

St. Mary's Church of Nutley

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SIT DOWN AND CALCULATE THE COST.

— LUKE 14:28 —

“23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time”

TIME

September 7th, 2025

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Mass Intentions

23rd Week in Ordinary Time

September 7th, 2025 through September 12th, 2025

● Saturday	September 6th 2025 5:00 pm + DiStaulo and French Families
● Sunday	September 7th 2025 7:30 am + Frank Aragona 10:00 am + Rosary Society(living and deceased) 12:00 pm People of the Parish
● Monday	September 8th 2025 8:00 am + Nicholas Fagioli
● Tuesday	September 9th 2025 8:00 am People of the Parish
● Wednesday	September 10th 2025 8:00 am + Rev. Thomas Horgan
● Thursday	September 11th 2025 8:00 am + Joanna Vigilante
● Friday	September 12th 2025 8:00 am + Jarel Lowry, Sr

Vigil Lamp Remembrances

Week of September 7th through September 13th, 2025

Church Sanctuary
+ Anthony and Jill(living) Buono

Chapel Sanctuary
Intention Still Available

Blessed Mother
+ Joseph Robert Connor(Anniv)

Divine Mercy
Intention Still Available

St. Anthony
Anthony Ferrante

St. Gerard
Anthony Ferrante

St. Joseph
Intention Still Available

St. Jude
Anthony Ferrante

St. Patrick
Intention Still Available

Blessed Michael McGivney
Knights of Columbus Knights(Living and Deceased)

Please Pray for Those Who are Deceased:

*Susie M. Craig
August 24, 2025*

***Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.***

Please Pray for Those Who Are Sick:

Luz Mary M. Sam R. Patrick M.

***In the midst of illness and pain, may the sick be united with Christ, who heals
both body and soul. Amen.***

If you would like a loved one included in our "prayers for the sick" please call the parish office to provide more information. The sick person must be aware that they are being prayed for to comply with HIPAA privacy laws.



Financial News

Transparency is the Goal

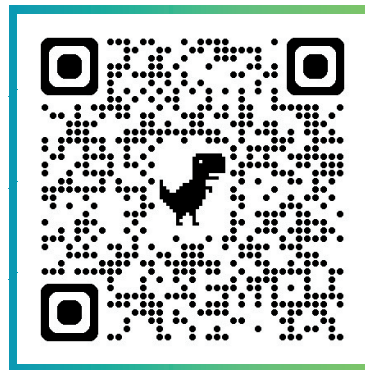
Offertory Collections

August 18th - Deposit/Donations -	\$ 5448.00
August 24th - Deposit/Donations -	\$ 6199.00
Weekly Amount Needed to Stay on Budget	\$ 6,961.00
August 18th - Assessment (To Date)	\$ 1123.00
August 18th - Assumption	\$ 721.00

Your Electronic Donation to the Parish

Of the \$355,000 collected each year in the weekly offertory at St. Mary's, \$115,000 is donated electronically, through a secure process called Parish Giving. This helps the parish cash flow tremendously!

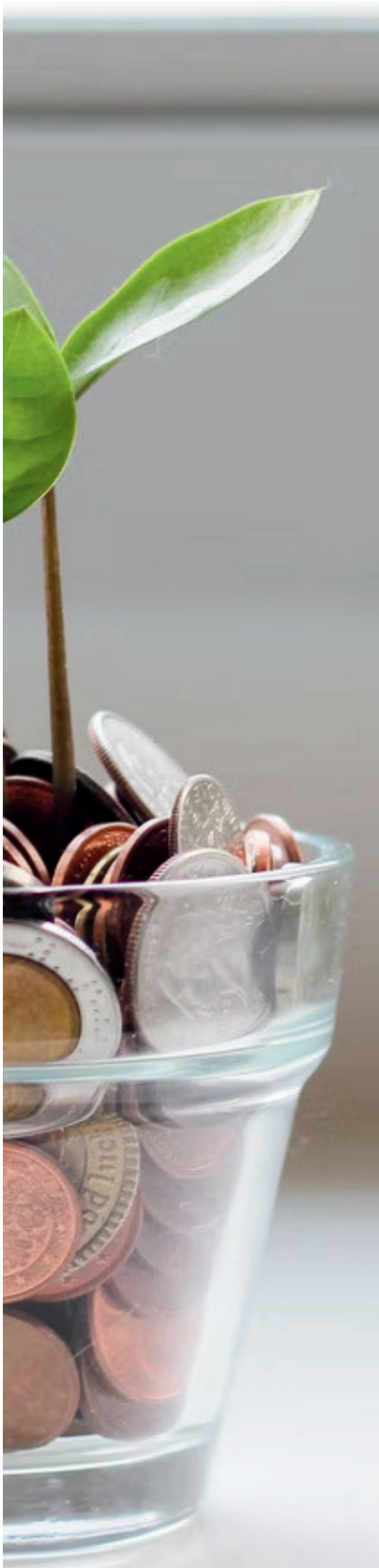
Online donations are safe and simple, saving the parish the expense of printing and mailing envelopes and making the transfer of money less risky since it goes from your bank or credit card directly to the parish bank. Many parishioners also enjoy getting reward points if they choose to use a credit card. When you are traveling during the summer you can be sure that the parish receives your donation by doing it online through the QR code below.



