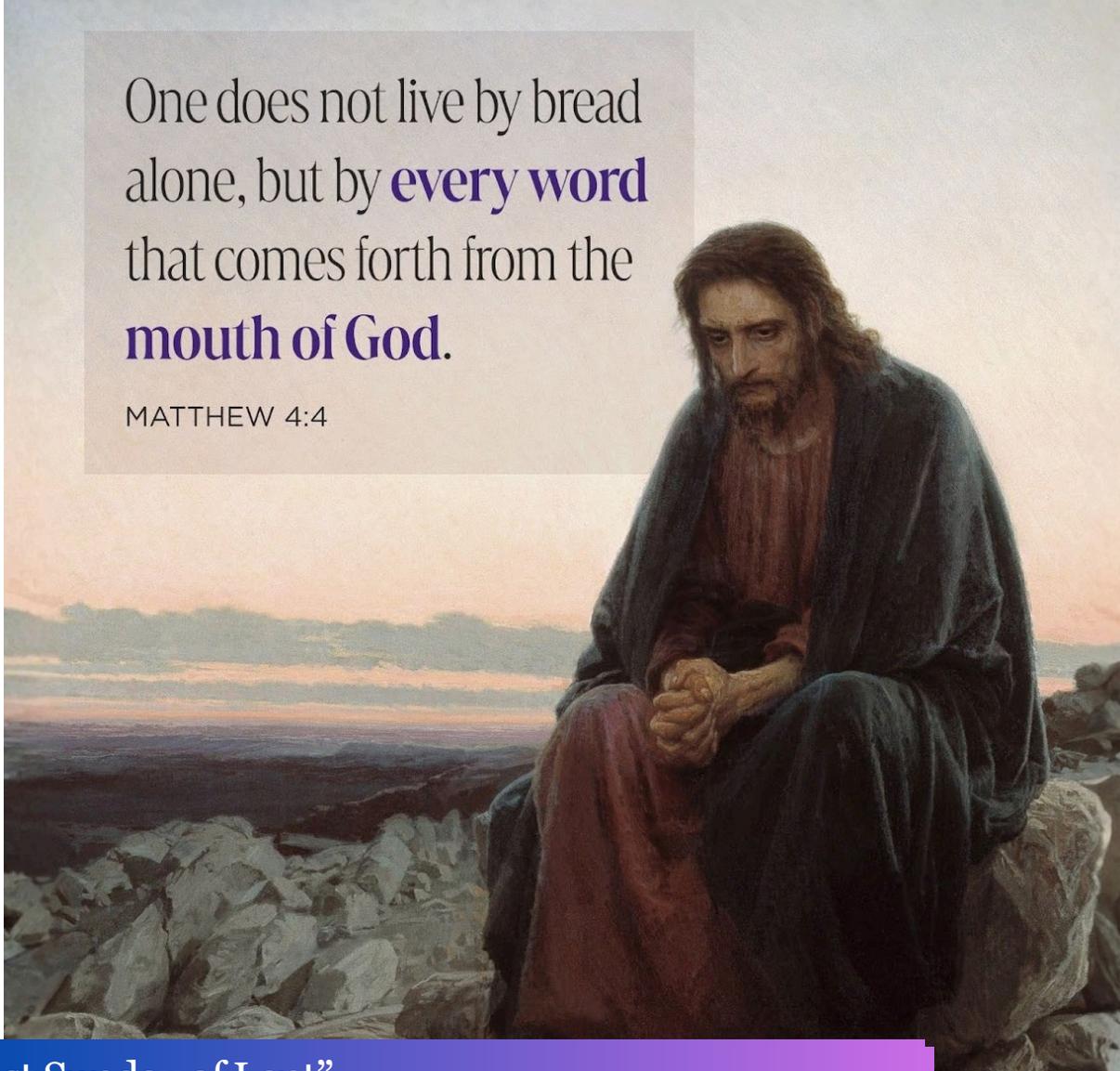


# St. Mary's Church of Nutley

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One does not live by bread  
alone, but by **every word**  
that comes forth from the  
**mouth of God.**

