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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

**Parish Office:** 6 Orange St.

### Mailing Address:

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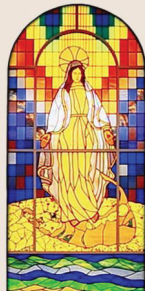
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**Web Site:** [www.stmarysnantucket.org](http://www.stmarysnantucket.org)

### 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](http://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 for the Intentions Week

## The Presentation of the Lord

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| <b>Saturday, February 1</b>  |                       |
| 5:00 PM                      | Ralph Hardy           |
| <b>Sunday, February 2</b>    |                       |
| 8:00 AM                      | Our Parish Family     |
| 11:00 AM                     | Bill O'Keefe          |
| 5:00 PM                      | Spanish Mass          |
| <b>Monday, February 3</b>    |                       |
| 7:30 AM                      | Hooks Johnston        |
| <b>Tuesday, February 4</b>   |                       |
| 7:30 AM                      | John Mark             |
| <b>Wednesday, February 5</b> |                       |
| 10:00 AM                     | Gil & Victoria Peters |
| <b>Thursday, February 6</b>  |                       |
| 7:30 AM                      | Tom Linden            |
| <b>Friday, February 7</b>    |                       |
| 7:30 AM                      | No intention          |
| <b>Saturday, February 8</b>  |                       |
| 5:00 PM                      | Carol Marks           |
| <b>Sunday, February 9</b>    |                       |
| 8:00 AM                      | Janice Morin Cranston |
| 11:00 AM                     | Our Parish Family     |
| 5:00 PM                      | Spanish Mass          |



Mark your calendars and please join us! **Cursillistas from all across New England** — along with adult friends and family interested in learning about Cursillo — are invited for this joyous event on the campus of Stonehill College in North Easton. Together we will live a beautiful day in faith and energize all Cursillistas to be the spark of renewal in the Church!

**Saturday, June 28, 2025**

**Ames Sports Complex • Stonehill College**

320 Washington Street • North Easton, MA 02357

10:00 am – 5:00 pm • Doors open at 9:00 am

**The event will feature welcoming remarks and celebration of the Vigil Mass by the Bishop of Fall River, Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.V.D., D.D.**

Keynote Speaker Brian Pusateri, shares a life story of faith and resilience with a profound message of God's mercy. The Convocation will include presentations by clergy and laypeople, panel discussions, music, and much more. Visitors can browse exhibits and vendor displays, and explore service opportunities with faith-based organizations. **Lunch is included with registration.** Food and snacks will be available.

For more information, please contact Nancy Smith, Director of the Holy Cross Retreat House at [nsmith@holycrossusa.org](mailto:nsmith@holycrossusa.org) or 508-238-2051.

### ROSARY

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

**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 Presentation of the Lord

**Sunday:** Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Monday:** Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20

**Tuesday:** Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday:** Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6

**Thursday:** Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Mk 6:7-13

**Friday:** Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday:** Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34



When Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple, they offered a sacrificial gift "in accord with the dictate in the law of the Lord." An offering of a specific size or kind is not "dictated" when we bring our gifts to the altar at Mass. Is my gift reflective of the many blessings I have received?

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| January 12:         | \$8,898.00 |
| Second Collection:  | \$1,834.00 |
| Diocesan Assessment |            |

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| January 19: | \$7,373.00 |
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| January 26:             | \$6,881.00 |
| Second Collection:      | \$1,942.00 |
| Church in Latin America |            |

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| February 2: | Weekly Parish Collection |
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| February 9: | Weekly Parish Collection |
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| February 16:       | Weekly Parish Collection |
| Second Collection: | Diocesan Assessment      |

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.

### This Week at Mass

**Monday, February 3:** St. Blaise, bishop and martyr (+ early fourth century). He was the bishop of Sebaste in Armenia and associated with the healing of throats. He is venerated as well by the Eastern Church. Legend says that simply by command he cleared a fish bone from a boy's throat, thus saving his life.

**Wednesday, February 5:** St. Agatha, virgin, martyr (+ c. 251). This early saint is the patroness of Palermo and Catania, and is invoked for protection against volcanic eruptions and fires.

**Thursday, February 6:** St. Paul Miki and companions, martyrs. Paul Miki, Jesuit scholastic, and his 25 companions, including two other Jesuits, six Franciscans, fifteen tertiaries, and two laymen, were crucified by order of the ruler Hideyoshi on February 5, 1597 at Nagasaki. Among them was the Mexican, Filipe de Jesus, the first martyr from the Americas to be beatified. They were canonized in 1862 by Pope Pius IX.



### New Oil Tank for St. Mary's Church

We were having trouble with our heating system recently. When we had it checked out, it was determined that our oil tank was in need of being replaced. That was not part of our renovation plan but it had to be done.

The new one was installed last week.

We should all be warm and toasty for the rest of the winter while in church.

### Rectory Renovation Update



Another drive by or walk by the rectory is worth the effort. You can really appreciate the beautiful detail of the outside of the building that has been so incredibly restored. The wall is also getting newly parged as weather permits.

The inside is also coming along and it is exciting to see. The inside is not accessible but we will try to post photos every now and again.

Photos below are of the parish

office and the view looking from the front door through to the dining room.



Dear Friends,

The Gospel for Daily Mass this past Wednesday was the Parable of The Sower from the Gospel of Mark (4:1-20). In this parable Jesus talks about the word of God as the seed and how the sower sows the seed rather indiscriminately in the hope that

some seed will fall on good soil and produce an abundant harvest of fruit. Each of us should strive to be the good soil on which the seed is sown.

However, the parable teaches a valuable lesson. We are not always the good soil. There are other kinds of soil which do not foster the growth of the seed into fruit. One such soil that Jesus mentions in the parable is the type of soil that is easily distracted but worldly concerns, anxieties, the lure of pleasure and passing things and other kinds of "cravings". I think it is fair to say that each one of us, at various times, can be this kind of soil. We can be easily distracted and caught up in the concerns and anxieties of daily life.

Jesus invites us, as his disciples, to live in this world but to not be "of this world". We believe that there is more than just this life and this world. As disciples we are called to live as good and faithful citizens of this world but with our hearts and souls set on the next. Psalm 90:10 tells us "Our span is 70 years, or 80 for those who are strong". Some of us will live shorter lives, some longer. The point is, no matter the length of our life on this earth, eternity is longer - forever! So let us live in this reality and not let the daily concerns, anxieties, lure of pleasure or other cravings become so powerful that they distract us from focusing on heaven, our true home.

God bless you!

Fr. John

### From the Office of Safe Environment

Want to keep your child extra safe? Create a code word for you and your child to be used in a variety of ways. It can be a signal that your child needs to talk to you immediately; it can be the password a trusted adult needs to pick up your child in an emergency, or it can be a code to signal to you that the child is in danger. Practice handling these situations just as you would have family fire drills. Safety is too important to leave to chance!

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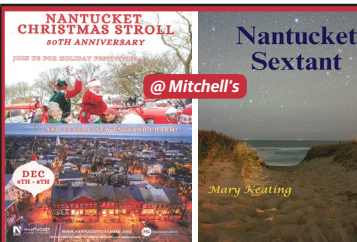
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