

Precious Blood Parish

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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

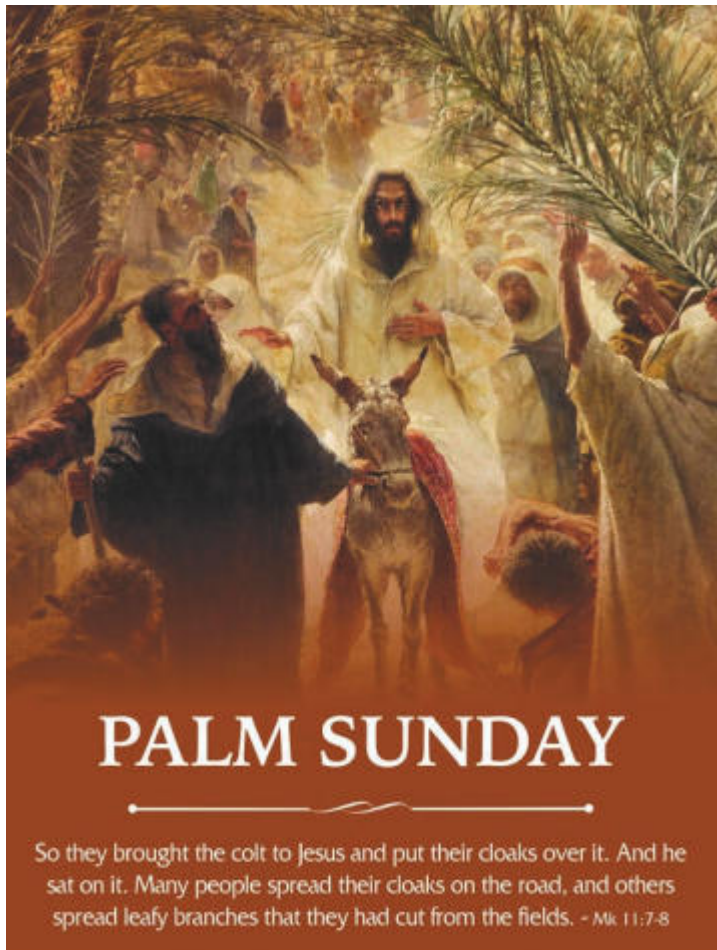
7:00 am St. Mary
7:30 am (Saturday) St. Mary
9:00 am (Mon-Fri) St. Agnes

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 March 29 Monday of Holy Week
9:00 *Candace Palange* by Joan and Larry Nassef

Tue March 30 Tuesday of Holy Week
9:00 *M/M Hang Fu Yiu and Chui Kam Yiu* by family

Wed March 31 Wednesday of Holy Week
9:00 *Mary Ellen Nemchek* by her family

Thu April 1 HOLY THURSDAY
No Mass

Fri April 2 GOOD FRIDAY
No Mass

Sat April 3 HOLY SATURDAY
NO 5:00PM MASS

Sun April 4 EASTER SUNDAY
7:30 *Helga Larsen and Ellen Hammerum*
10:30 *Louise & Carl Vivi and John Hotchkiss*

St. Mary Church

Mon March 29 Monday of Holy Week
7:00 No Intention
12:05 No Intention

Tue March 30 Tuesday of Holy Week
7:00 *Jerome Gerace* by Michelle & Emma Hydeck
12:05 No Intention

Wed March 31 Wednesday of Holy Week
7:00 *Kenneth Shaurt* by Leo Brunell
12:05 No Intention

Thu April 1 HOLY THURSDAY
7:30 Morning Prayer

Fri April 2 GOOD FRIDAY
7:30 Morning Prayer
3:00 Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Sat April 3 HOLY SATURDAY
7:30 Morning Prayer
12:00 Blessing of Easter Food

Vigil

8:00PM The Great Vigil of Easter
The People of Precious Blood Parish

Sun April 4 EASTER SUNDAY

8:30 No Intention
10:00 No Intention
10:15 (in the school) No Intention
11:30 *Richard Roy* by his family
NO 4:30PM MASS



The Sanctuary Lamp
Week of March 28, 2021
Is in Memory of *Margaret Conlon*

The Sanctuary Lamp
Week of March 28, 2021
Is in Memory of *Debbie Warrek*



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.”



