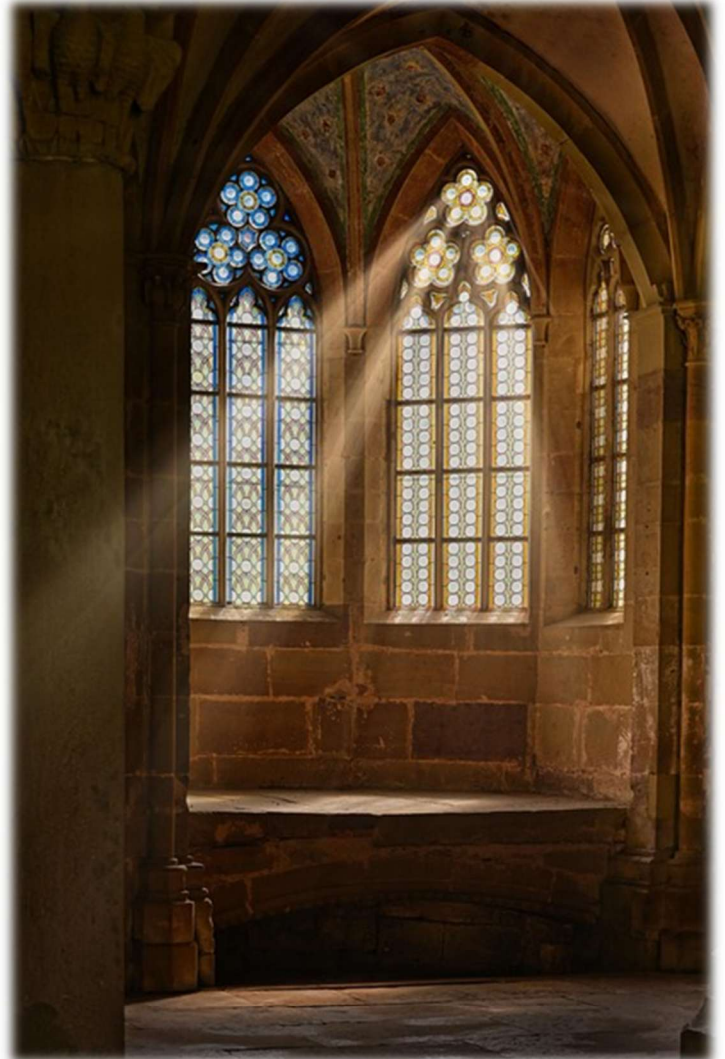
### *Leo's Lens*

“The mystery of union with Christ lies at the heart of mission,” Pope Leo XIV reminds us. Indeed, as he explains, the Church itself is “a communion that flows from the Trinity, and continues to be sustained by the Trinity. A communion at the service of fraternity among all human beings and harmony with all creation.”

“Being a Christian,” therefore, the Pope explains, “means abiding in Christ ... immersed in the life of the Trinity.” As the Pope puts it, “the more united we are in Christ, the better able we will be to carry out together the mission that he entrusts to us.”

“Our proclamation of the Gospel, therefore, the Pope adds, should be “an action that is always harmonious, communal and synodal.” He encourages us to “learn to recognize joyfully the good that the Spirit inspires in each person, to embrace diversity as a treasure, to bear one another’s burdens and always to seek the unity that comes from above.”

“The mission of the disciples and the Church as a whole,” the Pope encourages us to recollect, “is to continue the mission of Christ in the Holy Spirit: a mission born of love, lived in love, and leading to love.”



## Mass Intentions The Most Holy Sunday

May 30 & May 31, 2026

Saturday May 30, 2026 @ 5:30 pm  
 Bob Yager – Healing – Theresa Harty  
 Ginny Doherty – Marion and Tom Rysedorph  
 Ann Wagoner – by Barbara Wurzburg

Sunday, May 31, 2026 @ 10:00 am  
 Margaret Shuyler –The Ridzi Family  
 Sharon Fromma – by Maureen Cellery  
 Special Intentions – by Sharron Anselment

Tuesday, June 2, 2026 @ @ 9:30 am  
 Fr. Antone on the Anniversary of his Ordination – Larry and Kye Sun

