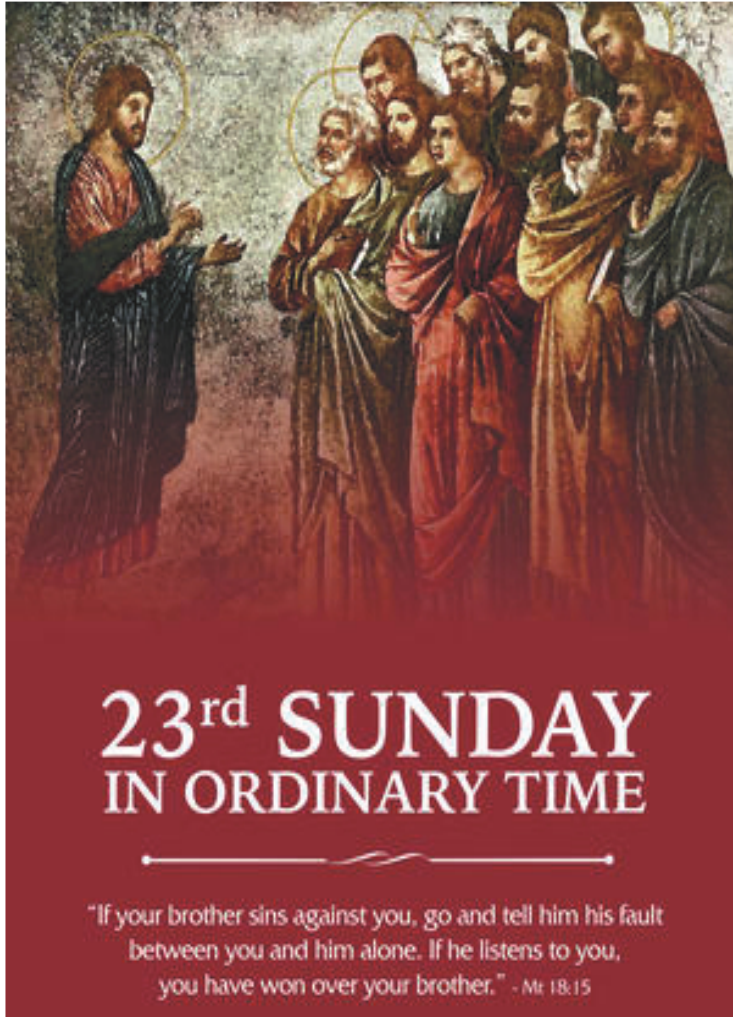


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We Welcome All Visitors

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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Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Agnes Church

Mon September 7 Weekday

9:00 *Rose & Anthony Gagliardi* by their daughter

Tue September 8 Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 *Catherine Vernon* by The Nash Family

Wed September 9 St. Peter Claver

9:00 *St. Michael the Archangel* by The Sartor family

Thu September 10 Weekday

9:00 *In Thanksgiving to The Blessed Virgin Mary*

Fri September 11 Weekday

9:00 *Graces and Blessings for Aymeric*

Sat September 12

Vigil

5:00 *People of Precious Blood Parish*

Sun Sept. 13 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 *Joseph Stanislawski* by his wife & family

10:30 *Helen Irving* by her daughter

Readings for the week of September 6, 2020

Sun: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Mon: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12 [9]/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12 [9]/Lk 6:6-11

Tue: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/ Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Wed: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17 [11]/Lk 6:20-26

Thu: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24 [24b]/Lk 6:27-38

Fri: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12 [2]/Lk 6:39

Sat: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18 [17]/Lk 6:43

Next Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8]/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

St. Mary Church

Mon September 7 Weekday

9:00 *Arlene Pond* by her family

Tue September 8 Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 *Rev. Robert J. Lord* by his estate

Wed September 9 St. Peter Claver

7:00 *Margaret Conlon* by her family

Thu September 10 Weekday

7:00 *Margaret & Bill Burns* by niece Pat

Fri September 11 Weekday

7:00 *Rose Cassano* by her family

Sat September 12 Most Holy Name of Mary

7:30 *Ellinor Rivard* by Karen & Dennis Robitaille

Vigil

4:30 *Maureen Richetelli* by The Natoli Family

Sun Sept. 13 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 *Nancy Moody* by her family

10:00 *Ann Sorbo* by Kathy Murphy

11:30 *Deceased Members of The Nash Family*

4:30 *Felix McDonald* by his family



The Sanctuary Lamp
Week of September 6, 2020
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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.”



The Birth of Mary has been celebrated since the 6th century. September was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its liturgical year with September. September 8 helped determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8, nine months earlier. St. Augustine wrote:

“She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley. Through her birth the nature inherited from our first parents is changed.”

“The men and women of this country who toil are the ones who bear the cost of government.”

- Pres. Calvin Coolidge



LABOR DAY

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



On this Labor Day weekend, we are grateful for all those who work, especially for those who work to keep us safe, to heal our hurts, to teach our children, and provide us with food. The dignity of all who work is to be honored, and we all should offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all who work to our benefit. Happy Labor Day.

This Labor Day morning Mass will be at 9:00 AM at both Saint Mary and Saint Agnes churches. There will be no confessions Monday evening at Saint Mary to observe the holiday.

