

St Paul's Nantucket

The Weekly Epistle: The Second Sunday of Advent



Happening Soon

Wednesday Movie, December 7, 7:30pm

Our most popular movie ever: Casablanca. In the Parish House on Fair St. Film and refreshments are FREE. Doors open at 6:45pm. "Casablanca Quiz" at 7:00pm (prize for the winner). Movie starts at 7:30 pm



Mark Your Calendars for St. Paul's Christmas Potluck Brunch-December 11th after 9:30 am service

On Sunday, December 11th after our combined 9:30am service we will continue the long held tradition of our congregation celebrating the Christmas season together. The sign-up sheet for the Potluck is in the back of the Church. There also will be a collection of items to benefit "A Safe Place." After the brunch, Kristen Brock, who is the Director of Advocacy and Community, will tell us about what "A Safe Place" does for us in the Nantucket community.

There will be one service Sunday, December 11th at 9:30am so we can all celebrate together, afterwards a Potluck Brunch to benefit "A Safe Place"



Nantucket Island Youth Group Christmas Caroling December 11th at 4:00pm

This event is open to grades 6 and higher.

On Sunday, December 11th at 4:00pm we will go Christmas Caroling.

4:00pm - Drop Off at Sherburne Commons

6:30pm - Pick up at Summer Street Church ~

Please be prompt.

If you would like to volunteer or know someone else that would like to spread Christmas Cheer in this meaningful way contact Christine in the Office.

Gingerbread House Workshop Potluck December 16th at 5:30pm

Everyone loves the colorful and creative gingerbread houses! There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church. We have 20 houses so please indicate the number of gingerbread houses you wish to decorate. Also, please mark which type of dish you will bring to the potluck. The suggested donation is \$10 per gingerbread house. Candy donations are also needed to help keep costs down.



Advent Lessons & Carols December 18th at 10:00am service

On December 18th, the Fourth Sunday in Advent, the 10:00 service will be Advent Lessons & Carols and the Holy Eucharist. The short lessons tell stories from the fall of humanity through the promise of the Messiah and the birth of Jesus, followed by carols and anthems. Join us as we continue to prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of Christmas.

Blue Christmas – A Service of Hope and Healing

On Wednesday, December 14th at 7:00 pm, there will be a holiday service at St. Paul's designed for those who aren't feeling so merry during the holidays: anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one, a job or a place to live; who might be troubled by seasonal depression or the ghosts of Christmases past. There is space for feelings of grief, anxiety and frustration as this service moves us out of sadness into hope, out of darkness into light. Through music and prayer, worship and healing, we can find release and peace. Come for yourself, or bring someone who needs to find blessing and perspective in this season of hope. There will be a time of fellowship at the Rectory immediately following the service.

Pastoral Care is Here and Near

Do you or does someone you know need a visit, a call, a card, a meal, flowers, prayers, a caring presence, spiritual guidance, a helping hand, a ride to the doctor, dentist or Stop and Shop or other assistance? St. Paul's has a pastoral care team of individuals who may be able to help. Please call or e-mail with your request:
The Church Office: (508) 228-0916;
office@stpaulschurchnantucket.org

Christian Education Opportunities Tuesday Lectionary Study

Everyone is invited to join John in the Parish House on Tuesdays at 5:00 pm. We will discuss the upcoming week's lessons. Join us!

Thursday Afternoon Book Group

Thursdays, 11:30 am -12:30 pm
St. Paul's Parish House

We are studying **The Rosie Project** by author Simson.

For more information, please contact Lucy Bixby
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Centering Prayer Group

Saturdays, 9:00 am -10:00 am
St. Paul's Parish House

Led by Sister Susanna Margaret

This weekly group includes an opening prayer or meditation, a 20-minute practice of Centering Prayer (silent sitting), a scripture reading, and a time for discussion.

Sunday Morning Forum Schedule

Sunday, Emergency Readiness and Preparedness, Dave Fronzuto after the 10:00am service in the Chapel.

Jan. 8th, Wardens Lou Gennaro and Stacey Stuart will discuss what the role of the Vestry is, after the 10:00am service in the Chapel.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READING

[Isaiah 11:1-10](#)
[Romans 15:4-13](#)
[Matthew 3:1-12](#)
[Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19](#)

