

# THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

## *The Churches of The Assumption and St. Brigid*

### PARISH OFFICES ARE LOCATED AT:

#### **St. Brigid Parish**

59 Main Street, Millbury, MA 01527

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

(508) 865-6624 • Fax: (508) 865-3101

Assumption Parish Phone: (508) 865-2657

St. Vincent de Paul: (774) 262-5506

[www.assumptionmillbury.org](http://www.assumptionmillbury.org) • [www.stbrigidparish.org](http://www.stbrigidparish.org)

Check our websites for individual email addresses.

### MASS TIMES

#### Assumption Church

12 Waters Street

Mon. & Thurs: 9:00 AM

Tues. & Wed: 7:00 AM

Sun: 9:00 AM

#### St. Brigid Church

59 Main Street

Sat: 4:00 PM

Sun: 7:00 AM & 11:00 AM

### PASTORAL & ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Fr. Dan Mulcahy, *Pastor*

Deacon Ron Buron, K.H.S., *Permanent Deacon*  
*Facilities Manager*

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

Claudette Belair, *Music Director*

Greg Bernard, *Faith Formation (Gr. 6-12)*  
*Family Ministry*

Kathy Buron, *Safe Environment Coordinator*

Donna Gazaille, *Administrative Assistant*

Ronald Marlborough, *Maintenance Director*

Carol Trainque, *Faith Formation, (Gr. K-5)*  
*Liturgical Coordinator*

Members of the staff may be contacted by calling the Parish Offices at (508) 865-6624. The offices are open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM until 3:00 PM. If the offices are closed, feel free to leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as we are able.

### SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

#### Reconciliation/Confession

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

#### Baptism

Baptism Gatherings, to prepare families for the sacrament of Baptism, are held 4 times a year. Baptisms are held each month. For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish offices at (508) 865-6624.

#### Holy Matrimony

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance.

#### Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the rectory when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought weekly to all shut-ins.

*We believe in:*

**F**ORMATION OF THE WHOLE CHILD

**A**CADEMIC EXCELLENCE

**I**NTEGRITY

**T**RADITION

**H**ONOR



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# Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat., February 27

4:00 PM **Marion and Linda Hamilton**  
By: The Family

Sun., February 28

7:00 AM **Daniel and Mary Mazeika**  
By: The Family

9:00 AM **George D'Auteuil, Sr.**  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)  
By: Pauline and Family

11:00 AM **Margaret Pescheta**  
By: The Family

Mon., February 29

9:00 AM **Robert "Bob" Morris**  
By: Fr. Dan

Tues., March 1

7:00 AM **Joan Powers** (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)  
By: David Wright

Wed., March 2

7:00 AM **The People of the Catholic  
Parishes of Millbury**

Thurs., March 3

9:00 AM **Susan Bozzi**  
By: Nancy Vaillancourt and Family

Fri., March 4

6:30 PM **Charles Mancuso**  
By: The Family

Sat., March 5

4:00 PM **Ronald Ducharme** (30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
By: The Family

Sun., March 6

7:00 AM **Louise Murphy** (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary)  
By: The Family

9:00 AM **Marilyn McLeod**  
By: The Associates of the Sisters of the  
Assumption

11:00 AM **Theresa Mort**  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mort

*(Our apologies for any errors or misspelled names.)*

## Liturgical Ministers

**Saturday, March 5, 4:00 PM at St. Brigid**

L: J. Palmisano AS: T. Yaz, H. Prue  
EM: P. Correira, L. Magnuson

**Sunday, March 6, 7:00 AM at St. Brigid**

L: J. Mazeika AS: J. Mazeika  
EM: J. Dunn, T. Mattus

**Sunday, March 6, 9:00 AM at Assumption**

L: J. Hoban AS: M. Hoban, M. Le, A. Seaman  
EM: C. Piorkowski, Sr. Jeanne

**Sunday, March 6, 11:00 AM at St. Brigid**

L: R. & Z. Curnen AS: B. & G. Travers  
EM: M. Horner, K. Hession



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**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent**  
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“He said to the gardener, ‘For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.’” (Luke 13:7) Are you like the barren fig tree? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.

