

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

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Rev. Richard A. Scioli, C.S.S., Pastor

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 P.M. Vigil

Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

7:00 A.M.

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

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

(508) 473-1036

email: ccdoffice@sacredheartmilford.org

Coordinators:

Amy Donahue and Andrew Tomaski

Janet Morganelli, Ph. D. -

Safe Environment Coordinator

for Parish and School

MILFORD CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

(508) 473-7303

Marie Sciretta, Principal



May 5—May 11

Mon.	7:00 a.m.	Mass of Thanksgiving
Tues.	7:00 a.m.	Clara Antolini by the family
Wed	7:00 a.m.	Louis and Ventura Gentile
Fri.	7:00 a.m.	Dorothy M. Moro by daughter
Sat..	4:00 p.m.	Yolanda Bellantuoni & Rose Mele by Tom & Lucy Bellantuoni
Sun.	7:30 a.m.	All our parishioners
	9:00 a.m.	
	10:30 a.m.	



*Evelyn Sabatinelli
Helen Matondi*

*Marguerite Gala
Josephine Bruno*



ROSE FOR LIFE DRIVE

The annual **Mother's Day Rose Drive for Life** will take place on **Mother's Day Weekend, May 10 – 11**. Tables will be set up at each of the church entrances. Our parish Pro-Life Team members will be selling long stemmed silk roses after all the Masses. The suggested donation is **\$1.00 per rose**. All proceeds will benefit the Massachusetts Citizens for Life, Inc. in their continued efforts to defend the **right for life for the unborn**. The rose has long been a symbol of love and of life. More recently it has become a symbol of the **LOVE OF LIFE**... Life whether vibrant or vulnerable, competent or in need of special care, born or unborn. On Mother's Day weekend show your **LOVE OF LIFE** by supporting the Rose for Life Drive.

IMPORTANT!

Cemetery Notice

Please remove all flowers by **Sunday May 18th**. The cemetery entrances will be closed from **Monday May 19th** until noon on **Friday May 23rd** to allow the crew to prepare for the holiday. Memorial Day flowers may be placed close to monuments beginning Friday afternoon—**May 23rd**.

IMPORTANT!

PARTNERS IN CHARITY 2014

Our parish relies on your participation in the Annual Partners in Charity Appeal. Please prayerfully consider making a pledged gift to this year's appeal. A gift in any amount will be received with gratitude. For your convenience, pledge envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church. Please return them by mail to the parish office as soon as you are able. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Join Us For Coffee, 
Donuts and Conversation


Members of **Religious Education** will host coffee and donuts on **Sunday, May 4th** in the Bell Tower Room after the 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. Masses. Come join your neighbors and share a little conversation and friendship.



Milford Catholic Elementary School and Little Angels Preschool are presently accepting registrations for the **2014-2015 school year**. Located at 11 East Main St. in Milford. Milford Catholic Elementary School is fully credited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Milford Catholic offers full-time Kindergarten through Grade 6, as well as full and part-time three year old and four year old programs, providing a faith-based education with small class sizes and more personal attention for every student. Before and After School programs are available. **Tour the school, meet the teachers, and see what makes our school so special.** Call 508 473-9004 for more information.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Rosary Devotion in May

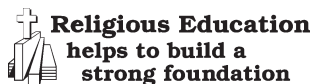
Eucharistic  **May** – the month **dedicated to Mary**, our Blessed Mother in heaven. St. John Paul II dedicated his entire life to our Blessed Mother and during his pontificate he gave her and us the additional five Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary, something that hadn't been done in almost 500 years. The Rosary is the weapon for every Christian against the evils of this world. If you are stressed out, knocked down, and feel there isn't any hope in your life, come home to Mary and place **all** your worries and concerns at her feet. She is our mother and she wants to comfort her children. Our Rosary devotion will take place on the following dates: **Wednesday May 7, 14, and 21; and Tuesday, May 27th**. Together, as one family, we will pray the Rosary and then honor her Son, Jesus with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. This devotion will take place in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph at **7:00 PM** each week. Coffee and refreshments will follow in the Chapel Room.



Eight New Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion!

Last Sunday eight members of our parish were installed as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. They will now begin their ministry of service by distributing the Eucharist at Mass, to the homebound, the hospitalized, and those at nursing facilities. We thank them for giving of themselves in service to our parish family. Congratulations to: Francis Cecchi, Shannon DeTore, Jeff Hale, Phillip Iwanow, Carla Pickett, Karen Persampieri, Rosemary Trettel and Jean Shea. May God bless the good work you have been called to do in His name.

