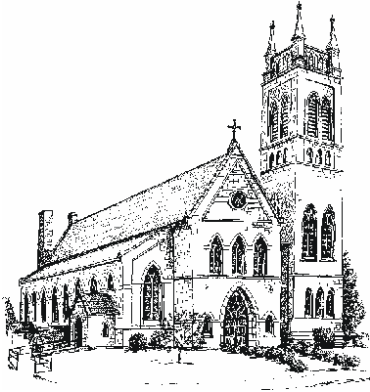


Saint Mary of the Assumption



*Igreja Santa Maria
Da Assunção
Iglesia Santa María De La Asunción*

**Twentieth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
August 14, 2005**

Milford, Massachusetts

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
ADVENTURE BEGINS MONDAY!!!!**

On Monday, August 15th, more than 250 children and volunteers will gather for Saint Mary Vacation Bible School, Kingdom of the Son. They will gather each morning – Monday through Friday – from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in our Parish Center and grounds. Please keep our children and volunteers in your prayers throughout the week. A special Mass to conclude the week will be held on Sunday, August 21st, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. REMINDER – All volunteers for VBS will meet for the PEP RALLY on August 14th from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall!!!



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION THIS FALL!!!**

When religious education classes begin next month, we will need some enthusiastic and dedicated adults and teens who are willing to share their faith and help with the spiritual growth of our young children. We are launching many new programs this year, and are very excited to get going, but we have some spots that need to be filled!!! If you are feeling the call to get involved this year, please contact Sandy at 508478-7440.

**2005-2006 MINISTRY FAIR
COMING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH
A FUN-FILLED DAY
SEE THE BIG PICTURE
UNDER THE BIG TOP
FUN & GAMES
FOOD - ENTERTAINMENT**



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 13

4:00 pm...George Kevorkian Sr., and George Kevorkian, Jr. (Wife & Family)

Sunday, August 14

6:00 pm...Barbara (Dugan) Roth (Family)

Monday, August 15

9:00 am...FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Tuesday, August 16

9:00 am...Lou Lombardi (Family)

Wednesday, August 17

9:00 am ... Ursula & Jose da Costa (Maria Pinto)

Thursday, August 18

9:00 am...All the Holy Souls in Purgatory (Helpers of the Holy Souls)

Friday, August 19

9:00 am...Thomas Cunniff (Family)

Saturday, August 20

9:00...For those who died in July

Sunday, August 21

6:00 pm...Albano, Angelina & Charles Valanzola (Family)

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

III George Gama & Amelia Hodgens
II Jason Gomes & Caterina Fernandes
I Anthony Meo & Elizabeth Stansky

NEW LITURGY OF THE WORD PROGRAM

Volunteers are needed for "Liturgy of the Word", a new program for our young people that will be held during the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. Help is needed in many different capacities. Please call the Religious Education Office at 508-478-7440, if you would like more information.

SAINT MARY'S PLANS TO OFFER CHILDCARE THIS FALL

Saint Mary's is hoping to offer childcare during the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass beginning in the Fall. Certified babysitters are needed in order to make this service to our young families successful. If you feel you are dedicated and qualified, please call the Religious Education Office at 508-478-7440.

**PARISH CENSUS HAS
BEGUN
HAVE YOU
RESPONDED YET??
New Member contact Forms
Available in the Pews**

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Saturday, September 10, 2005

10:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Religious Education season is right around the corner! Anyone volunteering with this wonderful ministry (as well as any other youth ministry) must attend a Safe Environment Training session. An on-site training session will be held for those who have not been through the training yet and wish to volunteer. This session will be held in the Community Room of the Parish Center. Please bring your driver's license (if available) for the CORI background check. You are encouraged to register for class to assure appropriate materials are available. To register, please contact Heather Buckley with your name and telephone number by calling 508-473-7432, or emailing hasbuckley@yahoo.com.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK AND SUFFERING, ESPECIALLY: Mary Byron, Barbara McDonnell, Allison Fishlock, Donald Iadarola, Sue McCallum, Emilia Donahue, Ben Smith, Tina Steward, Nicholas Celozzi, Anthony Scafuto, James Ferguson, Manuel Lage, Carolyn Henkel, Tom Flynn, Peter Kantor, Samir Zaki, Joseph Glover, Jr., Bella Vilardo, Drew Iadarola, Bob Mairs, Mary Lou Thompson, Iris de la Rosa, MaryEllen Caldwell, Stephen Piscitello, Josephine Bergantino, C.J. DiGiallorardo, Helen Bucchino, Joaquin Silva, Bob Renaghan, Meghan Hope, Josephine Basile. Sherry Horgan, Janet Parsekian, Catherine Lucier, Bill Donovan, Nancy Ahearn, Lori Tyler, C. Curran, Daniel Smith, Roseanne Kitchens, Ann McLain, Andrew Smith,. Please let us know when someone is acutely ill so that we can pray for them at Sunday Mass. We will continue to pray for all our sick family, friends and neighbors each day.

