

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

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PARISH STAFF

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

Deacon Pasquale G. Mussulli

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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

Safe Environment Coordinators:

Janet Morganelli, Ph. D. -

Tara and Tricia Ridolfi

MILFORD CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

(508) 473-7303

Marie Sciretta, Principal

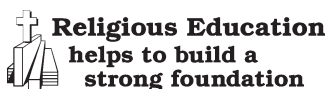
December 22—December 28

 MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.	7:00 a.m.	Maria DiTolve by the family
Tues.	7:00 a.m.	Eleanor DeMaria by the family
Wed.	7:00 a.m.	Lucy Fino by the family
Wed	4:00 p.m.	Armand & Mary Perrault and Theresa Mussulli by the family
	Midnight	For All Our Parishioners
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	
	10:30 a.m.	
Fri.	7:00 a.m.	Eleanor Mussulli by her husband and family
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Williams and Porzio family by Lucy Williams
Sun.	7:30 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners
	9:00 a.m.	Angie and Terry Grillo by the family
	10:30 a.m.	Deceased members of the Santore/Vitale families by Joe & Marie



Frank Bucchino
Lena Wyspianski



Religious Education
helps to build a
strong foundation

Tuesday, January 6th, there will be a Grade 2 Teachers' meeting in the CCD office at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 7th, there will be a Grade 2 Parents' meeting in the school cafeteria at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 10th, there will be a **mandatory** Communion Retreat for all grade 2 students in the chapel room from 9:00—11:30 a.m. Parents are asked to return for a Communion service in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph which will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, January 11th, the Year 1 Confirmation class "Relationships" will be held in the Chapel Room for all 9th grade students and any 10th grade make up students from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

All articles for the **January 4th** bulletin **MUST BE** in the office by **Monday Dec 29th NO LATER than 8:00am.** Articles will not be taken over the phone. Email to bulletineditor@sacredheart.milford.org. Thank you!!!



We welcome into our Community of Faith
Henry David Gordon

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



CHRISTMAS SEASON
MASS SCHEDULES
CHRISTMAS

Wednesday—4:00 p.m. (BELL TOWER ROOM AND CHAPEL) and 12 Midnight CONCERT BEGINS AT 11:30 P.M.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Thursday—8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
NEW YEAR'S DAY

Wednesday, December 31st Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 1, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



CHRISTMAS NOVENA PRAYER

Make your own personal Christmas Novena to the Holy Infant in the Manger until **December 24th**. The Feast Day is December 25th, The Nativity of the Lord. *The Daily Prayer* **O Adorable Infant Jesus, my Savior and my God. You Who are so good and Who has loved me so much! In this night in which You bestowed great Graces on so many souls, grant Your heavenly consolation on this poor soul of mine also. I ask of You the grace to love You always, from this day forward, with all my heart. Set me all on fire with Your Holy Love. I love You, O my God, Who has become a Babe for love of me. Never let me cease from loving You evermore. Dearest Jesus, our Lord and God, deign to grant me, during this joyful season of Your birth (mention Your request, now) if it be Your Holy Will. Amen (say One Our Father, One Hail Mary, and One Glory Be to the Father)**



Donations to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Human Services Fund to aid the needy 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 caring and sharing the joy of Christmas with others.**



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.



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 items to Mass and place them in the baskets provided at the entrances. We wish to thank all the members of our parish family who support the Daily Bread Food Pantry through their volunteer activity, financial donations and prayers.



God gave us the greatest gift of love when He sent His son to redeem us. He asks us to love one another as He loves us. Take the time to grow deeper in love with God, your spouse and your family at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are January 23 - 25, 2015 and March 13 - 15, 2015. For more information call Jim and Elaine Richard at 1-800-710-WWME or visit us at www.wwme.org



LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS the lonely and depressed, the hospitalized, the afflicted, the shut-ins, those in nursing homes, all those who need the support of our prayers, the souls who have no one to pray for them, and the souls in purgatory.

Retreat

The Xaverian Missionaries at Fatima Shrine are offering monthly MINI-RETREATS on themes of Consecrated Life and Mission Today. These retreats will take place at the Shrine on the **Second Sunday of each Month (except May 3rd)**. The retreat director will be Fr. Rocco Puopolo, s.x and the theme will be "Mission Today: Look at what has changed in these few years." For more information call 508 429 2144.



Our parish website is www.sacredheartmilford.org. Check it out for our Sunday bulletin, Mass schedule, information about our church, our music, our religious education program, our activities and much more.

Parish Financials	
Parish Support:.....12/14/14.....	\$10,959.50
Average Wkly. Expenses ((Nov.)	\$ 7,921.75
Thank you for your continued support each week	

DECEMBER 21, 2014



**OUR ANNUAL PRO-LIFE
CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE ACTIVITY**

Dear Parishioner:

Once again during this beautiful and blessed season of Christmas, we at the Sacred Heart of Jesus parish are pleased to sponsor OUR ANNUAL PRO-LIFE GIVING TREE. Through this initiative, we, as a parish family are presented with a unique opportunity to assist in providing for the needs of infants whose mothers have chosen life.

Each year, thanks to you, our generous and enthusiastic parishioners, the response to this initiative has been extraordinarily successful and we are most grateful. The recipient of the infant items is the Problem Pregnancy Agency in Worcester. This outstanding and tireless all volunteer agency's mission is to provide support services and counseling to women facing a crisis pregnancy by offering an alternative to abortion. The agency provides anything that a troubled, pregnant woman needs so she doesn't 'need' to abort her unborn baby.. the support services include housing, medical, clothing, legal and spiritual help! We are pleased to be among the many churches throughout the diocese to support this dedicated organization by providing for the needs of the infant. It is through the support of caring church organizations such as ours that Problem Pregnancy is able to continue its good work of saving many precious babies' lives.

The PRO-LIFE GIVING TREE is located in the downstairs Chapel. Hanging from its branches are colorful Christmas "Tags" indicating a particular infant need that has been requested this year. Beginning this weekend, December 13/14, we invite you to take a 'Tag' from the tree, purchase the gift item and return the gift placing it under the tree UNWRAPPED with the 'Tag' attached. The tree will remain in the Chapel until the Feast of the Epiphany on January 4, 2015.

Your kindness and generosity toward this all important activity is sincerely appreciated. On behalf of the mothers who have 'chosen life" for their babies, our sincerest and heartfelt 'THANK YOU' for your outstanding support. May God Bless You abundantly.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

***Mary, Queen of Peace, save us all, who have so much trust in you, from wars, hatred, and oppression. Make us all learn to live in peace, and educate ourselves for peace, do what is demanded by justice and respect the rights of every person, so that peace may be firmly established. Amen.
Pope John Paul II.***