

# 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](mailto: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 19—December 25**



Mon. 7:00 a.m. For All Our Parishioners  
 Tues. 7:00 a.m. Deceased members of the Cocimano, Conforto and Valastro families by their family  
 Wed. 7:00 a.m. Guidali, Drew, Todd and Conistro families by the family  
 Fri. 7:00 a.m. Arthur and Margaret Bertorelli by Ed Bertorelli

**Solemnity of Christmas**

Sat. 4:00 p.m. **Armand & Mary Perrault & Theresa Mussulli by their family**  
 Midnight **For All Our Parishioners**  
 Sun. 8:00 a.m. **Jenny Oliveri by the family**  
 10:00 a.m. **Alex & Mary Anderson and Leon & Anna Zocchi by the family**



**Deborah Suwalski**



**Religious Education helps to build a strong foundation**  
**Sunday, December 18th**, the Year 1 Confirmation class "Who you are and Whose You Are" will be held in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for all 9th grade students and any 10th grade make up students.



**SERVICE MUSIC**  
**December 18 2016**

**Entrance:** See How the Virgin Waits (204)  
**Preparation:** Mary's Song (329)  
**Communion:** Servant Song (545)  
**Recessional:** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (186)



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.

**SHUT-INS:** If you are aware of an elderly or disabled parishioner, presently homebound, who would like to receive the Eucharist at home, please call rectory at (508) 634-5435 so that we can make arrangements.



**We welcome into our Community of Faith John Lincoln Wallace III**

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



**CHRISTMAS SEASON**  
**MASS SCHEDULES**  
**CHRISTMAS**

Saturday, 4:00 p.m. and 12 Midnight  
**CONCERT BEGINS AT 11:30 P.M.**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

Sunday, 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

**BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**  
**NEW YEAR'S DAY**

Saturday, December 31st Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m.  
 Sunday, January 1, 2017 at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.



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.**

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Did you know....Milford Catholic Elementary School students in grades K-6 gathered with Miss Shea after school on The Feast of the Immaculate Conception to say the Rosary and complete a small craft?



Marriage Encounter blesses not only the couples who attend but the parishes to which they belong. We find that couples who have experienced the weekend come back to their parishes ready to serve the community.

"The desert and the parched land will exult; the steppe will rejoice and bloom." As we await the coming of the Lord, let us rejoice and encourage our marriages to bloom by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are **January 20-22, 2017** in Duxbury, MA and **March 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](http://www.WWMEMA.org).

Children's Liturgy



### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY of the WORD**

The Children's Liturgy program is held on the **1st and 3rd Sundays** of the month at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. After the opening prayers, children in grades K-4 are invited to the **Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph**. During the Children's Liturgy the children hear a children's version of the Scripture readings and learn about their meaning. The children return to their families in the upper church after the Universal Prayers. This program is a wonderful way for our younger children to experience God's Word in a way that is especially meaningful to them.



### **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 each entrance. 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.



### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know that we have a "**PRAYER INTENTION BASKET**" located in the vestibule in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph? Paper and pen are available for you to write out your particular prayer request (**no names please**), and each morning, Monday thru Friday, your intention is prayed for by our Rosary Prayer Group after the 7:00 AM morning Mass. During the months and also the First Friday devotions the petitions are burned and new intentions are collected for the following month. If you have a special need to be prayed for please stop by the Chapel or call the rectory **(508)-634-5435** and they will pass it on to Deacon Pat.

### **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.



### **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 & \$20.00) 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.

### **Parish Financials**

**Parish Support:.....12/11/16.....\$15,358.50**

**Average Wkly. Expenses (Nov).....\$ 8,948.22**

**Thank you for your continued support each week**

**DECEMBER 18, 2016**

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**THIS OUT!**

**CURSILLO WEEKEND**

Cursillo or "short course in Christianity" is an uplifting and educational experience. Cursillo was brought from Spain to the United States in 1962. The weekend is facilitated by a team of laypeople and clergy who deliver organized talks and discussions. What the presenters add to the talks is the witness of their own lives, their struggles and triumphs in Christ. The weekend is full of laughter, prayer, great music, wonderful meals and so much more. Our 2017 dates are: Men's **February 9-12th** & **June 22-25th** ; Women's **May 18-21st** & **October 12-15th**. All weekends will be held at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT. For additional information, please contact Carolyn Galgano at [angels3cma@gmail.com](mailto:angels3cma@gmail.com). or call (508)-847-7005 or Joan Laracy at 774-239-2474 or [joanlaracy@yahoo.com](mailto:joanlaracy@yahoo.com).

**IMPORTANT!**

**ARE YOU REGISTERED**

Being a registered parish member is a help for such things as baptisms, weddings and religious education of children. It also assures that you are receiving the latest news about parish activities and programs. Registering in our parish is easy. Simply contact the rectory at (508) 634-5435 and ask for a registration form. The form takes less than 5 minutes to fill out, When finished please return it to the rectory or drop it in the collection basket at Mass. Forms may also be found at the entrances of the church.

*Sing Praise* 

**SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHOIR**

The **ADULT CHOIR** under the direction of Robert Blake meets every **Thursday at 7:30 p.m.** in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses , Mary and Joseph. If you love to sing and are willing to make a commitment to this enriching ministry, please join at this time. We are especially in need of tenors, and basses. **Many ordinary voices can make a beautiful sound. No auditions are needed. For more information you may contact the rectory at**

**We encourage all Altar Servers, Lectors and Ministers of the Eucharist to kindly get a replacement if you find that you are unable to fulfill your scheduled weekend obligation.**