

PARISH OF ST. MARY

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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 8:00 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: Couples are asked to consult with the priest or deacon **at least 7 months in advance**. There must be a connection to the Parish, and the couple must be practicing Catholics. Bee Gonnella, wedding coordinator (Cell: 508-221-1883)

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 Dave at 508-228-4887.



First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, November 27

5:00 PM Augie Ramos & Luis Cardoza

Sunday, November 28

8:00 AM John Waite
11:00 AM Our Parish Family
6:00 PM Spanish Mass

Monday, November 29

7:30 AM Rob Horyn

Tuesday, November 30

7:30 AM Fiorella Paradisi

Wednesday, December 1

7:30 AM Ernie Oliver, Sr.

Thursday, December 2

7:30 AM Kay Mack

Friday, December 3

7:30 AM Suzy Barnes

Saturday, December 4

5:00 PM John & Rosanne McGuinn

Sunday, December 5

8:00 AM Carolyn A. Cappo
11:00 AM Our Parish Family
6:00 PM Spanish Mass



We are the servants of God, each with his or her own task. We will be judged good stewards if, at His coming, He finds us ready and conscientiously pursuing the tasks to which we have been called.

November 21: Weekly Parish Collection

Second Collection:

Catholic Campaign for
Human Development

(Not available at publication due to holiday
schedule of printer.)

November 24: Thanksgiving Collection

for the Nantucket Food, Fuel and Rental
Assistance Program

November 28: Weekly Parish Collection

Second Collection: Christmas Flower Offering

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: Kimberly Feinsod, Joan Wilson Godeau, Peter Dugan, Ashley Andrade, Barbara Murphy, Pamela Marchant, Dino Almodobar, Marge Mock, Charles Howard, Ceil Dragon, Barbara Carvalho, John Grangrade, Tom Murphy, Xavier Andrade, Shannon Reeves, Kathy Sherman, Patricia & Charlie Andrade, Stephen McCluskey, Fr. Tom Clements, Ron Bocage, Paul Gonnella, Nancy Pittman, Kevin Dugan, Linda LaConti, Sylvia Lewis, Shirley Souza, Molly Elverson, Sarah Partdrige, Fernando Gutierrez, Felix Soares, Jerry & Brad Giles, Thelma Perry Roderick, Steve Poulin, Bella Ikova, Pat Raith, Mary McCullough, Kieran Murphy, Dick Phelan, Theresa Andersen, Lori Fox, Sara Brooks, Mark Albright, Ritch S. Leone, Taylor Denay Jemison, Shannon Haynes, Paul R. Driscoll, Jr., Patricia Dargie, John Daley, Linda Boyle, Emily Perry, Jonathan Perez, Mercia Weyand, Steve Thompson, Gladys Gebo, Tom McSparron, Jeannette Lipka, Nancie Taylor Daley, Daley McCallum, Claudio Clavijo, Ellen Conway, Doyle Marchant, Barbara Boehm, Lily Kraljevec, Linda Sullivan, Patricia Cennamo and Patty Snyder.

First Sunday in Advent

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: s 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Changes in our Sanctuary

Beginning this weekend, there will be a change of "decor" in our sanctuary. I am not an interior decorator so I've consulted with members of the pastoral council and other folks in our parish to get their input; everyone was on board. You will see the tabernacle behind the altar and the presider's chair moved to the right of the sanctuary. This move is for a couple of reasons. The first reason is the priest is not the focus of the liturgy. When I or any other priest is sitting in the presider's chair at Mass it feels as though we become the center of attention, which is rather uncomfortable. The only one who should receive that type of attention is Jesus himself. The second reason is that it creates a more reverential space for our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. He is our King after all. Let us honor him as such. It may take some time to get used to but change can be good. Let's see how it works. I do look forward to your feedback and comments.

Fr. John



**The Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

December 8, 2021

Vigil Mass, December 7th at 5:15 PM

December 8th at 7:30 AM in English



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, December 24th:

Mass at 5:00pm

The manger will be blessed.

Caroling beginning at 4:30pm.

Spanish Mass at 7:00pm

Mass at Midnight-Bilingual

The manger will be blessed.

Caroling beginning at 11:30pm.

Christmas Day, December 25th

Mass at 9:00am

(No other morning masses.)

Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids

This will be the third year running our Coats for Kids initiative. Each year our local Council on the island has committed to fund the money necessary for Inky Santa to purchase a new coat for every child that requests one. This year we anticipate needing to fund 350 coats at a total cost of \$14,000. We need your help if we are to meet this goal. We are asking for monetary donations only in any amount to help us in this effort. We have already raised a significant amount towards our goal but we won't make it without your help. Make your checks out to the TJ McGee Council 2612 and mail to Knights of Columbus, 15 Cherry St Nantucket MA 02554. Please be sure to put "Coat for Kids" on the memo line of your check. Look for the Knights out in front of the church on Saturday, December 4th where they will be seeking monetary donations. You can also use PayPal by going to our website at <https://kofc2612.com>. Or you can contact Vincent DeBaggis at 774-283-5867 to arrange a donation. Together we will make this happen.



Friends,

Today marks the First Sunday of Advent. This is one of the most beautiful times in the Church. While the rest of the world has been in "Christmas Mode" since October we know that

Christmas doesn't begin until the evening of December 24th -- more about that in the future. Advent is about preparation; it is a season of preparation. We are, like our Blessed Mother Mary 2000 years ago, living in joyful hope. She was awaiting the birth of her son; we are awaiting his return. She, along with St. Joseph, did everything she could to protect the life of her unborn son. Let us follow her example!

The focus of the first part of Advent is the return of Christ at the end of time. So there is a penitential and reflective aspect to this season; not as strong as Lent, but it is still part of our Advent journey. It's important for us to look at the ways we need to change as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of Jesus Christ. This is a new liturgical year; why not make some Catholic New Year's Resolutions? A good place to start is our Baptismal Promises. These are a great reflection of what needs to change in our own lives. It's about being who we truly are as disciples of Jesus Christ.

May your Advent be a blessed one of waiting in joyful hope

Fr. John

KEEPING THE SEASONS

Please note the flyers at the back of the church, from the series, *Keeping the Seasons*. A different flyer will be offered for each week of Advent through the Baptism of the Lord. Please use them at home to keep Advent and the preparation for Christmas a Christ-centered moment in your life and your family's. They are also available on our website to print out. We will have them in both English and Spanish.

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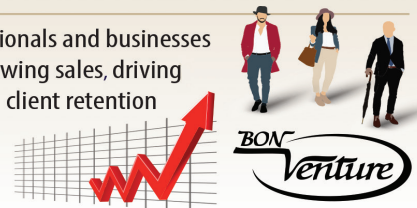
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