Precious Blood Parish

St. Agnes Church 400 Merwin Avenue Milford, CT 06460



St. Mary Church (Parish Office) 70 Gulf Street Milford, CT 06460

SUNDAY MASSES

SaturdayVigil4:30 pmSt. Mary5:00 pmSt. Agnes

Sunday

7:30 am	St. Agnes
8:30 am	St. Mary
10: 00 am	St. Mary
10:30 am	St. Agnes
11:30 am	St. Mary
4:30 pm	St. Mary

DAILY MASSES

7:00 am St. Mary 7:30 am (Saturday) St. Mary 9:00 am (Mon-Fri) St. Agnes

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30—4:30 pm St. Agnes Monday 6:00 pm—7:00 pm St. Mary (Except Holidays)

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Precious Blood Parish is a Roman Catholic community of faith in Milford, Connecticut rooted in the Word of God and the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. We are missionary disciples who seek to bring the presence and the message of Jesus Christ to others through prayer, faith formation and assisting the needy through ministries grounded in the works of mercy. Precious Blood Parish, Milford

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Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Agnes Church

Mon January 27 St. Angela Merici 9:00 *Cirino LaMarca* by his family

Tue January 28 St. Thomas Aquinas

9:00 Salvatore Anastasio by his son Andrew

Wed January 29 Weekday 9:00 No Intention

Thu January 30 Weekday

9:00 No Intention

Fri January 31 St. John Bosco 9:00 No Intention

Sat February 1 VIGIL 5:00 *Nicholas Campaniolo* by Grace & Nancy

Sun February 2 Presentation of the Lord

7:30 *People of Precious Blood Parish* 10:30 *George Marshall* by Shirley Serrano



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of January 26,2020 Is in Memory of *Nicholas Campaniolo*

Readings for the week of January 26, 2020

Sun: Is 8:23—9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

- Mon: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 [25a]/ Mk 3:22-30
- Tue: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Mk 3:31-35
- Wed: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89: 4-5, 27-28, 29-30 [29a]/ Mk 4:1-20
- Thu: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14 [Lk 1:32b]/Mk 4:21-25
- Fri: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11 [cf. 3a]/Mk 4:26-34
- Sat: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12a]/Mk 4:35-41
- Next Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [10b]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

COLLECTION REPORT

January 19, 2020 - \$13,436

Blessing of throats will be done as a general blessing after Sunday Masses.



St. Mary Church

Mon January 27 St. Angela Merici 7:00 *Dr. Michael McLoughlin* by his family

Tue January 28 St. Thomas Aquinas 7:00 No Intention

Wed January 29 Weekday 7:00 Virginia Chuma by The DeProfio Family

Thu January 30 Weekday 7:00 No Intention

Fri January 31 St. John Bosco 7:00 No Intention

Sat February 1 Weekday

7:30 Warren J. Coyne by his sister

VIGIL

4:30 Ralph Pascale by his wife and family

Sun February 2 Presentation of the Lord

8:30 Josephine Guidice by her family

10:00 Robert and Sheila Dillon by their family

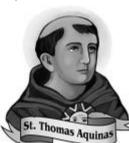
11:30 James L. Richetelli by his family

4:30 Dr. Walter and Sarah Barney by their family



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of January 26, 2020 Is in Memory of *George Costigan*

By universal consent Thomas Aquinas is the



preeminent spokesman of the Catholic tradition of reason and of divine revelation. His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, pervades his writings. He was

broad enough to see the whole natural order as coming from God, the Creator, and to see reason as a divine gift to be highly cherished. His *Summa Theologica*, his last and uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

"Love takes up where knowledge leaves off." Thomas Aquinas

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Friends:

Next Sunday, February 2, is more than Super Bowl Sunday, as important as that may be to some. In the larger scheme of things and in the realm of what is truly important, the Super Bowl, for all of its hype, falls far short of the mark. In the calendar of the Church, February 2 is celebrated as the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, commemorating the event related in Luke's Gospel when Jesus, at forty days of age, was brought to the Temple in Jerusalem and presented, dedicated, to the Lord. This was required of all parents on the birth of their first-born son. On that day, Luke tells us that Mary and Joseph, with the Child, encountered both Simeon and Anna, both prophets and holy ones, who recognized the significance of the Child. He was the fulfillment of all their hopes and longings, the fulfillment of the hopes of the people of Israel.

Simeon, having had his prayer heard that he not die before he could meet the long-expected Messiah, on seeing the Child and taking him into his arms, prayed, "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation which you prepared in sight of all the peoples." He goes on to proclaim that the Child will be "a light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory for [God's] people Israel."

In commemoration of Simeon's prophecy, candles, a significant means of light in homes and households for centuries, although less significant in our modern age of electricity, are blessed on the feast of the Presentation, remembering the coming to the Temple, to his House, of the One who is Messiah and the Light of the world. We will begin Masses in a slightly different way next weekend, with the blessing of candles and a simple procession to the altar. As always, I encourage you to listen carefully to the words of instruction as well as the Scripture readings of the day. In our age of darkness, tumult, and uncertainty, more than ever we need the One who is the Light of the world, the One who shows us the way, the One who leads us out of darkness and death into light and life.

