

# SAINT MARY'S PARISH

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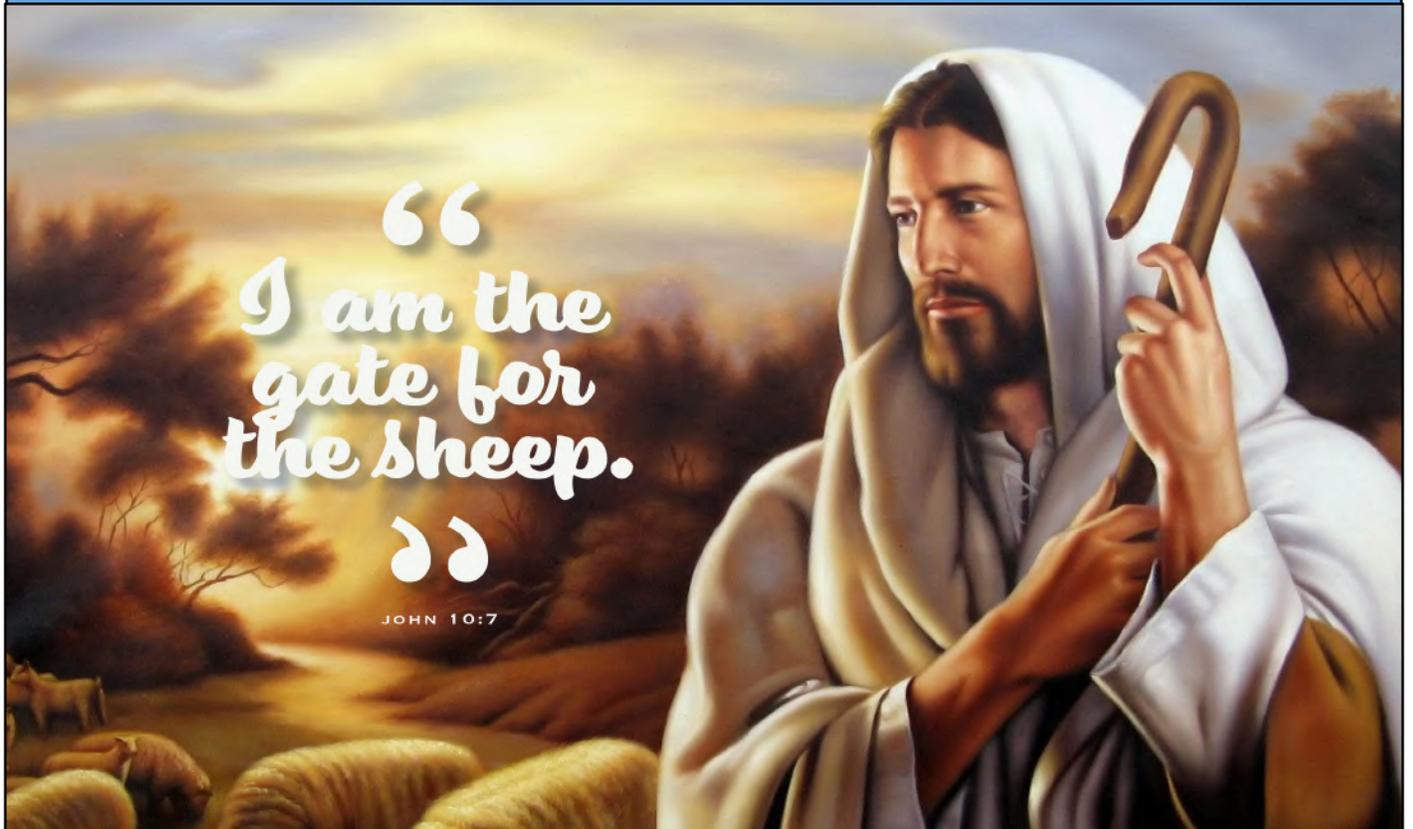
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 3, 2020



## CELEBRATING THE MASS

Our Eucharistic fast continues, as we pray for its quick end.”  
– Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R, Archbishop of Newark.

### WHERE TO CELEBRATE MASS

You can celebrate Mass with Cardinal Tobin: [www.youtube.com/user/NwkArchdiocese](http://www.youtube.com/user/NwkArchdiocese)

Daily Mass Celebrated by Pope Francis from the Santa Marta Chapel in Rome  
Catholic Faith Network (CFN) Broadcast of the Celebration of the Eucharist:

Sunday at 1:30 pm, 9:30 pm ET  
Monday – Friday at 10:30 am, 9:00 pm ET  
Saturday at 10:30 am, 9:00 pm ET

The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) is available throughout the New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut area on: Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296, Spectrum channel 162/471 or at [www.catholicfaithnetwork.org/daily-mass-santa-marta-chapel-rome](http://www.catholicfaithnetwork.org/daily-mass-santa-marta-chapel-rome)



### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,  
Come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already there  
And unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you.  
Amen.

