

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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 & Eileen Sylvia

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

10:00 AM Elizabeth Buckman

11:30 AM Florence Tresspasso

6:00 PM Spanish Mass

Monday, August 12

7:30 AM Marcia Fazzari

Tuesday, August 13

7:30 AM George J. Rezendes, Sr.

Wednesday, August 14

7:30 AM Warren & Judy Baltimore

5:30 PM Tom Cahill

Thursday, August 15 ~ The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 AM Priscilla Donahue

6:00 PM Dr. & Mrs. Gordon Gallagher & Joe Gallagher

7:30 PM Spanish Mass

Friday, August 16

7:30 AM Most Reverend George W. Coleman

Saturday, August 17

5:00 PM Christine Carroll

Sunday, August 18

7:00 AM John & Katherine Lodge

8:30 AM Charron "Corky" Ranney

8:45 AM ~ Sconset Chapel Our Parish Family

10:00 AM Kathleen Psaradelis

11:30 AM Jack Dazzo

6:00 PM Spanish Mass



The gifts of God that the angel brought to Elijah---food, water, rest, and encouragement---were given, not for his own good alone, but to strengthen him for service. How am I using my gifts to serve others?

August 4: \$18,432.00
The above total includes our Online Giving Donations.

August 11: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Diocesan Assessment

August 15: Assumption of Mary
As on all Holy Days, the collection is for the charitable works of our St. Vincent de Paul Conference.

August 18: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Black & Indian Missions~Home Missions

August 25: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Special Collection for Sconset Chapel
Sconset Only

Bread of Life Discourse ~ Holy Hour

During the Bread of Life Discourse, on Sundays, from July 28 through August 25 we will have a Holy Hour 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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30—5:2; Jn 6:41-51

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7, 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16, 16:1-2; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15

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

Bishop da Cunha's Visit ~ August 3 4 4



Fr. Carlos, Fr. Marcel, our former pastor, the Bishop and Fr. John. Bishop da Cunha enjoyed his time on the island and visiting with all of St. Mary's parishioners.

Save the Date ~ Labor Day Cookout!

Saturday, August 31 from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm plan on joining us for our end of summer cookout. Cambridge Street will be blocked off and we will have plenty of tables to sit down and enjoy the wonderful food that the Knights will be cooking, to spend time with your fellow parishioners and to enjoy a great time at St. Mary's. Stay tuned for more details.

A Look Back at January, 2024-Church



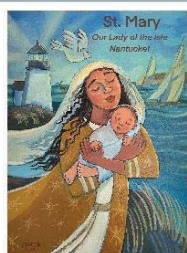
The boxes that were built at the bottom of the arch were taken off. Three amazing craftswomen were brought in to repair the arch and bring it back to its original beauty. Meanwhile, the painting of the inside of the church continued.

Update on Rectory Renovation



The front right side of the rectory with the primer coat applied. 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. 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.

St. Mary Our Lady of the Isle
12"x16" signed prints are now available
New! Mary's 25th anniversary celebration is now extended to
October 2024!



Print by Artist Nancy Marek Cote

Over Labor Day Weekend we will have these prints available for sale. Nancy created this beautiful painting of St. Mary Our Lady of the Isle for Fr. John on his 25th anniversary as a priest. She has very generously had the prints made and will be available after all of the Masses that weekend to sign them. This is a fund raiser for our renovation projects. Please support Nancy and her artwork!



Dear Friends,

We had a great visit from our Bishop last weekend. Bishop Edgar da Cunha, Bishop of Fall River (our Diocese) spent the weekend with us. He celebrated a few Masses, had the chance to visit with many parishioners and he even had some time, briefly, to enjoy the beauty of Nantucket. I always tell him that he needs to come when he doesn't have to do so much, just to enjoy Nantucket. I Hope he will!

During his homily last weekend Bishop da Cunha talked about the late Cardinal Francis Xavier Van Thuan. He was the Archbishop of Saigon who spent 13 years imprisoned by the Vietnamese Communist Government, 9 of those years in solitary confinement. During his time in prison he found great solace and hope in the Eucharist. I want to share the words of Cardinal Van Thuan with you about how he was able to offer Mass while in prison:

"When I was arrested, I had to leave immediately, with empty hands. The next day I was allowed to request in writing the things I needed most: clothes, toothpaste.... I wrote, 'Please, could you send me a bit of medicine for my bad stomach?' 'The faithful understood what I meant and they sent a little bottle of wine for Mass, which they labeled 'stomach medicine,' as well as some hosts sealed in a flashlight to protect them from humidity. The police asked me: 'Do you have a bad stomach?' 'Yes,' I answered. 'Here's some medicine for you.' I will never be able to express my immense joy: every day, with three drops of wine and one drop of water in the palm of my hand, I celebrated my Mass."

The "medicine for his stomach" is the true medicine for our lives; St. Thomas Aquinas said of the Eucharist, "No other Sacrament has greater healing power." During these weeks of the Bread of Life Discourse, let us be truly grateful that we have the freedom to come to Mass as often as we want and to receive the true source of life and hope in the Holy Eucharist, Jesus Christ Himself, the Bread of Life.

God bless you all!

Fr. John

ROSARY

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

Our Summer Mass Schedule ~June 29 through September 1

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 again 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.

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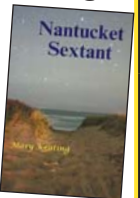
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