Thursday June 4, 2026 @ 9:30 am  
 For the People of St. Mary's

June 6 & June 7, 2026

Saturday June 6, 2026 @ 5:30 pm  
 Mary Scallon – Healing – Theresa Harty  
 Ginny Doherty – The Ridzi Family

Sunday, June 7, 2026 @ 10:00 am  
 Mamie Mazzatti –The Ridzi Family  
 Frank Cellery – by Maureen Cellery  
 Paul Tomchik – by Mary Tomchik

Tuesday, June 9, 2026 @ @ 9:30 am  
 Maureen Celery – Healing – Theresa Harty

Thursday June 11, 2026 @ 9:30 am  
 For the People of St. Mary's

*The St. Mary's family extends its hearts and prayers to the Shannon family.*

*Please pray for our sick*

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

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  
 Chamylla Stephanie De Frees

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





St. Mary's of the Nativity  
26 Church Street • Nassau, New York 12123

Celebrating 100 Years  
in Our Present Church

May 30, 1926 – May 30, 2026

Mary's Parish was founded in 1852 to serve Catholic families in Nassau and the surrounding communities, many of whom had previously traveled long distances to Albany to attend Mass. Under the leadership of Father Theodore Noethen, the first Mass in Nassau was celebrated on September 27, 1852, and the parish's first church building opened in 1853.

As the parish grew, it established a school in 1865 and St. Mary's Cemetery in 1872. Through sacrifice, faith, and perseverance, the parish community remained strong even during years when priests were shared with neighboring churches and Mass was offered only occasionally.

A major turning point came in 1916 when St. Mary's was placed under the care of the Franciscan Friars. Regular Sunday Masses began, parish life deepened, and the Franciscan spirit of humble service became a lasting part of the parish's identity.

As the congregation expanded, plans were made for a larger church. Ground was broken in 1925, and on May 30, 1926, the present St. Mary's Church was dedicated—a sacred home that has now served generations of worshippers for one hundred years.

Through the Great Depression, two World Wars, and changing times, the parish has remained rooted in faith, strengthened by the devotion and generosity of its people.

For generations, St. Mary's has been known not only for worship, but for service: through religious education, ministry to the sick and homebound, outreach to those in need, ecumenical prayer, and a spirit of neighborly care that continues today.

For nearly two centuries, St. Mary's has been more than a building. It has been a family of faith—guided by Our Blessed Mother, shaped by the spirit of St. Francis, and sustained by the prayers and devotion of generations of parishioners.

1852–2026

A continuing story of faith, service, and community.

Prepared from historical materials published on the St. Mary's of the Nativity Parish website, including parish history written by Mary Ridzi; church photograph courtesy of the Parish website.

## 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 23 & May 24 **\$1546**

### Diocesan Appeal

To meet this year's assessment, we need: **\$12,695 by June 30, 2026 – 30 days**

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

Our Collections to Date: **\$17,881**

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 @ 5:00 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.



## 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  
domrussomanno48@gmail.com

This announcement is also on our bulletin board.

## St. Mary's and the Nassau Village Wide Garage Sale!

If you have items you would like to donate to St. Mary's, you can bring them to the rectory any time Tuesday through Thursday. Please call if you plan on dropping off after 5:00 to make sure someone is there. If you want to drop off on *Monday or Friday, please call Jen to make the arrangements.*

If you would like to rent a table of your own for \$20 and keep the profit – just call...  
Jen Clement 518-203-9130 or Dee at the Rectory 518-766-2701.

*We want your trinkets and your treasures*

...No trash

*We want your gadgets and your gizmos*

No garbage

June 13 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Set up in the Parking Lot



Food and drink and baked goods will be available for purchase.

## Thank you

St. Mary's received a "Thank You" note from the St. Mary's Recycle Mission Group expressing their gratitude for our donation of religious items. They will be used by others who need and will help preserve them. More Information about the St. Mary's Recycle Mission Group is found on their website: <https://stmaryrecyclemissiongroup.com/>

The thank you note is on our bulletin board.



