Precious Blood Parish

St. Agnes Church 400 Merwin Avenue Milford, CT 06460



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



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." - Mt 21:9

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.

We Welcome All Visitors

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday	Vigil
4:30 pm	St. Mary
5:00 pm	St. Agnes

Sunday

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DAILY MASSES

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 pm—4:30 pm St. Agnes Monday 6:00 pm—7:00 pm St. Mary

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Precious Blood Parish, Milford



Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Agnes Church

Mon April 6 Monday of Holy Week 7:00 *Gloria Geer* by her husband

Tue April 7 Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00 Mrs, Pui Pui Fan by her family

Wed April 8 Wednesday of Holy Week

7:00 Stephen DeLillo by his family

7:30 PM Tenebrae

Thu April 9 Holy Thursday

7:30PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

Fri April 10 Food Friday

Sat April 11 No Mass

Sun April 12 EASTER SUNDAY

7:30 *Anne Tighe* by her family 10:30 *The Hale Family*



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of April 52020 Is in Memory of *Stephen DeLillo*

Readings for the week of April 5, 2020

Sun: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14 27:66 Mon: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11 Tue: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 Wed: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25 Thu: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15 Fri: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1 19:42 Sat: Vigil: Gn 1:1 2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 -22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15 15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/ Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 [42:2] or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1 -2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10 Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9

St. Mary Church

Mon April 6 Monday of Holy Week

7:00 *Eleanor Scully* by her family 12:05 No Intention

Tue April 7 Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00 *Clayton & Marguerite Emerson* by the family 12:05 No Intention

Wed April 8 Wednesday of Holy Week

7:00 Rolando Trovini by his wife Kristine 12:05 Celebration of Peter Rembetsy's 101 Birthday

Thu April 9 Holy Thursday 7:30 Morning Prayer

Fri April 10 Good Friday

7:30 Morning Prayer

3:00 Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Sat April 11 Holy Saturday

7:30 Morning Prayer 12:00 Blessing of Easter Food

8:00PM The Great Easter Vigil

Sun April 12 EASTER SUNDAY

8:30 *People of Precious Blood Parish* 10:00 *Ann Heffernan* by her family 10:15 No Intention 11:30 *Edward M. Gorman* by Susan M. Gorman



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of April 5, 2020 Is in Memory of *The Canas Family*



Complete dedication to what he saw as God's will for him dominated the life of John Baptist de la Salle whose feast day is celebrated on April 7th.

In 1950 Pope Pius XII named him patrol of schoolteachers for his efforts in upgrading school instruction. His life was closely entwined with the

community of religious men he founded, the Brothers of the Christian School (Christian Brothers, or De La Salle Brothers). The community was successful in education boys of poor families using methods designed by John, preparing teachers in the first training college for teachers and also setting up homes and schools for young delinquents of wealthy families.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT

All celebrations for Holy Week were scheduled for normal observations. They will not take place this year.

All Mass intentions will be said privately by one of our priests, but the Tridium events listed on page 1 cannot occur because of the COVD-19 virus.

It is truly unfortunate that we cannot celebrate our greatest feast day together this year.

While the global situation regarding the coronavirus remains critical, we must not lose faith in the goodness of Jesus and His love for us.

Let us remember the words of Saint Paul:

"What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword? As it is written, 'for your sake we are being slain all the day; we are looked upon as sheep to be slaughtered.' In all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.' Romans 8:35-39

This Sunday before Easter, Palm Sunday, or Passion Sunday, ushers in the Holy Week commemoration of the mystery of Christ's resurrection.

The Resurrection of Christ is the center, the very heart of the history of salvation. Easter is the highpoint of the Christian year We celebrate Christ's triumph over death and the cross in His resurrection.



On the third day after His death Christ rose again. His souls was reunited with His body and He rose from the tomb glorious and immortal. He waited three days to convince everyone that he had really died. He rose from the grave to confirm our faith in his divinity. Because he has risen, we can hope to rise again at the end of the world. Because He has risen from the grave, the new life of grace is given to our souls. Because he was God, he gave to His body and soul the power to unite with one another again. By the power of God Christ, Who had died on Calvary, rose again on the first Easter Sunday. He rose again in His own human body which still bore the scars of His Passion. He chose to retrain them to prove to men that it was really Himself who had risen.

St. Thomas Aquinas *Summa Theologica*

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

"My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love thee about all things, and I desire to receive Thee into my soul. Since I can not now receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace thee, as if thou wert already there, and unite myself wholly to Thee; never permit me to be separated from Thee."

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The cruel death of Jesus tells us bad things can and do happen to very good people. It also tells us God is present during the suffering. Bad things can and do happen but God does not ab abandon us.

Anyone who reads the history of Eastern Europe cannot help but chance on the name of Stanislaus, the saintly but tragic bishop of Krakow, patron of Poland. He is remembered with Saints Thomas More and Thomas Becket for vigorous opposition to the evils of unjust government. Along with John the Baptist, these men are a few of the



prophets who dared to denounce corruption in high places.

They follow in the footsteps of Jesus himself who pointed out the moral corruption in the religious leadership of his day.

His feast day is celebrated on April 11th.

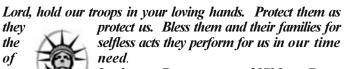




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that real worth is achieved not so much by activity, as by silence; who will seek first the Kingdom of God and His justice, and put into actual practice the law that it is only by dying to the life of the body that we ever live to the life of the spirit; who will brave the taunts of a Good Friday to win the joy of an Easter Sunday."



