

PARISH OF ST. MARY

Our Lady of the Isle

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MASS SCHEDULE †

WEEKDAYS

Monday - Friday 7:30 am

WEEKENDS

Winter

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 & 11:00 am

Spanish Mass Sunday 6:00 pm

Summer

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am

Siasconet Union Chapel 8:45 am

Spanish Mass 6:00 pm

PARISH INFORMATION

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Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - Noon &
1:00 - 3:00 pm



Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:00 pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the Parish Office for information on Baptisms, and to register for Parents' Preparation Class before the birth of your child.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples are asked to consult with the priest or deacon **at least 7 months in advance**. There must be a connection to the Parish, and the couple must be practicing Catholics. Bee Gonnella, wedding coordinator (Cell: 508-221-1883)

Ministry to the Sick: Please inform us of any sick relatives that they might be placed on our schedule for receiving Eucharist.

Christian Initiation (RCIA): The process by which we welcome new adult members into our faith community. Please call the Parish Office.

St. Vincent De Paul: Outreach to the needy, call the Parish Office for info.

Knights of Columbus: Meetings the second Wednesday of each month at 6PM (not July & August), at Fr. Griffin Hall, 15 Cherry Street. Contact Erik at 508-221-8705.



Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 17

5:00 PM

Jim Lentowski

Sunday, December 18

8:00 AM

Our Parish Family

11:00 AM

Mary Stanley

6:00 PM

Spanish Mass

Monday, December 19

7:30 AM

Angelo & Luciana Santilli

Tuesday, December 20

7:30 AM

Stephen Marks

Wednesday, December 21

7:30 AM

H. Flint Ranney

Thursday, December 22

7:30 AM

Tiberio Scarfone

Friday, December 23

7:30 AM

Annie & William Cody

5:00 PM

Saturday, December 24, Christmas Eve

5:00 PM

For all those we remember/honor
through our Christmas Flowers

6:30 PM

Spanish Christmas Eve Mass

12:00 AM

Our Parish Family

Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day

9:00 AM

For all those we remember/honor
through our Christmas Flowers

Book of Prayer provided in the Lobby of the church for you to write your intentions for anyone to be remembered in prayer.

Please Note: Names will stay in the bulletin for 2 months, unless you call to have them re-moved. They are only listed if permission is given.

Please pray for all who serve our country and are in harm's way.

SICK: Pray for: Pamela Marchant, Marge Mock, Charles Howard, Xavier Andrade, Kevin Dugan, Shirley Souza, Fernando Gutierrez, Felix Soares, Brad Giles, Perry Roderick, Bella Ikova, Dick Phelan, Theresa Andersen, Ritch S. Leone, Shannon Haynes, Paul R. Driscoll, Jr., John Daley, Linda Boyle, Jonathan Perez, Steve Thompson, Tom McSparron, Jeannette Lipka, Nancie Taylor Daley, Daley McCallum, Claudio Clavijo, Ellen Conway, Doyle Marchant, Barbara Boehm, Lily Kraljevec, Linda Sullivan, Patricia Cennamo, Patty Snyder, Jimmy Harrington, Bloxy Baker, Dennis DeFino, Frank Malaro, Dick Mack, Louise Hubbard, Cicely Ilg, Harry Cooper, Jacqueline Killen Weyand, Tom Cahill, Mark Albright and Jane Carty

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday: Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

Monday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25

Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45

Thursday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

Friday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66

Saturday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79



When he discovered that Mary was with child, Joseph resolved to end their engagement with as little disgrace as possible. But obedient to the voice of God, he changed those plans...God grant that I may be as open to the leading of the Holy Spirit!

December 8: Immaculate Conception
for the Charitable Works of the St. Vincent de Paul Conference

December 11: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Retirement Fund for Religious
Not available at press time.

December 18: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Diocesan Assessment

December 25: Christmas Collection

Advent Evening Reflections

Beginning the First Monday of Advent, and the following three Advent Mondays, there will be a Holy Hour along with an Advent Reflection offered by Fr. John. Please join in adoration a reflection to help get ready to celebrate the Birth of our Savior. The final Holy Hour will be **December 19th at 7:00 pm.**

PLEASE NOTE OUR CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, December 24th:

Mass at 5:00pm

The manger will be blessed. Caroling beginning at 4:30pm.

Please note time change for the Spanish Mass
Spanish Mass at 6:30pm

Mass at Midnight

Caroling beginning at 11:30pm.

Christmas Day, December 25th

Mass at 9:00am

No other morning Masses



Please see our website:
<https://stmarysnantucket.org> for
 Bishop da Cunha's Christmas letter.
 Or there are copies at the back of the
 church.

The Advent Wreath

As a Christian tradition, the wreath holds the four Advent candles. The candles represent Jesus coming as the light in darkness. One candle is lit each Sunday until all four candles are lit. As Christmas draws nearer, each candle brings a little more light into the darkness. Sometimes a white candle is lit on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day to symbolize that Jesus is with us. This can be referred to as the "Christ candle." Each of the candles lit before Christmas represent an aspect of preparation during the season of Advent.

Fourth Week of Advent:

Candle Name: the Angel's Candle

The Fourth Week of Advent Represents: Love

Candle Color: Purple

During this final week of Advent we rejoice in the endless love that God has for us, which is made apparent in the birth of his Son. We reflect on the good news of God's love brought to us from the angel Gabriel.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

- John 3:16

(From Dynamic Catholic)

St. Mary's Rectory Decorated for Christmas!



A shout out and a big thank you to Maria and Sonia Tejada! They made the Rectory look so beautiful and festive for Stroll Weekend and for the rest of the Christmas Season. It is worth a drive by at night to see their talents at work. We thank them for their efforts and for their dedication in creating a joyful and charming Christmas attire for 6 Orange Street.



Dear Friends,

Are you ready for Christmas? It's a week away! I am sure many of us have been busy preparing for the celebrations ahead. But have we spent as much time preparing our souls to celebrate the Birth of our Savior?

In the coming week the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered multiple times Monday - Wednesday. Each of these days Confession times will be offered from 12pm to 1pm and 5:30pm to 6:30pm. On Thursday Confession will be offered from 12pm to 1pm. There will be no Confession times offered on Saturday, Christmas Eve.

This is a wonderful Christmas Gift to receive -- God's Mercy and Forgiveness. It is why he gave us his son!

God bless you all,
 Fr. John

Knights Coats for Kids/Inky Santa



Santa came by the Knights Coats for Kids/Inky Santa workshop to encourage and thank all of the volunteers. There was a large group of St. Mary's parishioners helping all week. Some are pictured above with Santa and with two of the Board Members of Inky Santa who are parishioners as well. Coats and toys and other gifts were wrapped and given out to 580 Nantucket families this year. It was wonderful to see how many families received much needed coats. Thank you Knights Coats for Kids and Inky Santa! What an accomplishment. (See our website for more pictures of our St. Mary's crew at work.)



Here's a great way to keep in touch, and up to date, on all the good things that happen here at St. Mary's.

Please follow this link:

[St. Mary - Our Lady of The Isle // Flocknote](#) and add your email address. Or call the parish office and we can add it for you. It will help us keep in touch and alert you of any news which needs to be shared.

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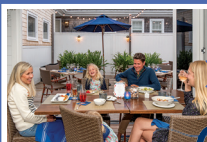
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