Bingo Night

Join us for BINGO in St. Mary's Hall on Tuesday evenings.
Doors open at 5:30 pm. Early Bird game at 7:15 pm.

Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30
Oct 7, 14, 21, 28



From the Desk of the Pastor & Dean



The summer and vacation time is certainly slipping away very quickly and is over believe it or not! This thought reminds me of a humorous annual pronouncement of one of my cousins made every Fourth of July when the family gathered for a summer barbeque. He said to everyone, “it’s the Fourth of July, the summer is over.” While he intended to be humorous, maybe he even believed that statement, I didn’t really take it very seriously at that point.

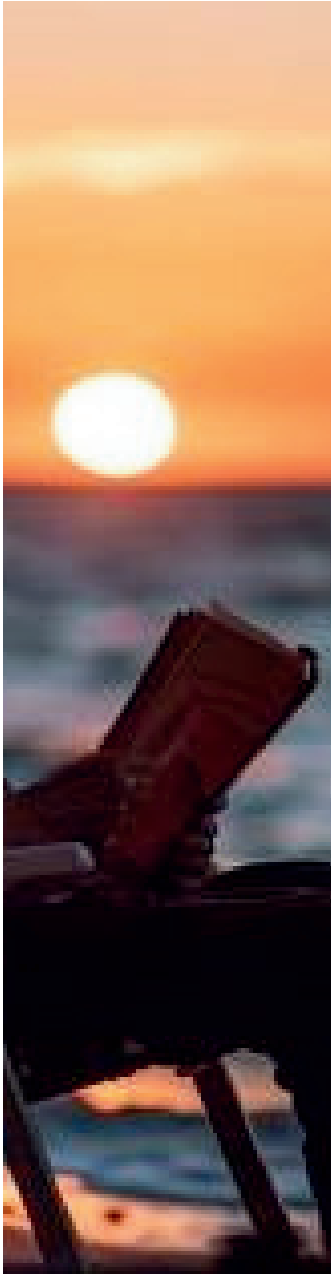
However, as we approach the beginning of September, with Labor Day having just passed, it’s safe to say that summer for the most part is over! It would be fruitful for each of us to reflect on the following statement. It has been said, *“Unless we take time to rest... our activity will be without direction, our work will become drudgery, and our life will lose meaning.”*

(Albert Cylwicky, His Word Resounds, pg. 169)

Summertime offers us a great opportunity for rest, vacation, relaxation, prayer, meditation and recreation. It is a wonderful time of the year to experience the joy, the enthusiasm, the fireworks, parades, picnics and barbeques that all speak of the American way of life and the freedoms and rights we all enjoy as Americans, “One Nation under God with liberty and justice for all”.

At times, we all feel the need to relax and take time to “regain our perspective” and “recharge our spirit.” If we turn to the New Testament, specifically in the Gospel of St. Mark, we see that even Jesus took time to get away. He says to his disciples, “come away (with me) to a deserted place and rest awhile.” We all need to take time off and rest awhile and get in touch with ourselves. We need to connect with the very “core of our being” and communicate with God who dwells there. We need to find Sanctuary and recharge our “spiritual batteries” so to speak. Our lives are similar to the disciples in not only the service we render to family, friends and our society in general but also to Jesus Christ. Vacation time does not mean time away from God. We need to relax our minds and bodies and get in touch with God.

Unfortunately, you and I live in a fast-paced world of modern technology. We have become all too familiar with instant replay, fast food chain restaurants, cell phones, texting, internet, job burnout, mass transit, and most definitely “information overload”. We constantly are on the go, racing from one thing to the next. Some even have trouble sleeping at night because they have problems turning off “the motor of emotions” that is racing inside them. Many cannot cope with all the stress of life. We all need rest, silence, and solitude to regain perspective. The people of Rome, Italy, have it right. Some still take a siesta and religiously observe this tradition daily by taking Mondays off. Between 2 - 4 pm many stores are closed. They will tell you “we work to live, not live to work.”



