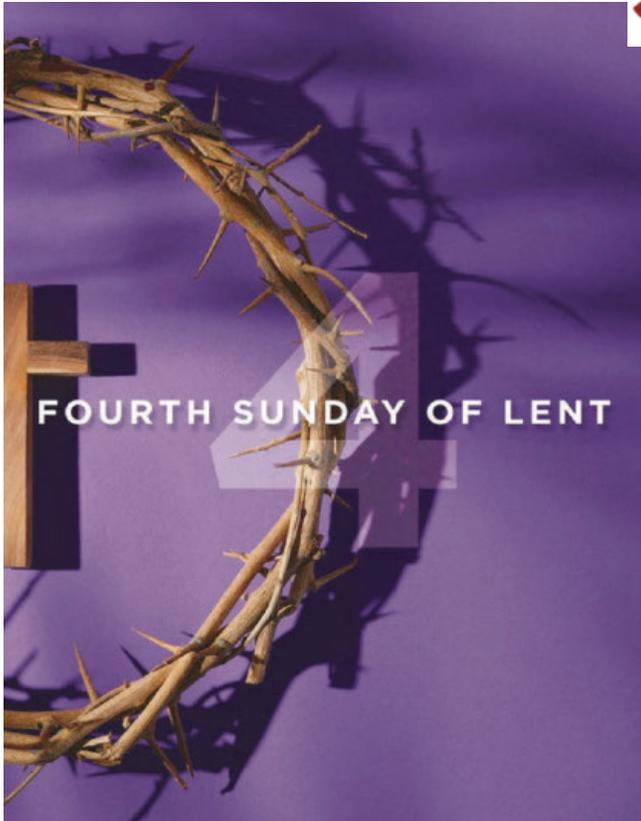


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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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

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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Stations of the Cross

Fridays 7:00 pm St. Agnes
March 4th—April 8th.

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Schedule of Meetings & Parish Events

Monday, March 28	Novena	7:30 pm
	<i>Saint Mary Church</i>	
Tuesday, March 29	Legion of Mary	10:30 am
	<i>Rectory Basement</i>	
Wed, March 30	Legion of Mary	7:00 pm
	<i>(St. Agnes) double classroom</i>	
Thurs, March 31	Bereavement Group	1:00 pm
	<i>(St. Mary) Fr. Cronin Hall</i>	
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
	<i>St. Mary Church</i>	
Friday, April 1	Stations of the Cross	7:30 pm
	<i>St Agnes Church</i>	
	Nocturnal Adoration	7:00 pm
	<i>St. Mary Church</i>	



A Lenten Fish Dinner sponsored by The St. Joseph Society will be held in Fr. Callahan Hall on Friday, April 8 at 6:00. Tickets will be sold after masses on March 26/27 and April 2/3 and in the rectory office until April 6. No tickets will be sold at the door. Prices are \$10 adults, \$8 seniors, young people (6-16) \$6 and as always ages 5 and under are free.

Plea for Praying People

If you enjoy praying and love Our Blessed Mother, consider the Legion of Mary. The Tuesday morning group needs members to pray and promote the rosary. Our country and its citizens are in dire need of prayer and conversions. Anyone 18 years or older male or female, is encourage to join us. The meetings are held in the rectory basement on Tuesday 10am at St. Mary or Wednesday 7 pm at Saint Agnes.

For more information please call Sharon DiNapoli 203-799-8670 or Doreen Steele at 203-876-8472

2022 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

It is important that when you give to any charitable organization, you are confident that the funds received are being used wisely. Be assured that your gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports the ministries and programs indicated in the 2022 Appeal literature! Organizations such as Bridges Healthcare, Food 2 Kids & John Rigely Food bank right here in our own town received funding from the Appeal's Vicariate Outreach Program that makes a difference in the lives of our local neighbors. Please visit the Appeal website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org to learn more and make your gift today.



Thank you for your generous support of the Catholic Relief Services Collection and for revealing Christ's love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information on how to give.



Weekly collection
March 20
\$ 17, 316



The Joy of Music!

During the season of Lent and Easter holiday we invite you to sing with the St. Mary's choir. Rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:00pm in the church. The choir sings at the 10:00am Sunday mass, and will sing at Easter masses as well.

Why not join our choir family and experience bringing the joy of music to St. Mary's?

If interested, reach out to Jean-Pierre Dumont, our Music Director & Organist at jdumont@pbpmilford.org

Save the Date
SUNDAY, MAY 1ST
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Words from Father Lijo ...

