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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 6:00 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

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 25

5:00 PM Joy McGrath

Sunday July 26

7:00 AM Esther O'Hehir

8:30 AM Ann Cecilia Gallagher

8:45 AM Bill Devin

10:00 AM Sandra Gillies

11:30 AM Our Parish Family

6:00 PM Spanish Mass

Monday, July 27

7:30 AM Winifred Mortenson

Tuesday, July 28

7:30 AM Laird Huntsman

Wednesday, July 29

7:30 AM David Herlihy

Thursday, July 30

7:30 AM Donna & David Green & Barbara & Bernie Gilbride

Friday, July 31

7:30 AM Thomas McCarthy

Saturday, August 1

5:00 PM Sally Hudzik

Sunday August 2

7:00 AM Our Parish Family

8:30 AM Harry Robishaw

8:45 AM Brian Vaughan

10:00 AM Donna Raab & Yvonne Barrows

11:30 AM Brian Legg

6:00 PM Spanish Mass



"The law of Your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces," says the psalmist today. Does the amount of my offering suggest that I could honestly say the same?

July 5: \$6,141.00

Second Collection: Summer Utilities Collection

July 12: \$22,022.00

Second Collection: \$10,021.00

Diocesan Assessment Collection

All of the above totals include our online giving donations.

July 19: Weekly Parish Collection

Second Collection: Parish Buildings Improvements

Not available at press time

July 26: Weekly Parish Collection

Second Collection: Sconset Chapel Collection

Sconset Chapel Only

Special Second Collection for Sconset Chapel

This Sunday (July 26) there will be a second collection at the chapel to help defray the costs of using the chapel during the summer where we are so privileged to worship.

As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Rosary with St Paul's

Fr. Max and I invite you to join us again to pray the Rosary together. It has been a successful and well attended event since we started back in April. We are back here at St. Mary's on July 29th at 6:30 pm. This is something we will continue to do every month, alternating between St. Mary's and St. Paul's. Fr. John

Please Note: Names 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, 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, Patsy Cody Lyons, Jenny Boley, Ashley McLeod, Ed Hudzik, Barbara Pekenia, Rowena Rickard, Richard Carven, Gail Krauthoff, Clay Cassidy, Beth Tornovich, Rhys Vollans, Frank Balester, Ovidio Patino, Seth Meyer, Barbara Wodynski, Myrna Bocage, Ron Bocage, Kathleen Cassidy, Lili Baker, Boden and Brooks Martin, Sr. Carol Jussaume, RSM, Deacon Sam Knight, the people of Venezuela, Michael Deere and Elizabeth Pagnam

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12

Jesuits Return to Help

With our expanded schedule of Masses that began June 27, the Jesuits return to help. This weekend, July 25 & 26, we welcome Fr. Andrea Vicini, S.J. and Fr. Charlie Gallagher, S.J. from Boston College who are here to assist us. Thank you Fr. Andrea and Fr. Charlie.

Gifts from Bethlehem A Traditional Art and Livelihood for Holy Land Christians

Gifts from Bethlehem will be here at St. Mary's on **August 8th & 9th**. The handicrafts trade evolved as a cultural tradition of Christians in the Holy Land for many centuries. This indigenous form of art has since become an industry of great importance to the local people of the Holy Land who rely on it for livelihood. The olive wood carving market is the major source of income in the Bethlehem area. More than 65 percent of the income of the community in Bethlehem comes from this work. In recent years, however, the holy crafts trade has suffered many hardships due to social and economic pressures. Because of a sharp fall in tourism and also as a result of diminishing numbers of craftsmen who leave their traditional trade and emigrate due to the difficult conditions in their homeland, the Holy Land handicraft market is endangered and so is the Christian community in the Land. Sixty-five years ago the Christians represented more than 28% of the total population in the Holy Land. Today they are less than 1.5%. The diminished number of Christians in the land of Christianity's birth is a tragic irony for the billions of Christians worldwide. Gifts from Bethlehem will be selling their beautiful olive wood carvings after the Masses during the weekend of August 8th and 9th. Please consider stopping by the Parish Center and checking out their works. Thank you for your vital support of this Christian tradition.



Sacrament of Baptism

Winona Stuart Sarda

received the Sacrament of Baptism here at St. Mary's last weekend. We ask for your prayers for this newest member of our parish family and for her parents and godparents.



