



*Mass Intentions of the Week
Third Sunday of Lent*

Saturday, March 3rd	
5:00PM	Barbara Lattanzi
Sunday, March 4th	
8:00 AM	Our Parish Family
11:00 AM	Jack S. Woodley, Sr. & Bonnie Woodley
Monday, March 5th	
7:30AM	Morgan Murray
Tuesday, March 6th	
7:30AM	Sharon Schaefer
Wednesday, March 7th	
7:30AM	Jack Hynes
Thursday, March 8th	
7:30AM	Rev. Donald W. Zacqués
Friday, March 9th	
7:30AM	Rev. Richard H. Wegman
Saturday, March 10th	
5:00PM	Our Parish Family
Sunday, March 11th	
8:00AM	Michael Carthy
11:00 AM	Ann Cronin

BAPTISM PARENTS MEETING

Because the last Sunday of March is Palm Sunday of the Passion, there will be no Baptism Preparation Class that day. **Instead, Baptism Preparation for March will be done by appointment.** 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

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.

Time Change

Next Sunday, March 11, we will turn our clocks ahead one hour for the beginning of Daylight Saving Time.

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 Podurriel, Donna Perone, Stephen Rickard, Jean Duarte, Ray McMahon, Tish Meehan, Sylvia Lewis, Shirley Souza, Molly Elverson, Sarah Partridge, Fernando Gutierrez, Gisela MacDonald, Felix Soares, & Jerry & Brad Giles. For visits by Fr. Bouchard please call the office.

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Sunday Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25
 Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

Stewardship

A Way of Life

"You shall not covet" is perhaps a difficult commandment to keep in our consumer-oriented society. But as Christian stewards, we know that we are the recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts. May this understanding that *all* is gift help us be less resentful of the gifts of others.

Feb. 24 & 25: Stewardship: \$2,039.00
 Second Collection: Easter Flowers: \$1,112.00

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.

Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday, March 5 at 5:30 pm in the Parish Center

THIS WEEK AT MASS

Wednesday, March 7: Saints Perpetua and Felicity, martyrs (+ 203). Perpetua, a noble lady, and Felicity, her slave suffered martyrdom in Carthage under Septimus Severus. Their names are mentioned in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I).

Thursday, March 8: St. John of God, religious (+ 1550). He was a shepherd, a soldier, and an entrepreneur before his conversion at the age of 42. He laid the foundation for the Order of Hospitallers, today numbering about 1,300 religious. He is the patron of hospitals, of the sick, of nurses, and of booksellers.

Friday, March 9: St. Frances of Rome, religious (+1440). She was a noblewoman, wife, and mother. She founded a community of Benedictine women oblates committed to serving the poorest of the poor. She is the patroness of widows and motorists.

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, followed by a 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.

Salvadorans With Temporary Protection Status

Catholic Social Services is leading a program to provide free legal consultation to our neighbors who hold this status. Please pass the word to Salvadoran friends—"Life after TPS, El Salvador", Tuesday, March 6, 10:30am-4:00pm (come at a time convenient for you), at the VFW Post. Information from Tom Ryan gthomasryan@verizon.net

Father Bouchard's Retirement

Bishop Edgar da Cunha of the Diocese of Fall River has informed the Personnel Board that he has accepted Father's request to retire. No date has been announced yet, but assignments in our dioceses typically take place late in June. This means the process for choosing Father's successor has begun. Both Father and the Pastoral Council have presented a profile of our parish to the Bishop.

Let us pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the intercession of Mary, our patroness.



EASTER FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS:

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.



Encounter Safiata and her family

Through the CRS Rice Bowl collection materials, in Burkina Faso, we encounter Safiata, a mother, grandmother and farmer who relies on the money she makes from her crops to put her children through school. How can our purchases this Lent support farmers and artisans? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities?

Visit www.csricebowl.org for more information.

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.