

St. Mary of the Assumption

March 22, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Lent



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."
- Jn 11:25

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Mass Schedule

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Sunday at 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 am

Weekdays: Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m.

First Friday: 11:00 a.m. w/ St. Mary's School

Open for private prayer from 7 am -11 am (M-F)

Rosary is prayed daily Mon.-Fri. @ 7:30 a.m.

Livestream Mass: 4 p.m. Saturday

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Sacramental Preparation

Sacrament of Baptism: infants and children under the age of 7, third Sunday of each month (except during Lent)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm

Sacrament of Matrimony: Contact Mary Rushkoski

OCIA- Order of Christian Initiation for Adults:

Contact Mrs. Hamilton, Director of Faith Formation

Sacrament of the Sick: Contact the parish office to arrange for a visit for a sick family member. If leaving a message, please leave a call back number.

Mass Intentions

for the week of **March 22, 2026**
Fifth Sunday of Lent

Tues. March 24 8:30 AM

Alice Nowicki

Friend

Thurs. March 26 8:30 AM

Souls in Purgatory

Jeff & Marlene Oliver

Sat. March 28 4:00 PM

Maureen Champagne

Gerry & Phil Brendese

Kathryn Dandurand

Roger Champagne & Family

Marilyn Hervieux

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Sun. March 29

Palm Sunday

8 AM

Raymond E. Primeau

Aunt Marianne Primeau

Joan Patregnani

Dick & Kathy Vermilyea

Helene Rousia

Cousins Lynda, Ken & Pearl

10 AM

Marcia Ricci

Joni Cerqua

Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

Waterford Knights of Columbus 76 Grace St. Wfd.
Saturday, April 11, 2026 4-7 PM

Stuffed Chicken Breast Dinner \$20.00 Per Dinner

Stuffed Chicken Breast Dinner (stuffed with homemade stuffing and herbs), Green Beans Almondine, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Tossed Salad, Fresh Cookie for dessert.
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Gifts Received for the St. Mary's Restoration Fund

March Bread

In Loving Memory of Susan Serfilippi

By Family



March Wine

In Loving Memory of Jack O'Brien

By Family

March Sanctuary Candles

In Loving Memory of Andy Chyko

Love, Nancy

In Loving Memory of Fr. Michael Stanley, O.S.A.

By the Chyko Family

March Mother of Good Counsel Candle

In Loving Memory of Jozefa Czaja

By Grace & Chris Weiss



Calendar of Events

3/22 *5th Sunday of Lent*

St. Vincent collection after all masses

3/24 **Penance Service 6:30 pm in Church**

3/25 **The Annunciation of the Lord**

3/26 *Liturgy of the Hours 6:30 pm*

3/29 *Palm Sunday*

See page 3 for Full Holy Week/ Easter Schedule

4/3 *Holy Land Collection*

4/12 *Second collection -Fuel*

Volunteers Needed at Birthright in Ballston Spa

Male or female, if you are a good listener and can commit to a weekly shift, we would love to have you join our Birthright family. We will teach you everything you need to know and you will be paired with an experienced volunteer.

Volunteering at Birthright is a weekly commitment. You will be given a designated day of the week for a five-hour shift. However, you may switch shifts or find coverage when needed.

Call Susan at 518-430-7922 for details on the 3-part training session being offered on Thursday, April 16, 23, and 30th from 9-11 AM

2026 Holy Land Collection

This Good Friday, join others in parishes throughout the United States in supporting Christians in the Holy Land. The Commissariat of the Holy Land asks churches all over the world to consider this opportunity to support Christians of Jerusalem, Israel, Palestine and other countries that comprise the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic Schools and offer religious education.

The wars, unrest, and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees.

Thank you for your support of this historic mission.

Sacrificial Offerings

March 1, 2026

Regular Weekly Offertory

In Church: 3,649.00

e-Giving: 800.00 (thru 02/27)

Total: 4,449.00



Thank you for your on-going support of St. Mary's parish!

Visit <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZNG2> or scan the QR Code to view the St. Mary's Vanco Giving page. Click on the tile of the collection you'd like to donate to.

Son-shine Ministry

Have you ever felt totally alone and isolated? Have you ever felt no one “out there” knows you exist? Do you know someone who may feel this way; maybe a neighbor or family member?

