

St. Mary's Church of Nutley

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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For where two or three are gathered together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.” - Mt 18:19-20

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September 6, 2026

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Mass Intentions

September 5th, 2026 through September 13th, 2026
Daily Mass (M-F in the Chapel unless noted)

● Saturday 5:00 pm	September 5th, 2026 Deceased Members of the Haveron Family
● Sunday 7:30 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	September 6th, 2026 Thomas J. Adubato (Deceased) Rosary Society (Living and Deceased) DiStaulo and French Families (Deceased)
● Monday 9:00 am in Chapel	September 7th, 2026-Labor Day People of the Parish
● Tuesday 8:00 am	September 8th, 2026 Nicholas Fagioli (Deceased)
● Wednesday 8:00 am	September 9th, 2026 Deceased Members of the Pasquale DeRogatis Family
● Thursday 8:00 am	September 10th, 2026 Msgr. James Owens (Deceased)
● Friday 8:00 am	September 11th, 2026 Souls in Purgatory
● Saturday 5:00 pm	September 12th, 2026 Maddalena and Biagio Robba (Deceased)
● Sunday 7:30 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	September 13th, 2026 Joseph T. and Rosa Lam (Deceased) Theresa and John Falotico (Deceased) Lucille Martino (Deceased)

Vigil Lamp Remembrances

**September 5th, 2026 through
September 11th, 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. Angelo Zappulla

St. Jude
Intention Still Available

St. Patrick
Intention Still Available

Blessed Michael McGivney
Intention Still Available

Please Pray for Those Who are Deceased:

*Jacquelyn Maree
 August 18, 2026*

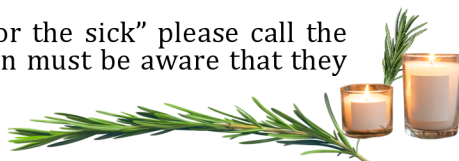
*Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
 Amen.*

Please Pray for Those Who Are Sick:

Luz Mary M. Ronald Albert Bergamino Patrick M. Jane Ellen Peccatiello

*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

SEPT 9,
16, 23, 30,
OCT 7, 14
21, 28

Novena of Our Mother
Wednesday Evenings
at 7:00 pm - See pg. 4



SEPT 12,13

Blessing of the Students, Backpacks and
Teachers at all Masses



SEPT 14

Welcome Back! Rosary Society Meeting
at 7pm in Phoenix Center Cafeteria

SEPT 20

FBRE 2027 Classes
Begin! See Pg. 8



SEPT 21

First Penance and First Eucharist Parent
Meeting at 6:30pm, MWH

Confirmation Parent Meeting at 7:30pm,
MWH

SEPT 27

First Eucharist Prep - Mass at 10:00am
Confirmation Prep - Sunday at 6:30pm



OCT 2

Food Truck Festival
4:00-9:00pm.



SAVE THE DATE

2027

Sight & Sound Trip

WEDNESDAY

JULY 28TH

SIGHT & SOUND
THEATRE

IGNAH

LIVE ON STAGE

**WE ARE EXTENDING OUR SHORTENED
HOURS THROUGH OCTOBER 9TH**

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

*Closed Friday,
Saturday and Sunday*



Financial News

Offertory Collections

August 30th Donations	\$6,445.00
Earthquake	\$1,498.00
A/C	\$131.00
Mission in Africa	\$10.00

***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!



Novena of Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Join us every
Wednesday Evening
at 7:00 pm



SEPTEMBER

- 9
- 16
- 23
- 30

OCTOBER

- 7
- 14
- 21
- 28

BINGO Night

Join us for BINGO in St. Mary's Hall
on Tuesday evenings. Our next Bingo nights
will be **September 8, 15, 22 and 29,**
October 6, 13, 20, 27.

Our Hall opens its doors at 5:30pm.

Early Bird game at 7:15pm.

The Rosary Society

Welcome Back Meeting September 14th at 7 pm. Phoenix Center Cafeteria

A wonderful opportunity to meet again with your fellow Rosarians after the Summer months. Come and share your adventures, travels, and ideas with some new and old friends. ALL women of the Parish are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served.



