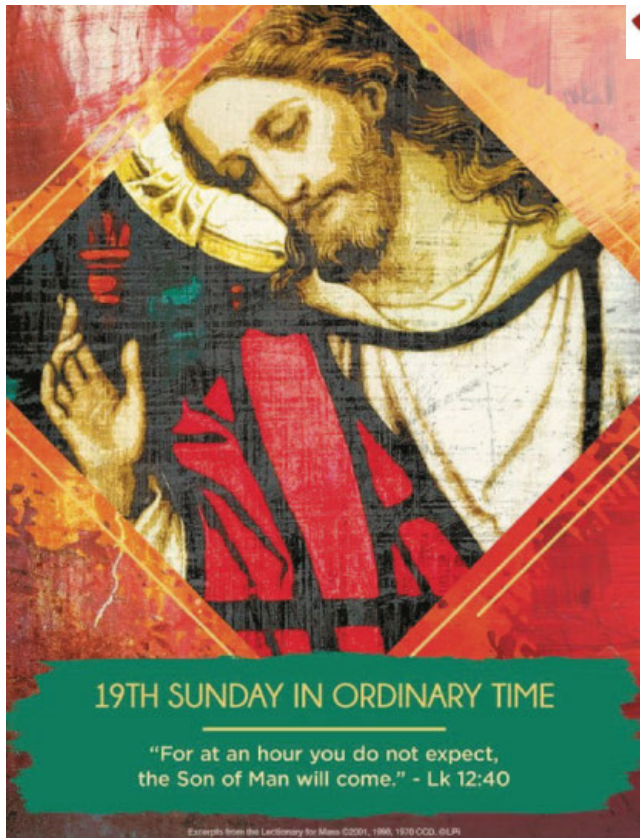


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## SUNDAY MASSES

### Saturday Vigil

4:30 pm St. Mary  
5:00 pm St. Agnes

### Sunday

#### Saint Mary

8:30 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am & 4:30 pm

#### Saint Agnes

7:30 am & 10:30 am.

## DAILY MASSES

8:00 am St. Mary  
9:00 am (Mon-Fri) St. Agnes

## MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

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

## NOCTURNAL ADORATION

First Friday of the Month  
7:00 pm St. Mary

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August 7, 2022



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**DAILY HAPPENINGS**

Monday, Aug 8	<b>Novena</b> <i>Saint Mary Church</i>	7:30 pm
	<b>Haiti Meeting</b> <i>Rectory Basement</i>	7:30 pm
Tuesday, Aug 9	<b>Legion of Mary</b> <i>Rectory Basement</i>	10:30 am
	<b>K of C officers Mtg</b> <i>Rectory Basement</i>	7:00 pm
Wed, Aug 10	<b>Legion of Mary</b> <i>(St. Agnes) double classroom</i>	7:00 pm
Thurs, Aug 11	<b>NAMI</b> <i>(St. Agnes) classroom</i>	6:00 pm
Sat, Aug 13	<b>Maggie's Scrapbooking</b> <i>(St. Agnes) Fr. Callahan Hall</i>	10 am

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**Compliment a stranger. Focus on character rather than appearance. Make eye contact. Expect nothing in return.**



Don't miss the Milford Oyster Festival on Saturday August 20th. Festivities start at 10:00AM and run till 6:00PM. Admission is free. Parking will be available at St. Mary Church 70 Gulf St. for a nominal fee of \$5. Proceeds will help the charities of the Santa Maria Council of the Knights of Columbus.

**Legion of Mary News**  
Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Lourdes  
at Litchfield  
50 Montfort Road, Litchfield Ct  
September 10, 2022 9am—4pm.

Visit from the Pilgrim Statue Our Lady of Fatima Mother of Mercy & First Class relics of Saints Jacinta and Francesco, with Vigil Mass of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. For more information contact Legion President Doreen Steele at 203-876-8472

**Save The Date !!**

Our Parish picnic will be retuning on Sunday, September 18th at Saint Agnes. More details will be forthcoming.



Thank you to all the parishioners, family members, and friends who participated in this years Golf Tournament. Your continued support and dedication is greatly appreciated.

-Jerry Farina, tournament chairman



**Collection Report**  
7/31 \$ 14,620

Two collections next week Aug 14  
Weekly and Monthly



## *From the Desk of the Pastor...*

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Dear Friends:

In this message, I would like to set down some suggestions and reminders about attendance at Mass, or better still, *participation* at Mass. Of course, all Catholics are obliged to be at Mass each weekend and only for the gravest of reasons may they absent themselves. This is not merely a matter of Church law, but a clear message about the centrality of the Eucharist in our spiritual lives. We cannot live without the Bread of Life and we should never try to go it alone, by remaining absent or distant from the Lord or from the assembly of fellow believers.

Given the importance of the Mass in our lives, it seems reasonable to express the following points for us all to consider:

1. **Be on time for Mass and remain until the end.** On many weekends, I notice people coming into church as late as the reading of the Gospel and many leave on receiving Communion. We should be present for the opening hymn and depart after the priest leaves the altar at the end of Mass. There might be serious reasons to leave early, but they should be rare.