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**SCRIPTURE READINGS**  
**FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2016**

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9  
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4/Lk 4:24-30  
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-9/Mt 18:21-35  
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19  
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Lk 11:14-23  
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6-11, 14, 17/Mk 12:28-34  
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-21/Lk 18:9-14  
Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-7/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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**SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK:**

**Assumption Candle**

*In loving memory of  
**George D'Auteuil, Sr.**  
Requested by Pauline and family*

**St Brigid Candles**

*In loving memory of  
**Dan Harlan**  
Requested by Jacqueline Gauthier*

*In loving memory of  
**Sam Cogliandro**  
Requested by his family*

*In loving memory of  
**Ray Gazaille**  
Requested by his family*

**Remember in Prayer this Week:**

Those who serve in our Military:

Jimmy Dixon  
Nicole Leonard



Reminder: Forms are available at each parish to add names to the Prayer List or call the rectory at 508-865-6624 with your request. Names will be removed on a monthly basis.

**MINISTRY OF PRAYER  
Prayer Line 508-865-5373**

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




**WELCOME NEW CHRISTIANS**

We welcome to God's world and to our parish family

**Aiden Matthew Morales Lavallee** who was recently baptized here at St. Brigid. We pray God's blessings upon you and your family as you walk on your journey back to him.

**In Remembrance:**

- |                              |                         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| John & Julia Anger           | June Ann Leonard        |
| Jeanne Augustine             | Lorraine Letendre       |
| Larry F. Army                | William W. Louis, Jr.   |
| Arthur G. Boucher            | Ralph & Helen Ludvigson |
| Sylvio E. Bourdeau           | Marilyn McLeod          |
| Susan M. Bozzi               | Leo & Jane Metivier     |
| Mr. & Mrs. Armando Bresciano | Kenneth Michalak        |
| Frank Cammuso, Jr.           | Mary B. Mrozinski       |
| Gerald & Peggy Croteau       | Joseph Noonan           |
| George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.     | Albert Nikosey          |
| George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.     | John P. O'Malley        |
| Raymond DeRouin              | Janet Parsekian         |
| Armand Desorcy               | Anne Rita Pierce        |
| Benjamin M. Donohue          | Elaine Roy              |
| Joseph Dunn                  | Darlene Russell         |
| Timothy P. Eckland           | Dorothy Russell         |
| Lois M. Fisher               | Marshall Russell        |
| Bernice Gaudere              | William Russell         |
| Raymond Godbout              | Pauline Smith           |
| Daniel Guadagnoli            | C. Richard Stockhaus    |
| Derek Hamilton               | Sandra Lee Stockwell    |
| Matthew Hartline             | Margaret E. Stockwell   |
| Paul J. Jandron              | Joseph F. Stockwell     |
| Joanne Juskavitch            | Edward Tokus            |
| Richard Kroll                | Robert E. Vaillancourt  |
| Lillian Langevin             | Lucille Vecchione       |
| Tan Le                       | Margaret Wendt          |
| Kevin Lemoine                | Ronald Woodward         |
| Rita Lemoine                 |                         |

 **Rest in Peace**

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the souls of Robert J. Courtney and Ann M. Kenneway who have gone home to God. May they rest in Christ's eternal light and peace.

<u>St. Brigid Parish</u>	
<u>Income</u>	
<u>Weekend of February 13/14, 2016</u>	
Regular Weekly Collection	\$3,994.00
Electronic Giving (2/8 - 2/14/2016)	\$535.00
<b>Total Regular Weekly Collection</b>	<b>\$4,529.00</b>
Other Parish Income:	
Mass Stipends	\$35.00
Grand Annual	\$6.00
Utilities <i>(includes online when applicable)</i>	\$358.00
Website Reimb. <i>(From Assumption)</i>	\$120.00
Easter Flowers	\$268.00
St. Gobain Matching Gift	\$125.00
In Remembrance <i>(Bulletin)</i>	\$50.00
CSAW Registration	\$1,730.00
Holy Days	\$16.00
Initial Offering	\$20.00
Donation <i>(AA)</i>	\$75.00
Easter	\$20.00
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$2,823.00</b>
<b>Total Income for Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$7,352.00</b>
Other Non-Parish Income:	
Debt	\$533.00
Debt (Electronic Giving)	\$65.00
Specialty Ministries	\$20.00



**SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

**February 27/28...  
SPECIALTY MINISTRIES  
March 5/6 ... DEBT**

<u>Assumption Parish</u>	
<u>Income</u>	
<u>Weekend of February 13/14, 2016</u>	
Regular Weekly Collection	\$1,442.00
Electronic Giving (2/8 - 2/14/2016)	\$75.00
<b>Total Regular Weekly Collection</b>	<b>\$1,517.00</b>
Other Parish Income:	
Mass Stipends	\$25.00
Utilities <i>(includes online when applicable)</i>	\$86.00
Reimb. for Snow Removal <i>(Assumption School)</i>	\$683.33
Funeral	\$300.00
Easter Flowers	\$141.00
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$1,235.33</b>
<b>Total Income for Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,752.33</b>
Other Non-Parish Income:	
Debt	\$165.00
Debt (Electronic Giving)	\$40.00
Catholic Free Press	\$30.00
Specialty Ministries	\$5.00

<u>St. Brigid Cash Flow</u>	
<u>February 12, 2016 - February 18, 2016</u>	
Payroll	\$4,631.34
Payroll Taxes <i>(Includes Employee's Share)</i>	\$2,039.30
PayChex, Inc. <i>(Payroll Processing Fee)</i>	\$33.99
RC Bishop of Worcester <i>(403 B Plan)</i>	\$157.48
Sunday Receipt <i>(Bounced Check)</i>	\$26.75
Aquarion Water <i>(Parish Offices and Church)</i>	\$249.26
Credit Card Fees	\$140.38
Charter Communications <i>(Parish Offices)</i>	\$214.68
GIA Publications <i>(Music)</i>	\$23.34
KMB IT Consulting <i>(Yearly Computer Backup Services)</i>	\$310.00
Our Sunday Visitor <i>(Envelopes)</i>	\$502.30
RC Bishop of Worcester <i>(Budget Bill)</i>	\$3,627.00
Reimbursement for Interstate Batteries <i>(Alarms)</i>	\$65.82
RC Bishop of Worcester <i>(Health Insurance)</i>	\$1,371.48
<b>Total Monies Paid</b>	<b>\$13,393.12</b>

<u>Assumption Cash Flow</u>	
<u>February 12, 2016 - February 18, 2016</u>	
Aquarion Water <i>(Rectory, Convent, Church)</i>	\$360.59
KMB IT Consulting <i>(Hall Internet)</i>	\$470.70
Our Sunday Visitor <i>(Envelopes)</i>	\$135.59
RC Bishop of Worcester <i>(Budget Bill)</i>	\$2,275.00
St. Brigid Parish <i>(Salary Reimbursement)</i>	\$4,059.41
<b>Total Monies Paid</b>	<b>\$7,301.29</b>

**Question: Why do we have a credit card fee and use a credit card if we are in debt?**

**Answer:** The parishes no longer have a credit card. All bills are paid in full on time. When a bill comes in it is placed in Fr. Dan's mailbox for him to initial for payment. Once this is done it is placed in the accountant's mailbox and paid that week (usually on Thursday). The credit card fee is a fee assessed for those parishioners who pay their stewardship through our on line giving program. This type of giving allows parishioners to give to the parish on a regular basis even if they are away on vacation or home sick.

**DID YOU KNOW?**



**Be Merciful Like the Father**

**Celebrating the Jubilee Year of Mercy**

In his 2015 Lenten message, Pope Francis encourages us to ask the Lord to make our hearts like His. In this way, we will receive a heart which is firm and merciful, attentive and generous; a heart which is not closed, indifferent, or prey to the globalization of indifference.”

Today’s gospel is all about conversion. If we are living with both feet firmly on the earth, we cannot but see that we live in a world that is not exactly God’s world. We are not always the people we are called to be, many situations and structures need change and many people live in misery. We need conversion and the world around us needs conversion. In today’s first reading from Exodus, the Lord is quoted as saying “I have witnessed the affliction of my people in Egypt...” As we follow the rest of the Exodus event, we know that God sent Moses to lead the Israelites to a new freedom from slavery. Do we see the sufferings of our brothers and sisters and what do we do about it? For conversion means changing our ways, turning back to God and to one another.

In the parable of the fig tree, Jesus reminds us that our challenge (especially during Lent) is to allow Jesus to “cultivate” us and to “fertilize” us so that we recognize the areas in our lives that need repentance (change) and can begin bearing even more fruit.

