

Precious Blood Parish

St. Agnes Church
400 Merwin Avenue
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St. Mary Church
(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

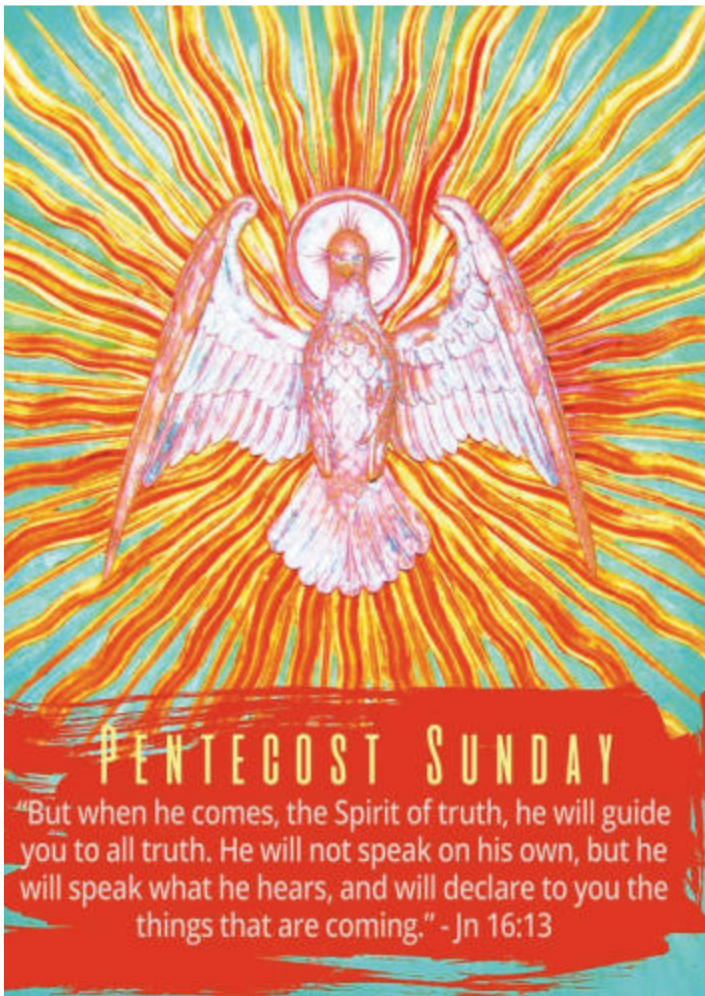
Saturday 3:30 pm—4:30 pm St. Agnes
Monday 6:00 pm—7:00 pm St. Mary
(Except Holidays)

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 May 24 B. V. Mary, Mother of the Church
9:00 *Rosa Pirulli* by The St. Agnes Rosary Group

Tue May 25 St. Bede the Venerable
9:00 *Benita Zipagan* by Maria Mariano

Wed May 26 St. Philip Neri
9:00 No Intention

Thu May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury
9:00 No Intention

Fri May 28 Weekday
9:00 *Anna Carboni* by her niece

Sat May 29
Vigil
5:00 *Jennifer Welsh* by her family

Sun May 30 Most Holy Trinity
7:30 *People of Precious Blood Parish*
10:30 *Brian Nesdale* by his wife

St. Mary Church

Mon May 24 B. V. Mary, Mother of the Church
7:00 *Joseph Palmer/Griffin & Gilbert Families*

Tue May 25 St. Bede the Venerable
7:00 *Bernard & Ann Marie Lynch* by sister & fam.

Wed May 26 St. Philip Neri
7:00 *Carol Kriksciun* by her family

Thu May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury
7:00 *Marg. & Joseph Rotelli* by daughters & fam.

Fri May 28 Weekday
7:00 *Charles McEntee Jr.* by Bud & Diane McEntee

Sat May 29 St. Paul VI
7:30 *Austin Zender* by his family

Vigil
4:30 *Rose Boniello* by Bud & Diane McEntee

Sun May 30 Most Holy Trinity
8:30 *Mary Kosiewicz* by M/M Robert Kosiewicz
10:00 *Joseph Picelli* by Dec. Bill & Jane Sayles
11:30 *The Sirico Family* by the family
4:30 *The Gettinger Twins* by The Gettinger Family

Readings for the week of May 23, 2021

Sun: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:114 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30 [cf. 30]/ Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37
Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15
Mon: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tue: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/Mk 10:28-31
Wed: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [Sir 36:1b]/Mk 10:32-45
Thu: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Mk 10:46
Fri: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mk 11:11-26
Sat: Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 19, 11 [9ab]/Mk 11:27
Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20



The Sanctuary Lamp
Week of May 23, 2021
Is in Memory of Harold Feeley



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.”

Pope Gregory VII lived in the eleventh century, dark days for the Church. The papacy at that time was a pawn of various Roman families. He fiercely resisted any attack on the liberty of the Church for which he was exiled. “I have loved justice and hated iniquity; therefore I die in exile.” Thirty years later the Gregorian Reform, a milestone in Church history, extricated the papacy and whole Church from undue control by civil rulers.



“Cast yourself into the arms of God and be very sure that if He wants anything of you, He will fit you for the work and give you strength.”

