# Precious Blood Parish

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



## St. Mary Church (Parish Office)

(Parish Office) 70 Gulf Street Milford, CT 06460

# 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

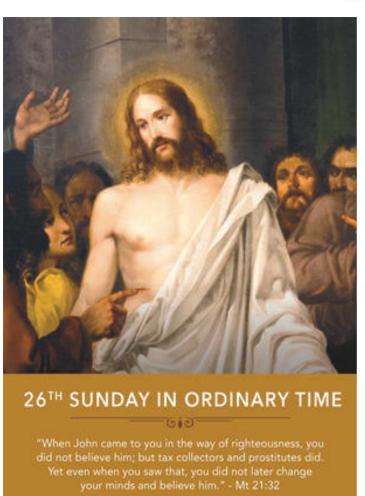
#### RECONCILIATION

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 September 28 St. Lawrence Ruiz & Comp. 9:00 No Intention

**Tue September 29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael** 9:00 *Fred Canon* by his family

Wed September 30 St. Jerome 9:00 No Intention

**Thu October 1 St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus** 9:00 *Theresa Baron* by Chris and Diane Mattei

**Fri October 2 Holy Guardian Angel** 9:00 *Pauline Segall* by Judy and Ted

Sat October 3

Vigil

5:00 Paul Hartmann by his wife Jacquelyn

**Sun October 4 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 7:30 *People of Precious Blood Parish* 10:30 *Angela Sapione* by Frank Sapione



The Sanctuary Lamp
Week of September 27, 2020
Is in Memory of Ed McCarthy and
Joseph Rodrigues

Readings for the week of September 27, 2020

Sun: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

Mon: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/Lk 9:46-50

Tue: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51

Wed: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 [ 3]/Lk 9:57-62

Thu: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [13]/Lk 10:1-12

Fri: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4ab, 4c-6, 10-11 [11]/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Sat: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130 [135]/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43



Angel of God, my guardian dear,
To whom God's love commits me here,
Ever this day be at my side
To light and guard, to rule and guide.
Amen

#### St. Mary Church

Mon September 28 St. Lawrence Ruiz & Comp. 7:00 *Joseph Campagna, Jr.* by Kim

Tue September 29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael 7:00 John, Edythe, Marion Sheehy by their estate

Wed September 30 St. Jerome 7:00 Andrew Kang by Kim

**Thu October 1 St. Thérèse of Child Jesus** 7:00 *James Bachmann* by Kathy and Steve Visnicky

**Fri October 2 Holy Guardian Angels** 7:00 *Patricia Costigan* by a friend

Sat October 3 Weekday

7:30 Rose Monteleone Gluck by Joe and Tatiana

Vigil

4:30 Shirley and Joseph Campagna by Mary

Sun October 4 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 Vincent DeLillo by his family

10:00 Maurice R. Lynch by his wife and family

11:30 Mary Coyne by her family

4:30 Francisco Toledo by Lucy and family



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of September 27, 2020 Is in Memory of *Fred Malesky* 



#### 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."



"Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing."

#### TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In this beautiful Fall season, I first call your attention to an upcoming event. The annual blessing of animals will be held October 3, 2020 at 12:30 PM near the statue of Saint Francis at Saint Mary Church. Those of us who are pet owners know the blessing that our pets already are to us, and why not celebrate God's gift by having your pet blessed? Dogs must be on a leash, and cats in carriers so we can have all "get along" as best as we can.

If you wish someone's name to be announced to be prayed for at Mass if they are sick, please call and request this. We try and limit the announced status for anyone to three weeks, and the name will be removed unless the family has contacted us again.

Our Jewish brothers and sisters have recently celebrated their New Year and will observe Yom Kippur soon. I hope we can offer prayers for them as they also struggle to worship in-person, as we all do. Persons of all faiths should join in prayer for an end to this pandemic. On Yom Kippur, our Jewish brothers and sisters ask for forgiveness, and ask to change their ways and do good. Good thoughts for us as well.