In this special time of grace and mercy, we are encouraged to reflect more deeply on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. The corporal works of mercy call us to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead.

The spiritual works of mercy beckon us to counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, comfort the afflicted, forgive offenses, bear wrongs patiently, and pray for the living and the dead. Are we willing to change? As we continue our journey together this Lent, let us allow the embrace of God’s mercy to continue transforming our hearts, making them more and more like His own heart of mercy and love.

*“The mercies of the Lord are never spent,  
they are renewed each morning  
so great is His faithfulness.”*

**The Week Ahead**

SUNDAY ~ FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>

Liturgy of the Word for Children @ OLAH - 9:00 AM  
1st Communion Commitment Mass @ OLAC - 9:00 AM  
Faith Formation - Grades 2 & 3 @ OLAH - 10:00 AM  
Faith Formation - Grades 6 & 7 @ OLAH - 5:00 PM  
SLA @ SBH - 7:30 PM

MONDAY ~ FEBRUARY 29<sup>TH</sup>

AA @ SBH - 7:00 PM  
GA @ OLAH - 7:30 PM

TUESDAY ~ MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>

Bible Study @ SBH - 11:00 AM  
Holy Hour @ SBC - 6:00 PM  
Bible Study @ SBH - 7:00 PM  
Choir Rehearsal @ OLAC - 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY ~ MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup>

Prayer Shawl Ministry @ SBH - 7:00 PM

THURSDAY - MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup>  
Mustard Seed

Cub Scouts @ SBH - 6:00 PM  
Living Stations Rehearsal @ SBC - 7:00 PM  
Religious Emblem Meeting @ OLAC - 7:00 PM

FRIDAY - MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>

Mass and Stations @ OLAC - 6:30 PM

SATURDAY - MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>

Scouts Rosary Patch Series @ SBH - 10:00 AM

SUNDAY ~ MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup>  
SVDP Food Drive

Liturgy of the Word for Children @ OLAH - 9:00 AM  
Faith Formation - Grade 4 @ OLAH - 10:00 AM  
Faith Formation - Grades 8 & 9 @ OLAH - 5:00 PM  
SLA @ SBH - 7:30 PM

**KEY TO LOCATIONS**

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





On Vacation ...



**LENTEN DEATH AND DYING WORKSHOP  
2016**

**Wednesdays - February 17, 24  
March 2, 9, and 16 6:30 to 8:00 PM**

**Brierly Pond Clubhouse  
Horne Way, Millbury**

**Sponsored by the Brierly I Condominium  
Association and the Millbury/Sutton  
Ecumenical Clergy Group**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!  
Bring a friend or a family member!**

**To register please contact Pastor Carol  
Reynolds by phone or email: 508-581-4153 or  
Pastor.millbury1stchurch@verizon.net**

**Spend a Day at NDA!**

Notre Dame Academy is inviting all current seventh grade students and transfer students to spend an academic day at NDA. If you are interested, please contact the Office of Admissions at (508) 757-6200, Ext. 229 or email admissions@nda-worc.org. NDA is the only Catholic, preparatory school for young women in grades 9-12 in Central Massachusetts. Please visit our website at www.nda-worc.org to learn more about the NDA experience.

**16TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN CATHOLIC  
MEN'S CONFERENCE**

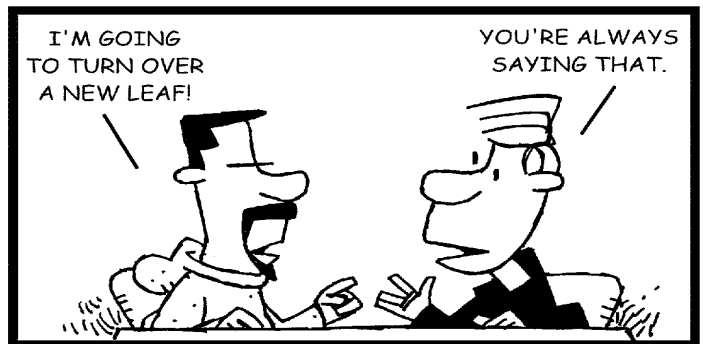
All men are invited to join us on Saturday, **March 12, 2016** at the **Worcester's DCU Center**, for our 16th Annual Catholic Men's Conference. Hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: *Navis Pictures'* **Jim Morlino**, *football superstar* **Fr. Mike Lightner**, *With All Your Heart's* **Bob Kroll**, and *evangelist-convert* **Mike Cumbie** and **Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers** with a special presentation on the sacrament of reconciliation prior to confessions. Bishop McManus will join us to offer Mass. Conference brochures are available in the rear of the Church.

