

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: Please refer to our parish website for guidelines. www.stmarysnantucket.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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 3

5:00 PM Kathleen Psaradelis

Sunday, August 4

7:00 AM For the Intentions of the Peirano Family

8:30 AM Carol A. Marks

8:45 AM ~ Sconset Chapel Harold W., Elaine A., & Richard W. Boehm

10:00 AM Ernest "Butch" Culkins

11:30 AM Our Parish Family

6:00 PM Spanish Mass

Monday, August 5

7:30 AM Dena de Furia Spensieri

Tuesday, August 6

7:30 AM Edward Creamer

Wednesday, August 7

7:30 AM Carol Murray

Thursday, August 8

7:30 AM Deacon Charles Boucher

Friday, August 9

7:30 AM Scott Harmon

Saturday, August 10

5:00 PM Margaret Driscoll Foley

Sunday, August 11

7:00 AM Our Parish Family

8:30 AM Peter I. Sylvia & Peter E. Sylvia

8:45 AM ~ Sconset Chapel Honorable Gene E. K. Pratter

10:00 AM Elizabeth Buckman

11:30 AM Florence Tresspasso

6:00 PM Spanish Mass



The crowd in today's Gospel demanded a sign from Jesus. May our faithful stewardship be a sign to others that we, like the Ephesians in the second reading, have laid aside our former way of life and acquired a "fresh, spiritual way of thinking" in Christ.

July 28: \$16,313.00

Second Collection: \$2,486.00

Special Collection for Sconset Chapel ~ **Sconset Only**

All of the above totals include our Online Giving Donations.

August 4: Weekly Parish Collection

August 11: Weekly Parish Collection

Second Collection: Diocesan Assessment

August 15: Assumption of Mary



Sacrament of Baptism

Ashley Suleydi Guardado Perlera

received the Sacrament of Baptism here at St. Mary's last weekend. We ask for your prayers for this newest member of our parish family and for her parents and godparents.

National Eucharistic Revival ~ Holy Hour

During the National Eucharistic Revival, which is from **July 28 through August 25** we will have a Holy Hour on Sundays from 2:00 to 3:00 PM. Please join us for this reflective time in church.

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, Laura Patiño, Ray Senecal, Julie Malone, Patsy Cody Lyons, Joy McGrath, Fred Mascola, Rosemarie Simmone, Richard Brannigan II, Bec Balock, Elizabeth Mock, Joan Saenz, Jenny Boley, Kathy Seraphim, Icylin Lewis, Linda Boles, Kate McGrath, Ashley McLeod, Sally & Ed Hudzik, Jacqueline Santacroce,, Owen Santacroce, Barbara Pekenia, Frances Shields and JoAnn Hilbig

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1,3, 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

Gifts from Bethlehem

A Traditional Art and Livelihood for Holy Land Christians will be at St. Mary's on August 5th and 6th. The handicrafts trade evolved as a cultural tradition of Christians in the Holy Land for many centuries. This indigenous form of art has since become an industry of great importance to the local people of the Holy Land who rely on it for their livelihood, and to Christian pilgrims from all around the world whose pilgrimage can be memorialized for a lifetime in cherished olive wood or precious souvenirs. The olive wood carving market is the major source of income in the Bethlehem area. Gifts from Bethlehem will be selling their beautiful olive wood carvings after all of the Masses during the weekend of August 3rd and 4th. Please consider stopping by the Parish Center and checking out their works. Thank you for your vital support of this Christian tradition.

A Visit from Bishop Edgar da Cunha, S.D.V.



Our Bishop is here on the island to visit for this weekend of August 3 & 4. We will have a get together with Bishop da Cunha after the 5:00pm Mass on August 3rd.

The Bishop will also celebrate the Mass in Sconset at 8:45 am and the 6:00pm Spanish Mass.

Our Summer Mass Schedule Started ~June 29 & 30

Saturday: Mass at 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses at:

7:00 am (this will be a "Quiet Mass" ~ No music) **8:30 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am, 6:00 pm** in Spanish and **8:45 am** at the 'Sconset Union Chapel

This weekend we welcome Fr. Oliver Rafferty, S.J. and Fr. Mark Massa, S.J. from Boston College.

We thank them and we praise God for their ministry.

A Look Back at January 21, 2024-Church

The painting continued at the church. The vestibule received a fresh



coat of white paint. And inside the church, the walls, the ceiling and the cabinets at the back of the church were also painted white. The electricians were working behind the scenes getting ready for all new recessed lighting and light fixtures. The alarm crew was also on site.

We were settling in to our worship space in the Parish Center. It ended up being a perfect spot for us. Next step was to get livestreaming down in the PC.

Update on Rectory Renovation

Much of the wood on the part of the building with scaffolding has been taken down to the original wood which dates back to the 1800s! The wood is in amazing condition. And not much of it needs to be replaced. The wood is being primed in preparation for painting.



Pilings were put in and a beam installed in the back part of the building. It had been sagging for years and this has rectified that issue. These photos are of the part of the rectory that was sagging and of the pilings and beam that were installed to fix the problem.

Please see the website for more photos of this week and what was happening at 6 Orange Street.

Our budget for the renovations of the interior and exterior of the church and rectory came in at \$5 million. To date, we have raised just north of \$3 million. So additional contributions are needed.

Contributions may be sent to or brought by St. Mary's Rectory at 6 Orange Street or you can

use the envelopes found in the church. These will be sent to the Catholic Foundation of Southeastern MA. The fundraising for the renovations is being facilitated by the CFSMA for St. Mary's; all funds stay with St. Mary's.

Thank you to all who have donated and to everyone who has expressed so many compliments on the renovations of the church.

From the Office of Safe Environment

Substance abuse is a growing problem that can start as early as grade school. Warning signs can be sudden changes in behavior or moods, significant changes in eating or sleeping habits, and increased secrecy and hostility. If you believe that your child may be involved with drugs or alcohol, contact the school's social worker and/or your child's physician. Early detection and treatment are crucial to long-term physical and emotional health.



Dear Friends,

There's a request toward the conclusion of this weekend's Gospel passage from John chapter 6 which is very compelling. "Sir, give us this bread always." Those making this request do not fully realize what they are asking for or from whom they are asking it.

This request is the deepest cry of the human person; union with God. Jesus tells us through the Bread of Life Discourse, that his flesh is real food and his blood is real drink. He is the bread of life. This is the bread which sustains us in this life and brings us to eternal life. And what is eternal life? Complete and total union with God in heaven. "Sir, give us this bread always."

Each of us must examine in our lives what it is that we seek each day. What do we long for? How are we meeting these needs and longings? If we are honest, perhaps we are not going about this "quest" in the best or most virtuous of ways. How many of us try to fill our longings with food, alcohol, drugs, money, possessions, sex or prestige? Each of these things, while in and of themselves can be good, are not the end for which we are made. We are made for God. Only he will satisfy our deepest longing.

"Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus, give us yourself so we might give ourselves to you.

God bless you all!

Fr. John

ROSARY

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

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation.

The Mass schedule is as follows:

Vigil Mass: Wednesday, August 14 at 5:30 pm

Thursday, August 15: 7:30 am Mass 6:00 pm Mass

7:30 pm Spanish Mass



MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

A Funeral Mass was celebrated this past week for:

Charron "Corky" Ranney

Please remember her and her family in your prayers.



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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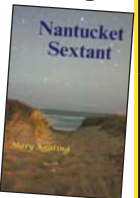
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