



St. Mary's Church
Our faith is *growing!*



ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Invites you to...



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Courtesy of Mark Stone, Barnstable.
At right, St. Mary's Church, constructed in 1891. At left, the same group.
The photograph here captured another 1900s version of St. Mary's Church, Barnstable.

Since 1891, St. Mary's has grown from a "little weather stained house of prayer with twenty-five people who were familiar with the service" to one of the most distinctive quaint and beautiful churches

in the Northeast, extending Christian love, strength, grace and beauty to its more than 500 members and to the thousands of visitors who have joined them in the worship of God.



Beautiful **music** is a vital part of our worship at St. Mary's. Our music director and choir are dedicated to excellence in the

performance of sacred music. Our program is based on the traditional music of the Church but we are open to a variety of musical styles.



Our monthly **Children's Joy Mass** encourages young children to tap deeply into the joy of knowing God. The **Joy Mass** is designed for young children ages five to seven but is open to children of

all ages and those who love them. The **Joy Mass** is just one of the varied liturgies offered by St. Mary's that draw in others from our community: whether a Celtic Mass or Taize, moving observances of 9/11 and Veterans' Day or a weekly healing service, all are welcome to worship with us.



Many **outreach programs** are an integral part of St. Mary's: Days and Overnights of Hospitality for the homeless, Miracle Kitchen meals, NOAH Shelter Sandwich Program and many other local programs supported financially through our ECW and Outreach committees.

The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts is home to 68,000 people in 185 congregations in cities and towns across eastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod and the islands. Our congregations make up our diocese, and our diocese is part of the wider Episcopal Church, which in turn is part of a larger, global community of Anglican Christians.

Our mission as the Episcopal Church in eastern Massachusetts is to be a community that is answering God's urgent call together by:

Inviting:

Showing one another how God's reconciling love crosses boundaries of race and class, generation and language

Forming:

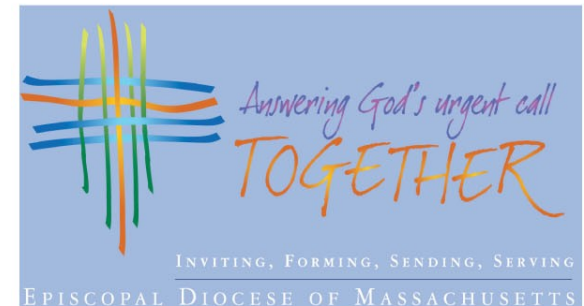
Working, studying, praying and giving for our lifelong conversion in Christ

Sending:

Encouraging one another to take our faith into our daily living

Serving:

Sharing God's love, justice and peace through our words and action, at home and throughout God's world



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Get to know us



St. Mary's is a magnet that attracts, welcomes and cares for a wide spectrum of people. Everyone has a voice and everyone's voice is respected.

- ♣ We are connected through and guided by dynamic, uplifting, and varied liturgies.
- ♣ St. Mary's is a community that emphasizes local and global outreach, engaging all age groups, especially our youth and seniors.
- ♣ Be you a visitor or a parishioner, a walk in our magnificent gardens lifts the spirit and calms the soul.
- ♣ We are practicing stewards of the environment entrusted to us by God.



Our Town

Barnstable Village is one of seven villages in the town of Barnstable in the County of Barnstable (Cape Cod) and is bordered on the north by Cape Cod Bay. Barnstable was established in 1639 and thrives today as not only a popular tourist destination but a vibrant year round community. Our parishioners come from many neighboring towns—from Sandwich to Brewster. Barnstable is approximately 75 miles from Boston and



Grow with us



To make St. Mary's the church of choice - our parish will:

- ♣ Support vibrant and uplifting **liturgy** and **music**
- ♣ Strengthen **youth and family programming** through Christian education and formation, after school activities and outreach opportunities
- ♣ Guide and support the parish in **Environmental Stewardship** beginning at St. Mary's and reaching into the community by promoting local agriculture, clean energy and responsible consumption
- ♣ Enhance opportunities for **retirees** to engage in the community and share their gifts
- ♣ Expand our current **outreach programs** locally, nationally & globally

Our Facilities

The church was built in early rural English style, according to the plans of W.R. Emerson of Boston, on land given in memory of Mary Kearney Cobb. The original building of the church has been enlarged three times to accommodate its growing congregation. Our buildings are only part of our story, our Memorial Gardens are truly our shining star.



It was with the arrival of the Reverend Robert Wood Nicholson in 1946 that the gardens were conceived. He had a love of earth and nature with an innate ability to create things of beauty in the church edifice as well as the surroundings.

Serve with us



Our vision is that our new Rector will be:

- ♣ a **dynamic** person whose strong spiritual calling is inspiring and contagious
- ♣ able to encourage people to **grow spiritually** and to deepen their faith
- ♣ an **empathetic, compassionate leader** who is able to engage with all ages
- ♣ a **warm and caring person** who embraces **all** aspects of **Pastoral Care**
- ♣ someone who can **discern gifts** in others and empower them to share those gifts
- ♣ someone who will **cherish** our community as home



Our Parish

St. Mary's is an inclusive community of faith striving to live intentionally as the Body of Christ in the world. We express our faith through worship, spiritual formation, care for others, and responsible stewardship of all our resources. We base our worship on the richness and diversity of Anglican liturgy and music. We provide opportunities and resources to guide the spiritual development of our multigenerational congregation. We reach out to help fulfill needs of those in our local community and beyond. We invite everyone to participate in the life of our community through sharing their time, talents, and tangible resources.

