

# Mary, Mother of Hope Parish Community

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July 31, 2022



## Lord's Day Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 (Interpreted Mass for the Deaf)

## Weekday Masses

Mon., Tues., Weds., Fri., Sat.,: 9:00 AM

Adoration & Recitation of the Rosary

Monday-Saturday : 8:30 AM

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3-3:30 PM or by appointment

## Sacrament of Baptism

For dates and information call the rectory.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Call the Rectory as soon as possible, at least one year in advance

## Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

## Office Closed Thursdays

E-Mail: [office@mmohspringfield.org](mailto:office@mmohspringfield.org)

Website: [www.mmohspringfield.org](http://www.mmohspringfield.org)

## Parish Staff

Fr. Michael Wood, Pastor

Rev. Donatus Ironuma, In Residence

Rev. Kenneth J. Tatro, In Residence

Deacon John Miller

Deacon Gerry Campion

Cathleen Senecal, Director of Religious Ed./

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Christopher Gosselin, Director of Music

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Cheryl Rivers, Parish Secretary 413 739-0456

Gil Viteralli, Sacristan

Sr. Cindy Matthews, Pastoral Minister

## Ministry with the Deaf

Kay Woods Pastoral Minister with the Deaf

**TTY 413 391-7340 VP 413 241-3193**

Parish Mission Statement: "We the people of Mary, Mother of Hope Parish are called through Baptism to celebrate the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament. As Christians, in the spirit of faith, service and community, we proclaim the Good News of Christ. We accomplish this by fostering a welcoming environment that supports the faith formation of our parishioners; the nurturing of spiritual life of our community and encouraging active participation in our parish life. It is our purpose within this parish to evangelize with God's Love and Word through example, outreach programs and respect for the diversity, gifts and cultures of others. It is our call to be faithful stewards of this mission."

## **A WORD OF WELCOME**

*No Matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your family or marital situation, No matter what your personal history, background, race, culture, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected here at Mary, Mother of Hope Parish”.*

### **Saturday, July 30**

9:00 AM Veronica Smith (21<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) req. by her daughter Gloria

4:00 PM Thomas Glog (15<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) req. by his wife Theresa Glog

### **Sunday, July 31**

8:00 AM The Youth of our parish at Steubenville for a successful retreat

10:00AM Raymond Paul Davis (Anniversary Mass) req. by the Family

### **Monday, August 1**

09:00 AM Icilio Magistri (8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) req. by Marie & John Koski

### **Tuesday, August 2**

9:00 AM Diane Matuska req. by Steven & Theresa Marsh

### **Wednesday, August 3**

9:00 AM For Vocations to the Priesthood

### **Thursday, August 4**

9:00 AM **No Communion Service**

### **Friday, August 5**

9:00 AM The Family of Francis B. O'Brien

### **Saturday, August 6**

9:00 AM For all our Clergy living & deceased

4:00 PM Timothy Sherman (11<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) req. by his Mom & Dad & Lyndsay

### **Sunday, August 7**

8:00 AM Julio Sherry (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv) req. by Laurie Dupuis

10:00AM Don Kozaczka (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) req. by his nephew Gerry & Donna Chmura

**Mary Mother of Hope Candle** : The Mary Mother of Hope Candle will burn for your intention for a 1 week period. The suggested donation is \$10 for the week. This is a wonderful way to offer your intentions to our Lord as the candle stays lit next to His Mother and our Patron.



### **THE MARY MOTHER OF HOPE CANDLE**

will burn from 07/31/22 to 08/06/22:

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
MARY, MOTHER OF HOPE PARISH**

### **THE SANCTUARY CANDLE**

will burn from 07/30/22 to 08/12/22

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
EVERETT GRUNDEN, MARION GRODE AND  
GEORGE VASELACOPOULOS FROM  
DONNA & GERRY CHMURA**

## **MMOH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2022**

Registration for 2022-2023 Faith Formation is now being accepted

Forms are available in the Lobby or online at [mmohspringfield.org](http://mmohspringfield.org) Faith Formation tab.

All registration forms and fees are due August 14, 2022.

### **Looking for New Altar Servers.**

**Boys and Girls entering third grade & older, who have received first Communion.**

**Training will be held on Monday, Aug. 1 and Tuesday August 2, 2022, starting at 6:00 pm.**

**Forms are available on the table in the Lobby. Please return completed forms to the Faith Formation Office by Sunday, July 24. You may also place completed forms in the collection basket at Mass**

### **ATTENTION: ALL VOLUNTEERS**

#### **VIRTUS Re-Certification Training**

**All volunteers MUST take the recertification training course. This is online and should take about 30-60 minutes. You should have received an email from VIRTUSOnline to complete this training. You may also log into your VIRTUSOnline account and complete the training listed under your "Current Training" tab. All recertification training needs to be completed by October 31, 2022.**

**If you have any questions please contact Cate in the Faith Formation Office or at 736-1622 or [faithformation@mmohspringfield.org](mailto:faithformation@mmohspringfield.org).**

**MMOH COMMUNITY PICNIC SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, STARTING WITH MASS OUTSIDE AT 4PM. THERE WILL BE FOOD, LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, GAMES AND MORE!! IF YOU WERE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE MEETING BUT STILL WANT TO HELP CALL: ED SENECA 413 539-8408.**