Father Cronin will be celebrating Mass at St. Mary's on the following days:

Father Cronin Mass Schedule	
Thursday Morning 9:30 am	Saturday 5:00 Sunday 10:00 am
May 19	May 30- 31
June 4 June 18	June 20-21
July 2 July 16 July 23	TBD
August 6 August 20	TBD
September 3	TBD

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

- Monday Learn About Your Faith 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).

### 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.

### QUESTION

St. Mary's received a request for as much information as we can provide on Fr. Basil Corbett. The request came from an alter server in the early '60's. His name is Dr. John (Jack) Casey. He is now retired and living in Las Vegas. He is researching to correct conflicting information published on different on-line resources regarding Fr. Basil's life, death, and tenure as a priest.

Fr. Corbett was responsible for building the Church hall, purchasing our rectory form Dr. Duffy and having the St. Francis prayer inscribed behind the alter. He also heard confessions with his dog Blackie on his lap.....

If you have any information or recollections about Fr. Basil, Dr. Casey has asked that you email him. His address is: [doctorjackcasey@gmail.com](mailto:doctorjackcasey@gmail.com)

If you do not have access to email please call Dee at the rectory 518-766-2701.

Let's try to help Dr. Casey out and correct Fr. Basil's on-line life....

## In Our Community

Pastoral Care Ministers Retreat  
Carondelet Hospitality Center  
385 Watervliet-Shaker Road, Latham

You are invited to spend the day with [Sr. Barbara Quinn, RSCJ](#)

Her theme will be: Pastoral Care: [How to Find the Hidden Face of Hope](#)

When: June 11, 2026 9:30 – 3:00

Check-in and breakfast start at 9:00 a.m.

Admission Fee: \$30.00\* includes light breakfast fare and a complimentary lunch.

Payment may be sent by check to: Office for Discipleship Formation, or paid day of program.

Register online by June 4, at: <https://webapps.rcda.org/ParishFaithFormation/>

Call-in registration 518-453-6660. Any questions Email Mary Fay at [mary.fay@rcda.org](mailto:mary.fay@rcda.org)

\*Please note that the fee is non-refundable unless the event is cancelled.

The announcement is on our bulletin board.



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, May 13 at 6:00 PM. For more information, contact Steve Clarson at 917-580-0620

## Religious Education

### 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
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

### Faith Formation

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.

IMMIGRATION - REFUGEE REPORT  
May 30 -31, 2026

Based on new information this past week let me make the following observation.  
As you know I also volunteer at the regional food bank.

At this point we have been salvaging beverages backlogged and frozen baked good and breads. Much of the latter is dumped based on dates and open packing that is not allowed. That goes to animal feed as we have been told. However, here is my point.

We are not getting the food donations!!! And as you may have heard from the food bank director on the news, fuel expenses for the latest month are running \$10,000 more than last year at this point. This affects everyone, and I know it affects you as well as our refugees!  
So here is my point -----

It is not just the fuel costs alone here. Where do you think the blame lies for what we are now experiencing across the board? Who is at fault here? Why do so many seem to be struggling now?

We as Catholics have an obligation to think beyond just us and our church; beyond prayer and donations such as we can give at this point.

We need to think now about where all of us are going here in America as we attempt to get through 2026.

We need to think now about how we are going to continue to help carry those "laying by the side of the road."

We need to prepare ourselves to be the Samaritans we have heard and read about.

We need to move beyond just prayers.

Respectfully, *Ken*

[kmscallon@yahoo.com](mailto:kmscallon@yahoo.com)

"It is not simply that we share with each other a common humanity, but that individually we have no humanity without each other."

~ Sara Maitland

## OUR FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATORS CONTACT INFORMATION

### Federal Representatives Legislator

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

### State Representatives Legislator

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

### NYS Bills

NYS Senate Bill S9104 *(Introduced by Senator Ashby)	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S9104">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S9104</a>
NYS Senate Bill S8462 *(Sponsored by Patricia Fahy)	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S8462">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S8462</a>
NYS Senate Bill S141	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S141">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S141</a>
NYS Assembly Bill A270	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/A270">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/A270</a>
NYS Senate / Assembly Bills	
(\$2235/A3506.)	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S2235/amendment/A">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S2235/amendment/A</a>
(\$4538/A2689)	<a href="https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S4538">https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/S4538</a>

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