

St. Mary's Church of Nutley

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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

“Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross”

September 14th, 2025

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Mass Intentions

"Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross"
September 14th, 2025 through September 20th, 2025

Saturday 5:00 pm	September 13th, 2025 + Maddalena and Biagio Robba
Sunday 7:30 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	September 14th, 2025 + Knights of Columbus (living and deceased) + Pat and Angie Mauriello People of the Parish
Monday 8:00 am	September 15th, 2025 + Thomas Starr
Tuesday 8:00 am	September 16th, 2025 + The McMahon Family
Wednesday 8:00 am	September 17th 2025 + Marie Fama
Thursday 8:00 am	September 18th 2025 + Michael Teresi
Friday 8:00 am	September 19th 2025 + John Flammer

Vigil Lamp Remembrances

**Week of September 14th through
September 20th, 2025**

Church Sanctuary
+ Hoyt and Mark Peavy

Chapel Sanctuary
Intention Still Available

Blessed Mother
+ Elaine and Renee Rotunda

Divine Mercy
+ Rose Megna

St. Anthony
Intention Still Available

St. Gerard
Intention Still Available

St. Joseph
Intention Still Available

St. Jude
Gabrielle Salimbene (living)

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

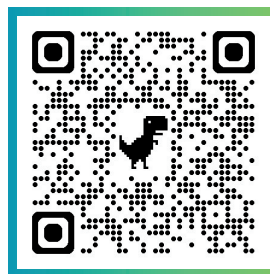
September 7th - Deposit/Donations	\$ 5469.00
September 7th - Archdiocese	\$ 1062.00
September 7th - Candles	\$ 475.00

Weekly Amount Needed to Stay on Budget **\$ 6,961.00**

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.



OCIA Meeting

Are you interested in becoming Catholic or completing your Sacraments of Initiation (*Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist*)?

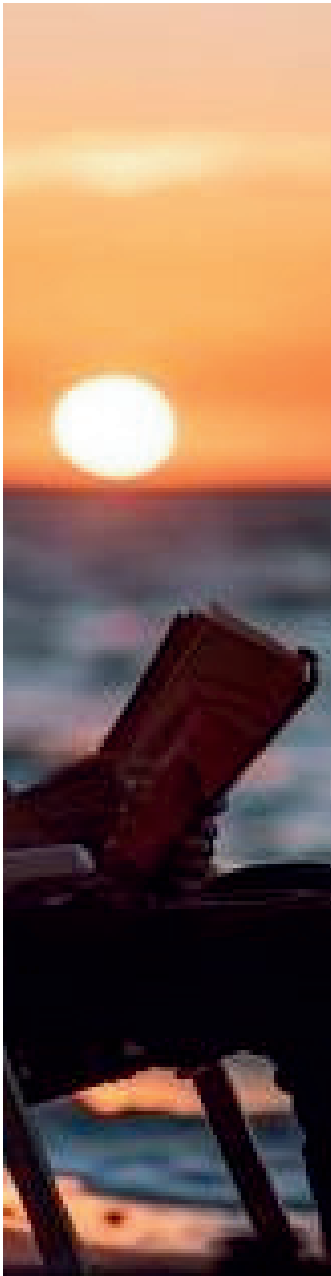
Join us for our **Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)** gathering

Hosted by Fr. Gene
Tuesday, September 30th at 7:00 PM

All are welcome—come learn more about the Catholic faith and take the next step in your spiritual journey.



From the Desk of the Pastor & Dean



Some of us get so caught up in the rhythm of this fast-paced society that we have trouble at times turning off the motor of our emotions racing inside of us. We rush about frantically doing so many things.

During his reign as Pope, Benedict XVI had even weighed in on the subject of vacation and rest. "I hope everyone, especially those in greatest need, will be able to take a bit of vacation to restore their physical and spiritual energy and recover a healthy contact with nature" ... "The holidays also afford a precious opportunity to spend more time with relatives, to visit family and friends, in a word, to give more space to those human contacts whose desired cultivation, is impeded by the rhythm of daily duties." Lastly, he states, "participation in the Sunday Eucharistic Celebration helps one feel a living part of the Ecclesiastical Community even when one is outside his or her own parish...We need to be nourished by the Eucharist."

Jesus and His disciples left for a "deserted place" (Mark 6:32) – a space removed from the noise of daily life. This raises the question for us: Where can we find our own desert place? It may not necessarily be a physical location but rather a state of mind where we intentionally carve out time for silence and solitude.

For some, this could be a walk in nature or reading a spiritual book, meditation, or spending time in a quiet church. The key is to prioritize those moments and make them sacred. In these instances, we can listen to our own hearts and to the whispers of God.

