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

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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

March 5, 2023



Second Sunday of Lent



DAILY HAPPENINGS

Monday, March 6	Novena <i>Saint Mary Church</i>	7:30 pm
	St. Joseph's Society <i>St. Agnes</i>	5:30 pm
Tuesday, March 7	Legion of Mary <i>Rectory Basement</i>	10:30 am
	Knitting Group <i>St. Agnes classroom</i>	10:00 am
	K of C officers Mtg <i>Rectory Basement</i>	7:00 pm
Wed, March 8	Legion of Mary <i>(St. Agnes) double classroom</i>	6:30 pm
Thursday, March 9	Choir Rehearsal <i>St. Mary Church</i>	7:00 pm
Friday, March 10	Stations of the Cross <i>St. Agnes Church</i>	7:30 pm
Saturday, March 11	St. Patrick's Dinner <i>(St. Agnes) Fr. Callahan Hall</i>	6:00 pm
Sunday, March 12	Jr. Legion of Mary <i>Rectory basement</i>	10:00 am



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.**

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 14th 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.


The St. Joseph Society will sponsor the annual "Lenten Dinner" on Friday, March 24 at 5:30 in Fr. Callahan Hall. The menu will include New England clam chowder, stuffed sole w/lemon sauce, mac & cheese, potato, vegetable, dessert and beverage. Food will be catered by The Plate. Tickets are \$15 per person children 5 and under free. Tickets will be sold after Masses on March 11-12 & 18-19th and the in the rectory during rectory hours. **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.**



Be part of it! The Legion of Mary is requesting your presence. Our groups meet twice a week either Tuesdays at 10:30 am at St. Mary in the rectory basement or Thursdays at 6:30pm at St. Agnes. The rosary is prayed, spiritual readings & topics are discussed at each meeting. Men and women are encouraged to join us as guests during this Lenten season. For more information please call Sharon DiNapoli (203) 799-8670 (AM Group) or Doreen Steele (203) 876-8472 (PM Group)

Applications for the Ladies Guild scholarship (awarded to an eight grade girl entering a Catholic HS in the fall) or a grant for girls already attending a Catholic HS are available at the rectory during office hours. Deadline to submit the completed application is April 21st and must be returned to the rectory in a sealed envelope. The scholarship and grants are based on available guild funds. Any questions about the application process can be directed to Suzanne Beliveau, Scholarship Chair by calling 203-214-7923

Two collections next Week (March 12)
Weekly & Monthly



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

From the Desk of the Pastor ...

Dear Friends:

Now that the pandemic is all but in the past, it is time to reconstitute the Parish Pastoral Council, an important body that serves to advise the pastor on the state of the parish and offer ideas on where the parish may improve its life and outreach. As pastor, I consider the Parish Pastoral Council to be of the utmost importance. It is my hope that the membership is taken from a cross-section of the parish, which now includes three combined former parish communities.

The By-Laws of the Precious Blood Parish Pastoral Council call for twelve members to be appointed by the pastor for three- year terms. At this point it seems advisable to have six members chosen by lot for a three-year term and the other six for a two-year term. This allows a healthy measure of turnover, which allows for new points of view and new ideas.

The Parish Pastoral Council meets five times each year: in September, November, January, March and May. Each meeting is topic-focused so as to avoid the tedium of reading committee reports. The September meeting focuses on social activities, the November meeting on the school and religious education, the January meeting on the liturgical and spiritual life of the parish, the March meeting on parish finances, and the May meeting on parish outreach activities. Of course, as issues arise they may be added to the agenda of any particular meeting. The meetings last for an hour, but if there is an important issue on the agenda, it could go for an hour and a half, but no more. This has yet to occur under the revised By-Laws of the Council.

If you are interested in serving on the Parish Pastoral Council, please let either myself, Fr. Lijo, Deacon John or Deacon Nick know and your name will be considered. It is the prerogative of the pastor to appoint members to the Council. I hope that there will be sufficient interest as we all hope that we can make this great parish, one with so

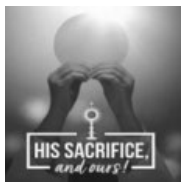
much potential, even better. It is my hope to appoint members to the Council by the middle of May and to convene a brief meeting in June to have everyone meet, select officers, and do some basic housekeeping activities.

Looking forward, we will be needing twelve persons to volunteer for the foot-washing rite at the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper which will be celebrated April 7 at 7:30 at St. Agnes. Sign-up sheets are available in the sacristies.

Have a good week!

Rev. Joseph X. ...

The 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway in our parish. Your support if this year's Appeal endures that essential charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries of the Archdiocese of Hartford are carried forward.



- Since 1997, Archbishop's Annual Appeal Vicariate Outreach Program has been able to provide nearly \$20 million in funding to community-based local charities throughout Hartford, New Haven and Litchfield counties to assist them in their important work of serving the needs of God's people. In 2022, we were able to provide nearly \$900,000 to various organizations, nominated by pastors, across the Archdiocese.
- Organizations such as John Rigley Food Pantry & Beth El Center right here in our own town received funding for the Appeal's Vicariate Outreach Program that makes a difference in serving our neighbors.

The Parkinson's support group will begin meeting again on March 15, at 1:00 in the Father Cronin Hall @1:00. Our speaker this month will be Kate Anderson, M.S. from Sacred Heart Univ, Dept. of Communication Disorders. They have received a grant from the Parkinson Voice Project to help individuals with Parkinson's improve their communication skills. All are welcome to attend.



Mass Intentions



St. Agnes Church

Monday, March 6 Lenten Weekday
9:00 Charles & Constance O'Leary by family

Tuesday, March 7 Saints Perpetua & Felicity
9:00 Lisa Winters Benjamin
by Mom & Dad Winters

Wednesday, March 8 Saint John of God
9:00 No intention

Thursday, March 9 Saint Frances of Rome
9:00 Beatrice Stanton by family

Friday, March 10 Lenten Weekday
9:00 Jose Concepcion & Remedios DelaPaz
by family

Saturday, March 11 (Vigil)
5:00 People of Parish

Sunday, March 12
Third Sunday of Lent
7:30 Patricia Piroh
10:30 Mary Munroe Nicoll by Francis Nicoll

St. Mary Church

Monday, March 6 Lenten Weekday
8:00 Walter Cherniavsky by daughter

Tuesday, March 7 Saints Perpetua & Felicity
8:00 Pat Piroh by Jeanne Campagna

Wednesday, March 8 Saint John of God
8:00 Thomas Mahoney Jr.

Thursday, March 9 Saint Frances of Rome
8:00 Dolores Banas by Joseph Banas

Friday, March 10 Lenten Weekday
8:00 Warren & Rev. Edwin Coyne by family

Saturday, March 11
8:00 Martha & Joseph Piroh by daughters
4:30 (Vigil Mass) Eileen Dugan
by Bud & Diane McEntee

Sunday, March 12
Third Sunday of Lent
8:30 Luis Ferreira by family
10:00 Bernie Murphy by Murphy family
11:30 Erik Nieman by Nieman family
4:30 Pat Piroh by Precious Blood Parish Staff



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Third Sunday of Lent
(March 12, 2022)
Exodus 17: 3-7
Psalm 95: 1-2,6-7,8-9
Romans 5: 1-2,5-8
John 4: 5-42

The Sanctuary lamp at Saint Mary is
lighted this week in
memory of
Velma Esposito



Join the Legion of Mary every first Saturday at Saint Mary for the 8:00 am Mass followed by the Rosary and Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary for Peace in the world as requested by Our Lady of Fatima.

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