Altar Flowers

The altar flowers this weekend are in honor of **Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., D.D.** We welcome Bishop da Cunha back to the island and we thank him for his leadership and his spiritual guidance. We wish him an enjoyable visit and we appreciate all of the time that Bishop da Cunha shares with our St. Mary's Parishioners while he is on Nantucket.

THIS WEEK AT MASS

Wednesday, July 29: St. Martha (+first century). She was the sister of Mary and Lazarus, the model of hospitality and of the faithful disciple. She confessed her faith in Jesus as the Son of God. She is the patroness of housewives, waiters, and waitresses.

Thursday, July 30: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Doctor of the Church (+ around 450). Called "Chrysologus," meaning "of golden speech" for his exceptional preaching ability. 170 of his homilies are extant; he was the Bishop of Ravenna.

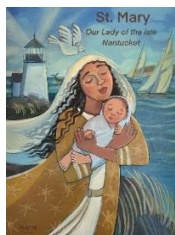
Friday, July 31: St. Ignatius of Loyola, priest (+1556). Once a soldier, he founded the "Company of Jesus" now known as the Jesuits. They were approved in 1540. He authored the *Spiritual Exercises*. At his death the Society numbered 1,000 members in seventy-six houses in twelve provinces, including Brazil, Japan, and India. **Today there are some 16,000+ members, including the wonderful Jesuits from Boston College who assist us every weekend during July and August. Let us pray for them in a special way today, as they celebrate the feast of their founder. And let us also pray for Pope Francis, the first Jesuit pope.** St. Ignatius is the patron of soldiers and retreatants.

A Look Back at the Rectory Reno Spring/Summer of 2024

Before. Beautiful, but in need of help. Temporary Entryway.



Side of Rectory Ready for Renovation



Saints at St. Mary's

Paintings of the Saints: we again have an artistic display of the saints in our church for the summer. The artist, Nancy Merek Cote, is local to our diocese. Nancy's hope is that this exhibit will inspire women, men, and children of all ages and backgrounds to a heightened passion that led these saints on their own faith journeys. You can get more info about this display in the link below.

<https://www.mareksaints.com/>

The above painting was gifted to me by Nancy and her husband Michael on the 25th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood.

Fr. John

From the Office of Safe Environment

Substance abuse is a growing problem that can start as early as grade school. Warning signs can be sudden changes in behavior or moods, significant changes in eating or sleeping habits, and increased secrecy and hostility. If you believe that your child may be involved with drugs or alcohol, contact the school's social worker and/or your child's physician. Early detection and treatment are crucial to long-term physical and emotional health.



Dear Friends,

Our Fall River Diocesan Vocation Office has been very busy this year. Thanks to your prayers and the dedicated work of our Vocation Office, I'd like to share some encouraging news.

Because of your prayers and your participation in the Called by Name campaign, our Vocation Office is now in contact with 326 young men throughout the Diocese of Fall River.

This past spring, 28 young men gathered for a Called by Name dinner with Bishop da Cunha, and more than 40 young men participated in a special vocation event at Bishop Feehan High School in Attleboro.

The momentum continues. We are currently in conversation with several men who are seriously discerning a vocation to the priesthood. This fall, we will welcome one new seminarian, bringing the total number of seminarians for the Diocese of Fall River to seven.

Please take a moment to read the special vocation "information handout" located in the pews. It includes additional updates, information about an upcoming hike for high school-aged young men, and an invitation to pledge to pray for vocations. Those who make the pledge may also receive emails from the Vocation Office with prayers, reflections, and devotional resources.

Please continue to pray fervently for priestly vocations in our diocese. Your prayers are making a difference, and they are truly bearing fruit.

God bless you all!

Fr. John

Thank You to Our Latino Charismatic Group!



We would like to acknowledge the hard work that was done at Fr. Griffin Hall recently. Thank you to our parish group that spent so much time trimming, cutting, weeding, raking, mulching and giving the Hall grounds some much needed TLC to get it looking wonderful for the summer. The pictures do not do it justice. We appreciate you all and your dedication. Thank you each and every one.

Fr. Carlos & Fr. John

ROSARY

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



Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary's

A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, July 24 for:

Philip Marks, Jr.

Please remember Philip and his family in your prayers.

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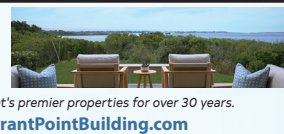
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