We continue to appreciate those who join us for Mass, funerals, baptisms, and weddings. We thank you for helping us to do all these safely, and your cooperation by wearing masks, sitting socially distant, and not congregating inside make this possible. We will keep you informed concerning when other activities may be returning.

Groups that wish to meet should contact Deacon John at the rectory to discuss how this can be done. In a nutshell, indoor meetings are limited to 25 persons, all must be masked and socially distant. No food and drink are allowed at meetings, which we know is disappointing to some, but necessary to maintain the safety of all. School cleaning protocols do not allow for any outside group to use the school or pre-school buildings currently.

A reminder about Anointing of the Sick: we can arrange for a family member to be anointed at the hospital or nursing home, but the request must come from the family to the hospital or nursing home, then the hospital or nursing home contact us to arrange for a visit by a priest. The priest cannot call the hospital or just “show up” to anoint someone. Do not hesitate to advocate for a family member to be anointed, knowing that your request will be honored if timely and possible.

We again thank those who have contributed to the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal, and those who may choose to support the mission appeal this weekend at Saint Mary Church, and September 19 and 20 at Saint Agnes Church. Our mission appeal homilist is Father Sam, and the proceeds of the appeal will benefit his diocese in Kerala. The generosity of you, our parishioners, is commendable and we are grateful each and every day. God bless you all.

Deacon John



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were baptized at St. Mary Church and St. Agnes Church recently: Leo Scott Cavanna, Giovanni Gerard DeAngelis, Charlotte Rose Egan, William Andrew Gagne, Jr., Grayden Forte Gill, Richard Oliver Gill, Finley James Hastings, Raymond Michael Holder, Cassidy Mae Kane, Samuel Michael LoRusso, Elliana Amara Marrone, Arden Ramsey Paulsson, Ella Jean Phillips, Liam Stephen Pond, Lilly Madison Tripaldi.

ADULT CONFIRMATION



Classes will be held on four consecutive Mondays for anyone over 18 who wishes to be confirmed: Sept. 14, 21, 28 and Oct. 5. Please call Deacon John Hoffman, 203 878-3571, for details and to register.

ST. MARY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT



There are many opportunities for a comfortable return, (max. class size 16) as well as an option for distance learning. Call the school 203 878-6539 during office hours (9AM-3PM). www.saintmaryschoolmilford.org.

In 1610 **Peter Claver** left Spain to be a Jesuit missionary in Caragena (now Colombia), a chief center for the slave trade coming from Africa to the Americas. As the ships moved into port he was there to minister to the slaves with food and medicine. During the 40 years of his ministry Peter Claver instructed and baptized an estimate 300,000 slaves. Beyond his care for slaves, he preached in the public square and gave missions to sailors and traders. He understood that concrete service (food, etc.) was as effective a communication as *verbal* preaching. “We must speak to them with our hands before we try to speak to them with our lips,” he said. He was canonized in 1888, and Pope Leo XIII declared him the worldwide patron of missionary work among black slaves.



“No sin or crime is greater than God’s mercy. The sacrifice of the Cross reveals that Christ’s greatest desire is to forgive those with a repentant heart.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“Death Penalty: Catholic Q&A”

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The key word in today's gospel is "listen." We cannot change another person; not alone, not with others and not with a whole Church. All we can do is state our position and "if he listens to you" then he/she can take the steps necessary to change themselves. Change comes from within.

GOD LOVE YOU—Ven. Fulton J. Sheen

The Church is totally indifferent to any regime. The Church adapts itself to all governments on condition that they respect liberty of conscience....The Church teaches that the State is supreme in the temporal order. But when politics ceases to be politics and begins to be a religion, ...when it denies both the freedom of conscience and freedom of religion, when it competes with religion on its own ground, the immortal soul that is destined for God, then religion protests. And when it does, its protest is not against politics but against a counterreligion that is antireligious.



FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

Faithful Citizenship is a quadrennial document published by the United States bishops that provides guidance to voters during a presidential election year.

In 2016 we printed a summary of that document that outlines the core principles that underlie Catholic engagement in the political realm. Part II is a consideration of the process by which these principles are applied to the act of voting and taking positions on policy issues. The document states: ***"We bishops do not intend to tell Catholics for whom or against whom to vote. Our purpose is to help Catholics form their consciences in accordance with God's truth"*** (No. 7). (continued next week)

Visit www.faithfulcitizenship.org for complete summaries of both documents.



WALK FOR ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Our annual walk scheduled for Sept. 19 will be a virtual one this year. We will miss seeing you but your support makes such an impact on the lives of St. Jude children and families. To ensure that families get to focus on helping their child to live, please send your donation to stjude.org/gives support or if you prefer mail it to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, PO Box 50, Memphis, TN 38101-9929. Please open your heart if you are able and send a gift.

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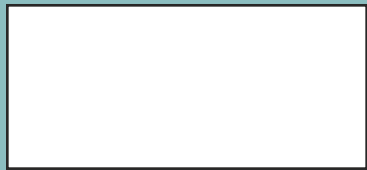
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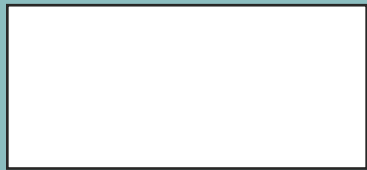
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