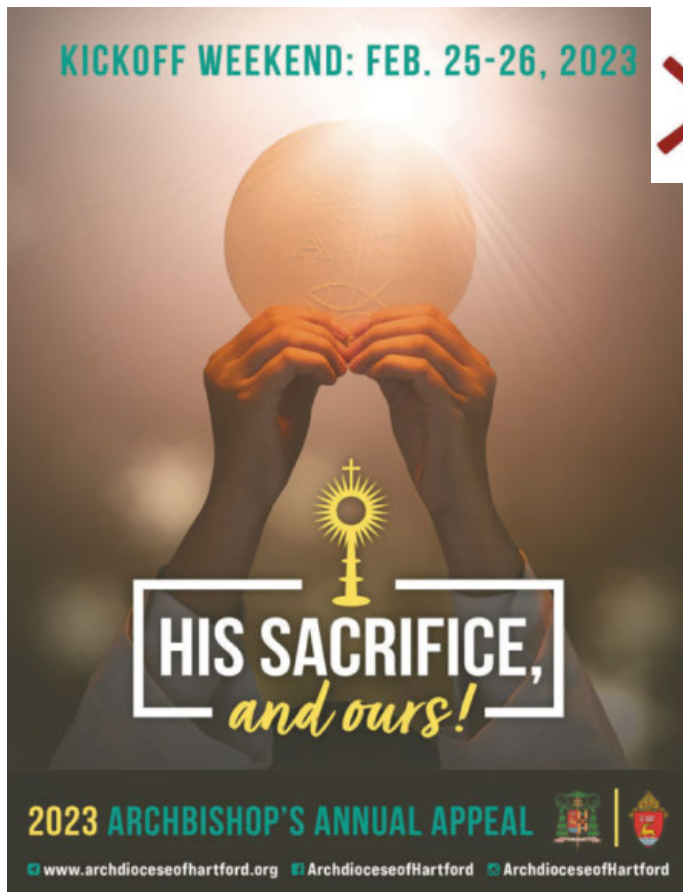


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## SUNDAY MASSES

### 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

February 26, 2023



First Sunday of Lent

# DAILY HAPPENINGS

|                   |   |                 |
|-------------------|---|-----------------|
| Monday, Feb 27    | <b>Novena</b><br><i>Saint Mary Church</i>                     | <b>7:30 pm</b>  |
| Tuesday, Feb 28   | <b>Legion of Mary</b><br><i>Rectory Basement</i>              | <b>10:30 am</b> |
|                   | <b>Knitting Group</b><br><i>St. Agnes classroom</i>           | <b>10:00 am</b> |
| Wed, March 1      | <b>Legion of Mary</b><br><i>(St. Agnes) double classroom</i>  | <b>6:30 pm</b>  |
| Thursday, March 2 | <b>K of C 4th Degree</b><br><i>(St. Mary) Fr. Cronin Hall</i> | <b>7:00 pm</b>  |
|                   | <b>Choir Rehearsal</b><br><i>St. Mary Church</i>              | <b>7:00 pm</b>  |
| Friday, March 3   | <b>Nocturnal Adoration</b><br><i>St. Mary Church</i>          | <b>7:00 pm</b>  |
| Sunday, March 5   | <b>Jr. Legion of Mary</b><br><i>Rectory basement</i>          | <b>10:00 am</b> |

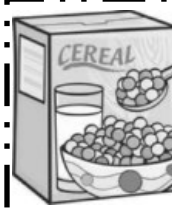


The Knights of Columbus Santa Maria council will again sponsor the Annual Fr. Aidan Donahue Traditional St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Saturday, March 11th. 6:00 pm-9:00 pm at Fr. Callahan Hall (St. Agnes). The cost of the dinner is \$25 for Adults and \$10 for children 12 and younger. Tickets are on sale after each mass beginning this weekend Tickets will be available at the rectory during office hours 9 am—2pm. **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

The Santa Maria Council 14546 of the Knights of Columbus recently held their annual collection for those with Intellectual Disabilities (aka Tootsie Roll Drive). The major beneficiary of this year's collection was Camp Happiness, a summer camp program run by the Milford Recreation Department.



Presenting the check totaling \$1400 to Bill Garfield , Director of Milford's Rec Camp Happiness are Brian Burgh Grand Knight, Bob Lessard Treasurer and Danielle Hogan of Precious Blood Parish.



**The John Rigley Food Pantry needs your help.** The most needed item is cereal of any kind. Donations can be dropped off on the Rectory porch. Thank you!!

Our parish Bereavement Support Group will be postponed until September. If you have any questions please call Ellen Sidell at 203-283-1934 or Sue K. 203-836-4871



## Ladies' Guild

As we hopefully proceed from "winter" and into a true spring, the Precious Blood Parish Ladies Guild will be meeting on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in Father Cronin Hall, St. Mary's Church. You are invited to join us for our brief business meeting followed by a presentation by Sgt. Jay Kranyak and Officer Marilisa N. Anania of the Milford Police Department who will share and reaffirm awareness and safety concerns in this changing world. All ladies of the parish are always invited to our meetings. Come join us.