All Souls Day is November 2, 2020, and you will find envelopes at the doors of church should you wish to have family members especially remembered at all the Masses in November. You can put your envelope in the collection basket by the doors of church, or drop at the rectory, or mail your envelope in. All the envelopes and names will be on the altars in the two churches beginning on All Souls Day.



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#### A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace!

Where there is hatred-let me sow love. Where there is injury-pardon. Where there is doubt-faith. Where there is



despair-hope. Where there is sadness-joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled-as to console. To be understood-as to understand. To be loved-as to love.

For it is in giving - that we receive. It is in pardoningthat we are pardoned. It is in dying - that we are born to eternal life.



#### **BLESSING OF ANIMALS**

OCTOBER 3 @ 12:30pm

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#### BETH-EL CENTER INCREASES SERVICES DURING COVID-19

During the pandemic, more than ever, individuals and families are facing hardships like unemployment, food insecurity and the risk of losing their housing. Since March the Beth-El Center has increased its shelter and case management services as well as food programs to assist the most vulnerable populations.

While expanding services to meet the community's needs, critical steps were taken to decrease the risk of COVID-19 transmission:

- Policies and procedures were instituted to increase cleaning and disinfecting, execute health screenings and bi-weekly COVID-19 testing for all guests, volunteers and staff.
- For the past 5 months additional clients have been sheltered at Motel 6. Shelter capacity was doubled. 42 individuals and families transitioned to permanent housing.
- ◆ The Soup Kitchen continues to serve bagged meals-to-go daily to anyone in the community in need of food. Meal distribution since March has increased 70% & 19,500 meals have been served.



"I do not believe the promises of the Declaration of Independence are just for the strong, the independent, the healthy. They are for everyone—including unborn children." President George W. Bush

#### **SEPTEMBER 27, 2020**

#### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel Jesus asked, "What is your opinion?" Why do we think our opinion is dogma or fact? An opinion is only how we perceive a situation or how we feel comfortable doing something. **Don't argue over or become divided by "your opinion."** 



#### FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

(cont.)

"If prudence is the 'charioteer' driving toward the good, *Forming Consciences* also offers a helpful guardrail: the voter's intent.

Recognizing that voters may face truly difficult situations in which all candidates support unacceptable moral positions, the bishops explain that a Catholic may never vote for such candidate 'if the voter's intent is to support that position(#34). When there is a truly grave moral reason for the choice, the voter's intent, not the 'nonnegotiable' character of the policy topic, is determinative(#35).

As the bishops note, challenges abound. "At all levels of society, we are aware of a great need for leadership that models love of righteousness, as well as the virtues of justice, prudence, courage and temperance."

For more on he moral challenge of voting see *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship.* Nos. 34-39. Visit www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

The seven themes in this document are more fully described in the *Compendium of the Social Doctrine* of the Church from the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, United States Council of Catholic Bishops



#### **DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY**

If religious liberty is not properly understood, all people suffer and are deprived of the essential contribution to the common good, be it in education, health care, feeding the hungry, civil rights, and social services.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) encourages you to stay informed about your right to religious liberty, which is guaranteed under the First Amendment.

If you haven't done so already, voice your opinions, call the White House @ 202 456-1111.

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I have told you this so that you might have peace in me. In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world.

John 16:33

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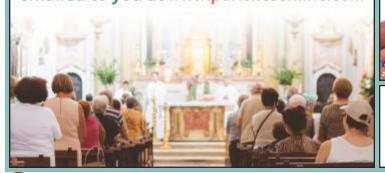


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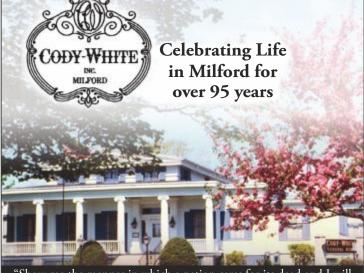
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