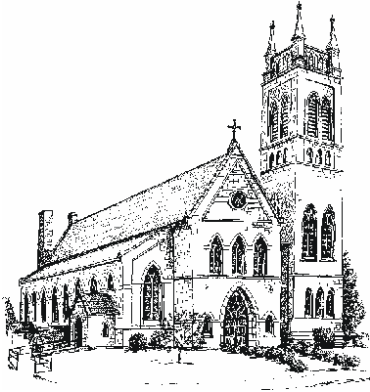


Saint Mary of the Assumption



Igreja Santa Maria

Da Assunção

Iglesia Santa María De La Asunción

Twenty-fifth Sunday
In Ordinary Time
September 18, 2005

Milford, Massachusetts

2005-2006 MINISTRY FAIR

NEXT SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

A FUN-FILLED DAY

SEE THE BIG PICTURE

UNDER THE BIG TOP

FUN & GAMES - FOOD -

ENTERTAINMENT



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD
STARTS NEXT SUNDAY**

SEPTEMBER 25TH - 10:30 MASS

Our new children's liturgy of the word starts next Sunday, September 25th at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Children ages 4,5,6 can participate in this special liturgy just for children. KIDS come give it a try - *it's just for you!!!*



**Becoming a Disciple
Generations of Faith
Registration Today**

**HURRICANE RELIEF
TOTALS \$13,024.24**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 17

4:00 pm... Thomas H. Seaver [5th ann.] (Family)

Sunday, September 18

6:00 pm... Susan Mespelli (John & Paula Cassidy)

Monday, September 19

9:00 am... Kevin Martorano (Michelle & Gabe DeMartin)

Tuesday, September 20

9:00 am... Arthur & Belmira Coelho (Family)

Wednesday, September 21

9:00 am ... Louis J. Pratt (Family)

Thursday, September 22

9:00 am... George & Grace Elizabeth Clemens (Ruth Morrison & Mary Nelson)

Friday, September 23

9:00 am... Vi Mullaney (M/M Carl Romagnoli)

Saturday, September 24

4:00 pm... For those who died in August: Beatriz Espinal, E. Helen Glennon, Edward Daley, Flora Kowalczyk, John Rice, Erminda Texeira,

Sunday, September 25

6:00 pm... Jean McManamon (John)

WEDDING

Saturday, September 17 – 1:00 p.m.

Angelo Guilarducci & Ana Fraga

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

II Michael Yadgodzinski & Beth Wolfe

II James Quinn & Katie Lynch

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday, September 18

9:00-10:15 am... Grades K & 1
(Meet in Large Hall)

Tuesday, September 20

6:15-8:30 pm... Grades 5 & 6 (Large Hall)

Wednesday, September 21

6:45-9:00 pm... Grades 7 & 8 (Large Hall)

Thursday, September 22

3:30-4:45 pm... Grade 3

3:30-5:00 pm... Grade 4

Sunday, September 25

8:45-10:15 am... Grade 2 First Reconciliation
Preparation

(Parent Meeting, too)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Closed

Tuesday & Thursday – 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Friday – By appointment only

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

We will close with Benediction.

This is a means of increasing our devotion in the weeks leading up to our diocesan Eucharistic Congress to be held on October 28/29th.

BABYSITTING STARTS THIS SUNDAY AT THE 10:30 A.M.

MASS!!!

We are happy to be offering babysitting for our families with young children this year (babies through age 3). The babysitting room will be located off the large hall near the back parking lot. Flyers will soon be available describing this new ministry. In order to get an idea of how many families might be interested in this service, we have placed forms in the vestibule of the church. Please stop by and indicate ages of the children who might use this service. If you have any questions regarding babysitting, please call our Coordinator, **Mary Beth Knief at 508-634-8258.**

FIRST CONFIRMATION RETREAT THIS WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 17/18TH

The first of three Confirmation retreats will take place this weekend of September 17/18th at Oakhurst Retreat Center in Whitinsville. Please keep our young people and leaders in your prayers as they begin the process of preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this spring.

EVENING OF REFLECTION

For all Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors,
and Sextons.

All are invited on Thursday, September 29th, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. for an evening of adoration, reflection, and any questions you might have about your important liturgical ministry here at Saint Mary's.

