Precious Blood Parish

Parish Office: 70 Gulf Street Milford, CT 06460



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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Monday ~ Friday 9:00 am—2:00 pm.

RECONCILIATION

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

Bulletin Notices & Social Media Requests bulletin@pbpmilford.org (203) 878~3571

Mass Intentions

St. Agnes Church

Monday, January 1 9:00 Joyce & Jerry Beggs by Carrie &

Rachael Philbrick

Tuesday, January 2 Sts. Basil & Gregory 9:00 Donald Kosa by Carolyn Dennis

Wednesday, January 3
Most Holy Name of Jesus
9:00 Intention of the Presider

Thursday, January 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 9:00 Intention of the Presider

Friday, January 5 St. John Neumann 9:00 Mary Jane Murray by Ellen Hope Ross & Renee Rogers

Saturday, January 6 (Vigil Mass) 5:00 Maria Angelica Menedez by family

> Sunday, January 7 The Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 People of Precious Blood Parish 10:30 Deceased members of the Mettler & Barret families

The Sanctuary lamp at
Saint Agnes is lighted this
week in memory of
Giuseppina & Francesco Trombetta

The Sanctuary lamp at Saint Mary is lighted this week in memory of Angelo, Ann, Junior & Nancy Ferrente

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God's plans are not always what we imagined. Sometimes they make us hesitate. Be like Mary. Say "Yes, Lord" — and God will show you that His imagination is better than yours.

St. Mary Church

Monday, January 1 9:00 Russell Pisacane by Pat Kvancz

Tuesday, January 2 Sts .Basil & Gregory 8:00 Joseph Gabriel by Jeanne Campagna

Wednesday, January 3
Most Holy Name of Jesus
8:00 Patricia Piroh by Joan Havick

Thursday, January 4
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
8:00 Nancy Sennett by her husband

Friday, January 5 St. John Neumann 8:00 David Meise by Tom & Kitty Boone

Saturday, January 6 At. Andre Bessette 8:00 Catherine Ramo by the Falcone family

4:30 (Vigil Mass)Michael Foster by the family

Sunday, January 7
The Epiphany of the Lord

8:30 Pat Monteleone by Joe & Tatiana Monteleone 10:00 Howard Nixon Sr. by Carol Martin & Bob Shea

11:30 Kelly Emerson by the Falcones

4:30 Mr. James Joseph Mezza by Sophina Oxer



DECEMBER 31, 2023

Join us every month for the Precious Blood Parish 8:30am Children's Mass at St Mary Church followed by "Coffee And" hosted by the St. Mary School HSA! Each mass, you will see families participating in the mass as lectors, ushers, bringing up the gifts, and singing with the band. All are welcome to join us at St. Mary School immediately following mass for coffee, donuts, and to meet and chat with other families. Please mark your calendar for our 2024 dates:

January 21, 2024 February 11, 2024 March 24, 2024 April 21, 2024 May 19, 2024



All are welcome and we would love to have you join us! Please contact Deacon John Hoffman at 203~878~3571 if your family would like to participate as a lector, usher, etc.!



WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
In the Saint Ann's School Gym
Starting at 6:30 pm
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Coming Soon! The Annual Full Breakfast sponsored by the St. Joseph Society, will be held on Sunday, Jan 21st at St. Agnes in Fr. Callahan Hall from 8am-12pm. The menu includes: bacon, sausage, eggs,

pancakes, French toast, coffee, tea, juice, etc. Tickets will be \$5 per person or \$15 per family. (Family ticket consists of parents and children ages 7-18) Children under age 6 are free. Tickets will go on sale after all masses starting January 6th and will be available in Rectory office during normal business hours Monday—Friday 9am—2pm beginning January 8th.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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. ~Amen

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HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

Tuesday, Jan 2 10:30 am Legion of Mary Rectory Basement 10:00 am **Knitting Group** St. Agnes Classroom Wed, Jan 3 Legion of Mary 6:30 pm St. Agnes double classroom K of C 4th Degree 7:00 pm (St. Mary) Fr. Cronin Hall Thursday, Jan 4 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm St. Mary Church Nocturnal Adoration 7:00 pm Friday, Jan 5 St. Mary Church Sunday, Jan 7 10:00 am Legion Juniors Rectory Basement

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TIMES.

