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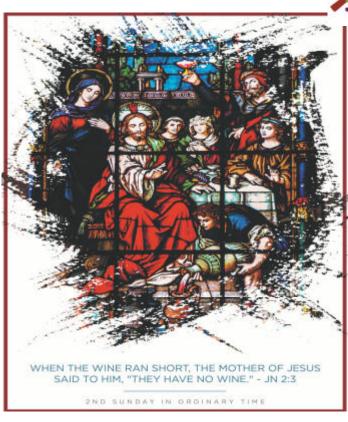
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Precious Blood Parish is a Roman Catholic community of faith in Milford, Connecticut rooted in the Word of God and the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. We are missionary disciples who seek to bring the presence and the message of Jesus Christ to others through prayer, faith formation and assisting the needy through ministries grounded in the works of mercy.

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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

8:00 am 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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Schedule of Meetings & Parish Events

Monday, Jan 17	Novena	7.30 pm	
Tuesday, Jan 18	Saint Mary Church Legion of Mary	10:30 am	
• , •	Rectory Basement	10.00	
	Knitting Group 10:00 am (St. Agnes) Fr. Callahan Hall		
	Legion Officers	7:00 pm	
	Rectory Basement		
Wednesday, Jan 19	Book Club	3:30 pm	
	(St. Mary) Fr. Cronin Hall		
	Legion of Mary	7:00 pm	
	(St. Agnes) double ca	le classroom	
	K of C	7:00 pm	
	(St. Mary) Fr. Cronin Hall		
Thursday, Jan 20	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm	
370	St. Mary Church	•	

Due to the recent increase in Covid-19 infections the St. Joseph Society is postponing the January 23rd "full breakfast". It is hoped the near future will provide a safer environment.

Our parish Bereavement Support Group will be meeting again on Thursday, March 10th. This 10 Week Program will meet on Thursdays from 1:00PM ~ 3:00PM in Fr. Cronin Hall at St. Mary Church (70 Gulf Street, Milford). Anyone coping with the loss of a loved one, whether recent or years ago, is welcome. For more information or to register (required ahead of time) call Ellen S. at (203) 283~1934.

Due to the recent rise in Covid-19 infections and for the safety of our members, the choir is going to postpone all rehearsal until Thursday, February 3rd at 7pm.



The Mass book for 2022 is open and many masses are still available. Please stop in or call the rectory at 203~878~3571 to book a mass for 2022.

Almighty God, watch over and protect our nation's military members and their families. Sustain them with your everlasting arms. As they serve around the world, we ask that you guard their families and loved ones back home.

To view the full list of servicemen and servicewoman please visit our website at www.preciousbloodparishmilford.org/military-members

St. Mary School

St. Mary School in Milford is now accepting applications for the 2022-23 school year for all classes in preschool through grade 8. They are also offering in person tours, so call the office at (203) 878-6539 to schedule yours. The school is located at 72 Gulf Street in Milford learn more at saintmaryschoolmilford.org

"The ABC's of Annulment"

Sponsored by the Metropolitan Tribunal, Bloomfield, CT. Father Philip Schulze, Pastor of Saint Margaret Parish, 24 Academy Street, Madison, Connecticut, in collaboration with Father George Mukuka, the Judicial Vicar of the Metropolitan Tribunal in Bloomfield. "The Connecticut, will host ABC's Annulment" on Saturday of January 22nd, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., in the Church Hall at the address above. Updates of the process Initiated by Pope Francis as well as those made in the Archdiocese of Hartford will be presented by Br. Larry Lussier CSC, and Jim Tottenham. Follow up Annulment Workshops to help participants write their applications will be held at the same address on Saturday January 29th, and February 12th and 19th from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Br. Larry, Jim Tottenham, and other members of the Annulment Team, will be present for the Workshops. The "ABC's of Annulment" event is open to all at no cost. Participants will receive a folder with required printed materials. No registration is required. For further information call Br. Larry (475)221~8465 or email him at brolarlus300@gmail.com.

