

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY SAINT BRIGID + OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

PARISH OFFICE

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Julie Olson Principal

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774-262-5506

MASS TIMES

St. Brigid Church

59 Main Street

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM and 11:00 AM

ASSUMPTION CHURCH

10 Waters Street Sunday: 9:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday & Thursday 9:00AM

Tuesday & Wednesday 7:00AM

All at Assumption Church

PARISH STAFF

CLERGY

Rev. Daniel R. Mulcahy, Jr. Pastor

Rev. Mr. Ronald B. Buron
Deacon
Facilities
Safe Environment

ADMINISTRATION

Ronald Marlborough Buildings and Grounds

PASTORAL ASSOCIATES

Sister Jeanne Richard, S.A.S.V.
Pastoral Care Ministry Emerita

Gregory Bernard

Adolescent & Young Adult Faith Formation Youth Ministry Communications

> **Deborah R. Blicharz** Children's Faith Formation Community Life and Outreach

> > Claudette Belair
> > Music Ministry

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated each month.
To prepare for your child's Baptism, parents will attend a preparational session. For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish office.

Penance and Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM or anytime upon request.

Marriage

Please call the parish office at least one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the office when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice.

Holy Communion is brought to shut-ins upon request.



Sat., February 6

4:00 PM Gladys Quitadamo

By: The Mazzone family

Sun., February 7

7:00 AM Daniel Mazeika, Jr.

By: The family

9:00 AM 50th Wedding Anniversary

Richard and Judy Croteau

Renewal of Vows

11:00 AM William Devoe, 15th Anniversary

By: The family

Mon., February 8

9:00 AM Intentions of the Assumption School

8th Grade Religion Class

By: Deborah Blicharz

Tue., February 9

7:00 AM In Honor of St. Jude

By: A parishioner

The People of the Catholic Parishes

of Millbury

Wed., February 10

7:00 AM Virginia Dower

By: Fr. Dan

Thu., February 11

9:00 AM The Deceased Members of the

Richard Family By: Sr. Jeanne

Sat., February 13

4:00 PM Ann Mulcahy

By: Helen Prue

Sun., February 14

7:00 AM Andrew J. Mulcahy, Jr.

By: Rita Cogliandro

9:00 AM John "Jack" Kennedy

By: Aline Bourdeau

11:00 AM Edward F. Wall, 8th Anniversary

By: The family

St. Joseph Candle Burning Feb 6 - Feb. 12

At Assumption Church

In Loving Memory of

Deceased Members of the Piorkowski Family

Requested by: Cathy Piorkowski



Saturday, Feb. 13, 4:00 PM at St. Brigid

AS: R. Prue, T. Yaz

L: D. Blicharz

EM: P. Michalak, K. Levitre

Sunday, Feb. 14, 7:00 AM at St. Brigid

AS: J. Mazeika

L: T. Mattus

EM: N. Tabor. A. Nocchi

Sunday, Feb. 14, 9:00 AM at Assumption

AS: J. Giro, M. Hoban

L: L. Flagg

EM: J. Hoban, B. McClear

Sunday, Feb. 14, 11:00 AM at St. Brigid

AS: N/A

L: M. & J. Piselli EM: P. & J. Prince

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2021

SUNDAY Feb. 7 Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

MONDAY Feb. 8 Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56

TUESDAY Gn 1:20—2:4a/Mk 7:1-13

WEDNESDAY Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Mk 7:14-23

Feb. 10 On 2.40-9, 10-17/Mix 7.

Feb. 11 Gn 2:18-25/Mk 7:24-30

FRIDAY Feb. 12 Gn 3:1-8/Mk 7:31-37

SATURDAY Feb. 13 Gn 3:9-24/Mk 8:1-10

SUNDAY 1... 12:1 2 44 46/4 6- 10:21

Feb. 14 Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45



MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Prayer Line: 508-865-6853 or 508-756-9854

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, call one of the confidential prayer lines listed above.



In Loving Memory



John & Julia Anger

Lee Aubin

Jeanne Augustine

Larry F. Army

Gregory Barlay

Albina Bartkus

Edward Bartkus

Ann Beesley

Arthur G. Boucher

Patricia Bourdeau

Sylvio E. Bourdeau

Joseph & Rose Cataldo

Frank Cammuso

Philip Chabot, Sr.