Saint Mark's portrayal of rest, encourages us to seek a balance between our commitments and our need for renewal. Sir Peter Ustinov, in his vineyard, exemplifies this balance, beautifully working hard yet taking time to enjoy the fruits of his labor.

Pope Benedict XVI accentuated the need for contemplation, asking us to consider, "In the silence of prayer, we find strength, clarity, and purpose" (Pope Benedict XVI, Address, December 12, 2006). Such balance fosters a spirit of gratitude for both labor and rest.

As we navigate our lives, let us heed Jesus' invitation to come away and rest awhile. In the spirit of Pope Benedict XVI 's reflections, we can embrace the moments of quiet, recognizing that our effectiveness in service is born out of our own peace and renewal.

By carving out time for rest, we nourish our souls, deepen our relationship with God, and enhance our capacity to love and serve others. Like Sir Peter Ustinov in his vineyard, we can appreciate life's simple joys, forging a path that intertwines duty with delight and service with serenity.

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In answering Jesus' call to rest, we not only honor His teachings but also empower ourselves to live more fully in His presence and reflect His love to the world. So, let's remember to come away, find our deserted place, and embrace the replenishment that comes from quiet reflection.

Sir Peter Ustinov remains a celebrated figure due to his deep appreciation for a life of serenity and purpose. His sprawling vineyards in scenic France serve as a veritable oasis for the weary soul. He had invited individuals from all walks of life to come away and rest awhile amid charming, rustic landscapes. In embracing calm and introspection here, one rediscovers life's simple pleasures. He asserted that relaxation is not merely a respite, but an essential foundation for creativity and clarity. His vineyards symbolize rejuvenation, offering a peaceful retreat to safely nurture mind, body, and spirit. Truly a haven!

My friends, make what's left of this Summer, a wonderful time to enjoy life, family, friends and explore this beautiful world of ours. Don't forget to put God where He belongs, a vital part of your rest, relaxation and vacation. "Slow Me Down Lord, Slow Me Down." Enjoy what is left of this summer and vacation time!

Blessings,
Fr. Tom



Upcoming Events

Nutley Belleville Columbus Day & Italian Heritage Parade Committee, Inc

Honoree Dinner
Wednesday, September 24, 2025
Nanina's in the Park
540 Mill Street
Belleville, NJ

Cocktail Hour - 6:30 PM
Dinner - 7:30 PM
Donation - \$150.00

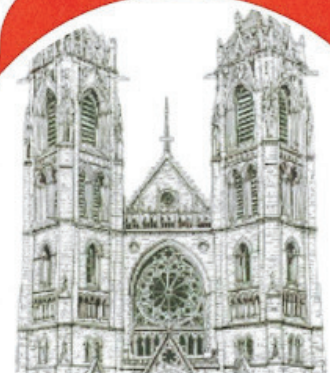
2025 Honorees
Grand Marshal - Dr. Frank A. Cocchiola, Jr.
Lifetime Achievement - Steven J. Rovell
Italian Heritage Award - Andrea Lyn Cammarato - Van Benschoten
Italian Business Leader of the Year - Louie Ritacco, Luna Wood Fire Tavern
Nutley Italian Man of the Year - Andrew Frank Garruto, Esq.
Nutley Italian Women of the Year - Patricia P. Badalamenti & Julia Alongi Palma
Belleville Italian Woman of the Year - Christine Raimo Lamparello
Belleville Italian Man of the Year - Stephen Donald
Renaissance Woman - Cristine Marie Latino
Community Excellence Award - William Lynch, Good Health Pharmacy

Scan to purchase ticket(s)
For additional information contact Cavaliere Susan R. LaMorte, 201.618.2903

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

SATURDAY OCTOBER 4, 2025 AT 5:00PM
CARDINAL JOSEPH W. TOBIN,
C.S.S.R., D.D. ARCHBISHOP OF
NEWARK CELEBRANT

89 RIDGE STREET
NEWARK, NEW
JERSEY 07104



Upcoming Events

SEPT
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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
12

Columbus Day Parade

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"

Religious Education

Family Based Religious Education

We are filled with gratitude for all the families who registered early for this year's Family Based Religious Education Program—thank you! With two weeks still to go before our first session on Sunday, **September 28th**, we are excited to share that enrollment has already surpassed last year's numbers.

It's not too late to join us! To make it easier for all families, late fees have been waived for those registering for the 2025-2026 program.

For details, the full schedule, and to sign up, please visit:

✦ stmarysnutley.org/religious-education/

✦ or scan this QR code



We look forward to another blessed year of growing in faith together!

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.

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

Parish Office Address
145 St. Mary's Place
Nutley, NJ 07110

Office Hours
Monday to Friday Saturday to Sunday
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Closed

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