

Precious Blood Parish

St. Agnes Church
400 Merwin Avenue
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St. Mary Church
(Parish Office)
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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

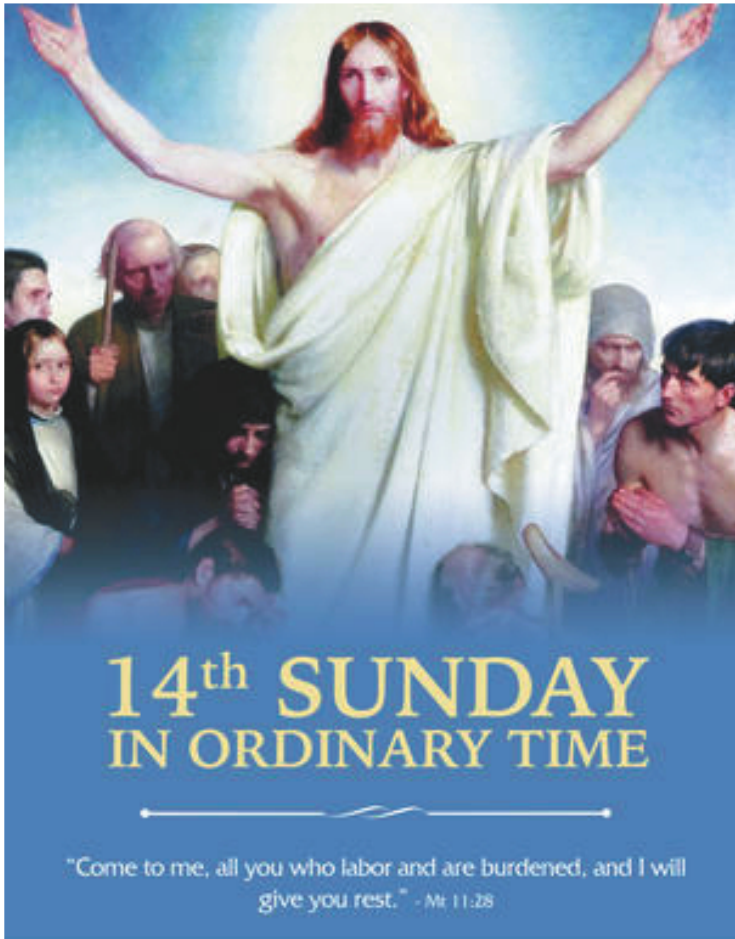
7:00 am St. Mary
7:30 am (Saturday) St. Mary
9:00 am (Mon-Fri) St. Agnes

RECONCILIATION

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

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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 July 6 St. Maria Goretti
9:00 *Jonathan Aiello* by Irene Conte

Tue July 7 Weekday
9:00 No Intention

Wed July 8 Weekday
9:00 *Michael Suech* by Cathy Gorman

Thu July 9 St. Augustine Zhio Rong
9:00 No Intention

Fri July 10 Weekday
9:00 *Harold Ericson* by his daughter and family

Sat July 11

Vigil

5:00 *Jim Swanson* by Jim and Sandy Swanson

Sun July 12 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time
7:30 *Margaret Walkowski* by Carmela Petrucelli Fam.
10:30 *Edward Donohue* by his family

The Sanctuary Lamp
Week of July 5, 2020
Is in memory of *The Nash Family*

Readings for the week of July 5, 2020

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 [cf. 1]/
Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
[8a]/Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10
[9a]/Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/
Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/
Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17
[17b]/Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14 [Lk 8:8]/
Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Maria may have had trouble with catechism, but she had no trouble with faith. God's will was holiness, decency, respect for one's body, absolute obedience, total trust. In a complex world, her faith was simple: It is a privilege to be loved by God, and to love hm—at any cost. As the virtue of chastity dies the death of a thousand qualifications, she is a breath of sweet fresh air. *“Even if she had not been a martyr, she would still have been a saint, so holy was her everyday life.”* (Cardinal Salotti)



St. Mary Church

Mon July 6 St. Maria Goretti
7:00 *Donald L. Hiebert* by his family

Tue July 7 Weekday
7:00 *Bernard and Dorothy Lynch* by their family

Wed July 8 Weekday
7:00 *Alexander Kriksciun* by Mary & Michael

Thu July 9 St. Augustine Zhio Rong
7:00 *John, Marion, Edythe Sheehy* by their estate

Fri July 10 Weekday
7:00 *Marguerite Shea* by her estate

Sat July 11 St. Benedict

7:30 *Celebration of Anniversary of Warren & Doris*
Vigil
4:30 *George & Elizabeth Sennett* by their family

Sun July 12 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 *Helen DeLillo* by her family
10:00 *People of Precious Blood Parish*
11:30 *Rev. Edwin J. Coyne* by his sister
4:30 *Lorraine Mulligan/ Uncle Bob & Aunt Kathy*



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.”

