

Our Lady of Hope Parish
The Catholic Community of Grafton, MA



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

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APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

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Our Mission – What Makes Us Different


Our own ongoing conversion and the conversion of others through the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



Our apostolic work based on prayer and good works – the Way of the Heart.



Morning Offering – the essence of the Apostleship of Prayer.



Our special relationship with the Pope – the Monthly Prayer Intentions.



Our responsibility in living out our Apostleship through service to others in need.

Common Facts - Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

A culture of simplicity based on daily prayer and good works.

22 million Members in 89 countries.

Worldwide Headquarters – Rome.

Direct connection with the
US Headquarters – Milwaukee, WI.

Jesuit oversight and direction.

Youth component ages 7 - 18 (Eucharistic Youth Movement – EYM).

Ties to the Holy See as a Pontifical Society for 179 years.

Our History

| 1844 | 1866 | 1879 | 1914 | 1968 | 2014 | 2016 | 2017 | 2019 | 2020 |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Founded in France by Fr. Francois-Xavier Gautrelet, SJ. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">•First Statutes - “an organization at the service of the Pope” or Pontifical Society. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Pope Leo XIII adds a monthly intention to the Morning Offering. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Pope Pius X launches the Eucharistic Crusade linked to the Apostleship of Prayer, requesting children and youth to pray for world peace. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Statutes updated in light of the Second Vatican Council. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Pope Francis approves renewal of the Apostleship of Prayer as the “Pope’s Worldwide Prayer Network”•(PWPN). | <ul style="list-style-type: none">•“The Pope Video” and “Click to Pray” are successfully launched. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">•During the Angelus Pope Francis calls for worldwide participation in the PWPN. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Celebration of the 175th anniversary of the Apostleship of Prayer in Rome with an audience with Pope Francis involving 13,000 global members, followed by Mass at St. John Lateran. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Pope Francis elevates the PWPN to a Vatican Foundation “to emphasize the universal character of this mission, to mobilize Catholics to prayer and action.” |

Our Prayer Practices


We seek to develop a more personal and closer relationship to Jesus Christ.

The “Way of the Heart” – Giving our hearts to His Sacred Heart every day.

- Morning Offering - reciting this prayer every morning when we first wake up, offering Jesus our prayers, works, joys and sufferings throughout the day for our own on-going conversion and the conversion of others to Christ.
- First Friday Devotion including Mass, receiving Holy Communion and reciting an Act of Reparation.
- Daily Mass attendance and receiving Holy Communion.
- Spending Personal Quiet Time with Jesus present in the Holy Eucharist reserved in the Tabernacle, praying for the Intentions of Pope Francis and for all those in need.
- Taking short “Prayer Breaks” with Jesus during the day.

Our Loving Service to Others

Bringing the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to those who need it most.



Working closely with others in this Ministry on outreach involving the poor, the sick, the elderly and those with special needs.



