



Most Holy Redeemer

120 Russell St., Hadley, MA
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Office Telephone: 413-584-1326

August 14, 2022

Weekend Masses: 4:00pm Saturday Sunday 8:00 & 10:30am
Daily Mass: Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri 8:00am

MHR PARISH STAFF

Fr. Douglas McGonagle
Pastor

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John Gibbons

Faith Formation

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ADVISORY

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Jim Maksimoski

Cemetery

Paul Mokrzecki

Pastoral Council

Joan Smola

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday & Friday

9:00—3:00

Wednesday CLOSED

First Friday

Confession 12:30pm

Mass 1:00pm

Adoration 1:30—5:00

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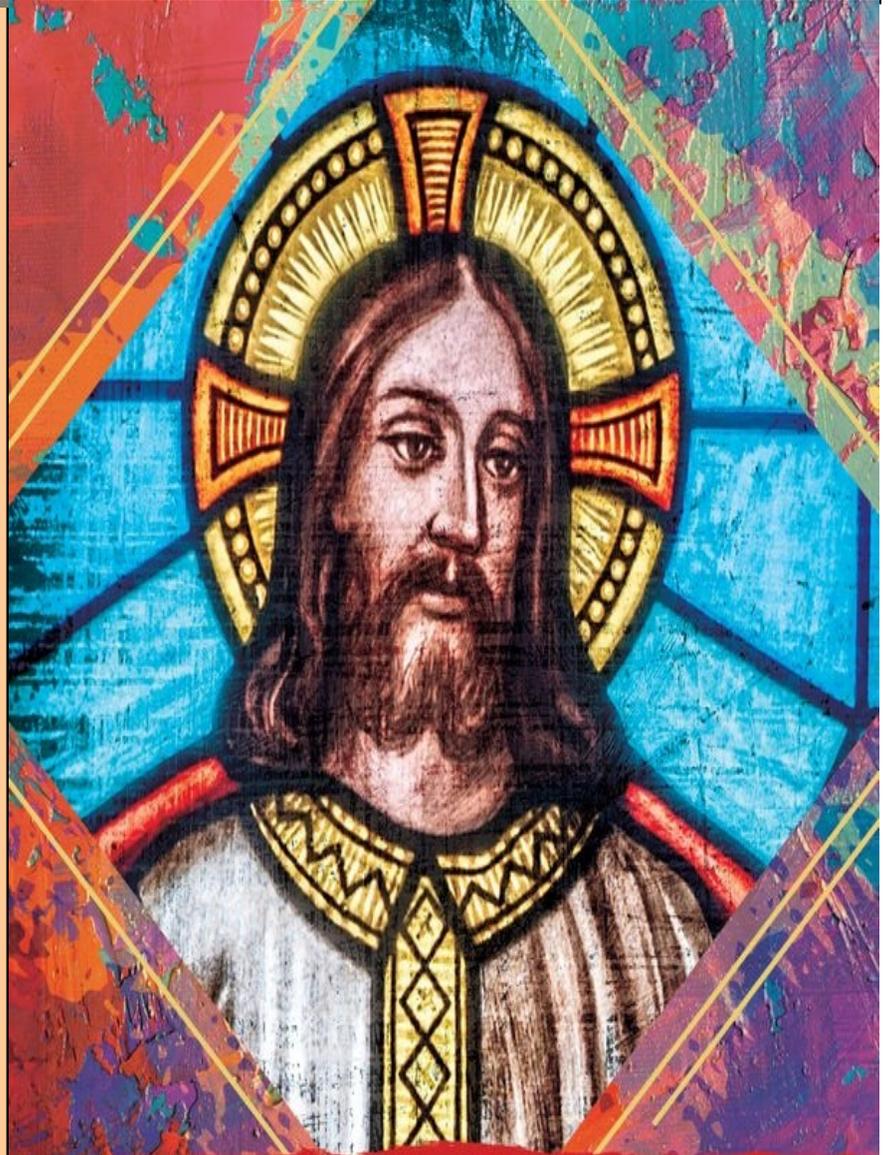
During Monday morning Mass

Hadley at Elaine Manor

Monthly Mass

2nd Thurs. 10:30am

Communion on Sundays



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“There is a baptism with which I must be baptized,
and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!”

- Lk 12:50

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. ©LPi

Holy Rosary Cemetery, Huntington Rd., Hadley, MA

This Week's MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 13, 2022

4:00pm: For John Kieras, requested by Legion Post 271.