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: SANDWICHES FOR THE HOMELESS MINISTRY IS MOVING TO MARY, MOTHER OF HOPE, EFFECTIVE SUNDAY, JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>. VOLUNTEERS GATHER @ 11:00AM IN THE POPE JOHN 23RD MEETING ROOM (PARKING LOT ENTRANCE) AND MAKE 400 SANDWICHES FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN NEED AND DISTRIBUTE THEM AFTERWARDS AT TWO LOCATIONS-COURT SQUARE AND WORTHINGTON STREET. VOLUNTEERS ARE ALSO INVOLVED IN DISTRIBUTING CLOTHING AT THOSE LOCATIONS. PLEASE KNOW THAT WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS; STOP IN ANY SUNDAY AND JOIN US! QUESTIONS CALL DEACON BILL 413 478-5201**



**GROW:** Is it me, or does every popular waiting-room magazine feature an article on “how to declutter” in six easy steps? I always read those first, then add them to the unsightly pile of magazines on the end table. The constant, if futile, quest to declutter comes from a deeper place than a desire for a clean house. It feels so liberating to let go of those things that we no longer need. Today’s readings challenge us to look not just outward, but inward, at what distracts us from what really matters. Paul exhorts us to “seek what is above,” letting go of earthly concerns or habits that get in the way of our relationship with God. By putting on a “new self” through prayer, the sacrament of reconciliation and receiving Jesus in the Eucharist, we will become “rich in what matters to God.”

**GO:** Personal-finance writers often divide people into two camps: Savers or spenders. I’m definitely a saver! I dutifully contribute to my 401K, stash unexpected windfalls into my savings account, and carefully budget. On the rare occasions when I go out to dinner, I struggle with choosing what to order: It’s a high-stakes decision! Fiscal responsibility is a good thing, but today’s parable challenges me to be just as diligent about investing in my relationship with God, my family, and the people I encounter. We are blessed with so many opportunities to “seek what is above”: It may mean spending the first 30 minutes of the day in prayer, reading books or articles that help us grow spiritually, or joining a parish Bible study. Or even taking a friend to dinner and picking up the tab! In doing so, we are investing in this life – and the next

**ACTION:** Take a look around your house and donate items in good condition to a charity in your community. And then ask the organization if they need any help with a summer yard cleanup or simple tasks around the facility – these are easy ways to involve the whole family in serving others.

**Do you have a prayer request?** In the candle room to the left of the sacristy you will find a table with some index cards and a basket. Please write your prayer intentions on an index card and slide them into the handle space of the basket. During the upcoming week, you and your intentions will be prayed for before the Blessed Sacrament during Adoration & the Rosary. Prayer requests will not be read, rather be offered up to God as a whole

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS:** Mary, Mother of Hope” **PARISH PRAYER LINE.** If you have a prayer intention that you would like the parishioners to remember in their prayers, you can call or email **Deacon Gerry**. All requests will be kept confidential unless you specifically ask to be prayed for by name. **You can contact Deacon Gerry at (413) 686-1422 or email [mmohprayerline@gmail.com](mailto:mmohprayerline@gmail.com).** If you would like to pray for the intentions of your fellow parishioners, email: [mmohprayerline@gmail.com](mailto:mmohprayerline@gmail.com) and you will be included intentions to be remembered in your prayers.

**WEEKLY REPORT 07-24-22**

**REGULAR DONATIONS \$4448. 00**

**MAINTENANCE \$69.00**

**We extend a warm and prayerful welcome to:**

**SAGE BRIELLE DEARING**

**Who was baptized at Mary, Mother of Hope Church on Sunday, July 17, 2022**

### **MINISTRY OF FAITH**

**CATHOLICISM** workshop with Deacon John will be held on **Thursday, August 11th** in place of **Thursday, August 4th at 6:30 PM in the Pope John XXIII Meeting Room.** Please join us.

### **PRAY FOR PRIEST VOCATIONS**

**The Ministry of Faith Commission is pleased to announce the Pray For Priest Vocations Program.** The purpose of this program is to encourage our Parish to pray regularly for vocations to priesthood and consecrated life.

In this program, we invite families, couples, and individuals to **sign up to pray St John Vianney prayer beads daily for one week.**

We hope that through prayer, our parish may become a source of vocations to serve the diocese and the Church.

This program will **start August 5<sup>th</sup>, with special prayers and blessing of the St John Vianney prayer beads at the 9AM Mass.**

**The first weekend for taking the beads, prayers, & instructions home is August 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>.** These items are available **at the cabinet with the Our Lady of Fatima statue located at the bottom of the stairs outside the candle room and are to be returned the following weekend.** Please contact **John Koski, 413 374 4416** if you have any questions.

**Theology on Tap** Every month at a restaurant, bar, brewery, distillery, vineyard, or coffee shop near you, the diocese hosts **Theology on Tap.** These special events feature a talk and questions & answers by a speaker about important relevant topics and some may include live music. We hope you will join us at the next one! More information about the movement watch the Real to Reel story about us at [theologyontap.org](http://theologyontap.org). Our next Theology on Tap is on August 7 at 6:30pm at the East Forest Park neighborhood Thomas Sullivan Banquet Hall at Nathan Bill’s for a night of fun, faith, and fellowship featuring Bishop William Byrne. First come first serve. 18+.

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 08/02/22 5:30 PM**

**Join us for free food, fun, & friendship at Marshall Roy Park on August 2 @ 5:30 PM for National Night Out! This annual event is a community-building campaign promoting public safety-community partnerships.**