Rita Cogliandro

Albert and Helen Collette

Pat and Tiff Correia

Donna "Gain" Cournoyer

Karen A. Courville

Roland O. Couture

Arthur "Archie" Cronin

Gerald & Peggy Croteau

George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.

George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.

Kathleen M. DeCillis

Raymond DeRouin

Armand Desorcy

Diane Dion

Joseph Dunn

Timothy P. Eckland

Jonathan Favreau

Lois M. Fisher

Gabrielle G. Gaboriault

Joe & Jean Gagliardi

William Gain, Jr.

Bernice Gaudere

Reggie Gauthier

Ruth Gonsorcik

John & Irene Guyan

Robert James (Sam) Guyan

Betty Hamilton

Derek Hamilton

Thomas & Patricia Hamilton

Robert J. Hamilton

Matthew Hartline

John Huchowski

Paul J. Jandron

Joanne Juskavitch

Joseph V. Kane

Richard Kroll

Michael P. Krumsiek

Lillian Langevin

Tan Le

Noe R. LeBeau, Sr.

Edward L. Lemoine

Kevin Lemoine

Rita Lemoine

Mark Lizotte

William and Irene Louis

Joseph Matthews

Margaret Matthews

Leo & Jane Metivier

Kenneth Michalak

Mary B. Mrozinski

Lorraine Mooney

Elsie Moguin

Ann Mulcahy

Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.

Albert Nikosey

Evelyn Noonan

Lvelyn Moonan

Joseph Noonan

Rosemary Norton

John P. & Bridget O'Malley

Virginia Richnick

Arlene Riedle

Stephen Rodwill

Elaine Roy

Darlene Russell

Dorothy Russell

Marshall Russell

Michael W. Russell

William Russell

Bob & Rita Shea

Gino Silveri

Lucien Sirard

Maureen L. Stacy

C. Richard Stockhaus

Joseph F. Stockwell

James Tabor

Neal R. Thomas

Connor Tronerud

Chester Urban

Robert E. Vaillancourt

Nancy Vaillancourt

Lucille Vecchione

William T. Walsh

Paula Ward

Margaret Wendt

Dolores White

Ronald Woodward

Frank J. Yaz



May They Rest in Peace



Would you like to remember a loved one in our Remembrance section? The cost of enrollment will be a \$50 donation for the year. Please contact the office (508) 865-6624 to enroll your loved one(s).

YOUTH & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION













Given the continued increasing COVID-19 cases, we will be postponing the start of the Little Lambs program through May. Please watch this space for updates.

Wishing you all a blessed and healthy new year!

Faith Formation Update



Due to the increase in local COVID numbers, we have moved to a fully remote Faith Formation format in all grades 2-10. We have adjusted curriculums accordingly and are in the process of communicating revised schedules to all families. We will remain in this remote model at minimum through the end of February. We pray that all our families have a healthy and blessed 2021!



In the charity of your prayers, please remember the souls of

Neil W. Callahan
Ronald P. Plamondon
Phyllis T. Sauriol
Brian P. Silver
Carol Ann Sullivan

who have gone home to God. May they rest in Christ's eternal light and peace.

Care for Creation Corner



"The environment...is on loan to each generation, which must then hand it on to the next." (Laudato Si 159)

Unused food can be composted which puts it to good use if your family does any type of gardening. Discuss the modern meaning of the phrase in Genesis 2:15 - "to keep and cultivate the garden".

What is expected of us to "keep it"?

Time how long you are in the shower. Try to keep your shower to less than 4 minutes on average.

Use rechargeable batteries and eliminate the waste, consume less!! Example: Keeping your phone for 4 years instead of 2 has an environmental impact.

Check storyofstuff.org

Discuss with the oldest members of your family their perspectives on protecting the environment.

Express your hopes for the future.

Ministries



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Diocese of Worcester Catholic Parishes of Millbury Phone: 774-262-5506

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Third Sunday - 10:00 AM
The Offices of the
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
New Members Welcome!