Rosary Calendar 2026-2027



September 14	Social Meeting
October 4	Installation Mass 10:00
October 5	Social Meeting
November 2	Evening of Reflection
December 14	Christmas Social
January	No Meeting
February 1	Social Meeting
February 19	Soup and Bread
March 1	Social Meeting
March 5	Soup and Bread
April 5	Social Meeting
May 2	May Crowning 10:00 Mass (Breakfast to follow)
June 7	Baby Shower

All meetings to be held in Phoenix Cafeteria with the exception of Soup/Bread and Communion Breakfast which will be in Walsh Hall

Volunteers Needed

Seeking Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

The Lector and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion ministries are seeking new ministers. If you have a desire to deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ and help make the word of God present and nourishing to our parish faithful, please consider serving in one or both of these important roles.

The criteria for serving as a lector are completion of the seventh grade, and you must be a member of the parish.

The criteria for serving as a Eucharistic Minister are that you must be 18 years of age, have received Confirmation, and be a current member of the parish.

Training will be provided for both roles.

Please contact the Parish Office if interested in any of the roles.

Seeking Catechists

Is God calling you to share your love of God and the Catholic faith?

We are seeking individuals who would like to teach church topics to the children of our parish beginning this fall. In your role as a catechist, you will grow in your own faith and deepen your relationship with Jesus. You will be a role model of our faith and demonstrate holy stewardship.



Parents of Young Children

Dear Parents of babies and toddlers,

The vestibule of the church may be used if you need to step out of mass with a baby or toddler that is uncomfortable. We will be providing a small table and two chairs plus some coloring books and crayons for these intermittent occasions.



St. Mary's Faith Formation Program

SESSIONS START SEPTEMBER 20TH

Monthly on Sunday Mornings
8:00 am-10:00 am or 11:00 am- 1:00 pm

- **Family-Based Sessions** - Families attend the day's discussion of the Gospel. Age-appropriate break-out sessions with Catechists

Upcoming Dates:

September 20th
October 25th
November 22nd (Grandparents Day)

- **First Penance and First Eucharist** - Workbook is completed at home by parent and child, and then attendance at bimonthly children's Mass at 10:00 am (Children leave the Mass for their session and return at 11:00am.)

Upcoming Dates:

September 21st (Wednesday Parent Meeting at 6:30 pm.)-MWH
September 27th - Mass at 10:00 am.
October 18th Regular session

- **Confirmation** - One extra evening session per month by the Candidate.

Upcoming Dates:

September 21st (Wednesday Parent Meeting at 7:30 pm)- MWH
September 27th (Sunday 6:30pm.)-MWH
October 18th Regular session MWH

Registration and Payment

Visit the website
<https://stmarysnutley.org/religious-education/>
or scan the QR Code | \$300 per family*



*The fee is waived for families
donating \$50.00 per month to the Parish*

Blessing of the Students, Backpacks and Teachers



OCIA - Order of Christian Initiation for Adults



The OCIA, Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, is for someone who:

- Would like to explore the Catholic faith with questions but no commitment
- Is interested in becoming Catholic
- Considers themselves Christian but was never Baptized
- Was baptized in the Protestant tradition
- Is married to a Catholic and is interested in sharing their spouse's faith
- Was Baptized Catholic but never received First Communion or Confirmation

St. Mary's is a place where you can explore the journey of faith our God has called you to! All are welcome! We currently have three (3) adults in this year's process.

For more information, please contact Dennis at the parish office, 973 - 235 - 1100 ext 110

Sessions will start Wednesday September 9th at 6:30pm and continue every Wednesday at 6:30pm. for 8 weeks

FRIDAY NIGHT • OCT. 2

ST. MARY'S FAMILY FUN FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

**15+
TRUCKS**

**LIVE
MUSIC**

**BEER
GARDEN**

**KIDS
ZONE**

**20
VENDOR
BOOTHS**



4PM-9PM • \$5 ADMISSION
ST. MARY'S PARKING LOT
17 MSGR. OWEN'S PLACE • NUTLEY



PRODUCED BY JC PROMOTIONS FOR ST. MARY'S CHURCH

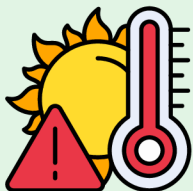


Want to volunteer?

Please contact the Parish Office 973-235-1100

Vendors: Interested in participating? please contact
JC Promotions: <https://jcpromotions.info/>

It's Almost Fall But.....



