



# Milton Catholic Collaborative News

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## Caring Circle



***“Whatever you do for one of my brothers  
or sisters, you do for me.”*** MT 25

Have you ever wondered if your neighbors needed help, but weren't sure how to find out, or what you could do to offer assistance? If so, then you should check out the “Caring Circle!” We connect people who can help with people in need. Participation is simple, just a click away. You choose if, where, when and how you help. The choice is yours to be aware of the needs in your neighborhood. You can help where and when you are able. It's that easy.

It takes only a few seconds to sign-up at [www.MiltonCatholic.org/caring..](http://www.MiltonCatholic.org/caring..) If you are in need of help, call **617-337-3225**, for short term or emergency concerns.

## FULL STEAM AHEAD!



During the February vacation 27 teens from our three parishes along with six adults, spent the week doing service projects in New Orleans. The many months of preparation and fund raising as well as the week itself, involved a true collaboration of youth and adults from all three parishes. The initials in the name, STEAM, stand for **St. Elizabeth**, **St. Agatha**, and **St. Mary** of the Hills.

Under the supervision of Operation Nehemiah directors, the group worked at Holt Cemetery (a cemetery for the poor), visited residents of a local nursing home, demolished and removed the debris from a sheet metal shed of local resident, and helped reorganize the storage facility for Operation Nehemiah.

The spiritual and social bonding of the teens was powerful. Within days all the parishes and high schools identities had blended together. The practice of beginning the day with Mass and ending it with shared prayer and reflection about where we had seen Christ that day, both in the people we served and those we worked with, deepened our experience of the body of Christ.

To experience the trip through the eyes of the teens, go to Patch.com. Click on Massachusetts and then click on Milton. In the left margin, click on month of February. Scroll down to the teens' blog under “Volunteers in the News.”



## Struggling with

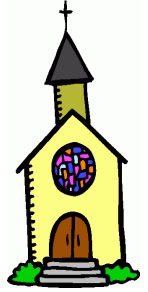
### Divorce as a Catholic?

Many families suffer the pain of divorce, a particularly difficult problem to face as a Catholic. Divorced Catholics in the Archdiocese of Atlanta have found healing, through a program called: **“Journey of Hope”**. If you, a friend or family member have experienced the pain of divorce, are searching for a Catholic support program, and wonder if this could be for you, please call Jack at 617-773-9574 or go to:

[www.DivorcedCatholic.com](http://www.DivorcedCatholic.com)

## ELEVEN YEARS AGO

*Eleven years ago the parishes of Milton sponsored the JUBILEE CLUSTER MISSION. For many people it was their first time to visit a neighboring parish/church.*



*Now called The Milton Catholic Collaborative – St. Agatha, St. Elizabeth, and St. Mary are planning another Mission. It will consist of reflection, prayer, witnessing by individuals, and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.*

*Tayana Chouloute, 617-698-2439, is heading a committee with parishioners from each parish to help plan. Her committee will need help at the respective parishes such as greeters, cantors, lectors and others to be determined. The Committee will meet a couple of times before the summer to set dates and discuss logistics. Contact Tayana, 617-698-2439, if you wish to help with the planning.*

## AFTER THE DEATH OF A LOVED ONE

After the death of a loved one, some people are frozen in their grief. Others “get over it” quickly immersing themselves in

many activities only to find that they have been delaying mourning their grief. For these reasons the Catholic parishes of Milton have sponsored Bereavement Support Groups twice a year, facilitated by Pastoral Associates Mary Gallagher and Harry Feldmann.

Bereavement support groups provide the opportunity for a grieving person to be listened to, understood, nurtured, and loved. Although it is not a “therapy” group it can be growth producing. It is not an “answer” group but rather a “question” group, where there are no wrong questions or easy answers. The answers come from people in the group who have also experienced grief.

Here is peer ministry in its highest form: those who have experienced the loss of a loved one sharing their pain with others in like circumstances in an effort to provide a means by which healing can take place for both of them.

The Milton Catholic Collaborative Bereavement group will meet on Tuesdays from 6:00P.M. to 7:30 P.M. starting May 3, concluding June 14<sup>th</sup>, in the rectory of St. Mary of the Hills. For more information and/or to register contact: Mary Gallagher (617-698-2439) or Harry Feldmann (617-696- 0120). All are welcome.