2. **Dress appropriately.** When we come to Mass, we come to encounter the Lord himself. The way we dress says something about our understanding of and our attitude toward the Mass. While it is not necessary to dress in a suit and tie or a dress or skirt, what one wears to church should be at the very least what we call “smart casual” and modest. There is no place for tank tops, flip-flops, or very short shorts in church. What one wears to the beach one should not wear to church.

3. When arriving in church, **spend a few minutes to quiet yourself, to prepare for the Mass, to prepare to meet the Lord.** When we come to church, we must separate ourselves from the noisy world outside. That means we do not talk to others in church and we certainly make no use of cell phones. At the end of the Mass, talk to fellow parishioners and friends outside of the church so that others who need time and silence for prayer in the church may have it.

4. **When coming to receive Communion,** walk in line up to the minister of Holy Communion and when you approach to receive the Eucharist, make a slight bow of the body (genuflection should not be done), and have both hands extended, ***one on top of the other.*** When the minister says to you “The Body of Christ,” respond ***audibly*** so the minister may hear you, “*Amen.*” Then receive the host, step aside, take your bottom hand and pick up the host from the palm of your other hand, and consume it. If you receive on the tongue, please extend your tongue sufficiently so that the minister may easily place the host on it after you respond, “*Amen.*” Then return to your seat and make some act of thanksgiving for the gift you have received.

Two points need to be made in addition to the above. First, one should not be concerned with receiving Communion from a specific minister, such as a priest, rather than from a deacon or an extraordinary minister. Our focus should be always on the One whom we are receiving and not on the person from whom we receive the Eucharist. Second, the bishops of the United States have determined that the proper bodily gesture for the reception of Communion is a slight bow of the body. Genuflection disrupts the procession and as a rule is required of the laity only two times at Mass. Genuflect to the tabernacle when you come into church before taking your seat, and genuflect to the tabernacle at the end of Mass before you leave. No other gestures or postures are mandated.

I offer these thoughts with the hope that our celebration of the Mass will always be worthy, reverent, and orderly.

Have a good week!

*Rev. Anthony X. ...*



# Mass Intentions



## St. Agnes Church

Monday, August 8 St. Dominic  
9:00 *Good Health and Blessings  
for Jan Casey*

Tuesday, August 9  
St. Teresa Benedicta  
9:00 *No Intention*

Wednesday, August 10 St. Lawrence  
9:00 *Regina Lynch by Carolyn Gagliardi*

Thursday, August 11 St. Clare  
9:00 *In Honor of St. Philomena  
by Marianne Richard*

Friday, August 12  
St. Jane Frances de Chantal  
9:00 *No Intention*

Saturday, August 13 (Vigil)  
5:00 *Deceased Members of  
the Mundy Family*

Sunday, August 14  
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
7:30 *People of Precious Blood Parish*  
10:30 *George Kober by Tom & Dawn Astram*

## St. Mary Church

Monday, August 8 St. Dominic  
8:00 *Teresa Richetelli by family*

Tuesday, August 9 St. Teresa Benedicta  
8:00 *Dolores Banas by Joe Banas*

Wednesday, August 10 St. Lawrence  
8:00 *James J. Cassano by his family*

Thursday, August 11 St. Clare  
8:00 *Guy G. Ortoleva by his family*

Friday, August 12 St. Jane Frances de Chantal  
8:00 *Salvadore Capello by his family*

Saturday, August 13  
Saints Pontian and Hippolytus  
8:00 *Debra Moffet by Christopher & Diane*

Saturday Vigil  
4:30 *Marie & Robert Hallstead by Keefe family*

Sunday, August 14  
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
8:30 *Joseph & Maria Monteleone  
by Joe & Tatiana*

10:00 *Mario Comunale by his family*  
11:30 *Laverne & Arthur Vollmer by  
Sophina Ozer*

4:30 *Deceased Members of the Irwin/Pacific  
families by family*

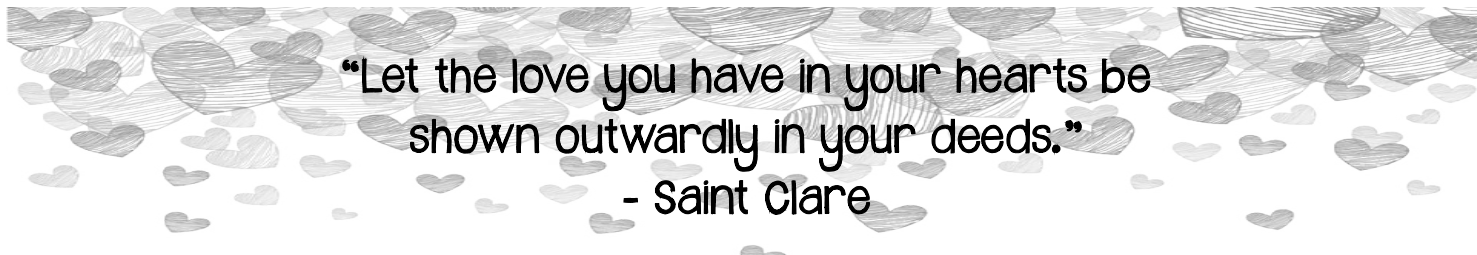
Join us for the Group Rosary Recitation  
at Saint Agnes Church  
Monday—Friday at 9:30 am  
and Sundays at 9:45 am



Please join the Rosary Group at Saint Mary Mon-  
day—Saturday after the  
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