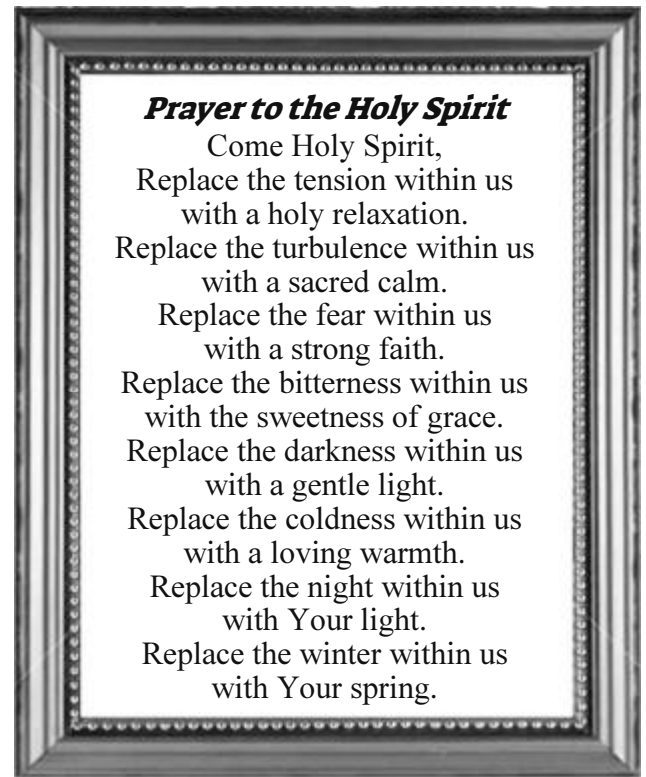
St. Philip Neri

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Pentecost is looked to as the “Birthday of the Church”. Certainly, a new beginning for us this year. More people are marking this Pentecost as their new beginning, and their return to worshipping together. Many of us are vaccinated, and some are not, certainly none of our children. To help assure peace of mind for all, especially those with young children, we will continue to wear masks in church for now, so that all can be confident that church is a safe place for them to gather. We all need to do our part in encouraging those we know to come and worship in person. Remember, Christ promises He is present when two or more are gathered in His name.

Please continue to pray for an end to this pandemic, as we do each day. Please continue to support your parish, as many of you have and are doing. Our promise as the priests and deacons of Precious Blood Parish is to continue to pray for each of you and be as available as we can to minister to your needs, and the needs of your family. God bless you all.

Deacon John



THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

If man is to be led by God in the world of the supernatural, he must be disposed to accept the divine guidance or inspiration. The unfamiliarity of man in

God's world demands God's guidance.

Through the gifts of the Holy Spirit man is disposed to obey that guidance.

The gifts are habits that God infuses in man to dispose him to obey readily the inspirations of the Holy Spirit.

The gifts of understanding, to grasp the meaning of God's revealed truths, knowledge, to judge the created things

of the world in their relation to God, wisdom, to judge divine things, and counsel, to bring this knowledge to bear upon decisions in our actions, are found in the intellect.

The gifts of piety, fortitude and fear are found in the appetite. Piety perfects the virtue of justice in the will to move us to do good to all men out of reverence for God. Fortitude perfects our appetite by strengthening it divinely against the fear of danger. Fear perfects our appetite against the inordinate lust for pleasures.

The gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to us to produce divine-human acts in us. God produces these acts in us which we produce under the influence of the Holy Spirit.
(Thomas Aquinas)



ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL The Vicariate Outreach Program

“Reaching Out, Healing Together”

In the spirit of stewardship—Sharing God's Gifts—the Archbishop's Annual Appeal initiated the Vicariate Outreach Program in 1997. The Program offers support to local organizations that, by their efforts, are a meaningful extension of the mission of the Catholic Church and her teachings.

The Archdiocese and the 2021 Appeal—**Reaching Out, Healing Together**, has received broad acclaim for sharing more than \$18M over the previous 23 years of this effort. With the support of all parish households, we remain enthusiastic about continuing and improving this vital outreach Program this year as well.

If you desire to suggest a worthy local charity for funding by the Vicariate Outreach Program, please contact the parish office. An outreach program of this scope requires following the time-tested process. If you make a suggestion it will be reviewed and considered for nomination—not all suggestions will become nominations as funds are limited. Please be sure to include as much information on the program as possible. Parish nominations are reviewed and confirmed by the Archdiocesan Vicariate Outreach Committee.

Thank you for your concern and generosity.



***Gracious God, help us to work with you
To make this world alive with your Spirit,
And to build on earth a city of justice,
Love, and peace.***



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Today, on Pentecost, we remember Christ has given us the Holy Spirit to assist us in raising our family and he expects us to use this personal gift. Let's turn off the noise, apps, and distractions in our lives and let the Holy Spirit "guide us to the truth."

ST. MARY SCHOOL ANNUAL MAY CROWNING

Under beautiful blue skies, St. Mary School held its Annual May Crowning out in the fresh air with the entire school gathered together in their cohorts for the first time this school year. Students from preschool through grade eight presented flowers to the statue of Mary, prayers were recited, there was a trumpet solo and a drone captured the beautiful ceremony. The school community was happy to be able to take part once again in this time-honored tradition.



"Everyone is in need of reassurance, and if we, who have touched the 'Word of life' (Jn. 1:1) do not give it, who will? How beautiful it is to be Christians who offer consolation, who bear the burdens of others and who offer encouragement: messengers of life in a time of death!"

Pope Francis, 2020 Easter Vigil Homily

PRAYER TO MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

O Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, to you we recommend ourselves and the entire Church. Guide and assist our Holy Father and our Bishops in their apostolic mission, and aid all who help them in their work. Enlighten the People of God along the paths of faith, hope and love. Remember us your children, support our prayers to God, preserve our Faith, strengthen our Hope, increase our Charity. O, Mary, we who are gathered here today place ourselves under your special protection.



Summer Enrichment Programs are being offered to campers in 2nd-8th grades at Luralton Hall. This is an opportunity to foster interests and talents, while stimulating minds and exercising bodies. Four half day camps available; 16 spots per camp. Register: LuraltonHall.org/summer

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and their families for the selfless acts they
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"Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

2 Corinthians 3:17

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