### Help Us Stay Connected with You

Attention Parishioners: We are continuing to update our database (especially our email list) so that we can deliver important information directly to you. Please email us [info@stmarysnutley.org](mailto:info@stmarysnutley.org) to update your contact information (name, phone number, emails) to be able to receive future emails and voice messages from your parish. We appreciate your help with this undertaking and look forward to better serving you.

### Stay Connected with St. Mary's Church

Although, we cannot gather as a parish family, we can stay connected using our Website or our Parish Facebook Page! Our website will be updated as more information is available. Our Facebook page highlights feast days of saints, videos and articles for reflection and is a great place to find nuggets of faith knowledge and prayers. So check us out and stay in the know about what's going on at St. Mary's Church.

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

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

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH. WE NEED YOUR HELP.**

You can sign-up for Parish Giving by going to [www.stmarysnutley.org](http://www.stmarysnutley.org)  
It's easy to do and no amount is too small.

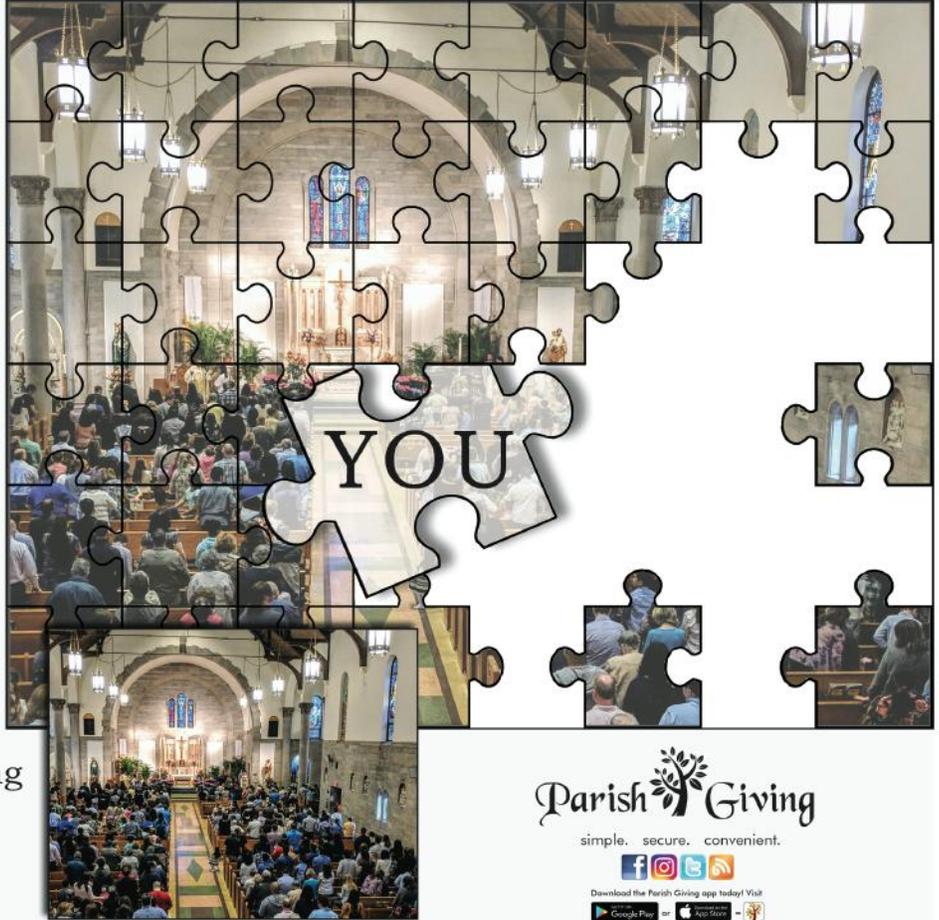
You can also drop off your envelopes or donations through the mail slot of the Parish Center or by mailing them to: St. Mary's Church, 17 Msgr. Owens Place, Nutley, NJ 07110

*Families are like puzzles. They fit together in a certain way, and if one piece is missing, it throws everything off.*

-Richard Schiff

**YOU** complete our parish family at St. Mary's.

Please consider automating your contributions to St. Mary's.



Please visit [www.stmarysnutley.org](http://www.stmarysnutley.org) to learn more and sign up for our Parish Giving program.