This Sunday, the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, has been proclaimed by Pope Francis to be the Sunday of the Word of God. It is a good day to consider the Bible and its importance in our lives as Christians and as Catholics. Does your family own a Bible? If so, where is it kept? Is it in a place of honor? Most importantly, is it read regularly? The Bible is more than a coffee table piece or just another book on a shelf. As the living Word of God, it has the power to mold us, shape us, and transform us. Get a family Bible if you do not have one. Pick it up and read it, each day, if just for five or ten minutes.

A good practice is to follow the readings of the Church and its daily liturgy. The readings for each day of the week are listed in each Sunday bulletin. Read along with the Church and watch what happens when you open your heart to God and what God has to say to you.

Have a wonderful week!

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Effective in September, 2020, the Pastoral Council of Precious Blood Parish Parish will have 7 openings for new Council members. If you have an interest in serving your parish in this capacity, please send an email to one of the following:

Mary Beth Kriksciun marykrik@aol.com

Brian Burgh brian.bjrgh@frontier.com Your response should include your mailing address, telephone number and church you are attending. All requests for consideration must be received by end of

day February 16, 2020. The Pastoral Council thanks you for your interest.



ANGELS OF MARY ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

On Saturday, February 1st the Angels will meet in the rectory basement from 10:30AM to 12:15PM. Our topic this month is "The Gifts of the Holy Spirit."

During this holiday season we have received and given gifts; but none as important or as lasting as those given us by God. This lesson grants the children an opportunity to understand and appreciate what intangible gifts actually mean.

A decade of the rosary, a correlated craft and home assignment are integral parts of each program. Boys and girls in grade 2 through middle school are invited and encouraged to attend. Any questions, contact Sharon DiNapoli, 203 799-8670.

St. Mary School Open House



St. Mary School will hold its Annual Open House on Tuesday, January 28th from 9:00-11:00AM & 5:30-7:00PM. (Snow date is February 4). Meet the teachers, talk to parents & alumni and tour school. Register the at www.saintmaryschoolmilford/open-house.

Those unable to attend are invited to schedule a personal tour by calling (203) 878-6539 or visiting www.saintmaryschoolmilford.org.

JANUARY 26, 2020

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

When Jesus called his disciples, they came "immediately." Parents wish their children would respond as quickly, but they don't. Children grow slowly into responsibility. It is a process like walking, not done "immediately," but in small steps. Parenting demands patient encouragement.

PRECIOUS BLOOD LADIES GUILD

Nominating Committee: If you would like to serve on the nominating committee, please respond by **January 27, 2020**.

<u>Officers for the Guild</u>: If you would like to serve as an officer for the 2020-2021 year, please respond by **January 31, 2020**.

Contact Anne Theodore-Howard, 203 877-7129, or email anne.theodorehoward@gmail.com



SOCK HOP

Feb. 14th in Fr. Callahan Hall Sponsored by the St. Joseph Society Tickets will be on sale after all Masses on the weekends of February 1-2 and February 8-9 and also in the office. Visit preciousbloodparishmilford.org

for updates or more information.

A TASTE OF ITALY

Sponsored by Milford Bank Please join the Lions at St. Mary School Feb. 15th 6:00 to 8:30PM Baked Ziti Salad Bread Dessert



Coffee & Beverages Dozens of Raffles & Prizes Catering by Michael Anthony's Tuscan Grill ITALIAN CABARET MARC GAROFOLO & FRIENDS \$15pp (only 200 available) children under 5 free

Kathy, 203 927-3686 Rosemarie, 203 641-4476

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. 2nd Lt. Brendan Hayes, Col. Andrew Whiskeyman, MSgt. Carlie Blacklidge, Michael Casey USN, SR Justin Plantamura USN, John Henry Phelan, Maj. Patrick T. Horvat, Capt. Richard Brantley, Michael Foss AA1C, Lt. Col. Jason Dymond, Joshua Ehret Po1USN, Dakota Owen USA, Colin O'Sullivan USAF, Pfc. Daniel Hewston, William F. Gilson USAF, SSR Matthew Hunt USN, Pfc. Ron Murray, CDR Matthew Fanning, Charles J. Grant, Michael A. Eno USN, Maj. Jonathan Rembetsy, Jordan Grassmann USN, Capt. Stephen Shumaker, Alec Rossetti MA2USN, Spec. Anthony Olenski, SSgt. Armando Lizasuain CPO

PARISH CLERGY

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PARISH TRUSTEES Suzanne Beliveau and Earl Whiskeyman

This Week

Sun	Jr. Legion of Mary	10:00AM	school
Mon	Novena Veterans Family Support	7:00PM 8:00PM	SM SA
Tue	Legion of Mary	10:15AM	SM
Thu	Legion of Mary Choir Practice	7:00PM 7:00PM	SM SM
Sat	Angels of Mary	10:30AM	rectory

PRAYER SERVICE TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Sun., Feb. 9, 3PM St. John XXIII, St. Louis Church Prayer, Speaker, Activity, Refreshments

BRANSON SHOW EXTRAVAGANZA

Milford K of C Council 151870 Bus Trip April 18-26 9 days, 8 nights, 14 meals, 7 shows, 1 dinner show on the Showboat Branson Belle \$899 double occupancy Call John Benard, 203 877-2737



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