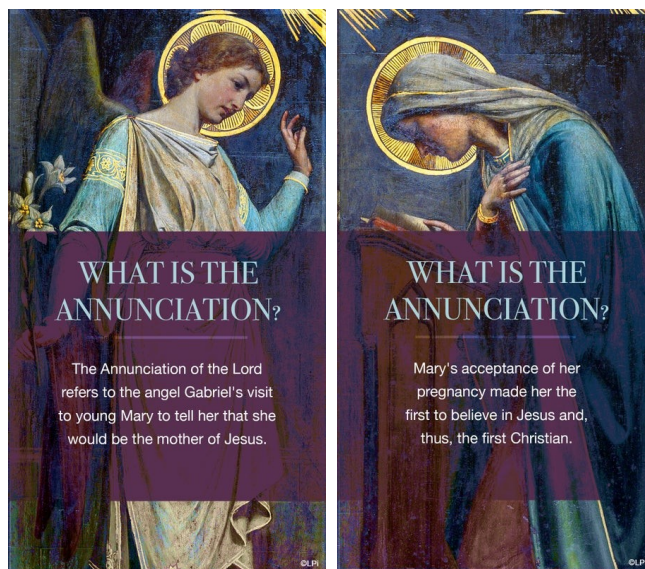
There is Someone who knows you and you are never alone. God loves you and so do the parishioners of St. Mary of the Assumption. We are re-establishing a ministry in our parish.

It is called the Son-shine Ministry. People in the parish will be reaching out to those who are unable to come to church due to various circumstances: illness, injury, lack of transportation, etc. They may be homebound or in a nursing home or hospital.

The mission of this ministry is to bring the Light of Christ to others by visiting homes, making phone calls and cards and, most especially, offering prayers.

If you or someone you know feels called to share the Light of Christ and to let our missing brothers and sisters in Christ know that they are missed and are a vital part of our community, please contact Susan Salisbury at 518-478-5517 or leave a message at the Parish office at 518-237-3131.

There will be a meeting soon for people interested in helping with phone calls, visits and card writing. Thank you and God bless!



WHAT IS THE ANNUNCIATION?

The Annunciation of the Lord refers to the angel Gabriel's visit to young Mary to tell her that she would be the mother of Jesus.

WHAT IS THE ANNUNCIATION?

Mary's acceptance of her pregnancy made her the first to believe in Jesus and, thus, the first Christian.



In Altar Society News~

Thank you for making the Lucky Bucket Extravaganza a great success once again this year.

There were over 50 very creative donated baskets from which to choose.

We appreciate all who purchased tickets, set up, cleaned up, sold tickets, served lunch, baked desserts, planned the day, donated baskets, advertised & attended the event.

Thanks to everyone that helped make Sunday an enjoyable afternoon of fun, friendship, community & some winning.

It is because of all of you that the Altar Society will be able to purchase needed items for our parish and school.

We are grateful for your continued support of our many endeavors. God Bless.

The Members of the Altar Society.



Holy Week and Easter Schedule

PALM SUNDAY

4:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass (March 28)

8:00 AM Palm Sunday Mass (March 29)

10:00 AM Palm Sunday Mass (March 29)

HOLY THURSDAY - April 2

7:30 PM Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Supper
(No Other Mass)

GOOD FRIDAY - April 3

3:30 PM Stations of the Cross

7:30 PM Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Death


HOLY SATURDAY - April 4

8:00 PM Solemn Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY - April 5 10:00 AM Mass

Please pray for all the sick and suffering and for anyone close to death; for those troubled in body, mind, or heart, and for their care givers in a special way: Alexa Papperman, Patricia Komoroski, Mary Beth Woodard, Irene & Frank Marra, Judith M Hervieux, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Nicholas Muscatiello, Cindy Vandiver, Loretta Fredricks, Sr. Maura Rhode, C.S.J., Michelle Weitz, Joann Guertin, Bill Dame, Bernard & Françoise Ouimet, John Neilson, Mary Ann Daly, Sandy Skiba, Michele Skiba, Anne Fay, R. J. Scarchilli, Michelle DeRusso, Don Kane, Lillian Kane, Karen Riley & Jim & Betty Ziegler and John Neilson. **If you requested a loved one be added to the this prayer list, please contact the office (518.237.3131) and let us know if prayers are still needed.**





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