

The Missionary Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima Shrine



Rise and Do Not be Afraid

Fr. Ron Rolheiser relates that on the Feast of the Transfiguration in 1923, Fr. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin found himself alone at sunrise in the Ordos desert in China, watching the sun spread its orange and red light across the horizon.

He was deeply moved, humanly and religiously. What he most wanted to do in response was to celebrate mass, to somehow consecrate the whole world to God. But he had no altar, no bread, and no wine. So, he resolved to make the world itself his altar and what was happening in the world the bread and the wine for his mass.

Here, in paraphrase, is the prayer he prayed over the world, awakening to the sun that morning in China. *O God, since I have neither bread, nor wine, nor altar, I will raise myself beyond these symbols and make the whole earth my altar.*

And so, O God, over every living thing which is to spring up, to grow, to flower, to ripen during this day, I say again the words: "This is my body." And over every death-force which waits in readiness to corrode, to wither, to cut down, I speak again your words which express the supreme mystery of faith: "This is my blood."

I offer you on this all-embracing altar everything that is in our world, everything that is rising and everything that is dying, and ask you to bless it.

Lord, lock us into the deepest depths of your heart; and then, holding us there, burn us, purify us, set us on fire, sublimate us, till we become utterly what you would have us to be, through the annihilation of all selfishness inside us. Amen.

Let us imagine us and a world fashioned by the cross of Christ.



March 1st, 2026
2nd Sunday of Lent



Genesis 12:1-4a
2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Matthew 17:1-9

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The Gift Shop is open
Thursday through
Sunday, 11 am - 6 pm
508-429-8176

Fatima Shrine News

- On March 28th we will hold the **Fatima Shrine Pancake Fundraiser at Applebee's in Milford**. Tickets are 12 dollars each and they are limited. Order yours at the office.
- We will also have raffle baskets available for raffle. **All raffle basket items and baskets for the Bunny Breakfast need to be delivered to the shrine by Thursday 3/12. They will be on display after mass on 3/15 for anyone who wants to buy tickets who won't be at the breakfast. Raffle tickets for the baskets are \$5 for 7 tickets and \$10 for 15.**

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fatima Shrine PANCAKE FUNDRAISER

Fun for the whole family! Raffle baskets and the Easter Bunny will pay a visit!



Resources for families on drugs and alcohol awareness will be available.



\$12

MARCH 28, 8 AM - 10 AM

AT APPLEBEE'S IN MILFORD

91 Medway Rd #1, Milford, MA
Gift Basket Raffle!

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2026

FRIDAY, MARCH 6 @ 10 AM
CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

"I WILL GIVE YOU REST"
Matthew 11:28-30

Christ the King Lutheran Church
St. Michael's Episcopal Church
St. Mary's Catholic Church
First Congregational Church
First Baptist Church
Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

All
are Welcome

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The World Day of Prayer is an international, women-led, ecumenical movement that shares the hopes, concerns, and prayers of women from around the globe. Each year, women from a different country craft a service, sharing their unique spiritual journey and culture. For 2026, the women of Nigeria have created a service that speaks to our need for peace and solace, drawing on their faith and experiences in a world filled with struggles and anxieties.

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, March 1, 10 AM | 1 PM
+ Betsy Horrigan | Raymond Capobianco

MONDAY, March 2, 7:30 AM | 12:10 PM
+ Aida Sebastiao | All Souls

TUESDAY, March 3, 7:30 AM | 12:10 PM
+ Clara Devlin & Family | Nicholas Repella

WEDNESDAY, March 4 7:30 AM | 12:10 PM
+ Kathryn Raymond | Gloria Goodwin

THURSDAY, March 5, 7:30 AM | 12:10 PM
+ Valia Bonner | Michael Lichtenstein

FRIDAY, March 6, 7:30 AM | 12:10 PM
+ Dot Haskell | Kathleen Melanson

SATURDAY, March 7, 10 AM
+ Anibal & Dina Cosquete and Family

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