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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

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, March 1

5:00 PM Beverly Topham

Sunday, March 2

8:00 AM Our Parish Family

11:00 AM Arthur E. Egan

5:00 PM Spanish Mass

Monday, March 3

7:30 AM Jack Daley

Tuesday, March 4

7:30 AM John & Katherine Lodge

Wednesday, March 5

7:30 AM No intention

5:15 PM No intention

Thursday, March 6

7:30 AM Helene Blair

Friday, March 7

7:30 AM Armina & Beatrice Perry

Saturday, March 8

5:00 PM Kathleen Psaradelis

Sunday, March 9

8:00 AM Carol Marks

11:00 AM Our Parish Family

5:00 PM Spanish Mass

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 Maloro, 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, Gail Krauthoff and Marjorie Malone and John Lochtefeld

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32



Ash Wednesday Masses ~ March 5th

Ash Wednesday is March 5th and Easter is April 20th this year.

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule ~ March 5th

7:30AM and 5:15 PM with the distribution of ashes.

Spanish Mass at 7:00 PM with distribution of ashes.



All of today's readings remind us that our works reflect what is in our hearts. Do my words and actions reveal a heart that is grateful for --- and generous in sharing --- the abundance God has poured into my life?

February 16:	\$7,242.00
Second Collection:	\$6,346.00
Diocesan Assessment	

February 23:	\$7,049.00
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March 2:	Weekly Parish Collection
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March 5:	Ash Wednesday
Evangelization	

March 9:	Weekly Parish Collection
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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.

~ Lenten Devotions ~

- Keeping the Seasons to assist in your Lenten devotion, as an individual or a family. "Beginning Lent with Ash Wednesday," the first in a series entitled Keeping the Seasons will be available in English and Spanish through Lent and the Easter season. Each week, you may print them out from our website or pick one up in the back of the church.
- Copies of the book *Lenten Gospel Collections* by Bishop Robert Barron will be available on Ash Wednesday for you to use during Lent. Lenten Gospel Reflections features the full Gospel reading for each day of Lent, a daily reflection from Bishop Barron, space for journaling and answering reflection questions, and more! Beautiful and practical, this booklet is ideal for both individual meditation and group study on a family level. We have them in both English and in Spanish. Look for them in the vestibule of the church.
- Please see Fr. John's letter this week for more opportunities for Lenten Devotion.



Knights of Columbus Go Homeless

On Ash Wednesday, March 5th, following the Wednesday evening Mass, some of our Knights will be going homeless for the night. This is to bring awareness to homelessness and housing insecurity on Nantucket. If you would like to help, you may sponsor a Knight to raise funds. Find a Knight to sponsor after Mass or email them at:

kofc2612@gmail.com

Thank you.



Fifty Years of Feeding and Helping the Poor

We first met Hongkham in 2016 in Laos, when she was volunteering as a cook at her children's school, which provided free school lunches for students. Her family also received monthly food rations through a Catholic Relief Services program after her husband fell seriously ill and they had to sell their farm. Over the next eight years, Hongkham became a mentor in her community—sharing knowledge and fostering a network of cooks who now rotate duties and make sure the children always have a warm meal to look forward to. Four of her six sons grew up on school meals, and they stand noticeably taller. Her husband's health also improved, and he now works as a carpenter with two of their sons.



Today, however, our world faces a food crisis like never before. Our prayers and almsgiving are as important as ever. When COVID-19 spread across the world, hunger was already deepening. Other problems have contributed to the current food crisis, like conflict and wars, climate change and the rising cost of food. Now, millions of people are living without access to the food they need to live a healthy life. This is dangerous, especially for children who need the right nutrition to grow.

Over the next 40 days, we're going to meet families in Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh who don't have enough to eat. Whether this is the first time you're participating in CRS Rice Bowl, or you were one of the founding parishioners from Allentown, Pennsylvania, we must come together to hear their stories and address this urgent need—because everyone deserves plenty to eat.

Twenty-five percent of every donation stays in your community to fight hunger and poverty, while 75% supports Catholic Relief Services programming around the world.

For more information, visit: <https://www.crsricebowl.org/>

ROSARY

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

Prayer for Pope Francis

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd;

Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



Dear Friends,

Lent begins this coming Wednesday! Are you ready? Whether we think we are ready or not, it's here. So what are you doing for Lent this year? The Church offers us a threefold plan; Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving.

Prayer: Lent is a time for us to grow in our relationship with God through prayer. Do we pray daily? Do we pray more than once daily? Do we offer our prayers as well as listen to God speaking to us in the silence of our hearts? Prayer expands our heart, our mind and our soul to the One who made us; we belong to him. Prayer reminds us of this and it is the first and best response to our common call to holiness.

Fasting: Lent is a time for us to grow in our relationship with God through fasting. Fasting is an ancient practice which creates a place for God and others in our lives. In order for that place to be created we first have to empty ourselves. Fasting from unnecessary food, entertainment, conversation, and so many incessant distractions can create that empty place that only God can fill. In fact, it really doesn't create the space, it actually makes us aware of the space which already exists, placed there by God. Fasting reminds us that only God can fill the deepest longing of the human heart. Nothing and no one else can do that.

Almsgiving: Lent is a time for us to grow in our relationship with God through works of charity. Charity comes from the Latin "Caritas" which means love. So charity is an act of love. Praying and fasting move us to giving of ourselves in response to God working in our lives. What can and should we give? First, we can give our time. Who is in need of our time? Our presence? Our assistance? There are so many. All we have to do is show up and be attentive to those who need us. We can give of our talent; the gifts we have in showing compassion or sharing the gifts of our abilities and putting them at the service of the Church and the common good. Finally, our treasure - yes, we can give more to those in financial need through food donations, financial donations and the like. We should not just give of our surplus. We should imitate the poor widow in the Temple from the Gospel of Mark who gave just a few cents, but it was all she had - her whole livelihood. We do this in imitation of Jesus who gave not just his livelihood, but his whole life for us on the Cross, which Lent ultimately leads to on Good Friday and then onto Easter Sunday!

So pray, fast, give alms. Doing this will make our Lent extraordinary!

God bless you all!

Fr. John

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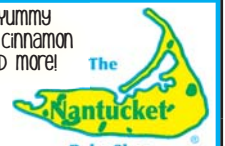
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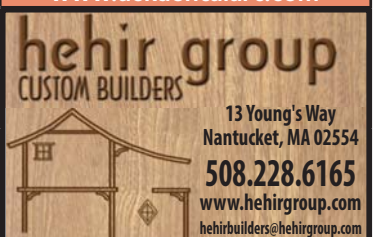
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