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 Vilaro, Drew Iadarola, Bob Mairs, Mary Lou Thompson, Iris de la Rosa, MaryEllen Caldwell, Stephen Piscitello, Josephine Bergantino, C.J. DiGiallonardo, Helen Bucchino, Joaquin Silva, Bob Renaghan, Meghan Hope, Josephine Basile, Virginia McDonough, Sherry Horgan, Catherine Lucier, Bill Donovan, Nancy Ahearn, Lori Tyler, C. Curran, Daniel Smith, Roseanne Kitchens, Andrew Smith, Richard Stapleton, Tony Grillo. 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.

MCES RAFFLE CALENDARS ON SALE NOW!

Families from Milford Catholic Elementary School are selling these October Raffle Calendars after all masses this weekend in the foyer of the church. This year's Raffle Calendar contains \$3,600 in ALL CASH PRIZES to be awarded each day in October. Most days in October we'll be giving away a \$100 prize, but on October 1st and 31st, the prize is \$250. And on October 15th, the prize is \$300!! Each calendar costs \$10., and you can win up to 30 times! Profits from this fundraiser support all aspects of education at Milford Catholic. Thank you for supporting our school.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM TO BE OFFERED TWICE EACH MONTH

Beginning in September, a group celebration of this Sacrament will be offered twice each month (except December) on the second and fourth Sunday. Besides providing for smaller celebrations, this will also give our young families more flexibility in scheduling such an important family event.

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.



Our Church Family

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.



LOTS OF FOOD—INEXPENSIVE
*hot dogs, soda, chips, cotton candy,
popcorn*

LOTS OF GAMES FOR THE KIDS
Face painting

*Games with prizes i.e. bean bag toss,
fish game, knock over the pins etc.*

*1:00 pm-Organized games, i.e.
sack races, wheelbarrow,
egg toss, three legged race*

SATURDAY Sept 24, 2004

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on the Parish Grounds

Why was St. Mary of the Assumption chosen as one of the five outstanding Catholic Parishes in all of Massachusetts? Find out for Yourself. Join us for a Fun Day to Celebrate the incredible richness and diversity of our special parish family. Did you know that St. Mary has over 85 ministries, programs, services and events. This is a chance for you to have a fun day and learn about your parish. Don't be shy. Come join us for a truly great day.



To Learn more about all the individual Ministries, Programs and Events offered through St. Mary Parish, go to our web page and click **MINISTRIES, PROGRAMS & EVENTS**.

You can also personally express your interest on-line by clicking on **INFO & SIGNUP** at the bottom of each ministry page. Just fill in the form and press send.

<http://www.stmarymilford.org/>

Following Jesus

**Becoming
a Disciple**



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Becoming a Disciple Generations of Faith Registration This Weekend

**This Weekend, September 17th and 18th
We will be taking registrations for our first
Generations of Faith session of the season.**

The session date is October 2nd at 11:30 a.m.

**Our theme for this year is “Following Jesus”.
The first session on October 2nd, is called
“Becoming a Disciple”. Here we will look at the
first apostles, their call, their answer and what
lessons we can draw for ourselves as disciples
today. (We’re not supposed to say too much ahead
of time about the drama, the art, the music, the
meal, the awesome activities and something a little
fishy going on. So we won’t.) The session begins
with a meal at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday and runs
about 2 1/2 hours including meal time.**

Please Note:

**Even if you have registered for religious education
and paid for your Generations of Faith session,
you are still required to register for each session
you plan to attend so we can order
your meals and supplies.**

**The suggested meal contribution of \$5.00 per
person can be paid at registration or at the door on
October 2nd**

BUDGET 2004-2005

Total Collection 9/11/2005:	\$12,062.52
Parish Support:	\$10,856.52

CATHOLIC CHARITIES USA SERVICES RECEIVES \$1,206.00
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS \$10,654.24
HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF TOTALS \$13,024.24
TITHE THIS WEEK FOR ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

This past week our tithe of \$1,206.00 will be given as the second of two tithes to help Catholic Charities USA to care for those struggling with the aftermath of hurricane Katrina. Last week's special collection of \$10,654.24 and our previous week's tithe of \$1,164.00 brings our total donation to \$13,024.24. Our tithe this week will be given as the first of two tithes for the annual collection for Catholic Schools. This collection is earmarked for our own Milford Catholic Elementary School. Your generosity makes a world of difference.

LEGACY THANK YOU BRUNCH **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: Second and 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