

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

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Parish Founded 1905 Staffed by the Stigmatine Fathers

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PARISH STAFF

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

Deacon Pasquale G. Mussulli

Rev. Gregory J. Hoppough, C.S.S. (weekends)

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 P.M. Vigil

Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 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

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

(508) 473-1036

email: ccdoffice@sacredheartmilford.org

Coordinators:

Amy Donahue and Andrew Tomaski

SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATORS:

Janet Morganelli, Ph. D. -

Tara Ridolfi, M. Ed.

Tricia Ridolfi, M. Ed.

MILFORD CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

(508) 473-7303

Marie Sciretta, Principal

December 5—December 11



Mon.	7:00 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners
Tues.	7:00 a.m.	Nicholas Mitides by his wife and family
Wed.	7:00 a.m.	Biagio DeSantis by Palma & family
<u>The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception</u>		
	7:00 p.m.	Michael Parente by his wife and children
Thurs.	7:00 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners
Fri.	7:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the DiFiore family by Gino & family
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Mario Pedroli, Sr. and Margaret Balmelli by the family
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Pasqua & Donata DiLorenzo by their grandchildren
	10:00 a.m.	the DeSantis family by Rosaria DeSantis & family



*Grace Fisher
Marie Jackson*

*Norma Plante
Mary Genoa*




**We welcome into our Community of Faith
Hadley Georgia Fritz**

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

Join Us For Coffee, 
Donuts and Conversation

Altar Servers and Lectors will host coffee and donuts **this Sunday, December 4th** in the Bell Tower Room after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Come join your neighbors and share a little conversation and friendship.

 **Religious Education**
helps to build a
strong foundation

Sunday, December 4th, the Year 1 Confirmation class :“Who is this Man?” will be held in the Chapel Room from 6-8 p.m. for all 9th grade students and any 10th grade make up students.

Sunday, December 11th, the Year 2 Confirmation class “Made for the Mission” will be held in the Chapel Room from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for all 10th.

Monday, December 12th, Grade 2 students will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph at 4:00 p.m. Please keep these children in your prayers.

Thursday, December 8th is the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** and a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph on Wednesday, at 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. on Thursday.



PARISH CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS PARTY
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2016
BELL TOWER ROOM
AFTER THE 10:00 A.M. MASS
For reservations call (508) 634-5435

Coloring and face painting will be available (Under 2—free)—(3-12 yrs.—\$5.00)—(13 and adults—\$7.00).

Lunch includes: salad, pasta, meatballs, dessert, coffee and juice.

Please bring a gift with the child’s name on it. Reservation deadline is December 14th. You may bring your camera for pictures with Santa.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

SACRED HEART WOMEN’S CLUB
Annual Christmas Party
December 11th
Bell Tower Room
11:30 a.m.

Cost is **\$20.00**, guest **\$25.00**. If you wish to participate in the Yankee Swap, please bring a \$10.00 gift. Please call the rectory at (508) 634-5435 for reservations

Prayer Shawl and Rosary Bead making gathering for December will NOT be held.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



SERVICE MUSIC December 4, 2016

Entrance: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (200)

Preparation: On Jordan's Bank (201)

Communion: Taste and See (396)

Recessional: O Come, Divine Messiah (194)



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.**



An envelope for Christmas Eve 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.



GIVING TREES

Trees are placed in the sanctuary of the upper church with gift tags containing this year's requests. Please the tree, purchase the gift, attach the tag to the unwrapped gift and return it under the trees **no later** than **DECEMBER 10-11th.** It would be appreciated if you could provide a Christmas bag or wrapping paper with your gift. Thank you so much for your continued support!!!!



The Sacred Heart Women's Club will be hosting a Christmas Party for all residents at Countryside Healthcare on **this Sunday, December 4th.** All members are asked to be there no later than 1:00 p.m. with their pastries. Tony Orifice and members of the club will participate in a sing-a-long.



DAILY BREAD FOOD PANTRY

Our Daily Bread Food Pantry collection items for the month of **December** items 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 each entrance.

SHARE IN THE CARE

RETIREMENT FUND for RELIGIOUS

Next weekend our parish will be conducting the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. This annual collection benefits some 33,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers and all who have consecrated their lives to serving God and the Church. Like many American religious communities they face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare. Currently the annual cost of care for a senior religious continues to rise each year, It can range from **\$50,000 to \$75,000** per year. 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.**



Did you know that the students of Milford Catholic Elementary hold an annual Christmas Concert? All classes (preschool to grade 6) and our chorus perform on **December 14th** at 7:00 at Sacred Heart Church in Milford.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the church, and need a place to talk about your feeling of betrayal or hurt by the Church, call Frances Nugent, Victim Services Coordinator, Office for Healing and Prevention at (508) 929-4363. A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

Parish Financials

Parish Support:.....	11/27/16.....	\$ 9,391.50
	11'20/16	\$9,897.50
Average Wkly. Expenses (Oct).....		\$ 8,612.76

Thank you for your continued support each week

DECEMBER 4, 2016



Valencia Council 80, Knights of Columbus, will hold their next meeting on **Tuesday, December 6, 2016** in the Chapel Room at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Milford, MA. The Rosary will be prayed at 6:30 PM followed by a business meeting and social at 7:00 PM.



Valencia Council 80 would like to cordially invite all members, potential new members and their guests to a council sponsored Christmas Party on **Saturday, December 17th** in the Bell Tower Room, Sacred Heart of Jesus Church. The party will start with a Social hour from 6:00-7:00 p.m. followed by dinner.



Sacred Heart of Jesus Adult Choir
Year 2016-2017

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Adult Choir would like to warmly welcome anyone interested in joining this year. **If a full year commitment is too much, seasonal membership is also welcomed.** All voices are needed and all skill levels are welcome; **no audition** is required. Rehearsals are in the choir loft **Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.** and **Sundays 9:15 a.m.** The choir sings at all 10 a.m. Masses. For more information, contact Robert Blake, music director after Mass or by phone **(508) 634-5435.**



“May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another,” As we await the coming of the Lord, let us live in our marriages with endurance and encouragement. Explore how by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Jan 20-22, 2017 in Duxbury, MA and Mar 17-19, 2017 in South Kingstown, RI. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at www.WWMEMA.org.



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