

# 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

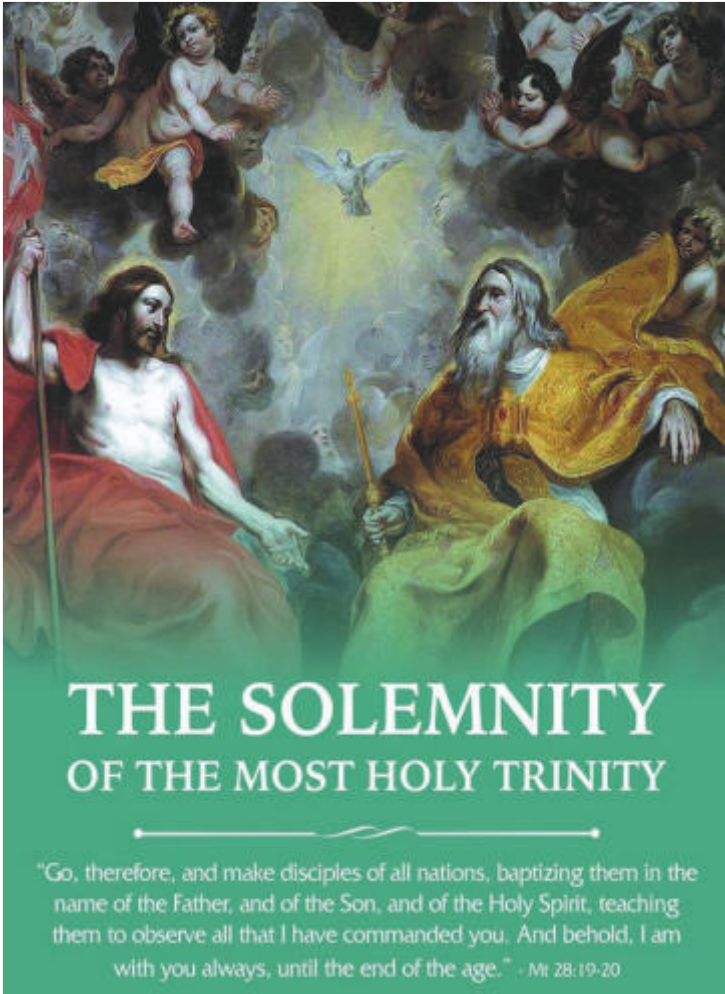
Saturday 3:30 pm—4:30 pm St. Agnes  
Monday 6:00 pm—7:00 pm St. Mary  
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Precious Blood Parish is a Roman Catholic community of faith in Milford, Connecticut rooted in the Word of God and the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. We are missionary disciples 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 31 Visitation of BV Mary**  
9:00 *People of Precious Blood Parish*



**Tue June 1 St. Justin**  
9:00 *Rosa Pirulli* by St Agnes Rosary Group

**Wed June 2 Sts. Marcellinus and Peter**  
9:00 *In Thanksgiving*

**Thu June 3 St. Charles Lwanga and Companions**  
9:00 *Mr. Nang Shek Fan* by his family

**Fri June 4 Weekday**  
9:00 *The Geer Family* by the family

**Sat June 5 Vigil**  
5:00 *Joe and Fred D'Angelis and Maria Conte*

**Sun June 6 Corpus Christi**  
7:30 *Sr. Kathleen Miriam* by her family  
10:30 *People of Precious Blood Parish*

### St. Mary Church

**Mon May 31 Visitation of BV Mary**  
9:00 *Joey Campagna, Jr.* by his family

**Tue June 1 St. Justin**  
7:00 *Gary Bimonte* by Ashton Brunell

**Wed June 2 Sts. Marcellinus and Peter**  
7:00 *Michael Kaluzynski* by his family

**Thu June 3 St. Charles Lwanga and Companions**  
7:00 *Dorothy St. George* by her family

**Fri June 4 Weekday**  
7:00 *Catherine Hanley* by her family

**Sat June 5 St. Boniface**  
7:30 *Sr. Kathleen Miriam* by her family

**Vigil**  
4:30 *Charles Arcangelo* by Ben Gettinger

**Sun June 6 Corpus Christi**  
8:30 *John DeLillo* by his family  
10:00 *Julie Ann Rizza* by her family  
11:30 *Mary and William Wallace* by their family  
4:30 *Debbie Warrek* by Eleanor DePeano

#### Readings for the week of May 30, 2021

Sun: 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  
Mon: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/Lk 1:39-56  
Tue: Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 12:13-17  
Wed: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [1]/Mk 12:18-27  
Thu: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 12:28-34  
Fri: Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mk 12:35-37  
Sat: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8 [1b]/Mk 12:38  
Next Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

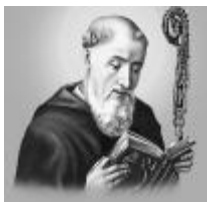


The Sanctuary Lamp  
Week of May 30, 2021  
Is in Memory of *Charles & Catherine*



#### 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. Boniface**, an English Benedictine monk, is known as the apostle of the Germans. During the 8th century paganism in Germany was a way of life and the clergy was lax and uneducated. In an effort to reform the German Church, Pope Gregory II sent

Boniface, with letters of recommendation to religious and civil leaders, The powerful Frankish ruler, Charles Martel (Charlemagne's grandfather) was instrumental in guaranteeing his safety. Having been made regional bishop, Boniface was eventually successful in organizing the whole German Church. His two guiding principles were restoring obedience of the clergy to their bishops and the pope in Rome, and establishing Benedictine monasteries. He bears out the Christian rule: to follow Christ is to follow the way of the Cross.