Sunday, August 14, 2022

8:00am: For the living members of St. Anne Sodality

10:30am: For Natalie & John Hanieski, requested by Anne Hanieski

Monday, August 15, 2022

8:00am: For John Filipowicz, requested by Helen Kapinos.

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

8:00am: For the health & well being of Rufuna Santiago, requested by daughter.

Wednesday, August 17, 2022

NO MASS

Thursday, August 18, 2022

8:00am: For the People of MHR.

Friday, August 19, 2022

8:00am: For John Kzcowski, requested by Gerald & Alvira Balut.

Saturday, August 20, 2022

4:00pm: For Walter Wanczyk; requested by family.

Sunday, August 21, 2022

8:00am: For Raymond Russell, Sr., requested by Ann & family.

For 10:30am: For John & Mary Lisowski, requested by daughters Ellie & Pat.

VOTIVE LIGHT PRAYER INTENTIONS

For Our Military: Chris Ahlemeyer, Edmund Loughran, & Troy Meyer, Sam Salvatore, Austin Boisvert

For **Adeline Rocasah** from Dianne & Joe

For **Victoria, Edward, & Theresa Banas** from Fr. Charles

For **John Kzcowski** from family

For **Philip, Catherine, & Nancy Woodard** from Wayne & Irene Woodard

For **Edward Machno & Frances (Machno) Slattery** from Fr. Charles

For **Patricia M. Bye** from husband Joe

For the health of Ret. CW02 Edward Stanley from Gerald & Alvira Balut

For **Helen Waskiewicz** from Ron and family

For **Henry Malek, Sr** from Betty & Bill Koszewski

For **Robert Christian Belado**

For **Adams, Asselin, Daughdrill & Muraski** families from Nancy & Stan Adams

For **David Chmura** from Mom & Dad

For **Bill, Jr. & Peg Dion** from Bill

For **Claire** from James & Helen O'Donnell

For **John G. Kieras, Jr.**, from his wife, Lorraine, & family.

To restore good health to **Bushra Qasim**

Baptism, Confirmation, & Wedding Information

Baptism is available for infants, children, and adults. To sign up for classes, call the Faith Formation Office: 413-584-1326. For the Sacrament of **Confirmation for Adults**, please call the office: 413-584-1326 or pick up a brochure at either church entrance. **Wedding** dates cannot be set until after a meeting with the parish priest, at least 1 year before the desired date. Please call the office for an appointment.



If you would like a hospital visit, please call the Office at 413-584-1326

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Most Holy Redeemer—Parish Stewardship

Corrected Weekly Collection: July 30-31, 2022 \$2,317.00 Budgeted Goal: \$3,650.00
Weekly Collection: August 6-7, 2022 \$3,387.00 Monthly online contributions: \$970.00

Thank you for your generous support of our parish community!

Gospel Reading

Luke 12:49-53

Jesus has come not only to bring peace but also division.



Background on the Gospel Reading

Having reminded the apostles and the crowd that facing the coming judgment takes patience, Jesus now goes on to speak of how difficult it will be to wait. He tells them that he has come to set the earth on fire. Recall that in chapter 3 of Luke's Gospel, John the Baptist tells the crowd that he is baptizing with water, but someone mightier is coming who will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire. The fire Jesus speaks of here is the distress caused by the coming judgment. It is also the fire of the Spirit that Luke, in the Acts of the Apostles, will describe descending on the disciples on Pentecost. That fire will strengthen them to go out to the whole world to preach the good news of Jesus' Resurrection.

Jesus will be the first to experience the distress of the coming judgment. His baptism will be the conflict into which he will be immersed as he approaches Jerusalem and his death on the cross. His followers will not be spared that distress. The angels at Jesus' birth proclaimed peace on earth, and Simeon, holding the baby Jesus in the Temple, said to God: "Master, now you may let your servant go in peace." Here Jesus tells the crowd not to think he has come to bring peace; he has come to bring division. Simeon said as much when he turned to Mary and said that the child was destined for the rise and fall of many and to be a sign that will be contradicted. Peace is the ultimate end of the Kingdom of God, but peace has a price. Jesus is warning the crowd that wherever the Word of God is heard and acted upon, division occurs. Fathers will be divided against sons and mothers against daughters.

The coming judgment forces us to look at the implications of our commitments. As Jesus warned in last Sunday's Gospel, a commitment of faith requires us to change our attitude toward material possessions and to take even more seriously our moral responsibilities. Here he reminds the crowd that those who commit to him will find it affects the way they relate to friends and family members. The angel who announced the birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah said John would go before Jesus to turn the hearts of fathers toward their children. But a commitment to Jesus forces us to change the way we live our lives, and this can put strains on relationships.