Tickets: \$30 for Students  
\$45 for Adults through 7 PM, February 29th  
\$60 for Adults after 7:01 PM, February 29th and at the door. For tickets go to [www.firstmensconf.org](http://www.firstmensconf.org) or contact: Bill Kane, Sr. at 508-755-2703 or Bill Kane, Jr. at 508-865-0602.

YOUR SMILE  
FOR TODAY...



**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**



THE NEED FOR ONGOING REFORM

# YOUTH & FAMILY FORMATION

## YOUTH MINISTRY



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[www.facebook.com/sbeyc](http://www.facebook.com/sbeyc)  
 or  
 @ MillburyCYC



### YOUTH CENTER THIS WEEK

**Grades 7-12 Welcome**


Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:30PM

Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

*Youth Center Closed*

*Living Stations Practice at 7:00*

### Family Faith Formation Sessions For February & March

Grade 2 	February 28 10:00 AM March 13 10:00 AM First Eucharist Commitment Mass February 28 at 9:00 AM Assumption Church
Grade 3	February 28 10:00 AM
Grade 4	March 6 & 20 10:00 AM
Grade 5	March 13 & 20 10:00 AM
Grades 6 and 7	February 28 March 20 5:00 PM
Grades 8 and 9	March 6 5:00 PM

## Children's Liturgy



## of the Word

For Children ages 4-5-6

Every Sunday

9 AM Mass at Assumption Church

Children will be called forward  
at the beginning of Mass

Call the Parish Office at  
508-865-6624  
for additional information

Space Still Available!!

## CSAW 2016

JULY 25-29

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

GRADES 8-12

\$120 DEPOSIT

CONTACT GREG BERNARD

# The Catholic Free Press

'You shall know the truth, and the truth will make you free.'

- John 8:32

## JUST A REMINDER

### February is Catholic Free Press Month ...

It is not too late. Subscriptions are \$30.00/year and envelopes are available in your envelope packet. If you are not on the envelope system, simply enclose your money with your mailing address in a plain envelope and mark the envelope Catholic Free Press.

**All checks should be made out to either St. Brigid Parish or Assumption Parish.**

Live everyday with a special joy  
because you have been baptized  
and are God's beloved.

### HOW ABOUT MAKING A 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 conducted 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 lives, their struggles and triumphs in Christ. The weekend is full of laughter, prayer, great music, wonderful meals and so much more. The next men's Cursillo weekend is being held **April 21-24, 2016** at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT. The next women's Cursillo weekend is being held **June 23-26, 2016** at the Prindle Pond Conference Center in Charlton, MA. For additional information and/or an application, please contact either:

Carolyn Galgano  
508-847-7005  
angels3cma@gmail.com

OR  
Joan Laracy  
774-239-2474  
joanlaracy@yahoo.com

### PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Have you thought of a vocation to the priesthood? Come and learn more. The Diocese of Worcester's annual discernment retreat, directed by

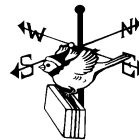
Bishop McManus, will be held on

**March 18 & 19.** This retreat begins 6 PM Friday and ends 6 PM Saturday. It is for men high school age, college age, and older. The retreat center is only 30 minutes from Worcester at the Immaculate

Conception Retreat Center in Putnam, Connecticut. There is no cost, and transportation is provided if needed. Visit [worcestervocations.com](http://worcestervocations.com) for more information. Contact Fr. Jim Mazzone at

[jmazzone@charter.net](mailto:jmazzone@charter.net) or by phone at

508-340-5788 to sign up.



### Snow Policy...No School/No Mass

#### Mass and the Bad Weather...

If weather is bad and you are wondering if the Mass will still be offered, please refer to the local television or radio stations. The hall doors to St. Brigid will also be open during the bad weather so parishioners do not need to walk around to the front doors. For the safety of our parishioners, when school is cancelled in the town of Millbury, daily Mass is also cancelled. Mass will be held if there is a delay in the start time of school. As always, use your best judgment and keep yourself and others safe!