MATTHEW 4:4



## “1st Sunday of Lent”

February 22, 2026

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## Mass Intentions

### First Sunday of Lent

February 21st 2026 through March 1st, 2026

- **Saturday**     **February 21st, 2026**  
5:00 pm     Owen J. Haveron (Deceased)
- **Sunday**     **February 22nd, 2026**  
7:30 am     People of the Parish  
10:00 am     Thomas and Valerie Stile (Bequest)  
                    (Deceased)  
12:00 pm     Elaine Muller (Deceased)
- **Monday**     **February 23rd, 2026**  
8:00 am     Carmen (Deceased)
- **Tuesday**    **February 24th, 2026**  
8:00 am     Victor and Frank DeMarzo (Deceased)
- **Wednesday** **February 25th, 2026**  
8:00 am     Carmelita Chotipradit (Deceased)
- **Thursday**    **February 26th, 2026**  
8:00 am     Jerry and Elise Rotunda (Deceased)
- **Friday**     **February 27th, 2026**  
8:00 am     Anthony Tran (Deceased)
- **Saturday**    **February 28st, 2026**  
5:00 pm     John F. Papa (Deceased)
- **Sunday**     **March 1st, 2026**  
7:30 am     People of the Parish  
10:00 am     Living and Deceased Members of the  
                    Rosary Society  
12:00 pm     Rosendo Colina (Deceased)

## Vigil Lamp Remembrances

February 21st, 2026 through  
February 27th, 2026

- Church Sanctuary**  
*Intention Still Available*
- Chapel Sanctuary**  
*Intention Still Available*
- Blessed Mother**  
*Intention Still Available*
- Divine Mercy**  
*Intention Still Available*
- St. Anthony**  
*Intention Still Available*
- St. Gerard**  
*Intention Still Available*
- St. Joseph**  
*Mr. and Mrs. John McBride (Deceased)*
- St. Jude**  
*Intention Still Available*
- St. Patrick**  
*Intention Still available*
- Blessed Michael McGivney**  
*Intention Still available*

### Please Pray for Those Who are Deceased:

*Nilda M. Cadag     Noemi P. Mendoza     Rev. Henry Schreitmuller*  
*December 2025     February 4, 2026*

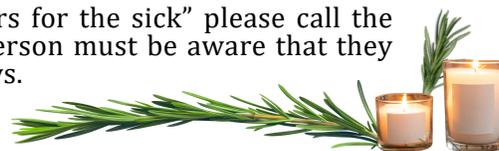
*Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen.*

### Please Pray for Those Who Are Sick:

*Luz Mary M.     Sam R.     Patrick M.     John L.*

*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.



## Upcoming Events

FEB 25  
MAR 4, 11, 18, 25  
**Novena of Our Mother of Perpetual Help at 7pm**

FEB 20,27  
MAR 6,20,27  
**Stations of the Cross at 7pm in the Church**

MAR 2  
**Rosary Society Meeting at 7pm in Phoenix Center**

MAR 6  
**Rosary Society Soup and Bread**

MAR 7 & 8  
**ANNUAL APPEAL-In-Pew Weekend**

MAR 10 - 18  
**St. Joseph Novena**

MAR 19  
**Solemn Mass for St. Joseph**

MAR 22  
**Rel Ed Communion-10am Mass  
Rel Ed Confirmation- 6:30pm  
Mass MWH**

MAR 27  
**Rosary Society Soup and Bread**

## Financial News

### *Transparency is the Goal*

#### Offertory Collections

February 22nd Donations	\$ 10,421.00
Archdiocese	\$ 143.00
Eastern Europe	\$ 289.00
EasterFlowers/Ash Wednesday/Utilities	\$ 113.00

**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!



### Night

Join us for BINGO in St. Mary's Hall on Tuesday evenings.

Our next Bingo nights will be  
**Feb 24, Mar 3,10,24,31.**

Our Hall opens its doors at 5:30pm.  
Early Bird game at 7:15pm.

## Annual Appeal 2026

# ANNUAL <sup>2026</sup> APPEAL

The 2026 Annual Appeal has begun! Each year we are invited to participate in the Annual Appeal, which is an opportunity to support essential ministries and programs of our Archdiocese. Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus.

Please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives within our Archdiocese.

Please make a gift online today by visiting [rcan.org/sharing](http://rcan.org/sharing), scanning the QR code, or join us for In-Pew Weekend on March 7 and 8.

**OUR 2026 GOAL IS \$ 52,600.00**



# Rosary Calendar for 2026

## Rosary Society News

A general meeting will be held on Monday, March 2nd at 7:00 in the Phoenix Center cafeteria. Join us for our annual Treasures in the Attic night. It's time to sweep the cobwebs from the attic corners, open great-grandma's trunk, and rummage through those tattered boxes to discover hidden treasures to bring to our evening of fun. Bidding on donated items brings an avalanche of laughs and deals. Just think, this may be your chance to go home with a cherished gem.

*Light refreshments will be served.*



**MAR 2** Rosary Society Meeting at 7pm in Phoenix Center

**APR 6** Social

**MAR 6 & 27** Rosary Soup and Bread

**MAY 3** Crowning - 10:00AM Mass Breakfast to Follow

**JUN 1** Social/Baby Shower

## Lenten Giving

*Our Dearest Members of St. Mary's Nalley,*

As we begin this sacred season of Lent, we are invited to renew our hearts through prayer, sacrifice, and generosity. Lent calls us not only to personal conversion, but also to deeper commitment to the life and mission of our parish community.