NOVENA OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL
Benediction and Rosary
Monday @ 7:30PM St. Mary



Readings for the week of March 28, 2021

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47

Mon: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11

Tue: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [c15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wed: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25

Thu: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [2a]/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Fri: Is 52:13, 53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

Sat: Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15—15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 [42:2] or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/ Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mk 16:1

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1

PALM SUNDAY

On this Palm Sunday weekend, I share some odds and ends, and some reflections.

First, this weekend will mark the return of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist serving at Mass. All who are volunteering have been vaccinated. You may also notice the priest and deacon being in closer proximity, as all the clergy have been vaccinated as well. We will add back in the Saint Michael prayer at the conclusion of Mass, and the missals are returned to the pews. While all the cleaning regimens will continue, if you are not comfortable using the missal, just leave it in place.

This previous year's Palm Sunday there were no public Masses, and we made palms available at the doors outside. Palms will be available outside again this year. Look for them at the doors as you exit, please do not bring them in to the church. Opportunities for confession this week are Monday, March 29, from 6:00 to 7:00 PM at Saint Mary; Saturday 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon at Saint Mary, and 3:30 to 4:30 PM at Saint Agnes. Remember, there is only one Solemn Vigil of Easter at 8:00 PM Saturday at Saint Mary, no 4:30 PM at Saint Mary or 5:00 PM at Saint Agnes on Saturday, April 3. On Easter Sunday there is an additional Mass in the school gym at 10:15 AM Easter morning. There is no 4:30 PM Mass on Easter Sunday at Saint Mary.

All the clergy here at Precious Blood Parish continue to pray for all of you, and pray for an end to this pandemic. This has been a year for many that meditating on the Cross of Christ has also been lived out in families and communities. A wise mentor of mine once told me that you know the Cross is for you when it seems like too much to bear. May each one of us, purified in the experience of our personal crosses, come together to celebrate the joy of the resurrection this Easter. Our risen Lord offers healing and hope, and new life in abundance. May God bless you all.

Deacon John

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift or pledge commitment to the 2021 Archbishop's annual Appeal. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please consider prayerfully supporting the many "Good Works" of the Archdiocese.

Every gift will be gratefully received and sincerely appreciated.



"Today's celebration can be said to be bittersweet. It is joyful and sorrowful at the same time. We celebrate the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem to the cries of his disciples who acclaim him as king. Yet we also solemnly proclaim the gospel account of the Passion. In this poignant contrast, our hearts experience in some small measure what Jesus himself must have felt in his own heart that day, as he rejoiced with his friends and wept over Jerusalem."
- Pope Francis

CONFESSION SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK

Monday, March 29
6:00-7:00PM
St. Mary

Saturday, April 3
10:00-12:00noon
St. Mary

3:30-4:30PM
St. Agnes

**THERE WILL BE NO
TENEBRAE SERVICES
THIS YEAR**



PALM CROSSES that have not been sold previously will be available after late morning Masses at St. Mary and St. Agnes and until 3:00PM today. The crosses are \$10 each.

UNDERSTANDING OFF EPISODES AND DYSKINESIA IN PARKINSON'S DISEASE

Join us on Wednesday, April 21st at 1:00PM in Father Cronin Hall for a discussion with Duarte G. Machado, MD, Asst. Clinical Professor, Yale School of Medicine and Co-Director, Division of Movement Disorders, Hartford Healthcare.

Virtual programs are also available if you prefer to remain socially distanced during the pandemic.

There is no cost to attend this meeting.

Attendees have the option of whether to accept the Adamas-provided food and beverage.

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MARCH 28, 2021

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable but no one should suffer alone. That is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering.

“God Created Each of Us and Endowed all of Us with the Right to Life.” - SD Governor Kristi Noem

Planned Parenthood coined the slogan “Every child a wanted child” and the pro-choice lobby still uses this argument to justify abortion. We all agree that every child should be wanted. This is an idealistic goal, but sadly we do not live in an idyllic world. To use being wanted by someone as a measure of whether a human life is allowed to live is a frightening concept.

Every pro-abortion argument requires that we pretend, forget, ignore or deny the humanity, worth and dignity of unborn babies. It thrives on our ability to disregard innocent victims as long as they are out of our sight and voiceless.

Tell a lie often enough and people will eventually believe it. Consider the terminology used (pro-choice, fetus, non-viable, etc.), carefully designed to disguise the humanity of the unborn child and obscure what abortion really is.

“Tolerating grave evil within a society is itself a form of serious evil.” - Archbishop Charles J. Chaput

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and their families for the selfless acts they
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