**OUTREACH MINISTRIES**



*Society of St. Vincent de Paul  
Diocese of Worcester  
Catholic Parishes of Millbury  
Phone: 774-262-5506*

**MONTHLY MEETINGS**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday - 10:00 AM - The Offices of the  
Catholic Parishes of Millbury  
*New Members Welcome!*

**PARISH FOOD COLLECTION**

Monthly: 1<sup>st</sup> Weekend  
*Food Bins are located in the  
Main Entrance of the Church*

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

Monthly: 1<sup>st</sup> Weekend - 12:15 PM  
St. Brigid Church Hall

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS LIST**

*The pantry is in desperate need of the following:*

Baked Beans, Pasta, Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce,  
Tissues, Coffee, Tea, Jelly

*Please No Perishable, Expired Dates,  
or Pet Food.*

**THRIFT SHOP**

Monday thru Friday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
507 Park Ave., Worcester (508)752-4232

**APOSTOLATE OF DIVINE MERCY  
AND HEALING**

Fr. Ralph DiOrio, Jr.  
Maironis Park Banquet Hall  
52 South Quinsigamond Ave.  
Shrewsbury, MA

Upcoming Sunday Services -  
February 28, 2016 and March 13, 2016  
12 - 4 PM Tickets \$10

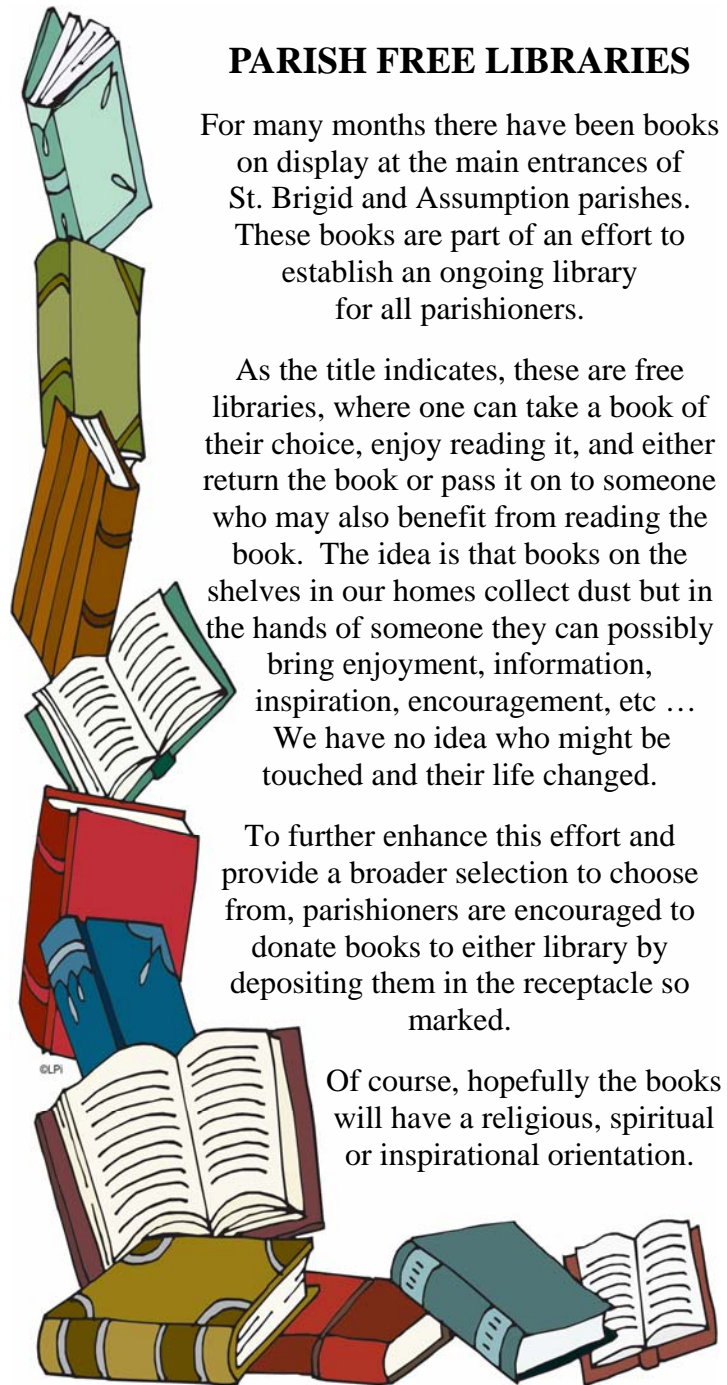
**PARISH FREE LIBRARIES**

For many months there have been books on display at the main entrances of St. Brigid and Assumption parishes. These books are part of an effort to establish an ongoing library for all parishioners.