Prayer Shawl Ministry and Rosary Bead Making gatherings will be held on Wednesday, May 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the Bell Tower Room. New members are always welcome to join in at this time.



Congratulations to the 38 children who received their First Holy Communion on May 3rd. Please keep these young children in your prayers

Parish Financials

Parish Support:.....4/27/14..... \$ 8,164.50

Average Wkly. Expenses (March).....\$ 9,611.22

Thank you for your continued support each week



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL SPONSORED BABY SHOWER FOR PROBLEM PREGNANCY

A Baby Shower for the Problem Pregnancy Group (a group of **volunteers** that help young women who choose to have their babies instead of an abortion) in Worcester will be held beginning **this weekend and ending May 25th**. A cradle will be in the Sanctuary and baskets at the entrances to the church. Items needed are: Diapers 1-6, receiving blankets, onesies (3-6 & 9-12), socks, sleepers (0-3 and 9-12), baby toys, summer outfits, bottles (4 & 8 oz.), baby lotion and oil, and teething rings. For mothers: Suave shampoo and conditioner, **NO COLOGNE**. **All items may be brought to the church and placed in the baskets (unwrapped) no later than May 25th. Members of the Women's Club may bring them to the next meeting on May 20th.**

ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOLARSHIP FOR LAW STUDENTS

Applications for the St. Thomas Law Scholarship are now available and may be obtained by contacting: The St. Thomas More Society, Chancery Office, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609; or you may call 508-791-7171 and ask for Eileen in the Diocesan Tribunal. The scholarship is for law students who will be attending an accredited law school in the fall or for a student presently in law school. The application **must** be returned by **June 30, 2014**.

Women's Clubs

**Join us for a Celebration!
SACRED HEART WOMEN'S CLUB**

90th ANNIVERSARY

Saturday, May 17, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

**Bell Tower Room
Buffet Dinner by Chef Barry
Entertainment by Brad Ackland**

Tickets are \$20.00 person and will be sold after all Masses the weekend of May 3rd and May 4th and they will also be available at the rectory.

TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND THE RELIGIOUS LIFE.

MAY 4, 2014

TURN TO THE SAINTS:

**St. Rita of Cascia Patron Saint of the
Impossible—Feast May 22**

St. Rita was born in 1381 in Italy in a tiny village in Umbria. She was a pious child and wished to become a nun but at the age of 12 was forced to marry a cruel and abusive man. At the time, there were conflicts between families and after 18 years of marriage, her husband was murdered. Her twin sons although young, were being influenced to 'avenge' their father's murder. Rita pledged to forgive her husband's killer and tried to convince her sons to do the same. Within a year, both boys succumbed to plague ravaging the village. Grief-stricken Rita applied for admission to the Augustinian Convent. She was denied and advised to devote herself to praying for the families to bring them to repentance by making peace with one another. Putting her faith and trust in God, Rita rose to the task. By her courage, kindness and forgiveness, the families agreed and a peace agreement was signed ending the vendettas and Rita entered the Convent. On Good Friday, 1442, while praying before an image of Jesus, she begged to share in the suffering of Christ. Suddenly, a bright light came from the figure of Jesus from the Crown of Thorns and penetrated her forehead leaving the mark of a thorn that remained with her as an open and visible wound until her death. When she died the bells in the Convent began to ring unaided by human hands. So loved and revered by the people of Cascia, a carpenter who was partially paralyzed expressed his desire to make her a beautiful coffin saying: "If only I was well, I would prepare a coffin worthy of you." His wish was granted and his healing became St. Rita's first miracle. Many who beseeched her aid have obtained favors. The body of this "Peacemaker of Cascia" is still preserved in a glass-encased coffin in the Basilica of Cascia.

PRAYER: O powerful St. Rita, called Saint of the Impossible, I come to you with confidence in my great need. You know well my trials for you were many times burdened in this life. Come to my aid, speak for me, pray for me, intercede on my behalf before the Father. I know that God has a most generous heart and that he is a most loving father. Join your prayers with mine and obtain for me the grace I desire (mention your request). You who were so pleasing to God on earth and are so much so now in heaven. I promise to use this favor, when granted, to better my life and to proclaim Gods' mercy. Amen.

CORRECTIONS

We apologize for Inadvertently omitting Patti Pond from the list of Choir members and misspelling Andrew Tomaski