



*Mass Intentions of the Week  
Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

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| <b>Saturday, January 27th</b>             |  |
| 5:00PM                                    | Joan Schroeder                         |
| <b>Sunday, January 28th</b>               |  |
| 8:00AM                                    | Our Parish Family                      |
| 11:00 AM                                  | Maura D. Fuller                        |
| <b>Monday, January 29th</b>               |  |
| 7:30AM                                    | Bill Iller                             |
| <b>Tuesday, January 30th</b>              |  |
| 7:30AM                                    | Ruth Thompson                          |
| <b>Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup></b> |  |
| 7:30AM                                    | Rene A. Canuel                         |
| <b>Thursday, February 1st</b>             |  |
| 7:30AM                                    | Diane Davis Legg                       |
| <b>Friday, February 2nd</b>               |  |
| 7:30AM                                    | Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion |
| <b>Saturday, February 3rd</b>             |  |
| 5:00PM                                    | Freddy Egan                            |
| <b>Sunday, February 4th</b>               |  |
| 8:00AM                                    | Our Parish Family                      |
| 11:00 AM                                  | Mary and Elizabeth Congdon             |

**BAPTISM PARENTS MEETING**

Baptism Preparation Class **will be February 25th at 12:30 pm in the Parish Center.** Please contact the office for information. Baptisms take place the first Sunday of the month usually at 12:30 pm from October to June, and at 1 pm July to September.

**Religious Education News**

**Classes for grades 1-7: February 4th**  
**Classes for grades 8 & 9: January 28th**  
**(instead of February 4<sup>th</sup>)**

**Judy DeBaggis, Director of Faith Formation**  
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**Guarding Against the Spread of the Flu**

We have implemented the following changes temporarily to guard against spreading germs:

1. We will eliminate the greeting of those around us before Mass.
2. We suggest refraining from holding hands during the Lord's Prayer.
3. We will eliminate the Sign of Peace.
4. Communion of the Precious Blood from the chalice will be suspended. **We will need only the first three Extraordinary Ministers of Communion on the schedule.**
5. It is suggested that communicants receive the host in their hands. If you truly desire to receive the host on the tongue, please come in the Communion line to the priest, who has training and experience in avoiding contact with lips, tongue, and saliva.
6. We ask that you refrain from hand-shaking and embracing when leaving church after Mass.

**Prayer Request**

Book provided in the Lobby for you to write your intentions for anyone to be remembered in prayer. Let us continue to hold each other up in prayer. **Please pray for all who serve our country and are in harm's way. SICK:** Pray for: Michael Ferreira, Kimberly Feinsod, Irene Garnett, Gladys Soverino, Kathleen A. Meehan, Julie Grimaldi, Bernard Walsh, Joan Wilson Godeau, Peter Dugan, Kori Olsen, Dennis J. Dias, Ashley Andrade, Barbara Murphy, Fr. Tom Clements, Claire Schroeder, Davy Walker, Pamela Marchant, Dino Almodobar, Sandy Duarte, Elsie Dudley, Therese Woodward, Troy Towne, Lola Jagolta, Lee Rand Burne, Roy Barrett, Marge Mock, Charles Howard, Ceil Dragon, Barbara Carvalho, John Grangrade, Phyllis Slattery, Tom Murphy, Xavier Andrade, Shannon Reeves, Kathy Sherman, Patricia & Charlie Andrade, Barbara Mintz, Stephen McCluskey, Kerry O'Keefe, Ron Bocage, Santiagueta Hernandez, Paul Gonnella, Nancy Pittman, Kevin Dugan, Linda LaConti, Jane Podurciel, Donna Perone, Stephen Rickard, Jean Duarte, Ray McMahon, Tish Meehan, Sylvia Lewis, Shirley Souza, Molly Elverson, Sarah Partridge, Fernando Gutierrez, Gisela MacDonald & Feliz Soares For visits by Fr. Bouchard please call the office.