Parish Food Collection

Monthly: First Weekend Food Bins are located in the Main Entrance of the Church

All food donations must be dropped off on food drive dates and placed in the large blue bins only, no exceptions. NO Perishables, NO Cleanouts.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Monthly: First Weekend - 12:15 PM St. Brigid Church Hall

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS LIST

THE PANTRY IS IN NEED OF:

Oatmeal, Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup, Paper Goods, Snacks

Please No Perishable, Expired Dates, or Pet Food.

Mass Intentions and Candles

DID YOU KNOW? The sanctuary lamp or sometimes called a sanctuary light/candle burns before the tabernacle to indicate and honor the presence of Christ ... to let us know that Jesus is home.

DID YOU KNOW? That beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St. Joseph."

DID YOU KNOW? To honor St. Joseph, candles are being made available for your intentions at the statues of St. Joseph in both St. Brigid and Assumption churches.

DID YOU KNOW? Mass Intentions, Sanctuary Candles, and St. Joseph Candles are available for 2021. Masses are still available on weekends and weekdays.

If you would like to schedule a Mass, Sanctuary Candle, or St. Joseph Candle please call the office at 508-865-6624, send an email to secretary@stbrigidparish.org or stop by the office during regular business hours, Monday – Thursday from 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM.

Please be sure to include your name and phone number in any contact along with your request.

Annual Partners in Charity Appeal 2021

Recently, many of you received a letter signed by your Pastor addressed to parishioners of St. Brigid Parish and Our Lady of the Assumption Parish about the 2021 Annual Partners in Charity Appeal.

The timing of this letter has caused, understandably, some confusion. People have wondered if this was a follow-up to the 2020 appeal which fell short of its \$5 million goal, asking for an additional gift to help make up the shortfall. That is not the case.

The most recent letter you received is, rather, about the 2021 Appeal. You may wonder why the Appeal is starting so early in the year as opposed to the usual spring roll-out, especially when many of us are still paying on pledges made to the 2020 Appeal.

Our Diocese of Worcester is in the middle of a large Capital Campaign called Legacy of Hope, targeted with raising more than \$32 million for several needs including Catholic Education, but, most crucially, for retirement and long-term care for priests which is currently short-funded to the tune of an unsustainable \$1 million per fiscal year. In short, for every dollar parishioners in each parish pledge or contribute to the Legacy of Hope Campaign, sixty cents would go to the campaign, while forty cents would remain in the parishes for needs right here.

Many parishes in the diocese have already conducted the Legacy of Hope Campaign in earlier phases. Here in Millbury, our parishes are in Phase IV of the Campaign which will begin in earnest this coming spring, along with 38 other parishes in the diocese. For these 40 parishes, the annual Partners in Charity Appeal is being moved up for this year only to keep it from conflicting with this spring's Legacy of Hope Capital Campaign.

I hope this clears up some of the confusion, rather than muddying the already murky waters!

Please watch the bulletin and the parish websites for more information on both of these vital outreaches for our Church in the Diocese of Worcester.

Father Dan



My Child,

You may not know me, but I know everything about you. I know when you sit down and when you rise up. I am familiar with all your ways. Even the very hairs on your head are numbered. For you were made in my image. In me you live and move and have your being. For you are my offspring. I knew you even before you were conceived. I chose you when I planned creation. You were not a mistake, for all your days are written in my book. I determined the exact time of your birth and where you would live. You are fearfully and wonderfully made. I knit you together in your mother's womb. And brought you forth on the day you were born. I have been misrepresented by those who don't know me. I am not distant and angry, but am the complete expression of love. And it is my desire to lavish my love on you. Simply because you are my child and I am your Father. I offer you more than your earthly father ever could. For I am the perfect Father. Every good gift that you receive comes from my hand. For I am your provider and I meet all your needs. My plan for your future has always been filled with hope. Because I love you with an everlasting love. My thoughts toward you are countless as the sand on the seashore. And I rejoice over you with singing. I will never stop doing good for you. For you are my treasured possession. I desire to establish you with all my heart and all my soul. And I want to show you great and marvelous things. If you seek me with all your heart, you will find me. Delight in me and I will give you the desires of your heart. For it is I who gave you those desires. I am able to do more for you than you could possibly imagine. For I am your greatest encourager. I am also the Father who comforts you in all your troubles. When you are brokenhearted, I am close to you. As a shepherd carries a lamb I have carried you close to my heart. One day I will wipe every tear from your eyes. And I'll take away all the pain you have suffered on this earth. I am your Father and I love you even as I love my son, Jesus. For in Jesus, my love for you is revealed. He is the exact representation of my being. He came to demonstrate that I am for you, not against you. And to tell you that I am not counting your sins. Jesus died so that you and I could be reconciled. His death was the ultimate expression of my love for you. I gave up everything I loved that I might gain your love. If you receive the gift of my son, Jesus, you receive me. And nothing will ever separate you from my love again. Come home and I'll throw the biggest party heaven has ever seen. I have always been Father and will

