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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

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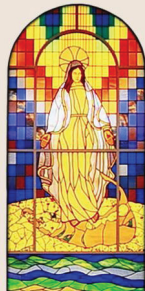
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Office Hours:

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

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 25

5:00 PM

Our Parish Family

Sunday, January 26

8:00 AM

Tom Cahill

11:00 AM

John & Katherine Lodge

5:00 PM

Spanish Mass

Monday, January 27

7:30 AM

Lorraine Creamer

Tuesday, January 28

7:30 AM

Gerald Murray

Wednesday, January 29

10:00 AM

No Intention

Thursday, January 30

7:30 AM

Armina & Beatrice Perry

Friday, January 31

7:30 AM

Deacon Charles Boucher

Saturday, February 1

5:00 PM

Ralph Hardy

Sunday, February 2

8:00 AM

Our Parish Family

11:00 AM

Bill O'Keefe

5:00 PM

Spanish Mass

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41



Knights of Columbus Winter Breakfast

T.J. McGee Council #2612

The Knights would like to thank everyone who donated, helped and attended the Winter Breakfast!

It was not only a big success, but it was a wonderful opportunity for our St. Mary's community to come together for some great food and the best company.

Thank you!



Sacrament of Marriage

Please remember this couple in your prayers as they celebrated this special sacrament this weekend.

January 25, 2025

Paul E. Grant

and

Ophelia Muradian

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, 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, JoAnn Hilbig, Rowena Rickard, Richard Carven and Gail Krauthoff



The U.S. bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's reading from 1 Corinthians: "because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members – the personal responsibility of each one of us. We all are stewards of the church."

January 12:

Second Collection:

Not available at press time.

Weekly Parish Collection

Diocesan Assessment

January 19:

Not available at press time.

Weekly Parish Collection

January 26:

Second Collection:

The Second Collection this weekend is for the Annual Collection for the Church in Latin America. We know of the plight and the poverty of the people of these churches, as well as the hardships of the Church and its missionaries in Latin America. In the spirit of charity for our brothers and sisters in our faith, let us generously support them through our prayers and financial help,

Weekly Parish Collection

Church in Latin America

February 2:

Weekly Parish Collection

February 9:

Weekly Parish Collection

St. Mary's is so grateful for our thoughtful and generous parishioners who support our faith community with their time, talent and treasure. We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial commitment to our Parish.



Bishop da Cunha's Blog

Read Bishop da Cunha's blog at:

www.fallriverdiocese.org/bishops-blog/

This Week at Mass

Monday, January 27: St. Angela Merici, virgin (+ 1540). She was the foundress of the Ursulines, the first teaching order especially for poor young girls. She sought the re-evangelization of families through the education of future wives and mothers.

Tuesday, January 28: St. Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor of the Church (+ 1274). A Dominican, he is the "Angelic Doctor" who wrote the *Summa Theologiae*, and authored many Eucharistic hymns still used during Eucharistic devotions (including *O salutaris*, *Tantum ergo*, and *Pangae lingua*). He is the patron of Catholic Schools, colleges, and universities, of philosophers, theologians, and booksellers.

Friday, January 31: St. John Bosco, priest (+1888). He founded the Salesians, a religious community today numbering over 16,200. He was dedicated to the education of youth. He was the first saint in history to submit to a press interview and the first canonized saint in whose honor a national holiday was declared in Italy. Patron of editors.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS

Thank you to all who contributed to help our church look beautiful and festive for Christmas. A list of the

names of those remembered or honored by these donations is posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule and also on our website.



For the Jewish people, a Jubilee year was held every 49 years and extra year in between 7 cycles of 7 years (cf. Leviticus 25:813). It was intended to be a time to reestablish a proper

relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation. It involved forgiving debts, returning misappropriated land, and a fallow period for the fields. The Catholic Church has celebrated Jubilee years, usually every 25 years, since the 1300s.

Pope Francis inaugurated Jubilee Year 2025 on Christmas Eve with the theme, "Pilgrims of Hope," seeking to inspire hope around the world. Last Sunday, our Bishop, Edgar da Cunha, celebrated a special Mass to open the local diocesan observance of the Jubilee. Bishop Edgar has designated 4 pilgrimage sites for the faithful to visit to participate in the Jubilee including:

The Cathedral of St. Mary, Fall River
Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette, Attleboro
Our Lady of Mount Carmel, New Bedford
St. Francis Xavier, Hyannis

The Jubilee year will run through January 6, 2026.

St. Mary's Snow Policy

If the schools are closed, then there is no Mass. If it is a weekend, we will make the decision as early as possible. Use your judgment on travel as conditions can change rapidly.

Please stay home and stay safe!



The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord ~ February 2

On this day the Church celebrates the **feast of the Presentation of the Lord**, which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus.

According to Mosaic law 40 days after childbirth a woman was to present herself

to the priests and offer sacrifice for her "purification."

As early as the fourth century Christians commemorated the presentation of Jesus in the Temple, but, at the time, there was no feast name attached. In seventh-century Rome, the Church named the celebration the feast of the Purification of the Blessed Mother Mary, and it remained that way for nearly 1,300 years. In the reforms after Vatican II, the feast was given a stronger focus on Jesus (by stressing the Presentation of Jesus), but clearly the events of purification and presentation that took place when Jesus was 40 days old (see Lk 2:22-39) are tied together and thus commemorated together.

Mary, the ever spotless Mother of God, certainly did not have to comply with this ritual, but did so to honor God and observe all the rules handed down by Moses. She was the holiest of all women, but she still submitted to the humbling requirements of the law. She remained at home for 40 days, denied herself all association with sacred things and on the day required walked the five miles from Bethlehem to the Temple in Jerusalem. Arriving at the Temple, Mary likely stood in line and waited her turn to see the priest.

Feb. 2 is on the liturgical calendar as the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, but in addition to the presentation, the Mass recalls Mary's humble submission to the purification ritual.

Christmas Decorations at the Cemetery

Please help us to keep St. Mary's Cemetery neat and clean. If you haven't already done so, please spend some time at the cemetery removing any and all Christmas decorations. Whatever remains will be discarded in order to keep our cemetery looking fresh for the winter. Also, please remove any hoses that are left from the summer. Thank you.

The Nantucket Food Pantry Can Always Use Your Help

The **Food Pantry** has implemented new procedures and protocols at its 10 Washington Street location. They are adding new clients every day and will continue to do so to the extent possible for as long as they can. **Food Item Donations** are accepted at the Food Pantry year-round at 10 Washington Street, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3-6 PM. Nonperishable items may be left at their donation bin at the front of the Sparks Avenue Stop & Shop. There is also a collection basket in the vestibule here at the church. If you have questions or need to register e-mail food@assistanantucket.org.



Light a Votive Candle

Candles and prayer go hand in hand in the Catholic tradition. Some time when you are in St. Mary's, light a votive candle as a sacrificial offering, or as a thanksgiving prayer, making your desires and petitions known to God.

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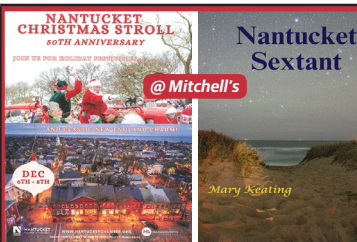
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