From the Desk of the Pastor & Dean

Come away to a quiet place by yourselves and rest awhile." "As this was good advice for the apostles in their time, the Church considers it good advice for her priests today." She has prescribed this by Canon Law – that every priest makes a yearly retreat – that he leaves his duties for the better part of a week and devote himself to prayer and meditation. Weeks of vacation are prescribed as well – We all need, from time to time, to get away – get a change of place and pace. We all need to recreate, to make or create anew. We must refresh and revivify our body and soul.

Sir Peter Ustinov, a Hollywood actor and academy award winner, was also an accomplished producer, director, and playwright as well as a successful humorist, musician, author and good will ambassador for the United Nations. Nonetheless when his activities become too much for him, Peter retreated to his home in Switzerland. There, he simply liked to sit in his vineyard and rest awhile.

"Jesus and His Apostles also had busy schedules as we saw in the Gospel, much like Peter Ustinov going off to his vineyard in Switzerland. They went off in a boat by themselves to a deserted place to rest and relax awhile. (Ibid pg. 169)

"Jesus' invitation to find a quiet place and rest awhile is one of those timeless statements so often found in scripture. It is an invitation; he extends in every age to every one of us!" (Ibid pg. 168)



Slow Me Down Lord

*Slow me down, Lord. Slow me down!
ease the pounding of my heart
by the quieting of my mind..
Give me amid the confusion of my day,
the calmness of the everlasting hills.
break the tensions of my nerves and muscles
with the soothing music of the singing streams
that live in my memory.
Help me know the magical,
restoring power of sleep.
Teach me the art of taking minute vacations,
of slowing down to look at a flower,
to chat with a friend, to pat a dog,
to read a few lines from a good book.
Remind me each day of the fable
of the hare and the tortoise,
that I may know that the race
is not always to the swift –
that there is more to life
than increasing speed.
Let me look upward
into the branches of the flowering oak,
and know that it is great and strong
because it grew slowly and well...*

Author:
Wilfred A. Peterson

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Slow me down, Lord,
and inspire me to send my roots
deep into the soil of life's enduring values
that I may grow towards the stars
of my great destiny*

Upcoming Events

Event Spotlight

SEPT
24

Nutley Belleville Columbus Day & Italian Heritage Parade Committee Honoree dinner @Nanina's in the Park

SEPT
28

Family Based Religious Ed "Image of God/Trinity"

OCT
4

2nd Annual Mass for the Italian Apostolate of the Archdiocese of Newark

OCT
17

Sip and Sway Benefit to Help our Homeless

OCT
18

Jubilee Pilgrimage to Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

OCT
26

Family Based Religious Ed "Revelation"

OCT
29

Sights & Sounds presents "Noah, 30th Anniversary"



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



POLISH FESTIVAL

IN CELEBRATION OF PULASKI DAY

Join the Knights for an evening of food, music, and fellowship as we celebrate **Polish heritage and honor General Pulaski** just before the NYC Pulaski Day Parade!

- Date/Time: Friday, October 3 at 6:30 PM
- Occasion: Celebration of Pulaski Day (NYC Parade on October 5)
- Tickets: \$40 per person
- Sales Begin: September 7, after all weekend Masses and at the Knights of Columbus

All are welcome—come celebrate faith, fellowship, and Polish tradition!

Call for Volunteers

Answer the Call to Serve at St. Mary's!

Is God calling you to share your time and talents with our parish family? St. Mary's is seeking volunteers to serve in several important ministries:

- **Catechists/Teachers**
 - Share your love of God and the Catholic faith with our parish children.
- **Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers**
 - Proclaim the Word of God or help distribute the Body and Blood of Christ. Training is provided.
- **Sacristans**
 - Assist with preparing the sacred vessels, vestments, and sanctuary for Mass. No experience required; training provided.

Your "yes" to one of these ministries is a beautiful way to grow in faith, serve our parish, and answer Christ's call to discipleship.

Please contact Dennis Corcoran at officemanager@stmarys.org or 973/235-1100 ext 110 or

Fr. Gene at frgene@stmarysnutley.org or 973-235-1100 ext. 118.

Parish Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Evenings
5:00PM

Daily Mass Schedule
Monday to Friday 8:00AM
in the Parish Center Chapel

Sundays
7:30 AM, 10:00AM & 12 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Individual Confessions Saturdays
4:00pm to 4:45pm



Parish Contact Information

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145 St. Mary's Place
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Monday to Friday Saturday to Sunday
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