UPDATING OUR CENSUS SECOND TRY

We had an excellent response to our first attempt at updating our census. More than 3,200 parishioners responded to the mailing. But we still have a long way to go. Our records contain over 7000 parishioners and it is critical that we are able to confirm their membership in Saint Mary's Parish.

In the past few weeks a second letter was sent to all those who have not yet responded. We really do hope to hear from you soon. As decisions are made for the distribution of Priests to various parishes in the future, accurate census information will be required. Pastoral planning requires that we have accurate information on which to use our limited resources. There are also simple, inexpensive ways to keep in touch with our parish family if we have accurate contact information. We do hope to hear from you very soon.

Dear friend of Saint Mary's,

Because we have you listed as an active member of Saint Mary of the Assumption parish, this past Easter you received a census renewal packet. More than 3,200 people have already responded to the census renewal. Unfortunately we have not heard from you so far. We are trying to keep this process as simple as possible. We need to confirm the membership status of everyone listed on our records and update family information when necessary.

First, please let us know if you still consider yourself a member of Saint Mary parish. If your membership status has changed please let us know so that we can update our membership records.

Hopefully, you still have your census packet. We realize in our busy lives such items can often end up in a "to do" pile. Please make any corrections and send it to us as soon as possible.

If you have misplaced your census packet please call the office at 508-473-2000 between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM any weekday. We will either send you a new packet or if time permits update your family file over the phone.

Contact information such as your mailing address, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses are extremely important. The information you give us is **confidential** and will only be used for internal church use.

To update the census information for so many people is a massive undertaking. We do appreciate your participation and support. Your prompt cooperation will help Saint Mary's continue to build up the Body of Christ in our small part of the world.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
(Rev) Michael G. Foley
Pastor

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A SPIRITUAL HOME? YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

If you are new to Milford or just have not had the time to register in a parish, this is a wonderful opportunity to become a member of the St. Mary family. There are contact forms in the pews. You can fill one out and drop it in the collection basket and we will call you shortly. Or you can just call the parish house between 8:30 am and 4:00 pm any weekday and we will be glad lead you through the registration process.

BUDGET 2004-2005

Total Collection 8/7/2005:

\$ 11,616.90

Parish Support:

\$ 10,554.90

ST. PATRICK'S FOUNDATION RECEIVES \$ 1,162.00 TITHE THIS WEEK FOR DAILY BREAD FOOD PANTRY

This past week our tithe of \$1,162.00 will be given to support the work with the poor of the Saint Patrick's foundation in Kingston, Jamaica. Our tithe this week will be given to our own Daily Bread Food Pantry to help those in need in Milford. Your generosity makes a world of difference.

Holy Hour for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

EVERY TUESDAY at the Fatima Shrine in Holliston, following the 1:00 p.m. Mass, there is a Holy Hour for the Holy Souls in Purgatory sponsored by the Helpers of the Holy Souls. Prayer packs are available,

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!!!

To thank those who have so generously given to our *Legacy 150 Campaign*, Saint Mary of the Assumption would like to invite you to a "Thank You Brunch" to be held on Sunday, October 16th, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Since calendars fill up so fast with all our busy schedules, we wanted to give you a heads up so you can mark it down now! Please look for a personal invitation and bulletin reminders closer to the date. Until then, thank you very much for your generosity.

Masses: Saturday 4:00 (English) 7:30 PM (Brazilian-chapel)

Sunday, 8:00 (English), 9:15 (Portuguese), 10:30 (English), 11:00 AM (Spanish-chapel) & 6:00 PM (English)

Daily Mass at 9:00 AM with Adoration and Benediction on First Fridays

Miraculous Medal Novena: 1st Monday at 7:00 pm (in lower Church)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm or by personal appointment

Baptisms: Fourth Sunday of each Month

Parish should be contacted prior to the choosing of Godparents. Parents are expected to attend an evening of reflection before the Baptism. Marriages: Couples planning to receive the Sacrament of Matrimony should contact the parish twelve months before the proposed wedding date.

We welcome all newcomers to our parish and invite you to register as members of our community. Please call the Parish House (473-2000) during the week. We look forward to meeting you.

PASTOR: Reverend Michael G. Foley

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Reverend Kevin Hartford

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Sister Theresa Lucier, SP

DEACON: George O'Connor

RELIGIOUS ED COORDINATOR: Sandra Piwko MCES PRINCIPAL: Sr. Roberta Salah, S.S.J.

COORDINATOR OF FAITH FORMATION: Robert Daly

ADMINISTRATOR: Steven Jubin

COORDINATOR OF MUSIC: Robert Blake, Jr.

Parish House: 27 Pearl Street (508) 473-2000

Parish Center: 17 Winter Street (508) 478-7440

Catholic Elementary School: 11 East Main Street (508) 473-7303

Portuguese and Spanish Apostolate: (508) 473-2000