



Milton Catholic Collaborative News

Women's Catholic Collaborative

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1: to work jointly with others or together especially in an intellectual endeavor

There has been a whole lot of thinking about, talking about and writing about the three Catholic parishes of Milton collaborating. We all know the definition, of course. But truly making it work is another matter. For years, our parishes have operated independently – all vital, thriving faith communities carrying on the mission of Jesus Christ. All three have offered opportunities for social and service events and faith enrichment to their parishioners. And, typically, invitations to these events have been mailed, faxed, emailed to the others parishes for inclusion

in their bulletins – welcoming their parishioners. In this model, one parish takes full responsibility for the event – from inspiration, to planning, organizing, funding and implementation. Truly collaborative planning, organizing, etc. takes us out of our comfort zone, makes us squirm a little, anxious for the familiar. Yet, that is exactly what a group of women

from the Milton parishes has been doing this summer – meeting, talking and planning collaboratively some wonderful events for women this fall—opportunities for faith enrichment and sharing.



Please watch for updates in your parish bulletin or go to www.miltoncatholic.org

MOMS (Ministry of Mothers Sharing): 9/22 - 10/27

WINGS (Women in God's Spirit): 11/2 - 11/16

An Evening of Recollection: November 27

The Women's Catholic Collaborative invites the women of our parishes to come and explore some or all of these opportunities to pause, join together and share our faith.

The Language in the Mass Is Changing

By Harry Feldmann, Pastoral Associate, St. Mary of the Hills

On the First Sunday of Advent, Nov. 27, there will be changes in some of the prayers that we use at Mass. Archbishop O'Malley has given permission for some of the changes to take place in September. How did we arrive at this point in our liturgy?

At the Last Supper Jesus gave us a model of celebrating the Eucharist. As the Church grew, local leaders guided development of the liturgy. Managing liturgical changes became the Pope's and/or Councils' tasks.

Vatican II called for the one's mother tongue to be used in the liturgy. Pope Paul VI promulgated this change in 1969 and the Order of the Mass was translated in 1970 and the sacramentary (missal used at Mass) was promulgated in 1974.

The translators followed rules set out in the document, *Comme le prévoit*. The key guideline for the translators was that translations done at the time were of thoughts and ideas rather than literal word-for-word content.

As we learned more about original biblical cultures, new translations of the Bible help us to go deeper into the meaning of God's word.

In 2001 a new set of instructions for liturgical translators came from the Vatican. It changed the rules for translation, stressing greater fidelity to the Latin texts so that original theological meaning isn't lost.

For many people, change does not come easy. Change requires us to stop doing things a certain way in order to do something else. Many people find comfort in familiar routines and known ways of acting. Change interrupts those familiar routines. But change is also an opportunity to stop and reflect on what we are doing and to come to a better understanding of God, who does not change. Starting in September parishes will have informational sessions and bulletin inserts.

Times of change are always a challenge. But from this challenge can come a deeper appreciation of who we are as the Body of Christ, gathering to celebrate the Paschal Mystery of the Lord. As we familiarize ourselves with the changes, it is an opportunity to deepen our understanding of the Mass. The Mass is more than a Sunday obligation and it matters not who is the celebrant but that we understand what we are celebrating is our central act of worship.

For more information go to: www.usccb.org/romanmissal



We Want to Know ... What You Want to Know!

Included in this issue are several references to upcoming programs in the MCC—from bereavement support, to book discussion, to faith enrichment groups for women and education on the Roman Missal changes.

Is there something here for you? Or is something missing? Please tell us about forums/speakers/issues that you would like the MCC to sponsor.

Contact a member of the MCC committee. Because, we want to know!

MCC Bereavement Group

As part of our mission to care for one another, the Milton Catholic Collaborative invites you to join us on 7 Tuesday evenings beginning October 4, ending November 15, if you are grieving the death of a friend, a relative, someone you care about.

Your loss may be a recent one or you may be carrying this for a long time....there is no time limit on grief. If you feel you would benefit by spending time with others who also carry the sadness of loss, we are ready to walk with you.

Sessions this fall are held in the meeting room on the lower level of St Agatha Church and are facilitated by Pastoral Associates, Mary Gallagher, 617-698-2439, and Harry Feldmann, 617-696-0120.

Please call either Harry or Mary to pre-register or for additional information.

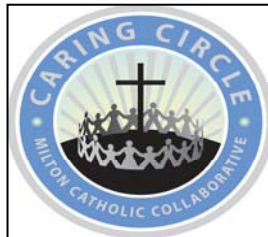


We welcome all.

