Precious Blood Parish

St. Agnes Church 400 Merwin Avenue Milford, CT 06460



St. Mary Church
(Parish Office)
70 Gulf Street

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3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." - Lk 24:45-46

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.

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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, MILFORD

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Agnes Church

Mon April 19 Easter Weekday

9:00 Vera Porto by Joan and Larry Nassef

Tue April 20 Easter Weekday

9:00 Lisa Benjamin by St. Agnes Rosary Group

Wed April 21 St. Anselm

9:00 Sadie and Tony Cimino by their family

Thu April 22 Easter Weekday

9:00 Mrs. Chui Kam Yiu by her family

Fri April 23 St. George

9:00 Health and Blessings for Rosemary Emerson

Sat April 24 Vigil

5:00 Robert Dowd/Cindy Pallman, David & Jim Davis

Sun April 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 People of Precious Blood Parish 10:30 Michael Krotki by Anna & Dennis Brown



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of April 18, 2021 Is in Memory of The Carreau Family

Readings for the week of April 18, 2021

Sun: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/

Lk 24:35-48

Mon: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn

6:22-29

Tue: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17

and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35

Wed: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40 Thu: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51

Fri: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59

Sat: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26,

28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18



St. Anselm, one of the Church's greatest theologians and leaders, was considered an original and independent thinker, admired for his patience, gentleness and teaching skill. His theological works are comparable to those of St. Augustine. His best-known work is the book Why God Became Man.

His care and concern extended to the very

poorest people. Vehemently opposed to the slave trade, he obtained from the National Council at Westminster the passage of a resolution prohibiting the sale of human beings.

St. Mary Church

Mon April 19 Easter Weekday

7:00 Alex Kriksciun by Mary and Michael

Tue April 20 Easter Weekday

7:00 Elizabeth & John Jewelenski by Joe Banas

Wed April 21 St. Anselm

7:00 Joseph T. Griffin by his wife Mary Ann

Thu April 22 Easter Weekday

7:00 Guy Ortoleva by Mary and Michael

Fri April 23 St. George

7:00 Andrew Havick by his wife Joan

Sat April 24 St. Fidelis

7:30 Susan Piroh Mino by her sister Pat

4:30 *Richard Roy* by his family

Sun April 25 fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30 Edward Howarth by his family

10:00 Patricia Metzger by Mike & Cindy Bankalter

11:30 Helen and Mike Serena by Bob & Rita Serena

4:30 Pedro Amezquita by The Farina Family



The Sanctuary Lamp Week of April 18, 2021 Is in Memory of Patricia Costigan



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."

"I do not seek to understand that I may believe, but I believe in order to understand."

- St. Anselm

[&]quot;Faith seeks understanding.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

In the gospel from John for this third Sunday of Easter, the disciples were startled and terrified at seeing Jesus, risen from the dead. They thought they were seeing a ghost. Jesus asks them, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." The disciples were incredulous with joy for having seen Him.

Now that so many are vaccinated and returning to worship together, be sure you are looking for Him when you are together, and when you encounter Him in those in need. We yearn for His presence because He brings the life we seek, He offers the life we need. We receive the Eucharist because He feeds us, we worship together because He is present when we do. If your life feels like you are missing something, perhaps it is the living presence of the risen savior found in the bread transformed, in the community gathered.

Know that we worship as safely as we can. Every other pew is still blocked off. All wear masks to protect themselves and others. Hand sanitizer is at the doors. Cleaning is done after every service. I spoke with several parishioners this past weekend who had not been to church in a year. They expressed they were glad to be back, and they felt safe doing so. The best comment for me was this: "I did not know how much I missed being here until I returned, and felt what I had been missing." My invitation is this, when you are ready, maybe when fully vaccinated, and you are comfortable, come and join us. When we worship together, we all experience what you have been missing.

Jesus promised, "I come to bring you life in abundance." The life you long for, the peace you desire, the food you need to sustain your life is here when we worship together. We long for your presence to join us again. May the joy of this Easter season be yours as we celebrate that He is truly risen. Love is stronger than death, come and celebrate how much you are loved.

DeaconJohn



The Mission to Haiti Board would like to express enormous thanks to everyone who contributed to our Healing Tree for Haiti. The churches of St. Mary and St. Agnes came

through with stars. We totaled \$11,519 from the fund-raiser and want you to know that your money will be used to feed the children and parishioners of our twinned parish, St. Thérèse in Marbial, Haiti. A portion of the money will also go to help educate the parish children. May all of your petitions be answered by the Lord!



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GOD LOVE YOU

Ven. Fulton J. Sheen

"Because the 'Hail Mary' is said many times in the course of a rosary, do not think of it as sterile repetition, because each time it is said in a different setting or scene as you meditate, for example,



on such mysteries as the Birth of Our Lord, the Crucifixion, the Resurrection, etc. You never thought as a child, when you told your mother you loved her, that it had the same meaning as it did the last time you told her. Because the background of the affection changed, its affirmation was new. It is the same sun that rises each morning, but it makes a new day."



The Archbishop's Annual Appeal changes lives through service. In addition to assisting the underserved of our communities, your gift helps those discerning a vocation to the priesthood. Your gift to the Appeal is an investment in the future of our Church and our faith.

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will have a positive impact on someone's life.

All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The apostles were afraid of Jesus until he ate with them and they touched him. In your family the ordinary acts of eating together, touching, embracing not only confirm our love for each other, but also celebrate God's presence in your family. These ordinary moments contain the "Extraordinary."

CELEBRATION OF YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Administrative Committee voted to align its nationwide liturgical celebration of youth and young adults, which was traditionally celebrated on Palm Sunday, with the new universal date, the Feast of Christ the King. Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone of San Francisco and chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth issued the following statement:

"The Holy Father asked Catholic churches around the world to renew their celebration of youth and young people on Christ the King Sunday, to help connect younger generations with 'the Mystery of Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of Man.'"

This year, the Feast of Christ the King falls on Sunday, November 21, 2021. More information will be posted on the Youth & Young Adult Ministries page of USCCB website www/usccb.org/topics/youth-and-young-adult-ministries.



"Christ invites us to trust in his invisible grace that prompts us to the generosity of supernatural charity, as we identify with everyone who is ill; 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me' (Mt.25:40)"

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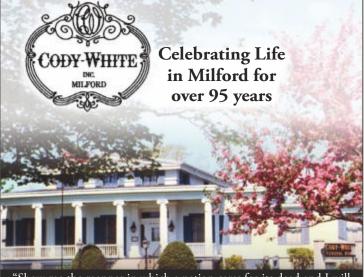
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