

Precious Blood Parish

St. Agnes Church
400 Merwin Avenue
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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." - Mk 1:7-8

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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.

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, MILFORD

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Agnes Church

Mon January 11 Weekday

9:00 No Intention

Tue January 12 Weekday

9:00 *Eustachio Pettinella* by The Hoppes Family

Wed January 13 St. Hilary

9:00 *Margaret Lovett* by her family

Thu January 14 Weekday

9:00 No Intention

Fri January 15 Weekday

9:00 No Intention

Sat January 16

Vigil

5:00 *People of Precious Blood Parish*

Sun January 17 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 *The Tighe Family* by the family

10:30 *William and Regina Lynch* by their family

Readings for the week of January 10, 2021

Sun: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3])/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Mon: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20

Tue: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28

Wed: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39

Thu: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40

Fri: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12

Sat: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

“My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love Thee above 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.”

St. Mary Church

Mon January 11 Weekday

7:00 *Warren R. Coyne* by his family

Tue January 12 Weekday

7:00 *Louise Picitelli* by Leo Brunell

Wed January 13 St. Hilary

7:00 No Intention

Thu January 14 Weekday

7:00 No Intention

Fri January 15 Weekday

7:00 *James Bachman* by Jean

Sat January 16 Weekday

7:30 *Stanley & Walter Kalinowski* by Jean

Vigil

4:30 *Rita Coulombe Nomejko* by her family

Sun January 17 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 *Matteo Stantig* by Joe & Tatiana Monteleone

10:00 *John & Nora Heffernan* by The Hayes Family

11:30 *Kathleen O'Brien* by her family

4:30 No Intention



The Sanctuary Lamp
Week of January 10, 2021
In Memory of *Louis & Anna D'Amato*

Though not raised a Christian, Hillary felt a wonder at the gift of life and a desire to find out its meaning. He tells us that he “chanced upon” the Scriptural verse where God tells Moses ‘I AM WHO AM,’ and was “*amazed at such a clear definition of God, which expressed the incomprehensible knowledge of the divine nature in words suited to human intelligence.*”

He emerged himself in the gospels of John, from whom he learned of the Son of God and how Jesus had been sent to bring eternal life to those who believed. He had found who he was in discovering God and Jesus Christ.

After becoming Christian, he was elected bishop of Poitiers, France. “*They didn't know who they were,*” was how Hillary summed up the problem with the Arian heretics of the 4th century, who didn't believe in the divinity of Christ. He began a battle for the eternal life of the souls who might hear the Arians and stop believing in the Son of God, their hope for salvation.

Hilary's writings still exist, including On the Trinity.



BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Dear Friends:

Our celebration of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord this weekend brings to a conclusion the celebration of the Christmas season in the Church. The Church celebrates the Advent and Christmas seasons more reverently and properly than does our surrounding increasingly secular, and might I say, *Godless* culture. Advent is a time of waiting, preparation, expectation and longing. It is a time to stop, to pray, to spend time in silence. Of course, all around us, at least in normal pre-COVID times, the days of Advent are a time of endless running around, shopping, and preparing the home and family for Christmas. While there is nothing inherently wrong with that, it does detract from a proper, spiritual observance of Advent. I deplore the fact that some people put up their Christmas trees at the time of or even before Thanksgiving and then take everything down even as early as the day after Christmas. Christmas is more than just one day. It is a season of three weeks or so, a time filled with real wonder as we celebrate some of the central mysteries of our faith. Christmas should live in the heart of everyone all the year long, but sadly its meaning and impact often get packed away far too soon. Enjoy the Christmas trees and the Nativity scene in both churches this weekend, for now that the season of Christmas will be over officially, they will be taken down and stored away.

In the Eastern Churches, the celebration of the mystery of the Epiphany traditionally recalls more than just the visit of the Magi to the Child Jesus at Bethlehem. Combined with that event, the mystery of the Lord's Baptism by John in the Jordan is recalled, as is the mystery of the sign worked at the wedding in Cana, when Jesus turned ordinary water into very special wine. All of these events, these mysteries, are *epiphanies* in that they reveal something about Jesus of great significance. The visit of the Magi to the Child Jesus reveals Jesus as the Savior of all people and not just his own, the Jewish people, for the Magi were Gentiles (non-Jews) who recognized Jesus for who he really is. Most of us are Gentiles, too, and we are called to recognize Jesus as our Savior as well. The Baptism of Jesus by John in the Jordan was the occasion at which the very voice of the Father himself was heard, proclaiming Jesus to be his "*beloved Son, with whom [he was] well pleased.*" The miracle or the sign at Cana revealed the glory of Jesus, the one who by changing ordinary water into excellent wine, has the power to change each of us, made from ordinary clay, into his hands, his feet, his eyes, his ears, and his heart in the world of our time.