We are truly grateful for your faithful financial support of St. Mary's. Your weekly and monthly offerings sustain our parish—supporting the Sacraments, ministries, outreach to those in need, and the care of our sacred space. Your generosity ensures that our parish remains strong today and prepared for tomorrow.

During this holy season, we invite you to prayerfully reflect on how you might deepen your commitment, including considering an increase in your giving, if you are able. Even a small adjustment can make a meaningful difference in strengthening our shared mission.

Thank you for your continued support and for walking this Lenten journey with hope and love. 🙏

2026

**St. Mary's 13th Annual  
St. Joseph Feast Day Celebration**

*Come One, Come All to Celebrate the  
Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary*

**Day One - Tue, March 10**

Rev. Kenneth D. Brighenti  
*"Good St. Joseph: A Man for All  
Seasons"*

**Day Two - Wed, March 11**

Rev. Joseph Pavone  
*"St. Joseph: Patron of the  
Universal Church"*

**Day Three - Thu, March 12**

Most. Rev. Bismarck Chau  
Regional Bishop of  
Hudson County  
*"The Fiat of St. Joseph"*

**Day Four - Fri, March 13**

Most Rev. Nicholas DiMarzio  
Bishop Emeritus of Brooklyn  
*"St. Joseph: The Father"*



**Day Nine - Wed, March 18**

Most Rev. Manuel A. Cruz, D.D.  
Regional Bishop of  
Essex County  
*"St. Joseph, Man of Silence"*

**Day Five - Sat, March 14  
(5:00 PM Mass)**

Rev. Eugene Field  
*"St. Joseph: The Just Man"*

**Day Six - Sun, March 15**

Msgr. Leonard Troiano  
*"St. Joseph: A Quiet Man and  
Spiritual Father"*

**Day Seven - Mon, March 16**

Very Rev. Cav. Thomas D.  
Nicastro, V.F., K.H.S.  
*"St. Joseph, Silent Knight,  
Princely Knight, Holy Knight"*

**Day Eight - Tue, March 17**

Msgr. Robert Coleman  
*"St. Joseph, the Dreamer"*

**The Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary**

**Thursday, March 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.**

***Celebrant: Reverend John Paladino, K.H.S.***

***"St. Joseph: Consolation of the Afflicted in the Hidden Struggles of Life"***

**The Novena**

Tuesday, March 10th to Wednesday, March 18th

7:00 P.M. in Church

The Novena on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> will be held during the 5 PM Mass

***The Solemnity of St. Joseph, Solemn Mass***

Thursday, March 19th, 7:00 P.M. in the Church

Followed by the St. Joseph Altar, Table and Dinner

# Lenten Regulations 2026

## Archdiocese of Newark: Lenten Regulations for 2026

During the 40 days of Lent, Catholics are called to deepen their relationship with Christ through prayer, reflection and repentance. Two principal forms of Lenten penance observed by the Church are fasting (eating less) and abstinence (refraining from meat).

The Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18, and continues until sundown on Holy Thursday, April 2, 2026. The following regulations, approved by Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark, are intended to guide the faithful in observing fast and abstinence. These obligations apply to Catholics who are in good health.

### **DAYS OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE**

Ash Wednesday (February 18) and Good Friday (April 3) are days of both fast and abstinence.

The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.

The Church also encourages, when possible, the continuation of the fast from Good Friday until the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night. This is known as the Paschal Fast, observed in honor of the Lord's suffering and death and in preparation for celebrating His Resurrection.

### **Fasting:**

On a day of Fast, one full meal is permitted. Two smaller meals may also be taken, provided that together they do not exceed the main meal. Eating between meals is not permitted.

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

### **Abstinence:**

On days of abstinence, Catholics may not eat meat.

Catholics who have reached the age of 14 are obliged to observe abstinence.

### **SERIOUSNESS OF THE OBLIGATION**

The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence as a whole is a serious matter. Those who are ill or whose health would be harmed by fasting or abstinence are excused from these obligations.

### **FRIDAYS OUTSIDE OF LENT**

All Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance. On these days, Catholics may substitute abstinence from meat with another form of voluntary self-denial or penance.

### **THE PASCHAL PRECEPT (EASTER DUTY)**

The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept, commonly known as the Easter Duty, extends from the First Sunday of Lent, February 22, through the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 31, 2026.

