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MASS SCHEDULE †

WEEKDAYS

Monday - Friday7:30 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 - Friday9:00 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.



First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, November 30

5:00 PM Erin Marshall

Sunday, December 1

8:00 AM Keith Creamer

11:00 Our Parish Family

6:00 PM Spanish Mass

Monday, December 2

7:30 AM For the Poor & Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, December 3

7:30 AM Thomas B. Healy

Wednesday, December 4

7:30 AM Frederick Mascola

Thursday, December 5

7:30 AM For the Intentions of the Legare Family

Friday, December 6

7:30 AM Peter Sylvia

Saturday, December 7

5:00 PM Ralph Hardy

Sunday, December 8

8:00 AM Erin Marshall

11:00 AM Our Parish Family

6:00 PM Spanish Mass



Second Collection December 7 & 8

Retirement Fund for Religious

Help Care for Elders

Sister Olivia Bellegante, OSF, 92
Throughout her 40 years of teaching in
Catholic schools, Sister Olivia touched the
lives of countless students, imparting not only

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cherishes memories of field trips with her students, where
laughter and learning intertwined to create memorable
experiences. Her favorite prayer, the Prayer of St. Francis,
guides her life philosophy of being an instrument of peace and
joy in the world. When asked about the secret to a long and
fulfilling life, Sister Olivia's answer is simple yet profound: "Be
happy. Accept what God has given you."

This appeal is used to assist over 30,000 senior Catholic sisters,
brothers and priests. We appreciate your generosity.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

December 9, 2024

December 9: 7:30 AM and 5:30 PM

Spanish Mass at 7:00 PM

CHURCH COOKOUT



Annual Stroll Weekend Cookout

Don't miss the infamous Knights Cookout
on Saturday, December 7. The Knights will
be grilling again to raise money for our St.
Mary's Renovation Campaign.

Join us for delicious food and great company and
help a worthy cause at the same time. The menu
is always diverse and worth a walk to Cambridge
Street! We will have the street blocked off and

tables set up and the grills & grillers grilling! Last chance for one
of their many popular grilled and fried items until the Spring!

***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, 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,
Jenny Boley, Kathy Seraphim, Icylin Lewis, Linda Boles, Kate
McGrath, Ashley McLeod, Sally & Ed Hudzik, Jacqueline
Santacrose,, Owen Santacrose, Barbara Pekenia, Patti Geyer,
Sheila Fleishman and JoAnn Hilbig

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8



Be on guard, "Jesus warns in today's
Gospel, "lest your spirits become
bloated with indulgence." Let us heed
His warning and follow the advice of St.
Paul, conducting ourselves in a way
pleasing to God, overflowing with love
for one another.

November 1: \$1005.00
All Saints Day

November 2: \$909.00
All Souls Day Collection

November 3: \$7,600.00
The above totals include our online giving donations.

November 10: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Diocesan Assessment
Not available at press time.

November 17: Weekly Parish Collection

November 24: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Campaign for Human Development

Rectory Reno Newsflash!

The Scaffolding has been removed from the outside of the
Rectory. Take a drive or a walk up Orange Street and see how
amazing it looks. We extend a huge thank you to everyone
involved in this ongoing transformation. Many exemplary crews
are working so hard and with such care on this project. And they
are led by Gary Wilson and of course, Steve Hollister, our
General Manager extraordinaire.

Advent Starts This Weekend, December 1

The Advent Wreath **The First Week of Advent**

Candle Name: the Prophecy Candle

The First Week of Advent Represents: Hope

Candle Color: Purple

Purple is the primary color associated with Advent. Within the Catholic Church it symbolizes penance, preparation, and sacrifice. During the first week of Advent we remember the Old Testament prophets who foretold of Jesus' coming with hope and anticipation.

***light the first purple candle**

Scripture Reflection: "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined." Isaiah 9:2

**pause for reflection*

Advent Wreath Prayer: *Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.*
(From Dynamic Catholic)

Religious Ed Happenings

Photo from Let's Meet Our Saints as a Family

There was a great turn out and the kids and their families enjoyed the event and learned about some wonderful saints. Looking forward to the next get together.