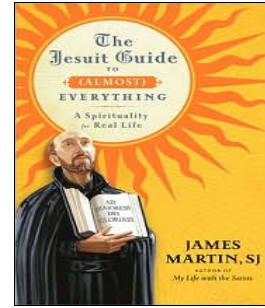
Caring Circle Notices

Our Caring Circle will host our first meeting for Active Volunteers on Sept. 29th at St. Agatha's meeting area at 7 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet concerned parishioners from all 3 parishes here in Milton. We have been operating for 6 months, and want to share the good being accomplished as well as hear about your future hopes. Please contact Pat Kelleher: pat-kell607@comcast.net or 617-696-9546 if you can attend or have any questions.

www.miltoncatholic.org/caring.



Do you have time on Oct. 11th from 1-3:30 pm to volunteer only ONCE at the Boston Food Bank? It is located at 70 South Bay Ave. in Boston. A parking lot is available at the facility for volunteers. If inter-



The Milton Collaborative Book Club has chosen THE JESUIT GUIDE TO (ALMOST) EVERYTHING by Rev. James Martin, SJ as its next selection for discussion. Cardinal Sean O'Malley recommends it: "Through *The Jesuit Guide to (Almost) Everything*, Father James Martin provides an accessible resource, firmly grounded in the teaching and tradition of St. Ignatius Loyola, for charting a path through life with God. In order to fully develop our personal gifts and share them with one another, we need a means of incorporating into our lives the truth that each one has part to play in God's plans for the world. We need a means of including God in the myriad of decisions we make every day, particularly the ones that will have significant implications for ourselves and the people we love. Father Martin's book gives us the tools to accomplish these goals and, indeed, guides us along the way. I recommend it to you for your own use and for those whom you hold close to your heart."

All are invited to join in the discussion: October 19 at 7:00 PM at St. Mary of the Hills.

Did You Know?

That there are 14 Masses celebrated each weekend in Milton? The schedules are on the back page of this newsletter. You may want to clip and save it for your next busy weekend!

Parish Information

St. Elizabeth - 350 Reedsdale Rd. - 617.696.6688

www.StElizabethMilton.org

Weekend Masses: Saturday at 4:00 PM
Sunday at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

Daily Mass: Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:15-3:45 PM

Pastor: Rev. Aidan J. Walsh

Priest in Residence: Rev. Michael Medas

Senior Priest: Rev. Ron Lawson

Business Manager: Mary Shea DiCenzo

Administrative Assistant: Laura Phelan

Faith Formation: 617.698.5763

Director: Sr. Mary K. Walsh, C.S.J.

Coordinator: Clare Joyce

Music Director: Dr. George Ashur 617.834.9802

St. Agatha—432 Adams Street—617.698.2439

www.StAgathaParish.org

Weekend Masses: Saturday at 4:30 PM, Sunday at 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12 Noon and 5:00 PM

Daily Masses: Monday-Saturday, 7:00 and 9:00 AM

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:45-4:15 PM

Pastor: Rev. Peter Casey

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Mark Murphy

Deacon: Daniel Sullivan

Pastoral Associate: Mary Q. Gallagher

Operations Manager: Jack Riley

Faith Formation: 617.696.1388

Director: Kate Sutphin

School: 440 Adams Street—617.696.3548

Principal: Maureen Simmons

Young Church Ministry: 617.696.8978

Pastoral Associate: Mary Sheedy

Music Director: Mr. Kevin Drake 617.698.2439

St. Mary of the Hills—29 St. Mary's Rd., 617.696.0120

www.SaintMaryoftheHills.org

Weekend Masses: Saturday at 4:00 PM
Sunday at 8:00 AM, 10:15 AM and 12:00 NN

Daily Mass: Monday-Saturday, 9:00 AM

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:00-3:45 PM

Pastor: Rev. Arthur F. Wright

Pastoral Associate: Harold Feldmann

Business Manager: Janice Powell

Administrative Assistant: Margaret Brennan

Communications: Paula Murphy

Religious Education: 617.696.6117

Director: Joan Regan

Youth Minister: Frank Connell

School: 250 Brook Road—617.698.2464

Principal: Lisa Fasano

Music Director: Dr. Peter Watchorn 617.354.5821



The Early Bird Men's Prayer Gathering

This group of men from twenty parishes in Milton, Dorchester, the South Shore and beyond was a pioneer of collaboration! It meets from 7 to 8:30 AM on the third Saturday of each month in St. Mary of the Hills lower church. The usual format is a speaker followed by table discussion. Coffee and light refreshments are served. All men are invited and welcome. Call 617-696-8394 or 617-822-1785 for more information.