Precious Blood Parish

St. Agnes Church 400 Merwin Avenue Milford, CT 06460



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(Parish Office)
70 Gulf Street
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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

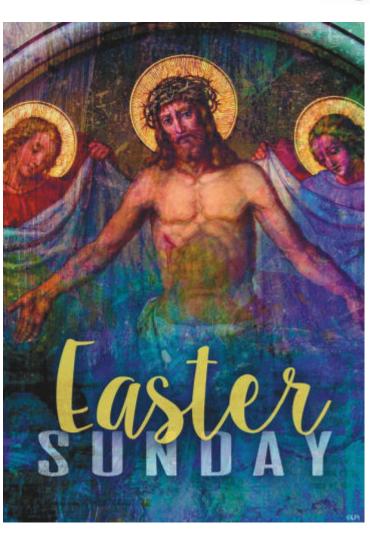
RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 pm—4:30 pm St. Agnes Monday 6:00 pm—7:00 pm St. Mary (Except Holidays)

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Benediction and Rosary Monday @ 7:30PM St. Mary Church

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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 April 5 Weekday

9:00 Amanda Pellegrino by her family

Tue April 6 Weekday

9:00 Mrs. Pui Pui Fan by her family

Wed April 7 Weekday

9:00 Robert Broderick by his son

Thu April 8 Weekday

9:00 Gloria Geer by her husband

Fri April 9 Weekday

9:00 Ralph and Mary Irving by their family

Sat April 10 Vigil

5:00 Joan Silvester by The Jennings Family

Sun April 11 2nd Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy

7:30 Wayne, Rose, & Tony Limosani by their family 10:30 Dec. Members of The Brunzell Family



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of April 4, 2021 Is in Memory of the *Bouchard Family*

Readings for the week of April 4, 2021

Sun: 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 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

Mon: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15

Tue: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18

Wed: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35

Thu: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35 Fri: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/Jn 21:1-14

Sat: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13- 15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3

St. Mary Church

Mon April 5 Weekday

7:00 Fam. of Laura Schwartzenberger & Daniel Alfin

Tue April 6 Weekday

7:00 Eleanor Scully by her family

Wed April 7 Weekday

7:00 The Rizzo Family by a friend

Thu April 8 Weekday

7:00 Maureen and Jim Richetelli by their family

Fri April 9 Weekday

7:00 Rolando Trovini by his wife

Sat April 10 Weekday

7:30 Hoyt Fam. living & deceased by Doris Nash

Vigil

4:30 *Clare Barry* by The Farina Family

Sun April 11 2nd Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy

8:30 Rose DeLillo by her family 10:00 Ann Heffernan by her family 11:30 Donald Wayne Hiebert by Aunt Maureen 4:30 People of Precious Blood Parish



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of April 4, 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



"We ask the Risen Jesus, who turns death into life, to change hatred into love, vengeance into forgiveness, war into peace." - Pope Francis

EASTER SUNDAY

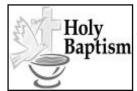
On this Easter, we wish you all the peace and joy that the Risen Lord Jesus brings to each of us. The empty tomb signals to us all that love is stronger than death, and that new life triumphs over the darkness. This past year we all have confronted the evil of the world, we all have struggled with the fear and loneliness and hardship of our lack of contact. But the surest message this Easter is that He is Risen! Life triumphs over death, love triumphs over despair, and our Lord and Savior leads us to the peace we seek.

May this Easter find us ready to reach out again. We reach out to those in need, which you can support at next week's drive-through Food Pantry collection. Saturday, April 10, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon, we will collect non-perishable food (and monetary donations) in the Saint Mary Church parking lot. We have been meeting the needs of so many of our neighbors this past year through your generosity, and we want to continue helping so many. Watch the parish social media to see what to donate. Join with us to show that He is Risen, and that love overcomes all we fear.

