



Mass Intentions of the Week

**First Sunday of Advent
November 27, 2016**

Saturday, November 26th

5:00PM

Our Parish Family

Sunday, November 27th

8:00AM

Richard Fitzgerald

11:00AM

Toni Ramos & Luis Cardoza

Monday, November 28th

7:30AM

Ruth Gordon Nathan

Tuesday, November 29th

7:30AM

Elizabeth "Bette" Cody

Wednesday, November 30th

7:30AM

Marie Antoinette (Toni) Boyd

Thursday, December 1st

7:30AM

Mike Barnell

Friday, December 2nd

7:30AM

No Intentions

Saturday, December 3rd

7:30AM

Judge John Frawley

Sunday, December 4th

8:00AM

Mary & Michael Clarke

11:00AM

Our Parish Family

REMINDER: Bulletin announcements must be in writing and in the office by Monday at Noon.

Baptism Parents Meeting

Baptism Preparation Classes will be **by appointment only during the months of November and December**. Please contact the parish office for details. Baptisms take place the first Sunday of the month usually at 12:30 pm from September to June.

Religious Education

NNS=Nantucket New School

FGH=Fr. Griffin Hall

November 27th: NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Raffle Tickets for Quilt

All proceeds to benefit Church Improvements. Please return as the time is running out. The drawing will be on December 3, 2016.

BLESSING OF ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS

We will begin the new Liturgical Year on the first Sunday of Advent (This Sunday). At Masses this weekend we will ask God's blessing on all who minister at our liturgies – choir and musicians, leaders of the Children's Liturgy of the Word, lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, sacristans, servers, and ushers. They will be invited forward for our prayers and recognition at each Mass.

Prayer Request

Book provided in the Lobby for you to write your intentions for anyone to be remembered in prayer. Let us continue to hold each other up in prayer. **Please pray for all who serve our country and are in harm's way. SICK:** Pray for: Michael Ferreira, Kimberly Feinsod, Irene Garnett, Gladys Soverino, Kathleen A. Meehan, Julie Grimaldi, Bernard Walsh, Joan Wilson Godeau, Peter Dugan, Bill Iller, Kori Olsen, Dennis J. Dias, Ashley Andrade, Barbara Murphy, Fr. Tom Clements, Claire Schroeder, Davy Walker, Pamela Marchant, Dino Almadobar, Sandy Duarte, Elsie Dudley, Therese Woodward, Troy Towne, Lola Jagolta, Marie Blasi, Lee Rand Burne, Roy Barrett, Marge Mock, Charles Howard, Ceil Dragon, Barbara Carvalho, John Grangrade, Phyllis Slattery, Tom Murphy, Xavier Andrade, Shannon Reeves, Kathy Sherman, Patricia & Charlie Andrade, Barbara Mintz, Richard Ross, Stephen McCluskey, Kerry O'Keefe. For visits by Fr. Bouchard please call the office.

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Monday: Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

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

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

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

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

Stewardship A Way of Life

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The Son of Man will come at an hour you do not expect. Good stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are, and they strive to live in readiness for His coming.

11-20 First collection Not ready at publication

11-20 Campaign for Human Development

Up coming second collections:

November 26 & 27 Christmas Flower Offering

December 3 & 4 Fuel Offering

KEEPING THE SEASONS

Please note the insert in this Sunday's bulletin, from the series, *Keeping the Seasons*. A different insert will be offered in each Advent bulletin. Please use them at home to keep Advent and the preparation for Christmas a Christ-centered moment in your life and your family's.

LECTORS

Please pick up your new *Workbook for Lectors*. They are labelled and available at the rear of the church.

THIS WEEK AT MASS

Sunday, November 27: The First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of a new year of prayer and grace in the Church. We begin to use Cycle A for the Sunday Readings (most gospel passages will come from the Gospel according to St. Matthew and Cycle 1 for the weekday readings. This new beginning will be noted by the blessing of our parish Advent Wreath and the lighting of the first candle.

Weekday Masses will be daily Masses for Advent except:

Wednesday, November 30: St. Andrew, Apostle. He was the brother of Simon Peter and a disciple of John the Baptist. He is the patron of Russia and Scotland, the Greek Church, and of the fishing industry.

For more information on saints of the day click on www.americancatholic.org, the daily features, saint of the day. There is a link on our website.

The Advent Wreath

This weekend we will bless our parish Advent Wreath and light the first candle.



First Sunday of Advent

The Advent wreath is part of our long-standing Catholic tradition. However, the actual origins are uncertain. There is evidence of pre-Christian Germanic peoples using wreaths with lit candles during the cold and dark December days as a sign of hope in the future warm and extended-sunlight days of Spring. In Scandinavia during Winter, lighted candles were placed around a wheel, and prayers were offered to the god of light to turn "the wheel of the earth" back toward the sun to lengthen the days and restore warmth. By the Middle Ages, the Christians adapted this tradition and used Advent wreaths as part of their spiritual preparation for Christmas. After all, Christ is "the Light that came into the world" to dispel the darkness of sin and to radiate the truth and love of God (cf. John 3:19-21). By 1600, both Catholics and Lutherans had more formal practices surrounding the Advent wreath.

**Save
the
Date**

Nantucket in Naples (Florida, that is)

A gathering of parishioners and friends in the Southwest Region of Florida that takes place while Father Bouchard is vacationing in that area.

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

5pm to 7pm

Please provide your winter contact information to the office.



Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Western Europe (October 18 to October 31, 2017)

Are you ready for a FANTASTIC spiritual adventure? You have a year to prepare to "Walk in the Footsteps of the Saints – A Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Western Europe" – Fr. Bouchard will be spiritual director.

It's happening! We will be visiting and praying at the holy sites in Lisbon, Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, Avila, Lourdes, Lisieux, Paris, and more. We are traveling as an HNJ pilgrimage to these holy sites October 18 -31, 2017.

If you are interested in being part of this small group on an exciting adventure, contact Randy & Bernadette Pinto by calling 321-890-5455, or email randypinto1@gmail.com for more information. For more details you can also visit and register at the Unitours website

<http://bit.ly/Pinto-FrBouchardMarinaShrine> (US1018B)

Also: Brochures are at the Church entrance.

WELCOME

If you are alienated or upset, we welcome you lovingly.
If you are in need of forgiveness, Jesus forgives you completely---with unconditional love.
If you have been hurt by the Church, we are truly sorry.
If you are angry, Jesus offers you peace.
If life has become burdensome, we are here to support you.
We are happy you are here and want you to stay.
We would like to share our lives with you.
Come join us each week so we can worship God together.