

PARISH OF ST. MARY

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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 8 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.



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 21

5:00 PM

Phil & Claire Raneri

Sunday, October 22

8:00 AM

John McLaughlin

11:00 AM

Our Parish Family

6:00 PM

Spanish Mass

Monday, October 23

7:30 AM

Joseph Cody

Tuesday, October 24

7:30 AM

Beth Lochtefeld

Wednesday, October 25

7:30 AM

Janice O'Mara

Thursday, October 26

7:30 AM

Alex Robertson

Friday, October 27

7:30 AM

Teresa King

Saturday, October 28

5:00

Stephen Coffin

Sunday, October 29

8:00 AM

Charles "Chuck" Dragon

11:00 AM

Our Parish Family

6:00 PM

Spanish Mass



Sacrament of Baptism

Asher Tyler Lee

will receive the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Mary's this weekend. We ask for your prayers for this newest member of our parish family and for his parents and godparents



Sacrament of Marriage

Please remember this couple in your prayers as they celebrated this special sacrament this weekend.

October 21, 2023

William H. Cummings

and

Molly J. Murray

SCHEDULE FOR MASSES NOVEMBER 1st

ALL SAINTS DAY

October 31:

5:15 PM Vigil Mass

7:30 PM Spanish Vigil Mass

November 1st:

7:30AM

5:15PM

All Souls Day, November 2nd.

On Thursday, November 2 **there will be our regular 7:30 am Mass.** All are welcome to join in praying for the repose of our loved ones who have gone before us.

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, 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., Jonathan Perez, Steve Thompson, Tom McSparron, Jeannette Lipka, Daley McCallum, Claudio Clavijo, Ellen Conway, Doyle Marchant, Barbara Boehm, Lily Kraljevec, Linda Sullivan, Patricia Cennamo, Patty Snyder, Jimmy Harrington, Bloxy Baker, Frank Malaro, Louise Hubbard, Cicely Ilg, Harry Cooper, Jacqueline Killen Weyand, Mark Albright, Jane Carty, Frank Balester, Billy Medeiros, Fred Stencil, Laura Patiño, Ray Senecal, Julie Malone, Maria Angela Quijada and Patsy Cody Lyons

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Times

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16



Stewardship
a way of life

Each year at tax time we conscientiously give "to Caesar what belongs to Caesar." Does my stewardship indicate that I am as faithful about giving "to God what belongs to God"?

October 8:

Weekly Parish Collection

Second Collection:

Diocesan Assessment

Not available at press time.

October 15:

Weekly Parish Collection

Not available at press time.

October 22:

Weekly Parish Collection

Second Collection:

World Mission Sunday

October 29:

Weekly Parish Collection

St. Mary's is so grateful for our thoughtful and generous parishioners who support our faith community with their time, talent and treasure. We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial commitment to our Parish!

World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. Sunday, October 22, 2023.

Pope Francis, in his message for World Mission Sunday 2023, reflects on the theme "Hearts on fire, feet on the move," based on the story of the disciples who encounter Jesus on their way to Emmaus (cf. Lk 24:13-35).

THIS WEEK AT MASS

Monday, October 23: St. John of Capistrano, priest (+1456). He was a reformer of the Franciscans and Poor Clares; he preached devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus, and sought an end to the Western Schism. He animated resistance against the Turks at the battle of Belgrade (1456). He is patron of military chaplains.

Tuesday, October 24: St. Anthony Mary claret, bishop (+1870). From Catalonia, he became a vigorous reforming bishop of Santiago, Cuba and founded the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (Claretians).

Saturday, October 28: Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles. Simon, also called the Zealot, possibly preached in Egypt and Persia. Jude, or Thaddeus, may have preached in Palestine and Persia. Patron of those in despair or hopeless situations. A statue honoring St. Jude stands on the Cambridge St. side of our church.

October is Respect Life Month

We are all called to respect the dignity of life in all its forms and stages from conception to natural death:

"As the Father loves, so do his children. Just as he is merciful, so we are called to be merciful to each other." Pope Francis.

Mass Attendance:

Parents/Guardians are urged to begin/continue a regular Mass schedule for your children. Your positive example is the teachable moment for them.

Special Mass for Mental Health Awareness

October is Mental Health Awareness month. In recognition of the impact that mental health challenges can have on individuals, their families and caregivers, Bishop Edgar da Cunha will offer a special Mass on Sunday, October 29th, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption on Second Street in Fall River. This Mass will be offered for those who have lost a loved one to suicide, drug and alcohol use, or mental illness. In addition, it will be offered for those who are currently experiencing mental health challenges. All are welcome! A Book of Remembrance will be offered during the Mass for those who have died. If you would like to submit a name or names of loved ones, please email FRReception@ccfrdioc.org, with the subject line: Name for Remembrance Book. You may also call Catholic Charities Diocese of Fall River at 508-674-4681 Ext. 1101

St. Mary's Cemetery

It is time to collect your hoses, containers, etc. that you do not want discarded. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our cemetery clean and neat.

November "Count"

The Office of Pastoral Planning of our diocese requests, as they have in the past, that the parishes of Cape Cod and the Islands count those attending Masses during the month of November this year. So, beginning the first weekend of November, our ushers will be counting.



Dear Friends,

As we are coming to the close of another "wedding season" here on Nantucket I've been thinking a lot about what makes a good marriage. I see the excitement and the joy of these young couples who are ready to face the

next 80 years or more (God willing!) together. I am excited for them and edified by their desire to live in the beautiful covenant of holy matrimony.

Sadly, our culture highlights too many negative images of marriage. Celebrity marriages that fall apart make more news than a long lasting marriage between two famous people or a marriage of the average private citizen lasting more than 50 years. Might I suggest that the marriages which should be highlighted are not those that have been dragged through the tabloids. Rather let's look at those "boring" marriages to tell us what marriage can be as opposed to what it isn't.

I will briefly highlight two such celebrities -- Suzanne Somers and Jimmy Buffett. Each was married to their spouses for 46 years! It was not a first marriage for either one of them but the spouses to whom they were married at their respective deaths stayed with them in good times and in bad; sickness and health for as long as they lived. A good marriage isn't necessarily a perfect marriage but nothing in life is perfect because we are all sinners.

Might I suggest we look at the good things in our culture and stop paying attention to the junk that infiltrates our minds and hearts. We who are older need these good examples but our young people especially need them. Let's not just look to the stars. We have great examples of marriage in our families, our parish and local community. Let us build up our culture rather than tear it down.

St. Paul says about love "It does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails".

God bless you all!

Fr. John

October: Month of the Holy Rosary

During the month of October, the Rosary will be recited each day, Monday through Friday before the 7:30 am morning Mass. As we do every week day, we will start the Rosary at **7:05 am**. Come and pray for peace in our troubled world.

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