

St Paul's Nantucket



Fourth Sunday
of Easter

Good Shepherd
Sunday



TODAY IS KNOWN AS GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY because, in each year of the liturgical cycle on this 4th Sunday, the Gospel is always taken from the 10th chapter of John where Jesus speaks of himself as the "good shepherd".

Sunday at St. Paul's

Sun., May 7th **Food Collection at both services**
 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I
 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
 10:00 am Sunday School & Nursery Care
 during service
 Coffee Hour in Gardner Hall following the service
 11:00 am Sunday Morning Forum in the Chapel

Sat., May 13th
 9:00 am Centering Prayer
 10:00 am Youth Choir Rehearsal
 10:45 am Church School Singers Rehearsal

Sun., May 14th **Mother's Day**
 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I
 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
 10:00 am Sunday School & Nursery Care
 during service



This Week at St. Paul's

Daily
 8:00 am-7:00 pm The Church is open for prayer

Mon.-Fri.
 8:30 am-12:30 pm Parish Office is open

Tues., May 9th
 5:00 pm Lectionary Study Group
 5:30 pm Capoeira in Gardner Hall

Wed., May 10th
 8:30 am Mid-week Service
 9:30 am Staff Meeting

Thurs., May 11th
 11:30 am Book Group
 4:00 pm Vestry Meeting
 5:30 pm Capoeira in Gardner Hall

St. Paul's Ships Inn Spring Dinner/Fundraiser
 Thursday, June 1st at 6:30 pm Join fellow St. Paul's parishioners for dinner at Ships Inn to celebrate the beginning of summer. All proceeds from this dinner will go to St. Paul's through the generosity of Ships Inn. Your ticket of \$100 includes all food, wine and gratuities. Wine will be provided throughout the reception and meal, and a cash bar will be open for mixed drinks, beer, and cordials. Make your reservations ASAP. Please pay for your tickets before Sunday, May 26th, at the Church Office or put your check made out to St. Paul's in the plate marked in the memo "Ships Inn Dinner." Reservations can be made by contacting: the Church Office at office@stpaulschurchnantucket.org or 508-228-0916





Food Pantry/Rental Assistance Program Collections this Sunday

Our next collection for the Food Pantry will occur Sunday, May 7th, at both services. You are encouraged to bring a brown grocery bag containing your favorite non-perishable items that you would purchase for yourself. In addition to food stuffs, needed items include those not eligible for food stamps –for example, laundry detergent, dish soap, shampoo and cleaning supplies

In addition to the collection of groceries, we will take up a special collection for the Nantucket Rental Assistance Program (NRAP). Both the Food Pantry and the NRAP are sponsored by the Nantucket Interfaith Council. A brochure describing the critical services the Food Pantry and NRAP provide on our Island will be available in the rear of the church on Sunday [and a copy is appended].

Please make your checks, intended for the Food Pantry or NRAP, payable to St. Paul's Church and place them in the special envelopes in the pews. If you place cash in the special envelope and if you write your name on the envelope, we will note your donation on the record we maintain of your contributions to StP. Absent a notation of "Food Pantry" on your check or envelope, we will credit your donation to NRAP.

Nantucket's Interfaith Council (IFC) is an unincorporated association of the Island's principal congregations, including prominently St. Paul's, St. Mary's, Summer Street, First Congregational, Unitarian, Methodist, Jewish, New Life Ministries and so on. The IFC's four major undertakings are the Food Pantry, NRAP, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day celebration and the high school baccalaureate.

Choirs for Kids

Young voices add so much to our worship services, and singing is a wonderful way for young people to express themselves. St. Paul's provides at least two ways for children to sing in choral groups.

The Youth Choir

(ages 8 and up) sings challenging anthems, often with harmony, sometimes with handbells. They sing hymns from all three of our hymnals and have learned songs in other languages – Spanish, Hebrew and Zulu, to

name a few. There are also opportunities to sing solos. The Youth Choir rehearses on **Saturday mornings from 10:00 to 10:45.**



The Church School Singers (children who are in the church school program) learn fun and simple songs and sing occasionally during the 10:00 service, most often the Song of Praise before they go off to Sunday school. It is a time for them to learn about singing together in a group, processing into the church, listening to each other, and – the tricky one! – standing still. The skills they gain will prepare them for joining the Youth Choir when they are old enough. Older children are always welcome to join in with the littler ones. Rehearsals for the Church School Singers are **every other Saturday morning, 10:45 – 11:15.** If there is enough interest, we may increase it to weekly rehearsals. The next one will be on May 6th.

Contact Ann Colgrove if you have any questions or would like more information:
ann@stpaulschurchnantucket.org

Newsletter

The next St. Paul's newsletter will be coming out in early June as we enter the Pentecost part of our church year. The newsletter will feature items about the many activities our church is involved in. If you have information that you would like included in the newsletter, please email the information no later than May 10 to Rev. Beach (rector@stpaulschurchnantucket.org) and Scott Widmeyer (scott.widmeyer@widmeyer.com).



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 began reading "Down the Garden Path", by Beverley Nichols.

For more information, please contact Lucy Bixby: bixbyphoto@gmail.com



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

May 7, Frank Robinson and Dual Macintyre, will discuss the process of developing the Church budget after the 10:00 am service, in the Chapel.

June 4, Vicky Goss, will discuss the outreach groups mission after the 10:00 am service, in the Chapel.

We pray for: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael our Presiding Bishop; Alan, our Bishop; Gayle, our Suffragan Bishop; Bud and Barbara, our retired Suffragans; and John, our Rector.

We pray for: Angel, Georgina, Henry, Nancy, Deb, Luke, Andrew, Sue and Henry, Michael, Rob, Fallon, Lele, Eileen, Justin, Will, Beatrix, Anna, Lexi, Ted, Barb, Andrea, Reggie, Marianne, Vi, Pat.

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Rev. David Obiosa, Bishop of Ndokwa.

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Mark's Chapel, St. Mark's School, Southborough; St. Elizabeth's Church, Sudbury; St. Peter's Church, Weston; The Ministry of the Diocesan Altar Guild and all Altar Guilds; The Episcopal Times Board and Staff.

We pray for: The men and women serving in our Armed Forces; easing of racial tensions in our country; those with mental illness and their families; healing and peace among peoples and nations throughout the world; the President of the United States, the United States Congress, the Supreme Court and all in authority; our brothers and sisters from other faiths; our local Food Pantry, the Rental Assistance Program; and the God's Child Project in Guatemala

This week's Scripture Reading

- [Acts 2:42-47](#)
- [1 Peter 2:19-25](#)
- [John 10:1-10](#)
- [Psalm 23](#)