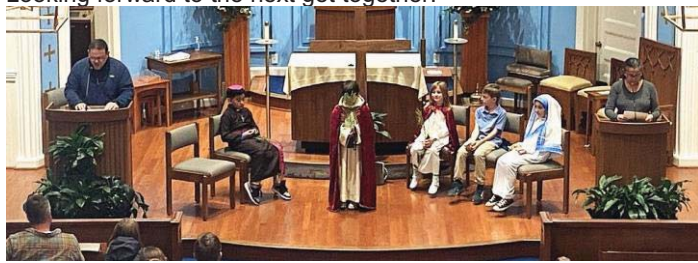
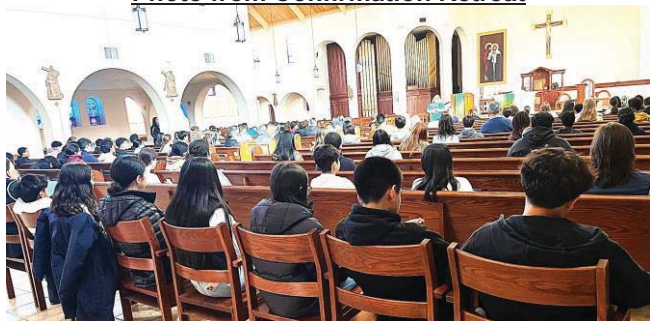


Photo from Confirmation Retreat



Nine of our confirmands traveled over to the Cape on Saturday to share a confirmation retreat with a large group of their peers. It was a great experience to meet fellow Catholic teens and to share the day with them.

KEEPING THE SEASONS

Please note the flyers at the back of the church, from the series, Keeping the Seasons. A different flyer will be offered for each week of Advent through the Baptism of the Lord. Please use them at home to keep Advent and the preparation for Christmas a Christ-centered moment in your life and your family's. They are also available on our website to print out. We will have them available in both English and Spanish.

Dear Friends,



Advent has arrived! As I've shared with you before, this is my favorite season of the liturgical year and I think it is far too brief. If I had my way we would have a couple of weeks less of Ordinary Time and have about six weeks of Advent; kind of like Lent.

Advent is the season of expectation, longing and preparation. In a real way this season invites us to connect with the longing of Ancient Israel for the long awaited Messiah. We know that Jesus has come but he is coming again, so our hearts and souls, while filled with his presence, are still longing for his presence.

I would invite each of us in this Season to spend more time in silence and reflection. A great practice, beginning December First, would be to read one chapter per day of the Gospel of Luke. There are 24 chapters in Luke's Gospel; one for each day of December leading to Christmas Eve. Coincidence? Maybe, but maybe not. Spend time each day whether alone or as a family reading one chapter of Luke. It won't take long and it will lead to reflection and perhaps even discussion.

There will be opportunities for additional prayer and preparation for us as a parish, stay tuned! Also, we have available "Advent Gospel Reflections" by Bishop Robert Barron available, please take one for private prayer and devotion during these days.

May God bless you and your families as we begin this beautiful season of hope! Come Lord Jesus!

Fr. John

THIS WEEK AT MASS

Tuesday, December 3: St. Francis Xavier, priest (+1552). One of the founding Jesuits, he preached in India, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, and Japan. With St. Theresa of the Child Jesus he is co-patron of the Apostleship of Prayer and of the foreign missions.

Wednesday, December 4: St. John Damascene, priest (+749). Became a monk and later a priest at the monastery of St. Sabas, near Jerusalem. He was the first in the East to formulate a comprehensive synthesis of Christian dogma. He defended the veneration of images, composed hymns, and preached many homilies in honor of the Blessed Virgin.

Friday, December 6: St. Nicholas, bishop (+ 4th. Century). He was bishop of Myra in Asia Minor and a model pastor noted for charity. He is popularized as Santa Claus (anglicized from the Dutch "Sinter Claus"). He is the patron of children, bankers, pawnbrokers, sailors, perfumers, brides, unmarried women, travelers, fishermen, dock workers, brewers, poets, and prisoners, also of Russia, Greece, Sicily, Lorraine, and Apulia in Italy, where his relics are enshrined in Bari.

Parish Office has Moved

We have moved to a temporary location while the renovations continue at 6 Orange Street. We have relocated to a trailer in the parking lot of 15 Cherry Street Fr. Griffin Hall. Thank you.

Fr. John and the staff of St. Mary's

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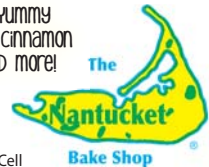


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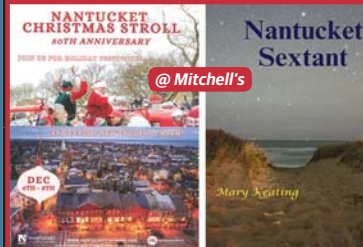
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