Love ... Your Dad ... Almighty God

always be Father. My question is ... Will you be my child? I am waiting for you.

This Week

SATURDAY ~ FEBRUARY 6 No Events

SVDP Food Distribution @ SBH 12:15 PM SLAA @ SBH 7:30 PM

MONDAY ~ FEBRUARY 8

AA @ SBH 7:00 PM

GA @ OLAH 8:00 PM

TUESDAY ~ FEBRUARY 9
OA @ SBH 6:30-8:00 PM
Cub Scouts @ OLAH 6:00-8:00 PM

WEDNESDAY ~ FEBRUARY 10 No Events

THURSDAY ~ FEBRUARY 11
Girl Scouts @ OLAH 6:00 PM
Cub Scouts @ SBH 6:30-8:00 PM

FRIDAY ~ FEBRUARY 12
No Events

<u>SATURDAY ~ FEBRUARY 13</u> Scouts Pinewood Derby @ OLAH 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

> SUNDAY ~ FEBRUARY 14 SLAA @ SBH 7:30 PM

KEY TO LOCATIONS

SBC=St. Brigid Church
SBH=St. Brigid Hall
CPO=Catholic Parish Office
OLAC=Assumption Church
OLAH=Assumption Hall
OLAS=Assumption School



Parish Secretary

The Catholic Parishes of Millbury is looking for a secretary to work Monday through Thursday 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM. Must be computer literate, and familiarity with office and church responsibilities would be an asset.

Salary and hours are negotiable.

Call Deacon Ron Buron at 508-865-6624 if interested or with questions.



FINANCIALS

Catholic Parishes of Millbury

Income
January 24, 2021

Regular Weekly Collection\$3,389.00Ordinary Collection Monthly\$1,128.53Online Giving\$995.00

Total Regular Weekly Collection \$5,512.53

Other Parish Income:

Debt (incl. online when appl.) \$311.00 Specialty Ministries (incl. online when appl.) \$225.00 Utilities (incl. online when applicable) \$307.00 Mass Stipends \$30.00 Candles \$40.00 \$450.00 In Remembrance Catholic Free Press \$39.00 **Initial Offering** \$50.00 **OLA** Reimbursement \$3,591.91 Christmas Flowers \$25.00

Total Other Income \$5,068.91

Total Income \$10,581.44

\$18,189.45

Catholic Parishes of Millbury

<u>Cash Flow</u> January 22-28, 2021

Payroll (1/23) \$2,990.08 PayChex, Inc. (Payroll Processing Fees) (1/9 & 1/16) \$69.60 Payroll Taxes (1/9) \$1.066.89 RC Bishop of Worc. (Old Debt) \$4,021.00 RC Bishop of Worc. (403B Plan) \$370.36 RC Bishop of Worc. (Catholic Univ) \$420.00 Eversource (Gas) \$6,441.71 KMB IT Consult (*Phones*) \$99.13 \$207.60 Laurence Candle (Altar) National Grid (Electric) \$993.11 SVDP (Stipend) \$260.00 USPS (Stamps) \$165.00 WB Mason (Office) \$84.97 Assumption School (Catholic Schools Appeal) \$1,000.00

TAX STATEMENTS

Total monies paid

If you would like to receive a tax statement for this year, please call the parish office during regular business hours (Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM) or send an email to secretary@stbrigidparish.org.



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SENIOR CENTER NEWS

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Every Tuesday from 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM The Blood Pressure Clinic is held inside now. Come to the front door and we will escort you from there. Masks are required, along with social distancing!

