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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..... 1:00 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 1:00 pm

PARISH INFORMATION

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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday.....9:00 am - Noon &
1:00 - 3:00 pm

Friday.....9:00 am - Noon



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.

Faith Formation: First Eucharistic: two-year program, starting in First Grade

Confirmation: two-year program, starting in Eighth Grade

Grades 3 to 7: specific program for each grade

CGDRE@stmarysnantucket.org

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 (OCIA): 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.

Email: kofc2612@gmail.com

Mass Intentions for the Week

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 24	
5:00 PM	For the Intentions of the Legare Family
Sunday, January 25	
8:00 AM	Kathleen Bresette
11:00 AM	Our Parish Family
1:00 PM	Spanish Mass
Monday, January 26	
7:30 AM	Toni Ramos
Tuesday, January 27	
7:30 AM	Tom Cahill
Wednesday, January 28	
7:30 AM	For the intentions of Jeffrey Cappel & Family
Thursday, January 29	
7:30 AM	John & Katherine Lodge
Friday, January 30	
7:30 AM	Mathew & Edward Walton
Saturday, January 31	
5:00 PM	Fiorella Paradisi
Sunday, February 1	
8:00 AM	May & Bob Groccia
11:00 AM	Our Parish Family
1:00 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, Daley McCallum, Claudio Clavijo, Ellen Conway, Doyle Marchant, Barbara Boehm, Lily Kraljevec, Linda Sullivan, Patricia Cennamo, Patty Snyder, Frank Maloro, Louise Hubbard, Mark Albright, Jane Carty, Ray Senecal, Patsy Cody Lyons, Joy McGrath, Jenny Boley, Icylin Lewis, Linda Boles, Ashley McLeod, Ed Hudzik, Barbara Pekenia, Rowena Rickard, Richard Carven, Gail Clay Cassidy, Beth Tornovich, Caren Oberg, Rhys Volans, Frank Balester, Ovidio Patino, , Seth Meyer, Barbara Wodynski, Ophelia Palka, Myrna Bocage, Ron Bocage, Kathleen Cassidy, Lili Baker, Jeannette Topham and Patty Nelson

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3; 1 Cor 1:10—13, 17; Mt 4:12-23
Monday: 2 Tim 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41



Religious Education Dates for January & February JANUARY 2026

Friday, January 30: Family

Night/ Noche Familia at 6:00 pm in church

FEBRUARY 2026

Sunday, February 1: Sacramental grades/Grados sacramentales Grade 2- 9:00 AM Grade 9 - 10:00 AM



The watchword today is "immediately." Peter and Andrew, James and John all responded immediately to the call of Christ. May I be as open to God's call and as ready to use my talents in His service as those first disciples were!



IMPORTANT UPDATE The Knights of Columbus Winter Breakfast/Brunch HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL FEBRUARY 8TH.

Due to circumstances beyond their control, the Knights are postponing their Winter Breakfast/Brunch until February 8th. So remark your calendars and join them on Super Bowl Sunday! They will have some Super Bowl fare and will even offer take out so that you can bring food home with you to watch the game.

We will have an updated menu soon to share with you. Breakfast will still start after the 8:00 am Mass and food will continue to be served into the afternoon until they run out! Tickets will be available after Masses and at the door on February 8th.



Time to Return Last Year's Palms

Please return dried palms from last year to the basket for that purpose in the vestibule – please no later than Sunday, February 15. They will be burned; some ashes will be used for Ash Wednesday and any surplus will

be properly disposed in the earth.

January 1:	\$3,136.00
January 11:	\$9,800.00
Diocesan Assessment Collection	\$2,454.00
January 18:	\$8,706.00
All of the above totals include our Online Giving donations.	

