



*Mass Intentions of the Week
Second Sunday of Lent*

Saturday, February 24th	
5:00PM	Our Parish Family
Sunday, February 25th	
8:00AM	For the intentions of Michael & Karin Cody&family
11:00 AM	Michael Roche, Jr.
Monday, February 26th	
7:30AM	No intentions
10:45 AM	Leona M. Bouchard
Tuesday, February 27th	
7:30AM	Anita Charpentier
Wednesday, February 28th	
7:30AM	Jack Diamond
Thursday, March 1st	
7:30AM	No intentions
Friday, March 2nd	
7:30AM	For the intentions of Caroline Cody
Saturday, March 3rd	
5:00PM	Barbara Lattanzi
Sunday, March 4th	
8:00AM	Our Parish Family
11:00 AM	Jack S. Woodley, Sr. & Bonnie Woodley

BAPTISM PARENTS MEETING

Baptism Preparation Class **will be this Sunday, 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

Next class March 11th for all grades

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.

Energize your day! Start with Mass!

Whatever your age- young, old, middle, teen, millennial, boomer-join us for a refreshing start to the day by attending daily Mass for an energizing launch. Conveniently timed at 7:30AM, it's an enriching opportunity to directly and personally thank the Lord for His blessings, to praise and adore Him, and to bring your needs directly to Him. Help fill St. Mary's with your energy, passion, and devotion. It'll make for a better world. Bring a relative or friend. Or six! Let's get this to go viral! Lent is a great time to start.

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 Bocache, Santiaguita Hernandez, Paul Gonnella, Nancy Pittman, Kevin Dugan, Linda LaConti, Jane Podurgiel, Donna Perone, Stephen Rickard, Jean Duarte, Ray McMahan, Tish Meehan, Sylvia Lewis, Shirley Souza, Molly Elverson, Sarah Partdrige, Fernando Gutierrez, Gisela MacDonald & Felix Soares For visits by Fr. Bouchard please call the office.

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Sunday Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10
 Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Stewardship

A Way of Life

Abraham was prepared to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. St. Paul reminds us that God Himself "did not spare His own Son." Are my gifts to the Lord--of my resources, of my time, of myself--also sacrificial?
 Feb. 17,18: Stewardship: \$ 2,185.00
 Second Collection: Catholic University of America
 \$1,348.00

THIS WEEK AT MASS

All days this week are weekdays during Lent. For more information on saints of the day click on www.americancatholic.org, the daily features, saint of the day. There is a link on our website.



WEEKDAY MASS

Monday through Friday,
Mass will be at 7:30am
Rosary

Among other devotions this year, there will be a daily Rosary- to be prayed before daily Mass and beginning at 7:10 am.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Weekly during Lent on Wednesdays at
5:15pm, beginning February 21st,
followed by lite bite meal
in the Parish Center.

Spanish Stations of the Cross
Weekly during Lent on Fridays at 7:00pm

Reconciliation

There will be a **Lenten Penance Service** on Wednesday, March 21st, beginning at 5:45 pm after the Stations of the Cross. As well as at 4:00pm every Saturday.

REMINDER:

Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.

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.

2018 Women and Men's Conference Be on Fire – Set the World on Fire

This one-day Lenten program, featuring guest speakers, prayer, music and Mass, will take place Saturday, March 10, at Stonehill College. See insert for details.

Altar Servers Needed

We need new altar servers for Mass. Boys and girls grade 3 through high school are welcome to sign up for our training sessions:

Monday's March 5, 12, 19, at 3:30pm-4:30pm. Please sign up by contacting Soo Woodley at the parish office: soo@stmarysnantucket.org.



EASTER FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS: Second collection this Sunday.

There are envelopes for this purpose in your packets, and extra envelopes are available in the vestibule. And you can give online. Just indicate those in whose memory (deceased) or in whose honor (living) you are making the offering, and drop the envelope in the collection basket at any time, or at the rectory. Names will be published soon after Easter, and the 11AM Mass Easter morning will be offered for them.

BEST LENT EVER

Once again, we want to invite you to sign up for Best Lent Ever. It is a "free email program that will guide you on an incredible 40-day journey to become the-best-version-of-yourself, making this a truly life-changing Lent." To sign up, go to dynamiccatholic.com or bestlentever and follow the instructions.



Encounter Cesia and her family

Through the CRS Rice Bowl collection materials, we encounter Cesia in Nicaragua, where, despite a lack of economic opportunity, young people pursue their dreams by building businesses to better their lives. How can you work to improve the lives of others this Lent? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities?

Visit www.crsricebowl.org for more information.