



Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

PARISH STAFF

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Pastor

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 P.M. Vigil
Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday and Friday
7:00 am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Second & Fourth Sunday
12:30 P.M.

RCIA and ADULT CONFIRMATION

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

One year prior notice required

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

(508) 478-0139

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Coordinators:

Amy Donahue and Andrew Tomaski

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATORS:

Janet Morganelli, Ph. D. - Tara Ridolfi, M. Ed. -
Tricia Ridolfi, M. Ed.

DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC,

Robert W. Blake, Jr

MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by the Spirit of God, the Roman Catholic parish family of Sacred Heart of Jesus celebrates a living faith in Jesus Christ. As a people of God we are committed to worship in the Eucharist, to prayer and to an awareness of the needs of local and global communities as the Gospel message instructs us. We direct our efforts to promote excellence in the Catholic tradition of education at all levels. We are diligent and responsible in maintaining sound financial and physical resources to meet current and future obligations. We strive to see the face of Jesus Christ in every person and to utilize the diversity of gifts present in our parish through collaborative ministries and apostolates.

Mass  for the
Intentions *Week*

December 7—December 13

Mon.	7:00 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	7:00 p.m.	Jennie Bonina by the family
Tues.	7:00 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners
Wed.	7:00 a.m.	For All the Holy Souls in Purgatory, by the Helpers of the Holy Souls
Fri .	7:00 a.m.	deceased family members and friends
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Family of Vincenzo Spallone and Nicola Bibbo by Donald and Cynthia Grimes & family
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Mario Pedroli by the family
Sun.	10:00 a.m.	Megan Tynan by the Tynan family



**Ann Santoro
Fryderyk Wozny**



**We welcome into our Community of Faith
Michael Zachary Morreale**

We ask that you pray for him and his family. May God continue to shower them with his love.



DAILY BREAD FOOD PANTRY

Our Daily Bread Food Pantry collection items for the month of **December** are **hot chocolate, coffee and tea**. If you wish to donate please bring the item to Mass and place it in the baskets provided at each entrance.



UPDATE OUR PARISH RECORDS: Is there any change that our parish should have to update our records? Have you moved or are you planning to move soon? Has your telephone number changed? Should we add or delete a name? If any of these questions can be answered with a "yes" we would appreciate your calling the rectory at (508) 634-5435 with the updated information. We are trying to keep our Parish records as up-to-date as possible. Please call the rectory office for any clarification.



Tuesday, December 8th., is the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** and a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated, **Monday, December 7th** at 7 p.m. and **Tuesday, December 8th** at 7 a.m.



**SHARE IN THE CARE
RETIREMENT FUND for RELIGIOUS**

Next weekend, December 5th and 7th our parish will be conducting the collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**. This annual collection benefits some 31,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers and Religious order priests who have consecrated their lives to serving God and the Church. The sad reality is that only 23 of the 547 religious institutes throughout the country are adequately funded to care for their elderly and infirm members who have served God and the Church. Like many American religious communities they face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare. Rising costs are compounded by the fact that more than 1 out of 3 members of religious communities are over the age of 80! This need is still great. Please give to those who have given a lifetime by donating to the Retirement for Religious and by praying for God's continued blessing on our elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. **Please place your envelope in with the regular collection on this weekend.**

The rosary is prayed each weekday morning after the 7:00 a.m. Mass. All are welcome.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



An envelope for Christmas flowers is in your December packet. Please return it at anytime. If you are donating in memory of a loved one, please write the name (names) on the envelope.

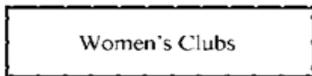


Donations to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Human Services Fund to aid the less fortunate in our community would be greatly appreciated. You may put your donation in the basket with your weekly collection and mark it Human Services. **We thank you for your support.**



In an effort to respect and protect of our parishioners in this period of COVID-19, we are addressing the way we are doing the **Giving Tree** this Christmas season.

If you choose to participate, purchase a Target, Kohls, Walmart, or Visa gift card for **\$20.00** or more. Please attach the activation receipt to the unwrapped Gift Card and mail it to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Rectory, 5 East Main Street, Milford, MA 01757, place it in the collection basket at Mass or drop it off during regular office hours. The Gift Cards will be given to families with children in need of Christmas Presents. All Gift cards should be returned to the rectory no later than **Sunday, December 13, 2020.** Please be instruments of Christ's Love by providing for these little ones. God Bless you and your families.



In preparation for the Advent season, the **Sacred Heart Women's Club** once again has the following items available for purchase: Advent candles, calendars, wreaths, puzzles and coloring books. If you would like to purchase any of these items, please contact Marie Tomaski at **508-478-3639.** Proceeds benefit our scholarship fund. Thank you for your support.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICE. (THEY SERVE SO THAT WE CAN CELEBRATE OUR FREEDOM).



A PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE

Almighty God, Creator of all things, we place our request for world peace into your hands. Continue to be our refuge and our strength as we undertake this challenge. We pray for people of all nations. Fill their hearts with the desire to ensure justice and equality for all. We ask that You watch over those exposed to the horrors of war. Let your compassion shine on all who dwell in these war-torn areas. Guide our daily path to the way of peace. Let us all, in some way, be an instrument of Your peace. Heavenly Father, let peace reign throughout the world. Bless with Your divine protection our servicemen and women. Let their faith and trust in You never weaken. Bring them safely home to their loved ones. Let Your heavenly wisdom direct our world leaders to seek peace. Through their actions, may harmony and justice be secured. Amen.

MOVING

Please be sure to notify the rectory office at (508) 634-5435 if your address and/or telephone numbers change, or if you are moving out of town. We appreciate your help in keeping our parish records up to date.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Prayer Shawls are given to people undergoing medical procedures, as a comfort after a loss or in times of stress. Shawls are used during bereavement, prayer or meditation, marriage ceremonies, birthing or nursing a baby, during illness or recovery, and while ministering to others. There are endless possibilities. All shawls are blessed by Father Richard before they are presented to anyone. If you feel someone could use the comfort of a shawl please call the rectory at (508) 634-5435. If you would like to join this ministry we meet the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Bell Tower Room. If you have any questions please contact **Mary Maffia at (508) 473-8041** or **Barbara Iwanow at (508) 381-1089.**

Parish Financials

Monthly Income (Oct.).....\$ 40,494.83
Expenses: (Oct.).....\$ 35,361.98

Thank you for your continued support each week

DECEMBER 6, 2020



AVAILABLE AT THE RECTORY

Cards: in memory of a loved-one living or deceased-for donations to the **Legacy of Faith Restoration fund.**

Cards: in memory of a deceased loved one for donations to our Human Services Fund which was established to aid the poor and needy in our community.

Cards: in memory of a deceased loved one to the Daily Bread Food Pantry to aid the hungry in our community.

Mass Cards: (offering \$10.00) requesting a Mass to be offered by the Stigmatine Community for the repose of the soul of a deceased person or the intentions of the living including healing and celebrations.

Perpetual Enrollments: (offering \$15.00) which enroll a deceased person in the Stigmatine Purgatorial Society. This enables the deceased to share 500 Masses offered by the Stigmatine Community each year of the society.



O GOD OUR CREATOR

From your provident hand we have received our right to life, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society. We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith. Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger—for the sake of our children, our grandchildren and all who come after us—this great land will always be “one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.” We ask this through Christ our Lord.