Parish Giving offers secure flexible online giving for our parishioners who would like to make their donations online using a credit card or bank transfer. You never have to bring cash or checks to church. Giving electronically also helps the church save money and plan the budget. Check out the website listed for benefits and details. 656 St. Mary Nutley, NJ 07110

St. Mary's Church is served by:

**Rev. Richard Barbary**, Pastor

**Rev. Thomas Nicastro**,  
Parochial Vicar

**Deacon Ron Ronacher**

**Anthony G. Armando**,  
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**Patrick Perrone**, Trustee

**Anne Scheidel**, Trustee

**HOPE**

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*- we will all be together again -*

# TUNE IN TO THE ST. MARY'S CHURCH FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM

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

Our Facebook page has been a great way to not only get information and find links to resources, but to connect to the parish in real time. Anthony Armando, our director of Faith Formation, has been going LIVE to pray the rosary, do Q&A with our students, and continue our Children's Liturgy of the Word (Sundays at 10:30am). Bruce Mauro, our Music Director, has been going LIVE with music to help us pray and to get us Ready to Receive, a weekly look at the Sunday readings with music. The great thing about Facebook Live is you don't need a Facebook account to watch the videos! We hope you will join us and many other of your fellow parishioners to pray, reflect and connect!



## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Every Sunday Morning at 10:30am

We sit down to proclaim the Liturgy of the Word with our children to help them better understand how God is speaking to them through the scriptures.

## Pray the Rosary

Wednesdays at 4pm

Join us in meditating on the Glorious Mysteries



## Windows of Faith

Fridays at 4pm



A look at the stained glass windows of our Church and the stories that they tell

## "Hallelujah Is Our Song"



**Bruce Plays Music of the Season**  
**Tuesdays 4:30 - 5 p.m.**

## Ready 2 Receive



Take 15 minutes to prepare for this Sunday's Scripture Readings  
Livestream Thursday 4:30 p.m.  
<https://www.facebook.com/stmarysnutley/>

## The Liturgy of the Word for Sunday, May 3, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Easter

### Reading I: Acts 2: 14a, 36-41

St Peter's Pentecost sermon sets the pattern for future such speeches. First is a connection with current events; then the Jesus kerygma, framed as a reproach of the listeners; then some Scriptural reference(s) and a call to repentance.

### Reading II: I Peter 2: 20b-25

Here we have a part of a primitive Christian hymn. In it, the Suffering Servant of Isaiah becomes both the Good Shepherd and our guardian.

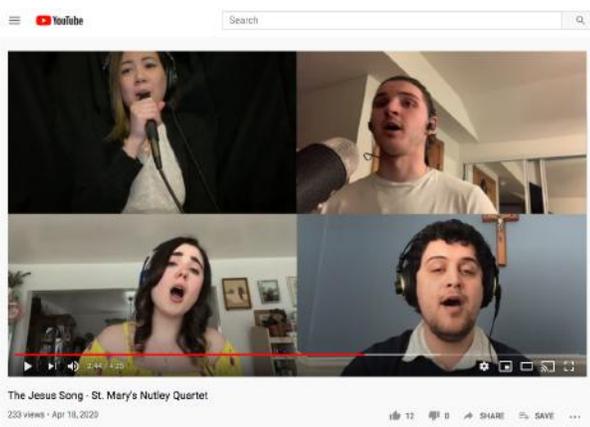
### The Gospel: John 10: 1-10

The parable of the sheepfold precedes a consideration of Our Lord Jesus as both the Gate and the Good Shepherd of His flock.

## SUBSCRIBE TO ST. MARY'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOceJGcHuZ1\\_sei860rldug](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOceJGcHuZ1_sei860rldug)

We have been adding music, videos, and reflections on the Sunday readings to our channel as another way for you to experience St. Mary's at home. Be sure to check it out!



Our weekly lessons are now complete. If you have missed a lesson, you can always find it on the Faith Formation Website:

[www.stmarysnutleyccd.blogspot.com](http://www.stmarysnutleyccd.blogspot.com)

Even though there are no new lessons, we encourage you to continue to pray as a family, talk about your faith with one another, watch Mass online and help those in need in this difficult time.

We will continue to send a weekly email to our families to help them celebrate the Word of God at home. Each email has links to videos of the Gospel, activities, and other resources for all ages.

We also have craft ideas to help you celebrate the liturgy at home with your family. If you would like to receive the Celebrating the Word of God at Home email, just contact Anthony Armando at [armandoa@stmarysnutley.org](mailto:armandoa@stmarysnutley.org)

## A Letter On the Month of Mary

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The month of May is approaching, a time when the People of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this “family” aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.

For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the Internet to find good models of prayers to follow. I am also providing two prayers to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary, and that I myself will pray in the month of May, in spiritual union with all of you. I include them with this letter so that they are available to everyone.