This Year we are collecting to defray the cost of our Air Conditioning

As many of you are aware, our original Church A/C unit failed several times last summer leading us to seek a new unit. After consultation with the Finance Council and Property Management in the Archdiocese we applied for an Energy Efficiency Grant from PSE&G.

After choosing an approved contractor, Hughes Environmental, we began the replacement process. Here are the facts:

Total Cost of the Project	\$391,164.60
Minus Grant Amount	\$215,832.47
Total Cost for St. Mary's	\$175,332.13

PSE&G then offers non-profit organizations a 5 year (60 months) interest free payment plan of \$2,922.20 per month.



Our plan is to do a monthly second collection restricted to cover the monthly payments.
Your generosity is appreciated.

As always, we are deeply grateful for your continued generosity and commitment to St. Mary's Parish. The photos accompanying this announcement show what a blessing it is to see our church filled with parishioners gathered in prayer and worship. Maintaining a welcoming, comfortable, and safe environment for everyone who enters our doors is an important part of our mission. This investment is not simply in a mechanical system, but in the experience of our parish family for years to come. Thank you for helping us ensure that St. Mary's remains a place where all can worship, pray, and encounter Christ in comfort throughout every season.



St. Peter Claver ***Feastday: September 9th*** ***Death: 1654***

St. Peter Claver was born at Verdu, Catalonia, Spain, in 1580, to impoverished parents descended from ancient and distinguished families. He studied at the Jesuit college of Barcelona, entered the Jesuit novitiate at Tarragona in 1602, and took his final vows on August 8, 1604. While studying philosophy at Majorca, the young religious was influenced by St. Alphonsus Rodriguez to go to the Indies and save “millions of perishing souls.”

In 1610, he landed at Cartagena (modern Colombia), the principal slave market of the New World, where a thousand enslaved Africans were landed every month. After his ordination in 1616, he dedicated himself by special vow to the service of the enslaved African people—a work that was to last for thirty-three years. He labored unceasingly for their salvation and for the abolition of the African slave trade, lavishing upon them a love that transcended the natural order.

Boarding the slave ships as they entered the harbor, he would hurry into the revolting inferno of the hold and offer whatever meager refreshments he could afford. He cared for the sick and dying and instructed the enslaved people through African catechists before administering the Sacraments. Through his efforts, three hundred thousand souls entered the Church.

Furthermore, he did not lose sight of his converts when they left the ships, and followed them to the plantations to which they were sent. There, he encouraged them to live as Christians and urged their masters to treat them humanely. He died in 1654.



St. Peter Claver **is the Patron Saint of :**

- **Enslaved people**
- **African missions**
- **Interracial justice**

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Gospel Today | 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mt 18:15-20

Jesus promises, "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them."

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PAPER PRAYER CHAIN

We call God to us when we gather in prayer, two or three or more! Most churches have a "prayer chain". Not a real chain, but a group of people who link up and pray together.

Make a personal prayer chain. Write your thanks, needs, forgiveness or requests to God, one on each link or strip of paper. Attach the links together to form a chain. Have other family members add their own links! Hang it in your home and during family prayer time, as two or three are gathered in Jesus' name, He will hear your prayer. If it is His will, it will be done.

DIRECTIONS

Step One Cut the construction paper lengthwise into strips that are about an inch wide. They can be of pretty much any length, keeping in mind that the longer the strip, the bigger each link in the chain. Write your requests to God on each link.

Step Two Bend the first strip around to form a circle or loop.

Step Three Seal the open ends of the circle link with glue, tape or a stapler so that it stays connected on its own.

Step Four Take another strip and thread it through the first loop forming a second, connected circle.

Step Five Seal the second circle with glue, tape or a stapler so that you have two linked circles.

Step Six Repeat Steps 4 and 5 to make the chain as long as you like.

I AM THANKFUL FOR



For where two or three gather in my
name, there am I with them.

Matthew 18:20



Parish Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Evenings
5:00PM

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

Daily Mass Schedule
Monday to Friday 8:00 AM
in the Parish Center Chapel
145 St. Mary's Place

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 THROUGH OCTOBER 9TH

Monday to Thursday Fri, Sat, Sun
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM CLOSED

Phone (General Queries)

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www.stmarysnutley.org

Parish Facebook Page

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