Saint Agnes Saturdays 3:30 –4:30 pm Saint Mary Mondays 6:00—7:00 pm



There is Group Rosary Recitation at Saint Mary Monday -Saturday after the 8:00 am Mass and Sundays after the 8:30 am Mass. At Saint Agnes Monday-Friday at 9:30 am and Sundays at 9:45 am. All are welcome to join us.



Policy for Daily Mass During Snowstorms



Precious Blood Parish follows the Milford Public School emergency in the event of snow. Therefore, please be aware that daily Mass will not be held if Milford public schools are closed due to weather. Any Mass intention will be rescheduled.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please note. End of year donation statements for tax purposes will not be available until the end of January. Please consider registering to use our envelope system if you would like credit for your donations.

Just a reminder, Father Aidan nor any staff members of the parish will ever send you an email or text message asking for assistance, gift cards or funds and will never ask you to click on any links. These are phishing emails, designed to get your personal information. If look at the actual email address from which the email was sent, it shows this it is not from the parish or Father. We should all pray for the those who attempt to take advantage of the goodwill of our parishioners.

Save the date!!! Coming Feb 9th 2024. The second annual Taste of Italy. More info in the coming weeks.



If you have questions please contact Dave Amendola at 203-824-3255 or Tony Candido 203-878-3363

The Rectory and Cemetery offices will be closed on Monday, January 1st. Offices will reopen on Monday 2nd at 9am

New Year Blessing

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

Dear Friends:

With this last day of December, we come to the end of yet another civil year. The year 2023 has passed and the year 2024 lies ahead of us, filled with uncertainties, yes, but also filled with possibilities. What has 2023 been like for you, and what are your hopes for the year ahead? These are important questions to consider and to ponder, especially in prayer before God.

The end of a year is often a melancholic, mixed-feelings time. We often look back over the past twelve months and remember both the good and the bad. We can become wistful when we remember those we loved and who were taken from us and are with us no longer. We can reflect on the difficulties and the challenges that presented themselves to us during the year, be they health challenges, financial or career challenges, relationship challenges or something else. The end of a year can be a depressing time for many. One way we can counteract that is to stop and consider carefully, count carefully, the blessings that came our way. If we are at all honest about it, we have been blessed and abundantly so, even if it just being able to live through a stretch of 365 days and to be able to reflect on it. Count your blessings and say a heartfelt "thank you" to God. Hold up before God your hopes, your dreams and your desires for the coming year and also hold up before God the sorrows, the pains and the burdens of the past year. In doing so, we will remember that we are not alone, that we are never alone, never abandoned to face life with all of its ups and downs and joys and sorrows. The timeless Lord of eternity has made a solemn promise to remain with us always, and God always keeps his promises.

Every December 31, the Holy Father has the custom of presiding at a service of Solemn Vespers [Evening Prayer] in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican. This service of prayer affords those in attendance to bring the civil year to a proper close, commending it with all of its blessings and burdens to God, asking God for blessings on the year ahead. The service includes the solemn chanting of the *Te Deum* (in Latin). I include it here for your reflection and suggest that you make use of it in your evening or night prayers this New Year's Eve:

TE DEUM

You are God: we praise you: you are the Lord: we acclaim you; vou are the eternal Father: all creation worships you. To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise: holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, The glorious company of apostles praise you. The noble fellowship of prophets praise you. The white-robed army of martyrs praise you. Throughout the world, the holy Church acclaims you: Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all worship, and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide. You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father. When you became man to set us free you did not spurn the Virgin's womb. You overcame the sting of death, and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that you will come, and be our judge. Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood, and bring us with your saints

to glory everlasting.

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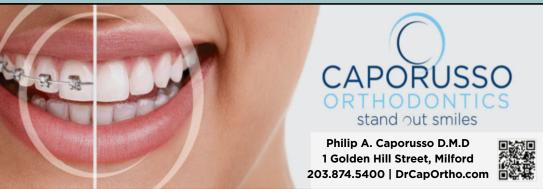


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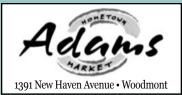
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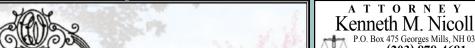
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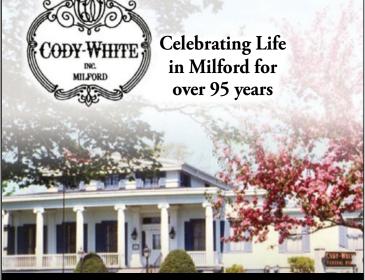


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