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOTICE REGARDING THE RESUMPTION OF WEEKEND MASSES

Dear Parishioners:

Archbishop Blair has announced that weekend Masses may resume the weekend of July 4-5. On that weekend, we will be celebrating Masses according to our regular schedule, namely:

at St. Mary Church at
4:30 PM Saturday, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 AM, and 4:30 PM Sunday
and at St. Agnes Church at
5:00 PM Saturday, 7:30 and 10:30 AM Sunday.

Please note *that we are limited to no more than 100 persons at any one Mass in either church*. If you are elderly, infirm in any way, or if you care for someone who is elderly or infirm, you should refrain from returning to Mass at this time. If you are nervous or frightened in any way, you should also refrain from coming. Please note that the Archbishop has extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass to every Catholic in the Archdiocese through September 6.

All who attend Masses *must wear cloth facial coverings (masks)*. If you cannot wear a face covering, it is advisable to refrain from attending Mass at this time. The pews will be marked off by tape to assist in maintaining social distancing, but members of the same family who live together may sit in the same pew.

At the first Masses when we return, we will be providing guidance regarding how to receive Communion, and for the near future only the priests and deacons will be distributing Holy Communion. *Gloves should not be worn at all*. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) discourages the use of gloves by anyone but medical personnel. The church will be cleaned and sanitized appropriately after each Mass.

While we can not be sure how many of you may want to return, we nevertheless cannot allow either church to have more than the regulated capacity of 100 persons. We suggest that some may wish to consider, for now, coming every other weekend. This is new to all of us, and we must all cooperate to make it work. Daily Mass is available at 7:00 AM on Monday through Friday (and at 7:30 AM on Saturday) at St. Mary and at 9:00 AM Monday through Friday at St. Agnes. Neither of these has proven to be overcrowded and may be an option for some to consider.

Know that we are grateful to all of you for your prayers and for the very generous ongoing financial support of the parish during the months we have been out of church through now. At weekend Masses, there will be no formal collection, but baskets will be available for you to drop your envelopes or donations into on your way out of church.

We ask God's blessings on all of us as we return to weekend Mass!

*Rev. Archbishop Ximenes
Deacon John*

"It is one of the unhappy incidents of the federal system that a self-righteous Supreme Court, acting on its members' personal view of what would make a 'more perfect Union' (a criterion only slightly more restrictive than a 'more perfect world') can impose its own favored social and economic dispositions nationwide."

(Justice Antonin Scalia, Dissent, US v. Virginia, 1996)



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A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Our nation is blessed with so many opportunities that our lives are often frenzied as we try to take advantage of all the possibilities. As we celebrated our independence these past few days, perhaps we need to be aware of our *dependence*—on fashion, fad, and cultural pressure to consume.

Today's gospel is about missionaries. As Jesus received a mission today, parents accept the mission of raising a family. Parents are not alone in this exhausting and difficult mission. Today Jesus tells us *"Come to me and I will give you rest."*

Please remember in your prayers the following men and women who have had religious services for the deceased recently: Maria Begej, Donna Byers Cotter, Anne Milewski, Irene Ann Rieve, Owen Raymond Reynolds, Louis Radcliff



Hendrichks III, George Matty Smith, Jr., James Deptula, Jerry Ianotti, John J. Flanagan, Jr., William "Jerry" Sassen, Jennie E. DiTirro, Pauline Orlando, Richard Roy, Maureen Richetelli.

"Living the Gospel Life: A Challenge to American Catholics" Part III, Number 13

"We believe that universal understandings of freedom and truth are 'written on the human heart.' America's founders also believed this to be truth. In 1776 John Dickinson, one of the framers of our Constitution, affirmed: *'Our liberties do not come from charters; for these are only the declaration of pre-existing rights. They do not depend on parchments or seals, but come from the king of kings and the Lord of all the earth.'* The words of the Declaration of Independence speak of the 'Laws of Nature and of Nature's God' and proceed to make the historic assertion: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal and they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, and among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness....' Today, more than two centuries of the American experiment have passed. We tend to take these words for granted. But for the founders, writing on the brink of armed revolution, these phrases were invested not just with their philosophy but with their lives. This is why they closed with a 'firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence.' The words of the Declaration of Independence illuminate the founding principle of the American Republic, principles explicitly grounded in unchanging truths about the human person.

"O God, our creator... through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the gospel to every corner of society." USCCB *"Prayer for Religious Liberty"*

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