We have launched into January. The annual time has arrived for the preparation of our federal and state income tax returns. Many of you will be asking for a statement of contributions from the parish for the year 2020. I would ask that you be patient with us, for it will take a few weeks for us to enter data from the remaining envelopes from the final weeks of the year and then convert the database to be able to produce the statements. They should be available toward the end of the month. I will remind everyone that we can issue statements only to those who are registered and use the parish support envelope system. We have no way to keep records on loose cash or checks deposited in the basket, the mail, or at the door.

Finally, I must make an announcement of a change in practice for the parish. Effective the first Sunday of February, February 7, we will no longer be including names in the Prayer of the Faithful for the sick. It has become cumbersome, and it can be a difficulty given concerns about privacy. Be assured that at every Mass, especially on weekends, all the sick are included in our prayers. God knows who they are, and each of us can pray for our sick loved ones and friends by name. I know that I can count on your understanding and cooperation.

Have a good week!

Rev. Anthony L. Malone



Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were baptized at St. Mary Church and St. Agnes Church during the month of December:
Grant Ryan Coelho, Isabella Lynch, Matteo Lynch, Everly Pearl Patterson, Juliette Valentina Torres, Noah Torres.



St. Mary School is now accepting applications for all grades (pre-kindergarten—grade 8) for the 2021-22 school year. Since students have been in school, full time 5 days a week, enrollment will continue for the current school year, Application and enrollment details can be found on the school website, saintmaryschoolmilford.org To learn more, call the school at 203 878-6539.



The Mass Intentions book for 2022 will be opening soon. Anyone who has outstanding balances for Masses booked for 2020 and 2021 should satisfy that commitment before requesting more Masses.



Christ instituted the sacraments in order to give men a share in the divine life, called grace. The supernatural life of grace begins with baptism, through which a man is born spiritually of water and the Holy Spirit. The sacrament of baptism was instituted the moment Christ was baptized by John. **This baptism by John did not give Christ the life of grace; He already possessed the fullness of grace.** But when the waters of John's baptism touched Christ, the water itself was sanctified and received, through Christ, the power to sanctify souls. The power of water to give grace to men comes from the power of Christ's Passion.

Even though the sacrament of baptism was instituted at Christ's baptism, it was not to be administered to men until after Christ's passion, death and resurrection. Christ did not order His Apostle to baptize men in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost until after he had risen from the tomb. But from that time on, *"Unless a man be born again of water and the Holy Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of heaven."*

St. Thomas Aquinas, *Summa Theologica*

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The gospel today points to Jesus' humanity; like us. He needed RECOGNITION ("You are my Son"), AFFECTION ("My beloved Son") and AFFIRMATION ("With you I am well pleased.") In our families it is easy to focus on irritating behaviors and take for granted all the positives. This New Year take a lesson from God the Father, be an AFFIRMER and not a BLAMER.

GOD LOVE YOU

Ven. Fulton J Sheen

"There are two ways of knowing how good God is. One is never to lose Him; the other is to lose Him and find Him again."



MERCY BY THE SEA

Feb. 1: **Brigid and the Winter of Our Discontent— an Imboic Invocation and Practice**, 6:30-8:30PM

This will be a live, virtual program led by Jane Burns, a teacher and practitioner of Celtic Shamanism, Registration will begin on Jan. 7. Imboic, also known as the Feast Day of St. Brigid, marks the beginning of spring, as it lands halfway between the winter solstice and the spring equinox.

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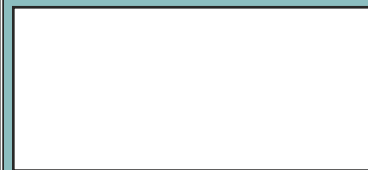
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