January 25: Weekly Parish Collection
 Second Collection Support of the Church in Latin America which supports ministries among the poor in Mexico, Central and South America and the Caribbean.
"This annual collection exemplifies the spiritual journey of Pope Leo XIV, who was born in Chicago but spent most of his ministry serving the poor in Peru." Bishop da Cunha
 Bishop da Cunha pointed out, "The Second Vatican Council, which ended a dozen years before Robert Prevost entered the Augustinian order, encouraged Catholics to reach out in love across all national borders, especially those between the wealthy global north and the developing global south. Pope Leo XIV's faith journey embodies the spirit of why the bishops of the United States created the Church in Latin America program six decades ago to make an impact in Latin America."

February 1:	Weekly Parish Collection
February 8:	Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection:	Catholic University/Other Institutes of Higher Learning

THIS WEEK AT MASS

Monday, January 26: Saints Timothy and Titus, bishops (+ first century). Timothy, from Lystra in Asia Minor, and Titus, of Greek origin (Antioch on the Orontes?), were companions of St. Paul and overseers of the churches of Ephesus and Crete, respectively. They were the recipients of the so-called pastoral epistles.

Tuesday, 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.

Wednesday, 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.

ST. MARY'S SNOW POLICY

If the schools are closed, then there is no Mass. Use your judgment on travel as conditions can change rapidly. Please stay home and stay safe! If a serious storm occurs on a weekend and people are asked by public safety officials not to travel the roads, we ask you to remain home rather than traveling to Mass.

ST. MARY'S 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. After January 25, whatever remains will be discarded in order to keep our cemetery looking fresh for the winter



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NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

National Catholic Schools Week (CSW) is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. CSW runs from the last Sunday in January through

the following Saturday.

From **January 25 - 31, 2026**, NCEA continues hosting the traditional Celebrate Catholic Schools Week. Schools typically observe the week with Masses, assemblies, events and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members to join the celebration around what makes Catholic schools stellar. For more information, go to:

<https://www.ncea.org/csw/>

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS

Thank you to all who made donations to support our efforts to make our church look festive and beautiful for Christmas.

A list of the names of those remembered and honored by these donations will be on the bulletin board in the vestibule and on our website as a bulletin insert this weekend. There will also be copies at the back of the church.



Dear Friends,

I'm writing to you from St. Joseph Retreat House in Milton. By the time you read this, I'll be back home — hopefully with my halo fully shined!

Each year priests are required to make a retreat, but honestly, it's something I truly look forward to. It's a chance to step away from the busyness of parish life for a few days, slow down, pray, and spend some quiet time with the Lord.

This year I've also been blessed to make this retreat with my two best friends, Fr. Brian and Fr. Bill. I've known them since 1990 and 1992 respectively - which is a little hard to believe. Over the years, they've become much more than friends — they're really like brothers to me. We've laughed together, cried together, supported one another, and yes, picked on each other more times than I can count. They are a real gift in my life.

So spending these days together — with one another and with our Lord — has already been a time of renewal. As I write this, it's only Wednesday, and we still have a couple of days to go.

Our retreat "schedule" is pretty simple. We celebrate Mass together each day at 11:00 a.m. At 2:00 p.m. we gather to talk about a book — this year it's *From the Depths of Our Hearts: Priesthood, Celibacy, and the Crisis of the Catholic Church* by Pope Benedict XVI and Cardinal Sarah. Then at 5:00 p.m. we have a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Evening Prayer.

The rest of the time is spent in silence — even at meals. And yes, napping happens daily as well (although it's not officially on the schedule).

Please know that I've been praying for all of you while I've been here. You are always in my prayers. Thank you for making St. Mary's my home and for allowing me to live among you and serve you as your parish priest. I am truly grateful to be with you. God bless you all,

Fr. John



LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Ash Wednesday is February 18th this year. We will be offering several Lenten opportunities for our parish.

Keep checking the bulletin for more details. Easter Sunday is April 5th.

ROSARY

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

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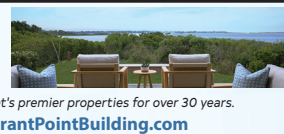
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