Trinity Sunday



One of the divine secrets that God has revealed to us is the mystery of the Trinity, three divine Persons, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, in one divine nature, yet by their unity of nature, one God. Although the truth is much too big for our finite minds to comprehend, the secret has been revealed to further and deepen our happiness, a contribution of love to the happiness of us who are so loved.  
Thomas Aquinas

## TRINITY SUNDAY

Dear Friends:

This weekend we celebrate Trinity Sunday. We reflect on the sublime mystery of the God revealed to us in the Scriptures, and especially by the Son of God himself, Our Lord Jesus Christ. As Christians, we hold a unique understanding of God as ONE God in THREE divine Persons, who have been revealed to us as the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. As Christians, we speak of the Trinity as a mystery, not in the sense of a puzzle to be solved, but in the sense of a truth that has in itself so much depth and meaning that we can never fathom it completely, certainly not in this life, and perhaps not even in the next when we hope to be graced to see God face to face.

As a help to us as we reflect on the mystery of God today, I share these words from Kevin Kho: "What we see in the Trinity are three distinct persons in one God. Just like in marriage when the two become one flesh, each distinct person in the Trinity is so intimately united in love with the others that they become one. Each person loves so perfectly that they give of themselves completely to the other while also receiving the love of the other completely. In the Trinity, we have the perfect manifestation of love. This love is so intense and so great that the love cannot be merely contained between the members of the Trinity. This love boils up and swells from the Trinity and overflows and bursts forth into creation. This love is shown with the personal God that we see described in the first reading when Moses says, 'Did a people ever hear the voice of God speaking from the midst of fire, as you did, and live? Or did any god venture to go and take a nation for himself?' We believe in a God who is love and whose love overflows into creation. Once received, love cannot help but be spread and shared. This is the example we have in the Trinity, a love that we are not only created out of but also created to be. We are called to be like the Trinity in our complete outpouring of love in our marriages, our friendships, and our families. We are called to completely receive the poor, the marginalized, and the vulnerable. Just like our trinitarian God, our love cannot and should not be contained within ourselves or our closest relationships. This true love must burst forth into the life of the community, the church, and the world."

This weekend, we return, after a long time of using the Apostles' Creed, to using the Nicene Creed. You may need to pick up the hymnal as a help in praying it. We appreciate the flexibility and understanding shown by just about everyone in continuing to wear masks and facial coverings in church for the time being. We must remember that not everyone is vaccinated yet, especially children under the age of twelve. Those over the age of twelve, after a discussion with your health care provider if need be, should seriously consider vaccination for the sake of their own health and that of others, if you have not yet been vaccinated. I, like most of you, long for the day when we can say that masks are no longer needed in church or just about anywhere else.

Next weekend, we will welcome new parishioners to our parish community, coming from Christ the Redeemer Parish, as that community of faith is merged into our own on June 1, and Christ the Redeemer Church no longer has regularly scheduled Masses.

Have a good week!

*Rev. Christopher Xonakos*

### THE VISITATION—May 31

*"And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what had been spoken to her from the Lord"* (Luke 1:45)

My soul doth magnify the Lord.

And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

Because He hath regarded the humility of His handmaid;

for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

Because He that is mighty hath done great things unto me; and holy is His name.

And His mercy is from generation to generation; unto them that fear Him.

He hath showed might in His arm; He hath scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat; and hath exalted the humble.

He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich He hath sent empty away.

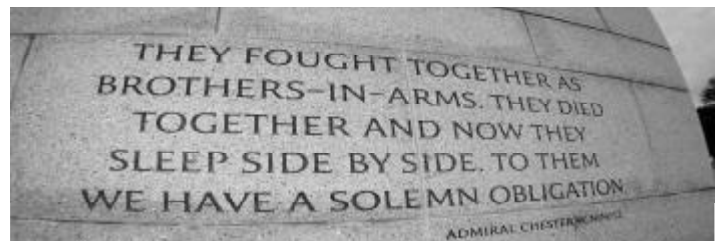
He hath received Israel His servant; being mindful of His mercy.

As He spoke to our fathers: to Abraham and to his seed forever.



**Keeping in mind the thousands of men and women who have given their lives in the line of duty, we honor their memories and remember them, their families and friends in prayer.**

**May we be forever grateful to God for the freedom we possess as citizens of the United States of America.**



**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

In today's gospel Jesus commands, "Teach them to carry out everything I have commanded you." This command is meant for every Christian. In light of this command, parenting is not only the most difficult task a person can take on, it is also one of the most apostolic and missionary tasks. Jesus commands all parents to teach their children "all that I have commanded you."



Mark your calendars for June 22-29.

Pray, reflect, and act for religious freedom.

Learn more at:

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**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.*

**Rectory offices will be closed on Memorial Day.**

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 acts they perform for us in our  
 time of need.*

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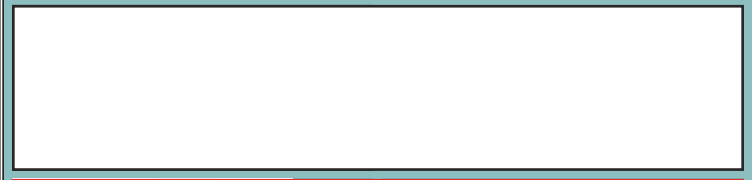
  
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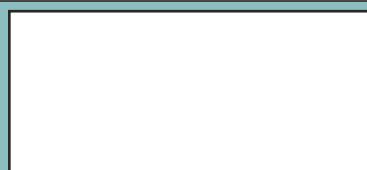
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