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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: Please refer to our parish website for guidelines. www.stmarysnatnucket.org

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.



Fifth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 16

5:00 PM

Carol Marks

Sunday, March 17

8:00 AM

Deacon Mike Murray

11:00 AM

Our Parish Family

6:00 PM

Spanish Mass

Monday, March 18

7:30 AM

Barbara Nelson

Tuesday, March 19

7:30 AM

Lee Rand Burne

Wednesday, March 20

7:30 AM

Roger Trahan

Thursday, March 21

7:30 AM

No intention

Friday, March 22

7:30 AM

Armina & Beatrice Perry

Saturday, March 23

5:00 PM

Jean Duarte

Sunday, March 24 ~ Palm Sunday

8:00 AM

Our Parish Family

11:00 AM

Grace & Dick Coffin and Kerry O'Keefe

6:00 PM

Spanish Mass

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;

Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56



"If anyone would serve me," says Jesus in today's Gospel, "let him follow me; where I am, there will my servant be." In what way is Jesus inviting me to follow Him? What service is He asking of me?

March 3: \$4,894.00

The above total includes our online giving donations.

March 10: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Catholic Relief Services
Not available at press time.

March 17: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Diocesan Assessment

Please note: There are Operation Rice Bowl envelopes in your packets marked for collection this weekend, March 17. We will actually wait and collect those on April 7th.

March 24: 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!

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, Frank Malaro, Louise Hubbard, Cicely Ilg, Harry Cooper, Jacqueline Killen Weyand, Mark Albright, Jane Carty, Frank Balester, Billy Medeiros, Laura Patiño, Ray Senecal, Julie Malone, Patsy Cody Lyons, Joy McGrath, Fred Mascola, Rosemarie Simmone, Richard Brannigan II, Bec Balock, and Elizabeth Mock

HOLY WEEK



Palm Sunday, March 24

CELEBRATED IN THE PARISH CENTER

5:00 pm Vigil Mass on March 23

8:00 am and 11:00 am Mass

6:00 pm Spanish Mass

Palms will be distributed at all Masses

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

CELEBRATED IN THE CHURCH

Holy Thursday, March 28

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (bilingual), with Washing of the Feet, Procession to the Parish Center for Eucharistic Adoration until 12:00 am (enter from Cambridge Street)

Good Friday, March 29

3:30 pm Stations of the Cross at St. Mary's Cemetery 7:00 pm Passion of the Lord(bilingual) – Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion

Easter Vigil, March 30

7:30 pm The high point of the Church's Liturgical Year (bilingual)

Easter Sunday, March 31

8:00 am and 11:00 am Mass

6:00 pm Spanish Mass

Lenten Devotion Schedule

The rosary will be prayed every morning, Monday through Friday, at 7:05 am before morning Mass.

Daily Mass during Lent will be at 7:30 am.

Eucharistic Holy Hour will be Monday through Friday from 11:30 to 12:30 pm. The last Holy Hour will be on **Monday, March 25**.

Wednesday Mornings: Group Lectio Divina will be at **10:00 am in the Parish Center**. This is a reflection group conversation about the Sunday Gospel for the upcoming week. The last one will be on **Wednesday, March 20**.

Extended Confession Schedule:

In addition to the regularly scheduled time of Saturday afternoon from 4 to 4:45, confession will be offered:

•**Monday March 18 to Friday March 22 ~ 11:30am to 12:30pm** (during the holy hour)

•**Monday afternoon, March 18 ~ 4pm to 5pm**

•**Tuesday Evening March 19 ~ 6:30pm to 7:30pm**

•**Wednesday Afternoon March 20 ~ 5pm to 6pm**

•**Monday March 25th, during the Holy Hour (11:30 to 12:30); 4pm to 5pm and then 7pm to 8pm**

•**Wednesday March 27th ~ 5pm to 6pm**

•**Holy Thursday March 28 ~ 12pm to 1pm and 3pm to 4pm**

The Annunciation of the Lord

OF NOTE: Since the day of the Annunciation – March 25 – falls within the Holy Week this year, the celebration of this feast day is transferred to the next available day, which is Monday, April 8.

THIS WEEK AT MASS

Tuesday, March 19: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. He has been honored on this date since the end of the tenth century. He was declared Patron of the Universal Church in 1870 by Pope Pius IX; patron of workers, carpenters, and of fathers – also of Austria, Belgium, Bohemia, Canada, Mexico, Peru, and (south) Vietnam.

Lenten Regulations 2024

Reminder: Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence from meat for those 14 years of age and older. In addition, **Good Friday is a day of Fast**. All adults (18 and older) are bound by the law of fast up to the beginning of their 60th year. On days of fast, those bound by the law are limited to a single full meal. This meal is meatless. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs; however, together these two meals should not equal another full meal.



Update on Church Renovations

We will be celebrating all daily and weekend Masses in the Parish Center of the church. Access is on Cambridge Street. See the photo above of our new worship space. Lots of work going on in the church this week. But no photo ops until after the bulletin goes to print. For photo updates on the progress of the renovations at the church please see our website: www.stmarysnantucket.org.



Dear Friends,

Last week I preached about Confession and in place of my "pastor's letter" there was an examination of conscience. Now it's time for me to move from words to action.

Between now and the celebration of Easter there will be ample opportunities for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The schedule is in the bulletin. I urge you not to wait until the last minute and to please keep in mind that once we begin the Triduum (Holy Thursday Evening to the Easter Vigil), Confession will not be offered until after Easter Sunday.

Why the big push? Well, there's the "Easter Duty" we are all supposed to follow; Confession at least once per year and reception of Holy Communion. But there is more. I advise, in fact I urge, everyone to go to Confession frequently. As I said in my homily last week, I go at least once a month. I find that makes it easier for me to remember what I need to say. For those who might think that is too frequent - I promise I have plenty of "material" for the Sacrament! My guess is, most of us do!

In the past, Confession was a weekly practice in anticipation of receiving Holy Communion on Sunday. This might be too frequent for most of us but it is a reminder that going to Confession is the best way to prepare for Holy Communion. If we are conscious of serious sin in our lives or it has been a very long time since our last Confession, we really should not be receiving Communion. To be sure, none of us is ever worthy of Communion but to "clean the house before the honored guest arrives" is a very good practice.

One more item, and this will probably cause some whispers and murmurings, missing Sunday Mass (unless it is for a good reason) is a sin. So it should be confessed! I say this not to judge but because I care about you and want the best for you and for your family.

God bless you!

Fr. John

We will have sheets of the Examination of Conscience, that were in last week's letter, available in the Parish Center.

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