From the Desk of the Pastor



Dear Friends:

We have taken down the decorations for Christmas and stowed them away for yet another year. Life has returned to its ordinary, everyday pace, even with the ongoing concerns surrounding COVID~19. We do not live our life is a perpetual spirit of holiday and feasting. Holidays and celebrations are occasional in nature and that keeps them from becoming hum~drum and boring. Most of our lives are lived on the everyday, ordinary level, and the same held true for Jesus.

In the Church's calendar, we have concluded the Christmas Season and now return to a stretch of weeks, seven in all this year, that are called *Ordinary Time*, or perhaps more precisely, winter Ordinary Time, the time between the end of the Christmas Season and the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday. During these weeks, we will be walking along with Jesus as he begins his public ministry, gathers disciples to himself, and proclaims the message, the standards of living day to day life as his disciples, as citizens of the Kingdom of God.

The Gospel today, taken from the second chapter of John, tells of the wonder that Jesus worked while a guest at a wedding celebration in Cana in Galilee. The wine ran out, a source of major embarrassment for the host family, and the celebration was jeopardized. Mary, a guest at the wedding, comes to Jesus and informs him of the situation, implying that he can and should do something about it. Jesus tries to beg off, but Mary is insistent. Her words to the waiters that day, I think, give us all good advice as we live our daily lives. "Do whatever he tells you." That sums up in a mere five words what it means to be a disciple of Christ, a Christian. Do whatever Jesus tells you. How can we know what Jesus is telling us to do? We have means at our disposal to help us: our own conscience, which should always be followed, the Scriptures, the teaching of the Church, advice from spiritual masters. As we begin this stretch of Ordinary Time, may we take those simple words of Mary, who knew Jesus better than anyone, to heart: "Do whatever he tells you."

This Friday, January 21, is the memorial of St. Agnes, a virgin-martyr who has been revered in the Church since the earliest centuries. Her name is mentioned in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I). Since the Church permits us to do so, next weekend at St. Agnes Church we will celebrate the Mass in honor of St. Agnes. The readings, however, will be those of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Next Monday, January 17, is the national holiday in honor of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The parish office will be closed and confessions will not be heard that evening at St. Mary's even though the regular novena service will be held. That day might be a good opportunity for us to reflect on the sin of racism and exclusivity, and ask the Lord to help us overcome whatever bias or prejudice might be keeping us from coming together with others.

Finally, a word of thanks to all who sent in cakes, cookies, or other food items to the rectory during the holidays. Your thoughtfulness was much appreciated and the goodies were enjoyed by all.

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Have a nice week!



Mass Intentions



St. Agnes Church

Monday, January 17 Saint Anthony Abbot 9:00 Patrick LaPenna by Siddell Family

Tuesday, January 18 Weekday 9:00 Roger Myette by his friends and family

Wednesday, January 19 Weekday 9:00 *No intention*

Thursday, January 20 Saints Fabian & Sebastian 9:00 *No intention*

Friday, January 21 Saint Agnes 9:00 Thomas & Dorothy Maguire by their family

Saturday, January 22 Vigil 5:00 *John & Nora Hefferan by Hayes family*

Sunday, January 23 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 *People of Precious Blood Parish* 10:30 *Regina Osuna Genovese by Deacon Nick and family*

St. Mary Church

Monday, January 17 St. Anthony Abbot 8:00 *Stanley & Walter Kalinowski*

Tuesday, January 18 Weekday 8:00 *Al Sequin by his wife Carol*

Wednesday, January 19 Weekday 8:00 Annette Travers by Diane & Bud McEntee

Thursday, January 20 Saints Fabian & Sebastian 8:00 *Robert "Bob" Goralski by friend Pat*

Friday, January 21 Saint Agnes 8:00 *Catherine & Edward Howarth by their son Dan*

> Saturday, January 22 8:00 *Patti Mraz by a friend*

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

Sunday, January 23
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 Erik Nieman by his family
10:00 John & Nora Heffernan by family
11:30 Misinonile family by Bob & Rita Serena
4:30 Alan Robbins by the family

The Sanctuary lamp is lighted this week for

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""Christ has made my soul beautiful with jewels of grace and virtue.

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