Dear brothers and sisters, contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial. I keep all of you in my prayers, especially those suffering most greatly, and I ask you, please, to pray for me. I thank you, and with great affection I send you my blessing.

Pope Francis



You can view this letter and the two prayers to recite at the end of the rosary:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-04/letter-on-the-month-of-may-full-text.htm>

## Praying the Rosary

Everyday at 4pm the Rosary Society has been praying the Rosary for an end to the pandemic, for those affected and for those who have died.

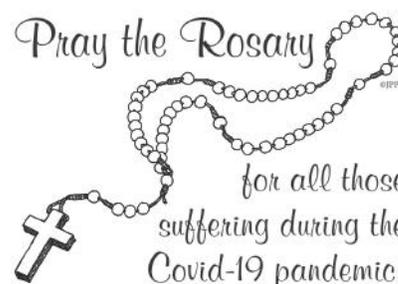
Anthony Armando has also been leading the recitation of the Rosary on Facebook Live on Wednesdays at 4pm. We invite you to join us in prayer.

Creative Ways to Help Your Family to Pray the Rosary

<http://www.nwcatholic.org/living/marriage-parenting/10-family-rosary-tips.html>

Learn More About the Rosary

<https://dynamiccatholic.com/rosary#about>



I came that they might have life and have it more abundantly.

John 10:10



Close your eyes and imagine a shepherd. For me, it is a man, or maybe a teenage boy. He carries a walking stick. A herd of sheep follow behind. A dog races to and fro. His barks; demanding that wanderers return to the safety group.



Although I saw a shepherd once in real life, the image I just shared is based on a lesson I learned in elementary school religion class.

The lesson was simple: Jesus is the Good Shepherd. The gospel for the 4th Sunday of Easter provides the text for this lesson. One might say it is the original lesson, taught by the Good Shepherd himself. What do you remember of the story? What do you remember of the lesson?

My strongest memory is that the sheep follow the Shepherd because they **recognize his voice**. The lesson has helped me throughout my life. It reminds me to seek out the voice of Jesus. It has helped me direct and more often **redirect** my life.

When I reread today's gospel, I came across a part of the story that I don't remember so well. It is about thieves and robbers who come to slaughter and destroy. Did the nuns think my classmates and I too young to learn about this part of the story? My point here is not to criticize the lesson plans of my childhood teachers. These wonderful women helped shape me into who I am. Yet, Jesus chose to make this "stranger-danger" part of his lesson. John chose to weave it throughout his gospel account. So, I want to examine it.

What robs me from hearing and recognizing the Shepherd's voice? Is it that I've lost touch and can no longer distinguish the Shepherd's voice from the other sounds around me? Have I become overly attuned to other voices? Could something from within be robbing me of Jesus' life-giving words? Perhaps the negative tape; "I'm not \_\_\_\_\_ enough" that plays in my mind? Could it be the things I allow to steal their way into the "urgent" column in my daily planner?

The good Sisters of St. Joseph taught that filling the heart and mind with good things would leave less room for things that were harmful.

Let us all be more intent on listening for the Shepherd's voice today and always. At a distance, but still blessed to be in ministry with you at St. Mary's,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the name "Barn".

## Lovely Lady Dressed in Blue

Lovely Lady dressed in blue  
Teach me how to pray!  
God was just your little boy,  
Tell me what to say!

Did you lift Him up, sometimes,  
Gently on your knee?  
Did you sing to Him the way  
Mother does to me?

Did you hold His hand at night?  
Did you ever try  
Telling stories of the world?  
O! And did He cry?



Do you really think He cares  
If I tell Him things  
Little things that happen? And  
Do the Angels' wings

Make a noise? And can He hear  
Me if I speak low?  
Does He understand me now?  
Tell me..... for you know.

Lovely Lady dressed in blue  
Teach me how to pray!  
God was just your little boy,  
And you know the way.

-Mary Dixon Thayer

### Helping Those In Need

Especially in these challenging times, we are called to love our neighbor. Back in March, St. Mary's closed our food pantry and turned over all of our food supplies and stock to Nutley Family Services for use in serving our community. Thank you to everyone who has donated and to those who helped deliver the food. If you wish to help by donating food, please donate it directly to NFSB by following the directions below or go to [www.nutleyfamily.org/food-pantry/](http://www.nutleyfamily.org/food-pantry/)

#### NFSB Food Pantry

Shelf-stable donations are gratefully accepted in the marked bins on the porch at the rear of the NFSB Annex at 169 Chestnut Street. Additionally, grocery gift cards for the purchase of staples are always welcome. Please consider a monetary donation to support ongoing programs/services and ensure we can continue to meet the needs of our community in this time of crisis.