# Knights of Columbus

## One Night Special Engagement



## *Dakota Leigh*

Dakota Leigh DeMartino was born and raised in Jersey City, NJ. In 2014, she moved to Nashville to pursue a career in music. In 2020, Dakota became a full-time musician, performing regularly on Broadway in Nashville, hitting the stages at Tootsies, Ole Red, Kid Rock's, Whiskey Bent Saloon, the Second Fiddle, Tin Roof, and Redneck Riviera.

Growing up on Oldies, Motown, DooWop, and Classic Rock, Dakota Leigh's passion and sound will bring you back in time... with a set list ranging from The Ronettes, Sinatra, Cher, and The Supremes, to Fleetwood Mac, Billy Joel, The Eagles, and Journey. You can look forward to a show filled with the best tunes of the 50's - 80's and beyond.

<https://lovealwayskota.wixsite.com/dakotaleighmusic>

**Nutley Knights of Columbus**  
150 Chestnut Street  
Nutley, NJ 07110  
Tickets \$50  
Friday March 13, 2026  
7-10PM

Catering By Michael V's  
Buffett Dinner/Beer Wine  
Contact for Information  
Greg Palma 973-902-8185  
Bill Hood 862-208-3467

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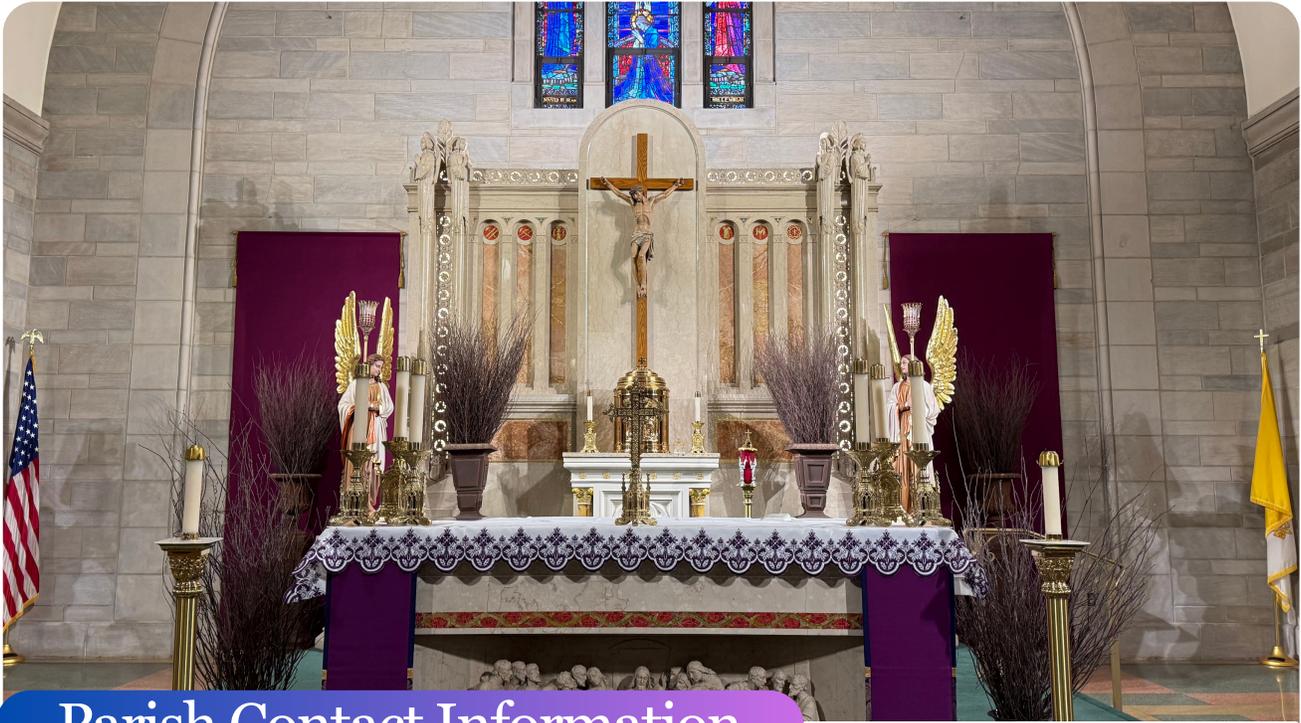
## Parish Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Evenings  
5:00PM

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

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

**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

### Phone (General Queries)

973-235-1100

### Parish Email

[info@stmarysnutley.org](mailto:info@stmarysnutley.org)

### Parish Website

[www.stmarysnutley.org](http://www.stmarysnutley.org)

### Parish Facebook Page

[www.facebook.com/stmarysnutley](http://www.facebook.com/stmarysnutley)

### Parish Receptionist

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