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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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 31

5:00 PM

Fiorella Paradisi

Sunday, February 1

8:00 AM

Mae & Bob Groccia

11:00 AM

Our Parish Family

1:00 PM

Spanish Mass

Monday, February 2

7:30 AM

Mary Jane Murray

Tuesday, February 3

7:30 AM

Kenneth Anthony Ferretti, Sr.

Wednesday, February 4

7:30 AM

Keith Creamer

Thursday, February 5

7:30 AM

no intention

Friday, February 6

7:30 AM

Hooks Johnston

Saturday, February 7

5:00 PM

Ralph Hardy

Sunday, February 8

8:00 AM

Our Parish Family

11:00 AM

Eleanor Ferreira

1:00 PM

Spanish Mass



February 18 ~ Mass Schedule

Masses at 7:30 am

5:15 pm

Spanish Mass at 7:00 pm

with blessing and distribution of ashes at all Masses



LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Lenten Schedule:

The rosary will be prayed every morning, Monday

through Friday, at 7:05 am before morning Mass.

Daily Mass during Lent will be at 7:30 am.

Tuesdays: Lenten Series: Please join us for a four-week Lenten series, March 3 through March 24, exploring how God reveals Himself and what the Church teaches about Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition. There will be a little bit of "study" with a lot of great discussion. **Fr. Griffin Hall on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm.** All are welcome!

Wednesdays: Adoration at 4:00 pm followed by Mass at 5:15 pm throughout Lent.

Fridays: Bilingual Stations of the Cross weekly on Fridays during Lent at 6:00 pm



Religious Education **FEBRUARY 2026**

Sunday, February 1: Sacramental grades/Grados sacramentales

Grade 2- 9:00 AM Grade 9 - 10:00 AM



The Knights of Columbus Winter Breakfast/Brunch

FEBRUARY 8TH

The Knights Winter Breakfast/Brunch is February 8th. Be sure that it is on 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.

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 Malaro, 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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Zep 2:3, 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

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

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34



Blessed are they who are what they are and do what they do *for the sake of the kingdom!* The Gospel today assures good stewards that their suffering and their service on behalf of the kingdom *will be rewarded!*

January 25: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Support of the Church in Latin America
Not available at press time.

February 1: Weekly Parish Collection

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

February 15: Weekly Parish Collection
Second Collection: Diocesan Assessment

February 18: Evangelization
Ash Wednesday

THIS WEEK AT MASS

Monday, February 2: Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This feast, originating in 4th. century Jerusalem, came to be celebrated in Rome by the middle of the 5th. century. See elsewhere in the bulletin for fuller explanation.

Tuesday, 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. In memory of him the **Blessing of Throats will be given after Mass today.** Legend says that simply by command he cleared a fish bone from a boy's throat, thus saving his life.

Thursday, 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.

Friday, 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.

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.



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.

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 and is also known as Candlemas day, since the blessing and procession of candles is included in today's liturgy.

According to Mosaic law 40 days after childbirth a woman was to present herself to the priests and offer sacrifice for her "purification." So the Church added this feast 40 day after Christmas.

The candlelight procession was introduced in the eighth century, as was the blessing and distribution of candles, which continues to this day.



Dear Friends,

I don't mind winter. I don't mind the cold. I don't even mind the snow and the ice — as long as I am inside a nice, warm house. I am very grateful that I have a warm place to live, a place to sleep, and plenty of food to eat. I know you all feel the same (for

yourselves, not for me).

What concerns me are those who do not have these basic necessities. Here on our island — and in many places throughout our state, our country, and our world — there are people without shelter from the cold, without food to eat, and without companionship. This is not only troubling; it is a violation of what Jesus calls us to in Matthew: 25.

I understand that homelessness is complex. Many struggle with addiction or mental illness, which can make receiving help difficult. Still, the Gospel does not allow us to look away.

What a blessing we have on Nantucket in The Warming Place, the Nantucket Food Bank, and the Rent, Food, and Fuel Assistance Program. So many people step up to help. The new partnership with Nourish Nantucket is a wonderful example of how working together can truly make life better for our neighbors.

As the Letter of Saint James reminds us: "If one of you says, 'Go in peace, keep warm and well fed,' but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?" (James 2:16)

With Lent right around the corner — and with almsgiving being an essential part of the season — please consider making a donation to these organizations. If you already do, thank you. Perhaps consider giving a little more. If you haven't yet, now is the time.

Jesus tells us plainly: "Whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers and sisters, you did for me." (Matthew: 25)

God bless you all — and stay warm.

Fr. John

St. Mary's Little Lambs & Mother's Group

Some parishioners have expressed an interest in starting up St Mary's Little Lambs. Mothers and infants/ toddlers who are interested in meeting other Catholic Moms once a week in the morning here in the lower church are requested to call the Parish Office for more information. 508-228-0100.

Church Calendars

Remember to pick up a church calendar for your family. They are bilingual and available in the vestibule.

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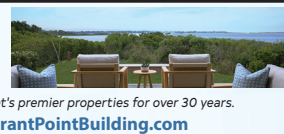
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