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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.



Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 7

5:00 PM

Ralph Hardy

Sunday, December 8

8:00 AM

Erin Marshall

11:00

Our Parish Family

6:00 PM

Spanish Mass

Monday, December 9

7:30 AM

John & Katherine Lodge

5:30 PM

Frederick Mascola

7:00 PM

Spanish Mass

Tuesday, December 10

7:30 AM

Jean Duarte

Wednesday, December 11

7:30 AM

David Nelson

Thursday, December 12

7:30 AM

Angelo Lucino Santilli

Friday, December 13

7:30 AM

For the Poor & Holy Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, December 14

5:00 PM

Jamie Topham

Sunday, December 15

8:00 AM

Our Parish Family

11:00 AM

Cornelius & Palma Johnson

6:00 PM

& Elizabeth & Charles Polachi

Spanish Mass

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

Marian Award 2024 ~ Merrey Gutierrez



Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., presented the Marian Award to 64 members of parishes from throughout the Fall River Diocese at 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 1, at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption. The award recognizes diocesan parishioners for their dedicated service to the Church. Recipients are nominated by their pastor. Merrey has been an integral part of St. Mary's for decades and has implemented many programs that are still in place today. She started, ran, and is still involved in our Spanish religious education program. And she is now helping with combining our Spanish and English religious programs into one program. Well-deserved and congratulations Merrey!

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 Santacroce,, Owen Santacroce, Barbara Pekenia, Patti Geyer, Sheila Fleishman, JoAnn Hilbig, Rowena Rickard and Richard Carven

Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47 or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13



Good stewards believe that God, who has begun this good work in them will carry it through to completion. In words and deeds, they can sing with the psalmist, "The Lord has done great things for us: we are filled with joy!"

November 10:	\$7,186.00
Second Collection:	\$2,763.00
Diocesan Assessment	

November 17:	\$7,848.00
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The above totals include our online giving donations.

November 24:	Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection:	Campaign for Human Development
Not available at press time.	

December 1:	Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection:	Fuel Collection

December 8:	Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection:	Retirement Fund for Religious Collection
	Help Care for Elders

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

December 9:	Immaculate Conception Collection
Charitable works for St. Vincent DePaul Conference	

December 15:
Second Collection:

Weekly Parish Collection
Diocesan Assessment Collection

Advent

The Advent Wreath **The Second Week of Advent**

Candle Name: The Bethlehem Candle

The Second Week of Advent Represents: Peace and Preparation

Candle Color: Purple

During this second week of Advent, we reflect on our lives and focus on becoming better-versions-of-ourselves in preparation for Jesus' coming. We remember the journey Joseph and Mary took from Nazareth to Bethlehem. What has your journey toward Christmas been like so far?

***light the second purple candle**

Read from Scripture: "And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn." (Luke 2:4-7) (Isaiah 9:2)

Pray the Advent Wreath Prayer for Week 2: "*Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.*"

Reflect: What are your top three priorities as you prepare for Christmas? (from Dynamic Catholic)



Sacrament of Baptism

Alvaro Daniel Castro Cardoza

and

David Aaron Landaverde Alcantara

and

Francisco Fabian Paz Tejada

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

THIS WEEK AT MASS

Monday, December 9:

Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation. This feast of the "Conception of Mary by St. Anne" originated in the 7th. Century and was established as a solemnity for the entire Church in 1708. We celebrate the fact that in preparation for her role as the mother of God Mary was kept free from the stain of sin from the first moment of her conception. Under this title Mary is the patroness of the U.S., Spain, Tanzania, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Thursday, December 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe. Today's feast recalls the apparitions of Mary at the hill of Tepeyac from Dec. 9 to 12, 1531 to the native convert, Juan Diego. She was declared patroness of the Americas by Pope Pius XII and this celebration was raised to the rank of feast for all the countries of the Americas by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments on March 25, 1999. The Aztec equivalent of Guadalupe means "she will crush the serpent of stone."

Friday, December 13: St. Lucy, virgin and martyr (+ c. 304). Because of her name she is the patroness of those afflicted with diseases of the eye and associated with festivals of light, especially in Scandinavia. She is the patroness of Syracuse and all Sicily.



Dear Friends,

Since we didn't have any bulletins last week, I thought it would be a good idea to run last week's column about the First Sunday of Advent and our Advent Journey.

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

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.

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

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, December 24th:

Mass at 5:00pm

Spanish Mass at 7:00pm

Mass at Midnight

Christmas Day, December 25th

Mass at 9:00am

No other morning Masses

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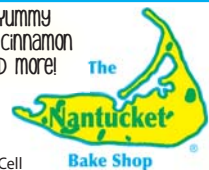


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~ Cerrado por temporada ~
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