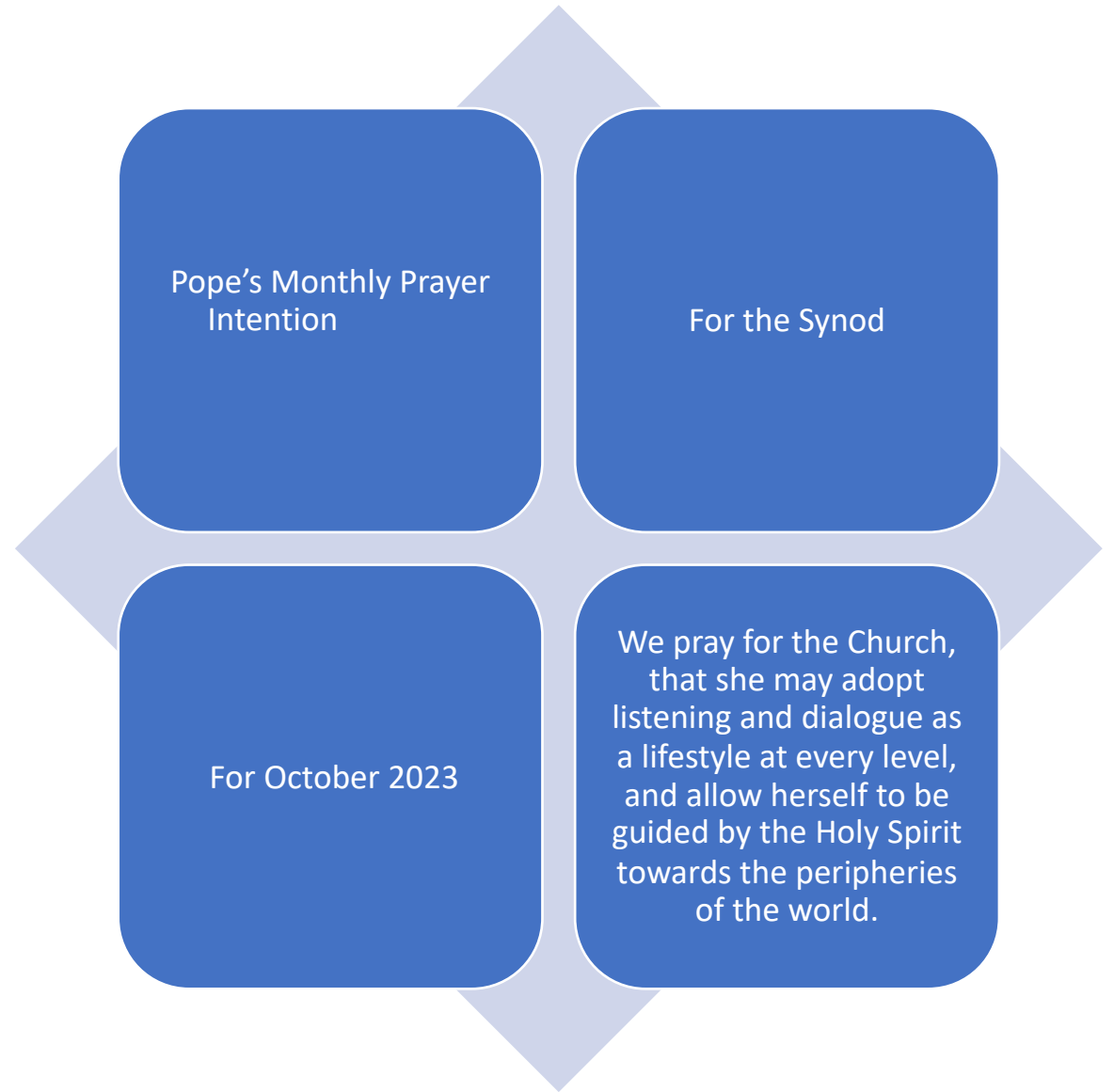
Our Responsibility in living out our Apostleship as a Ministry of Service to others.

Our special relationship with the Holy See

- Statutes – what are they and why they are important.
- The role of the Jesuits.
- Popes who have been directly involved promoting the Apostleship of Prayer: Pius IX, Leo XIII, St. Pius X, Pius XI, Pius XII, St. John Paul II and Pope Francis.
- The role played by the monthly Pope's Prayer Intentions.
- Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – the "Prayer Engine of the Universal Church".
 - The Pope Video
 - Click to Pray



The Church's Universal Prayer Engine





Papal Endorsements

- St. Pius X – Believed in the power of the prayer of children and young people as members of the Apostleship of Prayer, asking them “to receive Holy Communion at Mass every day and pray for peace.” (1914)
- Pope Pius XII – “The practices of the Apostleship of Prayer, taken together, contain the sum total of Christian perfection.” (1954)
- St. John XXIII – “Its Members, among the many exercises of piety and charity to which they are accustomed, pray above all for the universal Church and especially for the Roman Pontiff.” (1961)
- St. John Paul II – Praises what the Apostleship of Prayer has done in the last 150 years and “encourages the Catholic faithful throughout the world to renew their devotion to the Sacred Heart by deepening their understanding of the Apostleship of Prayer and being more generous and zealous Members of this worldwide association.” (1994)
- Pope Francis – Elevates the Apostleship of Prayer to a Vatican Foundation “to emphasize the universal character of this mission and to mobilize Catholics through prayer and action, in the face of the challenges confronting humanity and the mission of the Church.” (2020)

Question & Answer

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Thank You.

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