## Women's Club Collaboration

Women of our Milton Catholic Collaborative, we invite you to join us to plan for a variety of social, spiritual and service events that:

- offer opportunities to build friendships and have fun,
- promote spiritual growth,
- and serve those less fortunate in our community.

### Upcoming events:

- April 27: "Raising a Balanced Teen" with Author and Counselor, Erin Munroe, 7PM
- May 18: Nutrition Discussion with Ginger Hoffman RD, LDN, Fitness Unlimited, 7PM

Meetings held at St. Elizabeth Church, downstairs in Father Curley Hall

We welcome your participation and ideas

Contact: AnneMarie McLaughlin at St Elizabeth Church

## MOMS: Ministry of Mothers Sharing

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- For whom? Mothers at any stage of their lives from those presently at home with little ones to grandmothers to step mothers to empty nesters
- Why? To grow in spirituality through the lens of motherhood
- How? Journaling throughout the week and sharing once a week with others in a facilitated 2 hour discussion
- When and where? Morning and evening groups begin April 28 and end June 9 at St Mary of the Hills Church

Contact: Paula Murphy 617-696-0120 or [smhrectory@aol.com](mailto:smhrectory@aol.com)

## WINGS: Women in God's Spirit

WINGS: Women in God's Spirit : "Come as you are!"

- For whom? Women of all ages and stages
- Why? To reflect on living faith in action as women
- How? By listening to a speaker, then sharing thoughts in small groups
- When and where? Offered next at St Agatha Church on Wednesday evenings from 7-9pm, May 11, 18, 25

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[www.MiltonCatholic.org](http://www.MiltonCatholic.org)



## Ulster Project : Looking for Contacts

"Ulster Project International" was initiated in 1974 in Northern Ireland to promote tolerance, understanding and friendship among teenage future leaders of Ireland in hopes of healing long standing wounds between Catholics and Protestants there.

They match pre-selected teens – both Catholic and Protestant - from Northern Irish communities with host families in the United States.

Their hope is to begin a program in our area. More information is available on their web site:

[www.UlsterProject.org](http://www.UlsterProject.org).

If you might be interested in such a program, please contact one of the MCC members listed on the front page.



**Dare to Care**

Check out "Caring Circle" @  
[www.MiltonCatholic.org/caring](http://www.MiltonCatholic.org/caring)

# Holy Week Schedules

## Saint Elizabeth Parish 617-696-6688

**Mon-Wed, 4/18-20 :** Mass at 9:00AM

**The Light Is On For You:** Wednesday, April 20 from 6:30-8:00PM

**Holy Thursday April 21:** 7:30PM. Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 10 PM

**Good Friday April 22:** Stations of the Cross 3:00PM  
Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 7:30PM

**Holy Saturday April 23:** Easter Vigil: 7:30PM

**Easter Sunday April 24** Mass at 8:00AM, 9:30AM (Youth and Adult Choir) with a children's Easter egg hunt to follow, and 11:30AM.



## Saint Mary of the Hills Parish 617-696-0120

**Mon-Wed, 4/18-20 :** Mass at 9:00AM

**The Light Is On For You:** Wednesday, April 20 from 6:30-8:00PM

**Holy Thursday, April 21:** 9:00AM Morning Prayer  
7:30 PM, Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 10PM

**Good Friday, April 22:** 9:00AM Morning Prayer  
3:00 PM Living Stations, Veneration, Holy Eucharist  
7:30 PM Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

**Holy Saturday, April 23:** 9:00AM Morning Prayer  
8:00 PM Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday, April 24 :** Mass at:8:00AM,  
10:15AM (Choir) and 12:00 Noon (Youth Band)

## St. Agatha Parish 617-698-2439

**Mon-Wed, 4/18-20:** Mass 7:00AM and 9:00AM

**The Light Is On For You:** Wednesday, April 20 from 6:30-8:00PM

**Holy Thursday, April 21:** 9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
7:30PM, Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 11PM

**Good Friday, April 22:** 9:00AM Morning Prayer  
3:00PM - Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  
5:00PM - Students re-enact the Way of the Cross, begins at Cunningham Park, ends at St. Agatha Church  
7:30PM- Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

**Holy Saturday, April 23:** 9:00AM Morning Prayer  
8:00PM Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday, April 24** ::  
Masses: 7:30AM Upper church

9:00 AM Upper Church and Parish Center

10:30AM Upper Church and Parish Center

12:00 Noon Upper Church and Parish Center

*Please note there is NO 5pm Mass*