Collection Report  
2/19 \$ 17,315

One collection next Week (March 5)  
Weekly


# FIRST WEEK OF LENT

## *A Note from Deacon John ...*

In light of the Gospel for this Sunday, aren't we tempted to try and have economic power, all the wealth we need, or think we need, so we can be "comfortable"? Aren't we tempted at times to stray from the path of the gospel so our financial situations will be enhanced? Society says the fittest, the strongest, the boldest advance and survive. How about our care for the frailest, the weakest, the meekest? Are we called to care for them? Aren't we tempted to think that because we do not get what we want, that God is not taking care of us, and God is unconcerned about us, and we are better off without God at all? How often do we blame God for whatever bad happens to us?

We are called, each one of us, to follow Jesus. We can begin to embrace the call for fasting by taking up charitable habits that are directed at caring for others, lifting up our brothers and sisters by giving alms, and praying for all those in need. Pope Francis tells us, "In the poor and outcast we see Christ's face; by loving and helping the poor, we love and serve Christ." May your Lent be prayerful and lead to conversion.

*Deacon John*



Join us as we follow Jesus along the way of the cross. Fridays, through March 31st at 7:30 pm at St. Agnes Church.

Many thanks to all the parishioners who donated Soup and Mac & Cheese to help restock the John Rigely Food Pantry, Your generosity and spirit of giving never ceases to amaze us! The ministry is grateful for your support as we continue to provide food for our neighbors in need.

**Blessing of the Bikes.** Saturday May 20th at 11am St. Agnes Church. For further information contact Dave at 203-824-3255 or amendba@optonline.net

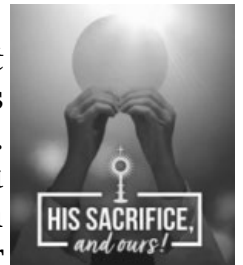


The Second annual CT March Life Rally will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 1:00 pm at the capitol in Hartford. This year we are focusing on making a statement in support of life. For more information visit [CTmarchforlife.org](http://CTmarchforlife.org)

### **Archbishop's Annual Appeal**

This weekend marks the start of the 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal in our parish. If you haven't already you will soon receive a letter from Archbishop Blair seeking your support. As Catholics in the Archdiocese of Hartford we can have a profound impact on our local communities not only in the spiritual realm but intimately connected to it, the realm of social services and many charities and outreach services performed by or with help from our Church.

To view some of the wonderful things accomplished through our generosity, the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is continuing the web-series called, The Annual Appeal at Work. The season premiere will be airing on Thursday, March 2nd on all Archdiocesan Social Media Sites as well as the Archbishop's Annual Appeal webpage. New episodes will air the first week of each month for the rest of 2023. Each episode will highlight some of the wonderful ministries supported by the 2023 Archbishop's Appeal, His Sacrifice and Ours! You can find the link to each episode at <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal> Please tune in Thursday, March 2nd for the season premiere.





# Mass Intentions



## St. Agnes Church

**Monday, February 27 St. Gregory of Narek**  
9:00 Italo Petrazzuoli by his wife

**Tuesday, February 28 Lenten Weekday**  
9:00 George McGuire by his wife

**Wednesday, March 1 Lenten Weekday**  
9:00 Lindsay Splain by Rosa family

**Thursday, March 2 Lenten Weekday**  
9:00 No intention

**Friday, March 3 Saint Katharine Drexel**  
9:00 Vincent Lattanzi 10th Anniversary  
by his family

**Saturday, March 4 (Vigil)**  
5:00 No intention

**Sunday, March 5**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**  
7:30 People of Precious Blood Parish  
10:30 William Genovese  
by Deacon Nick and family



The Sanctuary lamp at Saint Agnes is  
lighted this week in  
memory of  
Charles Bruno

The Sanctuary lamp at Saint Mary is  
lighted this week in  
memory of  
Joseph Carollo



### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Second Sunday of Lent  
(March 5, 2022)  
Genesis 12: 1-4a  
Psalm 33: 4-5, 18-19, 20, 22  
2 Timothy 1: 8b-10  
Matthew 17: 1-9

## St. Mary Church

**Monday, February 27 St. Gregory of Narek**  
8:00 Intentions of Maria Proud

**Tuesday, February 28 Lenten Weekday**  
8:00 Marianna Triolo by Pat Piroh

**Wednesday, March 1 Lenten Weekday**  
8:00 Ralph Martone  
by Dave & Chris Meise & family

**Thursday, March 2 Lenten Weekday**  
8:00 Vincent Tonucci  
by Margaret Gettinger & family

**Friday, March 3 Saint Katharine Drexel**  
8:00 Joseph Siwec by Micalena

**Saturday, March 4 Saint Casimir**  
8:00 Betty Boggiano by the girls  
4:30 (Vigil Mass) Edward Capasse  
by Farina Family

**Sunday, March 5**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**  
8:30 Joseph Frank Monteleone  
by Joe & Tatiana Monteleone  
10:00 Lois Gourley Donaghue  
by Carole Murphy and family  
11:30 Veronica Sokolowski by family  
4:30 Fred Kirkham

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