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28  
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Mk 5:21-43  
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6  
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13  
Friday: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-3  
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34

**Stewardship**  
*A Way of Life*

Moses told the people, "The Lord will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own kinsmen." God still provides among His people the gifts and talents necessary to continue the work of His Church. What gifts are yours to share?

1-20,21: Stewardship: \$1,703.00  
Second Collection: \$ 720.00  
Upcoming Second Collections:  
Black and Indian Mission Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>  
Diocesan Assessment Feb. 11th

**Father Bouchard To Be Away**

Father Bouchard is away on vacation (somewhere warm, he hopes!) until February 9. Father Paul Canuel, previous pastor here, will care for our parish during that time. Father Kevin Cody will also be available to assist. We thank these priests for their generous ministry.

## THIS WEEK AT MASS

**Wednesday, January 31:** St. John Bosco, priest (+1888). He founded the Salesians, a religious community today numbering over 16,200. He was dedicated to the education of youth. He was the first saint in history to submit to a press interview and the first canonized saint in whose honor a national holiday was declared in Italy. Patron of editors.

**Friday, February 2:** Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This feast, originating in 4<sup>th</sup>. century Jerusalem, came to be celebrated in Rome by the middle of the 5<sup>th</sup>. century. On this day the Church celebrates the **feast of the Presentation of the Lord**, which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as Candlemas day, since the blessing and procession of candles is included in today's Eucharistic liturgy.

According to Mosaic law 40 days after childbirth a woman was to present herself to the priests and offer sacrifice for her "purification." So the Church added this feast 40 days after Christmas.

The blessing of candles and procession will be omitted this year as on this day we will have a service of the Word and the distribution of Communion.

For more information on saints of the day click on [www.americancatholic.org](http://www.americancatholic.org), the daily features, saint of the day. There is a link on our website.

### Time To Return Last Year's Palms



Please return dried palms from last year to the basket in the vestibule no later than February 11<sup>th</sup>. They will be burned; some ashes will be used for Ash Wednesday and any surplus will be properly disposed of in the earth.

### Lenten Devotions This Year

Believe it or not, Lent is "just around the corner." Ash Wednesday is February 14. Among other devotions this year (in addition to daily Mass, Stations of the Cross, etc.) will be daily Rosary – to be prayed before daily Mass and beginning at 7:10 am.

### Tax Reports

If you would like a record of your donations for 2017 for tax filing purposes, please contact our office. Thanks for your generosity throughout the year.



### Knights of Columbus Breakfast Sunday, February 11, 2018 at St. Mary's Parish Center 8 am to 1 pm

Scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, and beverage.  
Tickets: \$10/adult; \$5/children  
Benefits Seminarian Assistance Fund, providing scholarships for seminarians of our diocese.  
Tickets available after Masses January 27 & 28, February 3 & 4 and at the door February 11<sup>th</sup>.

### *Nantucket in Naples, FL*

#### *Invitation has been sent!*

Our parish gathering will be there **on Wednesday, January 31, 2018, 5 to 7 pm**. At that time Father Bouchard will be on the Southwest Coast for vacation. If you are interested in attending, please provide the office with your winter contact information at [stmarys@stmarysnantucket.org](mailto:stmarys@stmarysnantucket.org) or 508-228-0100

### CELEBRATING SACRAMENTS WITH OUR YOUTH



**First Communion:** Will be celebrated at parish Masses (English and Spanish) on Saturday and Sunday, May 5 and 6, 2018: 5 pm Saturday and 11 am Sunday in English and 5pm on Sunday in Spanish.



**Confirmation:** Will be celebrated on Ascension Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 4 pm. Our retired Bishop, George W. Coleman, will be the confirming prelate. Let's pray for our students preparing for these sacraments, and their families.

### Nantucket Gathering on East Coast of Florida



Through the kindness of a parishioner, there will be a reception for members of our parish who are in the area of West Palm Beach during the week of February 19 to 23 (including Fr. Bouchard!). If you or someone you know will be in that area, please provide contact information to our office at 508-228-0100 or [stmarys@stmarysnantucket.org](mailto:stmarys@stmarysnantucket.org).