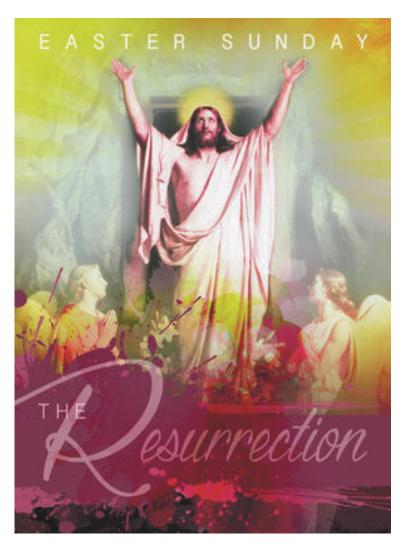
# Precious Blood Parish

**St. Agnes Church** 400 Merwin Avenue Milford, CT 06460



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



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

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

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# **Mass Intentions for the Week**

## St. Agnes Church

**Mon April 13 Monday in Octave of Easter** 9:00 *Mr. Hand Fu & Mrs. Chui Kam Yiu* by family

#### Tue April 14 Tuesday in Octave of Easter

9:00 Fr. Francis X. Callahan by The Rosary Group

**Wed April 15 Wednesday in Octave of Easter** 9:00 *Richard Card* by his wife

Thu April 16 Thursday in Octave of Easter

9:00 Carl & Mike Rocco and Alex Conte by family

**Fri April 17 Friday in Octave of Easter Week** 9:00 *The O'Reilly Family* by Breda Quirk

#### Sat April 18

Vigil

5:00 Frederick Tartaro by his family

#### Sun April 19 Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday

7:30 *Charles Coe* by his family 10:30 *Patricia Metzger* by Michael, Cindy Bankalter

#### Readings for the week of April 12, 2020

Sun: 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 or Mt 28:1-10 Mon: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, [1]/Mt 28:8-15 11 Tue: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18 Wed: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35 Thu: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48 Fri: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118: 1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a [22]/Jn 21:1-14 Sat: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15 Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

[1]/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

"Don't worry about anything, but pray about everything. With thankful hearts offer up your prayers and requests to God. Then, because you belong to Christ Jesus, God will bless you with peace that no one can completely understand. And this peace will control the way you think and feel.

## St. Mary Church

**Mon April 13 Monday in Octave of Easter** 7:00 *Donald Wayne Hiebert* by Aunt Maureen

**Tue April 14 Tuesday in Octave of Easter** 7:00 No Intention

**Wed April 15 Wednesday in Octave of Easter** 7:00 No Intention

**Thu April 16 Thursday in Octave of Easter** 7:00 No Intention

## Fri April 17 Friday in Octave of Easter

7:00 Robert Buzelle by Jeanne Campagna

**Sat April 18 Saturday in Octave of Easter** 7:00 *Bridget Howarth* by her husband

#### Sun April 19 Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday

8:30 *Thomas Clancy* by Michael Siegman Family

10:00 Dolores Gerety by Fran Sudusky

11:30 *Mary O. Payne* by Diane & Tony Candido 4:30 *Paul Hally* by his family



#### **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."

#### EASTER SUNDAY



Dear Friends:

This message comes to all of you as we celebrate Easter. Easter of 2020 will be remembered by some perhaps as "the Easter that never was." That, I would emphatically maintain, is false, This Easter unlike any other in our lives before or, I hope, hereafter, will closely resemble the first Easter almost twenty centuries ago. With that in mind, I share with you as my gift this Easter, the following reflection which I discovered on a Facebook page:

"The very first Easter was not in a crowded worship space with singing and praising. On the very first Easter, the disciples were locked in their house. It was dangerous for them to come out. They were afraid. They wanted to believe the good news they had heard from the women, that Jesus had risen. But it seemed too good to be true. They were living in a time of such despair and such fear. If they left their homes, their lives and the lives of their loved ones might be at risk. Could a miracle really have happened? Could life really have won out over death? Could this time of terror and fear be really coming to an end?

Alone in their homes, they dared to believe that hope was possible, that the long night was over and morning had broken, that God's love was the most powerful of all, even though it didn't seem quite real yet. Eventually, they were able to leave their homes, when the fear and danger had subsided. They went about celebrating and spreading the good news that Jesus was risen and love was the most powerful force on the earth.

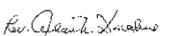
This year, we might get to experience a taste of what that first Easter was like, still in our homes daring to believe that hope is on the horizon. Then, after a while, when it is safe for all people, when it is the most loving choice, we will come out, gathering together, singing and shouting the good news that God brings life even out of death, that love has the final say!

This year we might get the closest taste we have had yet to what that first Easter was like!

THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE! LET US BE GLAD AND REJOICE!

From all of us here at Precious Blood Parish, a blessed, hope-filled Easter to you all!

Have a blessed week!





#### Prayer of Pope Francis Prayer During a Pandemic

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith. O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable. and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure. Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows. so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen. Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers,

O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen

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#### APRIL 12, 2020

#### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Today's gospel instructs us Jesus "had to rise from the dead." The dying we experience with unmet expectations in marriage and parenting is normal to family life. Families must rise above disappointments and be Easter people all year long.



In the early tradition of the Church, Easter was the day when new members were welcomed into the community by baptism.

Today the entire community makes their profession of faith by renewing their baptismal vows. We suggest that you follow this tradition with your family on Easter Sunday by professing your faith, perhaps at the Easter dinner table, by reciting the Apostle's Creed together.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.





**ST. MARY PRESCHOOL ADDS NEW CLASS** St. Mary Preschool has announced they are adding a new enrollment option to their 3 year old program for the 2020-2021 school year. In addition to their 3 day classes, they are adding a 5 full day option for children who are 3 years old by September 1, 2020. For more information or to apply, email info@smsmilford.com Learn more at www.saintmaryschoolmilford.org

The Connecticut March for Life is NOW "CT-Login for Life" Wednesday April 15, 2020 12PM Join our panel of Guest Speakers This webinar will feature: State level presenters discussing current pro-life issues in Connecticut Information on lobbying your elected officials Time for questions by participants The webinar will last one hour. If you have a computer or tablet you have all that is needed to participate. You can also dial in by phone to listen to the presentations. Please join us for this first ever pro-life event of its

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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.

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