GRAB N' GO MEALS

Lunch meals will be available to be picked up daily at the front door at 11:30 AM. The menu is available on the town website www.townofmillbury.org, or our Millbury Senior Center Facebook page. A 48 hour reservation is required. For more information or reservations call us at 508-865-9154.

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER IS NOW ACCEPTING **SNAP APPLICATIONS (Food Stamps)**

Appointments are on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 10:00 - 2:00 PM. Call 508-865-9154 to schedule an appointment and obtain the required documentation.

This project has been funded at least in part with Federal Funds from USDA. This institution is an equal opportunity provider. The USDA does not endorse any goods, services or enterprises.

The Senior Center is closed to the Public.

While the building is not open to the public the Food Pantry at the Millbury Senior Center is available from 9AM to 1PM Monday thru Friday by calling 508-865-9247 for an appointment. Our food pantry is fully stocked at this time. Please tell us what you need and you can pick it up or we will deliver it. We are still here to answer any questions you may have and we are available for your transportation to doctors appointments, or if you need to go to the drug store for your prescriptions, we will take you there. If you don't have a mask, we will give you one. Also if you are in need of a home delivered meal, give us a call and we will set you up to get one delivered to you. Keep safe and remember to wear a mask if you go out and to wash your hands frequently.



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

Catholic schools prepare every student to meet the challenges of their future by developing their mind, yes, but also their body and their soul and spirit.

~ David Vitter

COVID-19

ENTER/EXIT: Use the front doors only at both churches for entry and exit. Only in an emergency, should the nearest safe exit be used. Please go directly to and from your vehicles before and after Mass.

ACCESSIBILITY: Anyone needing the accessible elevette at Assumption Church will still be able to do so via the rear hall door.

COVER UP: Masks must be worn at all times in the church except when it is time to receive Holy Communion.

SEATING: Every other pew has been taped-off closed for social distancing. In each open pew we have marked off, with stickers or tape, six feet of spacing as a point of reference. Families/Households sitting together do not need to safe distance.

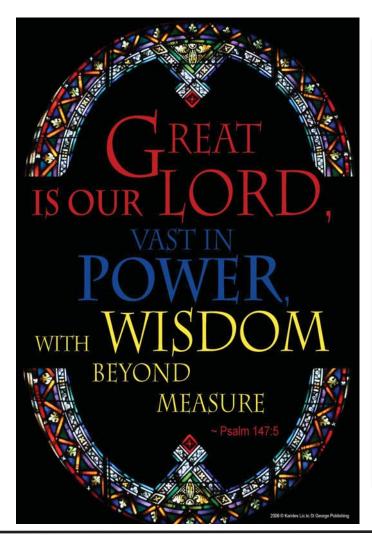
WALK THIS WAY: All aisles are marked with arrows on the floor to allow for safe flow of traffic during Communion.

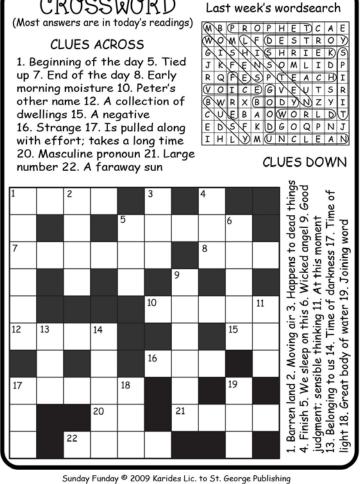
COMMUNION: Only the Body of Christ will be offered for the foreseeable future. Please practice six feet of social distancing at all times during communion.

SIGN OF PEACE: Please use a non-contact sign of peace with a friendly wave to those around you.

PROCESSIONS: The priest, deacon and ministers will not process via the center aisle before or after Mass.

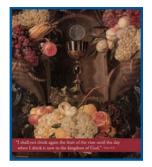
SANITIZE: While we will have some hand sanitizer pump bottles accessible in both churches, we encourage all to bring their own personal size supply to Mass if possible.







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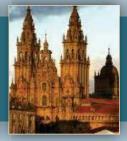
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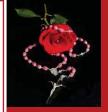
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