We don't expect to hear such difficult words from Jesus in the Gospel. But it is good to be reminded once in a while that the decision to do the right thing, the good thing, is not always easy and without conflict. Jesus himself did not make easy decisions and avoid conflict. In today's reading, he reminds his followers to be prepared for difficult decisions and conflict as well.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Most Holy Redeemer Church was created in 1998 with the merging of Holy Rosary Church (1917) and St. John's Church (1915), both of Hadley.

As the one Roman Catholic Church in the Town of Hadley, Massachusetts, our Mission is:

- to be a welcoming place of worship for all.
- to proclaim the word of God and celebrate the sacraments.
- to attend to our ongoing formation in Christian living and support one another in spiritual growth.
- to dedicate our service to God.
- to recognize and support our responsibility for God's people, for spiritual and corporal works of mercy to the larger community, area, and world.
- to celebrate our belief in the message and teachings of Jesus Christ and the Roman Catholic Church and demonstrate our appreciation for the many gifts we have received.

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**Most Holy Redeemer is saying the Rosary on two Tuesdays of each month at 6:00 pm
The dates are Aug 23 & Sept 6**



**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time --
August 14, 2022**

**"I have come to set the earth on fire,"
Do you want to carry the fire of the Lord
to his people as a priest, or in the
consecrated life?**

**Call Fr. Jonathan Reardon
413-248-7034, or write:**

vocations@diospringfield.org

Hadley Food Pantry

A project of MHR and First Congregational Church

If you, or someone you know, are struggling to buy enough food, the Food Pantry can help by providing a variety of nonperishable items and personal care products to supplement purchased items. The Hadley Food Pantry is open every Sunday from noon to 1:00pm

Items needed this week:

healthy snacks and personal care products such as soaps, deodorants, etc.

THANK YOU TO PANERA BREAD FOR PROVIDING BREADS AND PASTRIES FOR THE FOOD PANTRY EACH WEEK!!

Monetary donations are always welcomed to help cover the cost of replenishing the shelves. You may drop off donations at the office during regular hours or put them in an envelope marked "food pantry" and place in the collection basket. Checks should be made payable to MHR Church with "food pantry" written in the memo line. Your continued support is appreciated by those who rely on the pantry.



Contact Joan Smola at 413-584-1901

Hadley Weekend Meals Ministry



A project of MHR, First Congregational, North Hadley Congregational, and Take and Eat, supported by the Hadley Young Men's Club.

Meals are delivered on the 1st Saturday and 2nd Sunday each month. MHR's team prepares meals on the 2nd Sunday every month. Want to help? Contact Office: 584-1326

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council #1619

MEETINGS 2ND MONDAY 7:00PM
FR. BENOIT PARISH CENTER
120 RUSSELL STREET HADLEY, MA



WE INVITE CATHOLIC MEN OF THE PARISH TO
CONSIDER JOINING US



Please join us for coffee

after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday at the Parish Hall.

Adoration

will begin immediately after the 8AM morning Mass and will continue until 9AM.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is **NOT a Holy Day of Obligation** this year because August 15 falls on a Monday.

Need A Mass?

There are still quite a few Masses available in the months of September and October. Please come to the Office and book a Mass for a family member or a loved one.

Let Us Pray

Please remember in your prayers: All the sick in our parish, our families and friends. Also, please pray for our beloved deceased.

Rest in Peace

Violet Frodyma

Volunteers Needed

Fr. Doug needs readers and servers for Funeral Masses. If you are willing and able to help out, please call the office. We appreciate it!

Pierogi Festival

We have a meeting scheduled on Wednesday, August 17th at 6PM at the Parish Hall to discuss details of the upcoming Pierogi Festival.



Faith Formation

MHR Faith Formation News and Notes
John Gibbons

Catechetical Sunday

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 18, 2022. On this day, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to the community. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community. Thank you to all our Catechists teaching this year and past years.

On Sunday, September 18th at the 10:30 Mass we will be honoring the 2022 St. Pius X award recipient Denise Devine. Denise Devine has taught Religious Education in our program for 10 plus years, continuing even when her own children had finished. She is active parishioner serving as a counter, helping at the weekend Meals Ministry and helping out wherever she is needed. She always has innovative, creative ideas for her classes. We are blessed at Most Holy Redeemer to have such a wonderful example of faith for our teenagers. Congratulations Denise!

Little things matter. Make your child's day better by writing an affirming note and slipping it into his or her school bag. He or she may not acknowledge it, but your love will be noticed and it is worth the investment.