Precious Blood Parish

St. Agnes Church 400 Merwin Avenue Milford, CT 06460



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

We Welcome All Visitors

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

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THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." - [n 65]

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



Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Agnes Church

Mon June 15 Weekday 9:00 No Intention

Tue June 16 Weekday 9:00 No Intention

Wed June 17 Weekday 9:00 *Bill and Karl* by Mary Jane

Thu June 18 Weekday 9:00 No Intention

Fri June 19 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus 9:00 Carl and Mike Rocco and Alex Conte

Sat June 20

Vigil

5:00 No Intention

Sun June 21 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 *People of Precious Blood Parish* 10:30 *Stanley Gawrych* by his wife

Readings for the week of June 14, 2020

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12]/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58 Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7 [2b]/ Mt 5:38-42 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16 [cf. 3a]/Mt 5:43-48 Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24 [25]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 [12a]/Mt

6:7-15 Friday: Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10 [cf. 17]/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Lk 2:41-51

Next Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 [14c]/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33



Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a devotion consisting of worship of Him through His heart, representing His love shown in His Incarnation, Passion and death, and the institution of the Eucharist.

The feast, requested by Christ Himself,, commemorates the unrequited love of the Sacred Heart in the Eucharist

St. Mary Church

Mon June 15 Weekday 7:00 *Robert T. Broderick* by his son

Tue June 16 Weekday 7:00 *Robert T. Broderick* by his son

Wed June 17 Weekday 7:00 *Timothy Maroney* by friends

Thu June 18 Weekday 7:00 *Robert Frank* by his family

Fri June 19 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus 7:00 *Marie Czubatyj* by her family

Sat June 20 Immaculate Heart of Mary

7:30 *Lillian Hyson* by The Falcone Family
Vigil
4:30 *Celebration of 60th BD of Fr. Aidan* by parish

Sun June 21 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 Alphonse & Virginia Monteleone by family 10:00 Mary & Lee DiBattista by Jim & Elizabeth 11:30 Mary Payne by Pat Piroh 4:30 Caroline Monahan by The Farina Family



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of June 14, 2020 Is in memory of John DeLillo



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."

BODYAND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Dear Friends:

This second weekend of June brings us the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, and with it, the patronal feast of our parish. In just a few short weeks, we will mark the third anniversary of the merger of the former St. Mary Parish and the former St. Agnes Parish into a new parish, the Parish of the Precious Blood. In those months, we have made some great strides in bringing two separate communities of faith into a single community of faith. There have been some bumps along the way, but things have gone rather well and I thank everyone for their understanding and cooperation.

For your meditation, I share with you some words written by one of the great saints of the early Church, St. Irenaeus, the bishop of Lyons, who died in the early part of the third century. He wrote these words as a part of his great work, his treatise *Against Heresies*, and in that work, he touched on what the Church believes about the Eucharist. These are his words:

"If our flesh is not saved, then the Lord has not redeemed us with his blood, the eucharistic chalice does not make us sharers in his blood, and the bread we break does not make us sharers in his body. There can be no blood without veins, flesh and the rest of the human substance, and this the Word of God actually became: it was with his own blood that he redeemed us. As the Apostle [Paul] says: *In him, through his blood, we have been redeemed, our sins have been forgiven*.`

We are his members and we are nourished by creation, which is his gift to us, for it is he who causes the sun to rise and the rain to fall. He declared that the chalice, which comes from his creation, was his blood. He affirmed that the bread, which comes from his creation, was his body, and he makes it the nourishment of our body. When the chalice we mix and the bread we bake receive the word of God, the eucharistic elements become the body and blood of Christ, by which our bodies live and grow. How then can it be said that the flesh belonging to the Lord's own body and nourished by his body and blood is incapable of receiving God's gift of eternal life? Saint Paul says in his letter to the Ephesians that we are members of his body, of his flesh and bones. He is not speaking of some spiritual and incorporeal kind of man, for spirits do not have flesh and bones. He is speaking of a real human body composed of flesh, sinews and bones, nourished by the chalice of Christ's blood and receiving growth from the bread which is his body.

The slip of a vine planted in the ground bears fruit at the proper time. The grain of wheat falls into the ground and decays only to be raised up again and multiplied by the Spirit of God who sustains all things. The Wisdom of God places all these things at the service of man and when they receive God's word they become the eucharist, which is the body and blood of Christ. In the same way, our bodies, which have been nourished by the eucharist, will be buried in the earth and decay, but they will rise again at the appointed time, for the Word of God will raise them up to the glory of the Father. Then the Father will clothe our mortal nature in immortality and freely endow our corruptible nature with incorruptibility, for God's power is shown most perfectly in weakness."

As we celebrate this feast of the Eucharist in these times when public Masses have been so limited, may we grow in our faith in the Lord's presence under the forms of bread and wine, and reverence his presence there, not only when we receive him at Mass, but also in tabernacle where he waits for us. May we grow in our longing for this sacred food that sustains us in this life and leads us to that life which will never end, where we shall see God face to face, be made like God, and enjoy the happiness God always intended for us.

Have a blessed week!

Rev. allow To Xmelow



"My being proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit finds joy in God my Savior. For he has looked upon his servant in her lowliness; all ages to come shall call be blessed. God who is mighty has done great things for me, holy is His name; His mercy is from age to age on those who fear him. He has shown might with his arm; he has confused the proud in their inmost thoughts. He has

deposed the mighty from their thrones and raised the lowly to high places. The hungry he has given every good thing, while the rich he has sent empty away. He has upheld Israel his servant, ever mindful of his mercy; even as he promised our father, promised Abraham and his descendants forever."



"His heritage to his children wasn't words or possessions, but an unspoken treasure, the treasure of his example as a man and a **father**." — Will Rogers, Jr

PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Parenting is a eucharistic activity because from the first moment of conception children consume us, our flesh, blood, energy, time and resources. If we don't sacrifice ourselves, our children would not have life. This is the priesthood of parenting. Christ is present in this self sacrifice.

FIVE-DAY VIRTUAL RETREAT. ENDERS ISLAND

June 29-July 3www.enders.is/shinybits or a 5-week Tuesday night series, June 30-July28 www.enders.is/shiny bits-tuesdays

This is a retreat for adventurers, story lovers, Bible enthusiasts, and anyone who loves to follow breadcrumbs of ideas through forests of wonder. During this retreat we'll pose thoughtful questions about common biblical elements but which guide us to an enhanced understanding of our Sacred Story.

"Our relationship with Christ—strengthened by receiving him worthily in Holy Communion—helps us understand our relationships with one another and with creation."

USCC Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Serene Attentiveness to God's Creation

The American priest who founded the Knights of Columbus moved a step closer to sainthood when Pope Francis recognized a miracle attributed to him.



The miracle involved a mother whose pregnancy was threatened by a medical

condition in 2015. The family prayed to Fr. McGivney and the condition was healed. Pope Francis has attributed this to the priest, who died in 1890 at age 38 (pneumonia during Russian flu global pandemic). The campaign was started by the Archdiocese of Hartford in 1997. In 2008 Pope Benedict XVI declared Fr. McGivney a Venerable Servant of God, who lived "a life of extraordinary and heroic virtue" and was worthy of imitation by the faithful. While beatification is a significant step in the process of becoming a saint, it could take much longer, even decades, for Fr. McGivney to be canonized.

We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Fr. Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (request). Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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