As the title indicates, these are free libraries, where one can take a book of their choice, enjoy reading it, and either return the book or pass it on to someone who may also benefit from reading the book. The idea is that books on the shelves in our homes collect dust but in the hands of someone they can possibly bring enjoyment, information, inspiration, encouragement, etc ... We have no idea who might be touched and their life changed.

To further enhance this effort and provide a broader selection to choose from, parishioners are encouraged to donate books to either library by depositing them in the receptacle so marked.

Of course, hopefully the books will have a religious, spiritual or inspirational orientation.



**WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**



Is your marriage bearing fruit? Don't wait until it is too late, take time to renew your marriage now. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are April 1-3 or June 10-12. For more information call Steve and Michelle O'Leary at 1-800-710-WWME, visit our webpage at [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org), or at <https://www.facebook.com/Wwmema>

**PARISH AND LOCAL AREA NEWS**

**ROSARY SERIES**

The 3rd Scout patch of the Rosary series (Sorrowful Mysteries) is being offered on Sat, March 5th from 10-11 AM in St. Brigid Parish Hall, Millbury, MA.

This program focuses on the different mysteries of the holy rosary and how to pray the rosary as a means for youth and adults alike to learn more about their faith. It is open to all Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, American Heritage and 4Hers as well as adults. No registration is required. The cost of the patch is \$5. Please contact Jim Gorman, [jms.gorman@gmail.com](mailto:jms.gorman@gmail.com), with questions or for more information.

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a Subsidiary of  
VNA of Southern Worcester County  
191 Pakachoag Street  
Auburn, MA 01501

Our next Bereavement Caring Support is scheduled for February 17, 2016 from 5 - 7 PM. Call us today to RSVP and feel free to bring a friend. All are welcome. 508-755-4500

**ELDERLY AND/OR HOMEBOUND**

**Transportation available** - 4:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Brigid Church. This ministry is sponsored by both parishes utilizing a handi-capable van. For information call Deacon Ron (508) 865-6624.

**SHUTTLE INFORMATION**

<b>Saturday February 27</b>	<b>Robert Gauthier</b>
<b>Saturday March 5</b>	<b>Jerry Willette</b>
<b>Saturday March 12</b>	<b>Michelle Desorcy</b>
<b>Saturday March 19</b>	<b>Ted Jukubiak</b>
<b>Saturday March 26</b>	<b>Jan Hanratty</b>

**If you know of a parishioner** - who is homebound or shut-in, please contact Deacon Ron at (508) 865-6624 to set up a time to receive Communion.

**MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER**

On Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a party at our noon luncheon.

**COME DRESSED IN GREEN!!!**

**TRIPS**

**E.B. FLATTS in Brookfield**

Enjoy Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner on Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 4 P.M. \$21.00 per person. Call or stop by the Senior Center for reservations. 508-865-9247

**HAPPY EASTER**-Special Craft Project for the holiday on Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM. This is a 2-part series craft project. Sponsored by Care One of Millbury.

**JOIN US FOR SOME GREAT WINTER ACTIVITIES!**

Monday's Game Day - 1PM  
Meet friends for Cribbage, Scrabble, Chinese Checkers and Wii Bowling!  
Have Lunch ahead of time at 12:00 to make it a fun filled day!

Wednesday's - Bingo Afternoons at 1 PM

Thursday's - Whist at 12:45 PM

**LOOKING FOR CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING ON CHARTER TV?**

Local Diocesan Programming is now on Charter Channel 193; Boston's Catholic TV is on Channel 101, and EWTN is on Channel 18.

**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 Frances Nugent, Victim Services Coordinator, Office for Healing and Prevention, (508) 929-4363. A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.