So many have found this year to be a struggle, but so many have found this year to be a return to simpler, family centered activities. We hope in 2021, so many of you, gifted with vaccination, enlivened with the new life of springtime, encouraged by the good news around us can find a way to return to the community worship of the Lord and Savior who brings us this peace, who leads us to love, who makes His home in our hearts.

On behalf of all the clergy and staff of Precious Blood Parish, we wish you the joy of Easter. At Precious Blood Parish, we continue to pray for each one of you, and we thank you all for your generous support. Please continue to pray for an end to this pandemic as we all celebrate this Easter that love is stronger than death, that new life promised in the resurrection is for all. God bless you all.





Harper Lee Benzagni Grace Marie Gibson Ella Rose Kubik Grace Jane Novak

Please welcome into our parish family the following children who were baptized at St. Mary Church and St. Agnes Church during the months of January, February and March:

Ashley Grace Detoro Elizabeth Marie Jame Jukic Chloe Donna McSweeney Giorgio Villari Silva



On the third day after His death, Christ rose again. His soul was reunited with His body and He rose from the tomb glorious and immortal. He rose from the grave to confirm our faith in His divinity. Because He has risen, we can also hope to rise again at the end of the world. The new life of grace is given to our souls. Because He was God, He gave His body and soul the power to unite again with one another. By the power of God, Christ Who died on Calvary rose again on the first Easter Sunday.

- St. Thomas Aquinas



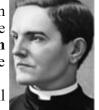
Christ's Resurrection from the dead on Easter Sunday morning is the celebration of the new Creation. The darkness of sin has been overcome by the burning fire of God's love for man which brings about new life.

We light the Easter candle to represent the all-consuming creative love of God. It represents Jesus, the Light of the World.

"I have come into the world as light, to prevent anyone who believes in me from staying in the dark anymore." (John 12:46)

He is the new pillar of fire, guiding and protecting us; the new burning bush, attracting our attention; the new tongue of fire, filling us with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Our faith is a beacon of the fire of God's love for all people.

The renovation of the church hall of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Waterbury will be renamed the **Blessed Michael McGivney Parish Center** to honor Waterbury native Father Michael McGivney.



The focal point in the auditorium will be a 42 foot long mural of the wedding

at Cana and images of the four gospel writers. Featured also will be statues of Mary and Joseph, as well as one of Father McGivney.

It is hoped that the interior of the project will be completed by August 13th, the feast day for Father McGivney, who was beatified on October 31, 2020.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

That first Easter morning was confusing. Jesus was missing and Mary Magdalene, Peter and John "did not know" what to do. In family life there are confusing moments when "we don't know" what to do. Like the apostles we are Easter people when we believe and trust in each other even when all seems lost



Thanks to the generosity of St. Mary School's students, families and staff, who recently raised money for two great causes.

On "dress down" days they collected money and were able to donate \$487.81 to the **Ronald McDonald House of Connecticut**, and on "wore purple day" they brought awareness to Rett Syndrome and donated \$610 to the **Rett Syndrome Trust** in Trumbull.

Great job by everyone. saintmaryschoolmilford.org

APRIL IS NATIONAL CHLD ABUSE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

Throughout the Gospel, Christ calls upon His followers to care for the most vulnerable among us, especially children.

During Child Abuse Prevention Month we are reminded of the call to be instruments of justice, working for the common good of all, which includes the protection of children. As Jesus entrusts to Peter the care of the flock, we are reminded that this responsibility belongs to everyone as a matter of charity and justice.

We are all part of a larger culture of protection and healing within the Church. As members of this culture, we value the prevention of abuse and the support of those who have been abused. By noticing the warning signs of abuse, taking them seriously, and reporting them could prevent abuse in the future. We can also play a role in victim outreach by offering support, compassion, and prayers to those close to us who have been abused.

The second annual Youth Adult Conference for **CROSSROADS 4 CHRIST** will be held from May 17 to 23. The theme this year is "Into the Deep," implying a deeper life with Christ.

Free registration is open to all young adults, 18 to 39, and anyone interested in learning about young adult evangelization.

For more information or to register call 860-777-6856 or visit c4conference.org.

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