The fourth Sunday of lent is traditionally known as *Laetare* Sunday, so-called from the first word of the Entrance Antiphon. *Laetare* (rejoice), taken from the Latin translation of Isaiah 66, 10-11, sets a tone of joyful anticipation of the Easter mystery.

Some interesting comments after this year's Ash Wednesday celebrations are; "we should distribute ashes every Sunday", "if all those participants are coming on Sundays too, our Churches will be full every week", "where are those people on Sundays?"...

We have to evaluate our faith life and commitment to God, especially in this Lenten season. We are entering into the second half of this lent. How is my Lenten season so far? Am I really prepared to celebrate Easter meaningfully and joyfully? Here comes the important question which we often do not take it seriously. The question is, what is faith? Or what is my faith? Did I ever tried to find an answer to this question other than academic purpose?

In the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), in the glossary part, faith is defined as, "both a gift of God and a human act by which the believer gives personal adherence to God who invites his response, and freely assents to the whole truth that God has revealed. It is this revelation of God which the Church proposes for our belief, and which we profess in the Creed, celebrate in the Sacraments, live by right conduct that fulfils the twofold commandment of charity and respond to in our prayer of faith."

In simple words faith is our response to divine revelation. What is revealed? That we find in the Creed. If we say "Yes" to this revelation, we are Catholics. But our responsibility do not end with just saying yes. We have to live and celebrate this faith. Faith is celebrated through the liturgy and sacraments of the Church, especially in the Holy Eucharist.

Faith is lived in accordance with the commandments of God -loving God and neighbor and as a result our social life becomes a noble one.

When we fail to understand the proper meaning of faith, we are turning away from God.

Note: volunteers who wish their feet washed on Holy Thursday during the Mass of the Lord's Supper, may contact the Parish office before Friday, April 8.

- *Father Lijo*



Special Collection

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE UKRAINE

Next weekend, April 2-3, at all Masses a second collection will be taken up, the proceeds of which will be sent to the Knights of Columbus to assist them in their efforts to help the people of the Ukraine, particularly refugees. The Knights of Columbus are on the ground in Poland assisting refugees crossing the border to escape suffering, destruction and death wrought by the Russian invasion. Make all checks payable to PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH and note on the memo line that your donation is for the Ukrainians. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ASH WEDNESDAY COLLECTION

The collection taken on Ash Wednesday in our parish, a communal act of almsgiving, amounted to \$7,085. A check in that amount has been sent to the Beth-El Shelter to assist them in their important work of helping the needy and the homeless. We thank everyone who contributed to the collection.

Weekday Masses during Lent

Saint Mary

8am & 12:05 pm Monday—Friday

8 am Saturday

St. Agnes

9 am Monday—Friday



Mass Intentions



St. Agnes Church

Monday, March 28 Lenten Weekday
9:00 *Rose Gagliardi by her daughter*

Tuesday, March 29 Lenten Weekday
9:00 *Patricia Carbone by her cousin*

Wednesday, March 30 Lenten Weekday
9:00 *In Honor of Saint Philomena
by Marianne Richard*

Thursday, March 31 Lenten Weekday
9:00 *James Corvino by his mother*

Friday, April 1 Lenten Weekday
9:00 *Harold Ericson by his family*

Saturday, April 2 (Vigil Mass)
5:00 *Dan Jansen by Jack and Karen Jansen*

Sunday, April 3
Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 *People of Precious Blood Parish*

10:30 *Robert Goralski by Colucci family*



PRAY FAST GIVE

St. Mary Church

Monday, March 28 Lenten Weekday
8:00 *Rosemarie Abric
by Diane & Tony Candido*
12:05 *Lynda Pacapelli by Denton Family*

Tuesday, March 29 Lenten Weekday
8:00 *Kevin Morton by Art & Coleen Clark*
12:05 *No intention*

Wednesday, March 30 Lenten Weekday
8:00 *Maria Lauro by her niece*
12:05 *John (Jack) Mulhall & Michael Chao
by Eileen Mulhall*

Thursday, March 31 Lenten Weekday
8:00 *Virginia Hoagland by Maryanne Dolan*
12:05 *No intention*

Friday, April 1 Lenten Weekday
8:00 *Fredrick Mark DeLeon Jr. by family
(8 year remembrance)*
12:05 *No intention*

Saturday, April 2 Saint Francis of Paola
8:00 *Cayllie Lipford by Michalina*

Saturday Vigil
4:30 *George Zamary by Colucci family*

Sunday, April 3
Fifth Sunday of Lent
8:30 *Dawn Randall by Jeanne Campagna*

10:00 *Louis V. Fasold
by Carl & Sigrid Amundsen*

11:30 *Robert Roy by his wife*
4:30 *Regis Abbott by his daughter & family*

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