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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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 24

5:00 PM Zachary Lopian

Sunday, August 25

7:00 AM Jayne & Jim Joynt

8:30 AM Our Parish Family

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

10:00 AM Deceased members of the Murray and

Creamer Families

11:30 AM Kevin Graner

6:00 PM Spanish Mass

Monday, August 26

7:30 AM For the Intentions of Kearney Shanahan

Tuesday, August 27

7:30 AM Margaret Driscoll Foley

Wednesday, August 28

7:30 AM Frank Raith

Thursday, August 29

7:30 AM Christine Baxter

Friday, August 30

7:30 AM Bonnie Reid

Saturday, August 31

5:00 PM Charles "Chuck" Dragon

Sunday, September 1

7:00 AM Our Parish Family

8:30 AM Kathleen Psaradelis

8:45 AM ~ Sconset Chapel Robert H. Malavase

10:00 AM The Honorable Gene E.K. Pratter

11:30 AM Bill Cuddy

6:00 PM Spanish Mass



In today's reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for He is our God." May we, too, be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts.

August 15: \$2,897.00

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

For the charitable works of our St. Vincent de Paul Conference.

August 18: \$15,373.00

The above totals include our online giving donations.

Second Collection: Black & Indian Missions~Home Missions
Not available at press time.

August 25: Weekly Parish Collection

Second Collection: Special Collection for Sconset Chapel

Sconset Only

'Sconset Union Chapel -Thank You & Update

To date, \$4,116.00 has been received from the July special collection to help defray expenses for use of the chapel. We will have another collection for this purpose this Sunday, August 25. Expenses include our donation to the chapel which is \$6,500 each year, musicians, travel for assisting priests, etc. Please take one of the special envelopes provided, so you will be prepared. As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated. We are happy to be able to use such a beautiful worship site to meet the needs of our summer parishioners and we are always grateful for the board's welcome and understanding.

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, Patti Geyer, Sheila Fleishman and JoAnn Hilbig

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Eph 5:21-32 or

5:2a, 25-32; Jn 6:60-69

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 6:17-29

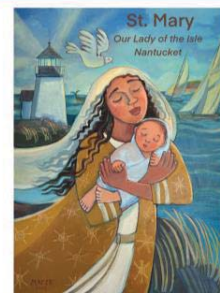
Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30

St. Mary Our Lady of the Isle

12"x16" signed prints are available for purchase

Each print will be hand signed by the artist Nancy Marek Cote



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COME AND MEET THE ARTIST ON LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Print by Artist Nancy Marek Cote

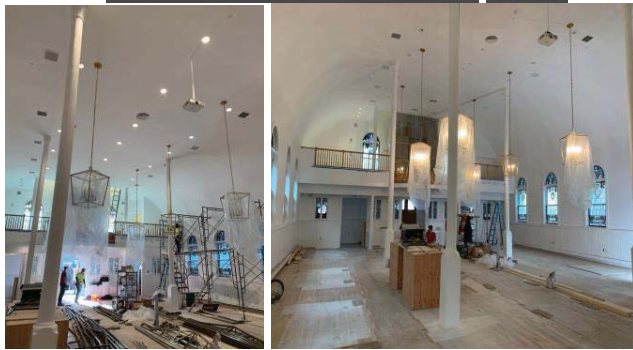
Over Labor Day Weekend we will have these prints available for sale. Nancy created this beautiful painting of St. Mary Our Lady of the Isle for Fr. John on the 25th anniversary of his being a priest. She brought it over to the island for his anniversary celebration. You can see the original painting hanging in the church.

Nancy has very generously had the prints made and she 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!

Bread of Life Discourse ~ Holy Hour

During the Bread of Life Discourse, this Sunday, August 25, we will have our final Holy Hour from 2:00 to 3:00 PM. Please join us for this reflective time in church.

A Look Back at February 26, 2024-Church



At the end of February there was a bevy of activity in the church. The scaffolding came down, the beautiful new church lighting was installed, the touch up painting began, and the archway repair continued. The big news was that we had livestreaming installed in the Parish Center. Thank you to New England Power Sound! Steve Hollister kept the time frame in place that he set up originally and we were grateful to see it all coming together.

Update on Rectory Renovations

The sanding and priming continues. It is a huge job needless to say. The ornate moldings and corbels that were sent off for stripping are back on island and ready for paint. It is noisy and busy at 6 Orange Street. But that is a good thing and the work is progressing quite well.

Thank you to all who have donated and thank you to Steve Hollister & his crews for their continued good work!

LABOR DAY COOKOUT



wonderful food that the Knights will be cooking. Join us and spend time with your fellow parishioners and to enjoy a great time at St. Mary's. The menu is going to be as wonderful as it always is!

Save the Date ~ Labor Day Cookout and Renovations Fundraiser!

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

Our Summer Mass Schedule ~June 29 through September 1
This weekend we welcome Fr. Jeff von Arx, S.J. and Fr. Quang Tran, S.J. from Boston College.
We thank them and we praise God for their ministry.



Campaign for Special People with Intellectual or Physical Disabilities. ~ Thank you!

Thank you to all who donated to this collection. The Knights appreciate your giving and they hope you enjoyed the Tootsie Rolls.

ROSARY

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



Dear Friends,

The second reading this weekend from St. Paul's Letter to The Ephesians is controversial. In Many Catholic Parishes the shorter form of the reading is being read. Not here! We love controversy here on Nantucket and we are willing to embrace it!

This letter makes me think of one of my favorite TV shows, The West Wing. In one episode we see President Bartlett and his wife Abby returning from Sunday Mass. They are discussing the priest's handling, or not handling, of this particular reading. I believe the president calls the priest a hack. I don't want to be called a hack for avoiding something challenging.

So, what is St. Paul getting at in this section of his letter? Well, first let's address the obvious. In the time of St. Paul women were considered the subordinate class. Without a father, a husband or a son they had no one to speak for or stand up for them. So for a woman to be subordinate to her husband was common and offered a sense of security and safety. For the record, I am not even remotely suggesting this is a good thing. But this is how it was.

However, St. Paul is offering this as an image for Christ and the Church. The Church, each one of us, is called to be subordinate to Christ. That is the proper order of the things. He's God and we are not. It's as simple as that. But there is a benefit to us in doing so. Just as in the time of St. Paul women were (or at least should have been) protected by their husbands, so it is with us, the Church. If the Church is the Bride of Christ and Christ is the Bridegroom, then He is the one who protects us; He lays down His life for us so that we can be saved from evil and receive salvation. We are bathed in Him, in His word. This is our salvation.

So while we may be uncomfortable with history and the words of St. Paul, we can't let that discomfort blind us from the greater truth that is being shared. So let us be subordinate to Jesus as he gives us Himself as food and drink; the Bread of Life. This is a marvelous offer and we should accept it!
God bless you all!

Fr. John



Sacrament of Baptism

Kiara Cortez Avelar

and

Fabian Marcos Gonzales Tejada

and

Iveth Valentina Fuentes Rodriguez

All received the Sacrament of Baptism here at St. Mary's last weekend. We ask for your prayers for these newest members of our parish family and for their parents and godparents.

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