



OUR LADY OF GRACE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Hatfield, Massachusetts

Established November 28, 2010

<http://www.ourladyofgrace.faith>

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Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

The office is Closed Wednesday

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Very Rev. Douglas McGonagle

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Rev. David Raymond

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass is Celebrated on Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday after the 5:30 p.m. Mass

or by appointment

For Anointing of the Sick

Please contact Fr. Douglas McGonagle

413-584 -1326 ext. 103

When there is a danger of death, Fr. McGonagle may be reached 24/7 at ext. 103

24/7 Please leave a message



*This week, the sanctuary candle is lit in memory of
Maureen McGrath
 Lovingly requested by her family*

Mass Intentions • November 15-23

Saturday, November 15 – 5:30 PM Mass of Thanksgiving
Requested by Suzanne and Jim Boyle

Sunday, November 16 – 9:30 AM † In memory of Rose and
 Raymond Balise *Requested by their family*

Monday, November 17 *No Mass*

Tuesday, November 18 – 8:15 AM For Quinne Cooke and his
 caregivers *Requested by Jean Boutin*

Wednesday, November 19 *No Mass*

Thursday, November 20 – 8:15 AM † In memory of Paul and
 Mary Casey *Requested by the family*

Friday, November 21 *No Mass*

Saturday, November 22 – 5:30 PM † In memory of Colleen
 Schlosser *Requested by Rose Marie Jones*

Sunday, November 23 – 9:30 AM Birthday remembrance of
 Ellen Virginia McKane *Requested by Suzanne and Jim Boyle*

Financial Report

November 8 & 9, 2025

Weekly Envelopes & Sittings	\$1533
Mass Intentions	\$ 40
Energy	\$ 70
Other Income	\$ 80
Total	\$ 1723

Thank you for your continued generosity. Our weekly goal to sustain parish life is \$2,500. This week, we've received \$1723 every gift helps us grow in faith and service.

Bulletin Submission Reminder

To help us prepare and publish the weekend bulletin in a timely manner, we kindly ask that all bulletin items be submitted by Monday at noon of each week

November Prayer list

- Chris Balise
- Jan Balise
- Alex
- Carrie
- Quinn Cooke
- Michael Coby
- Fr Henry Dorsch
- Fr David Raymond
- Sue Favreau
- Jean Gilbert
- Barbara Growhoski
- Mary Gruszkowski
- Michael Holhut
- Kathy Jagodzinski
- Alex Klaes & Rose Klaes
- Edward & Ruth Kuchyt
- Bill Lahart
- Blanche Lawrence & Frank Lawrence Jr
- Lillian Morin
- Rose & Joe Mulherin
- Ben Nugent
- Pope Leo
- Jeff Parsons
- A sick parishioner
- A young parishioner in need
- John & Maryellen Reynolds
- Melissa Tompkins
- John Vdovjak
- Paul Schmidt
- Kari Ann Wiles

Religious Education Classes

Sundays Grades K–5 Start: After 9:30 AM Mass (approx. 10:30) End: 11:30 AM Please wait with your child downstairs until a teacher arrives. Grades 6–9 Time: 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM

**TAKE AND EAT
 MEAL
 THIS SUNDAY**

November 16

The meal will consist of Pork Tenderloin, Rice Pilaf, Green Beans, Applesauce and Dessert.



We're always looking for volunteers – especially drivers, bakers, and most needed, relief cooks. If you're able to help, please contact the parish office or Lee Rubeck for details.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In the context of Luke, today's Gospel appears near the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. His warnings and predictions are ominous but can be read in many ways. To those who first heard Luke's Gospel, those may have been words of encouragement. The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Romans was history (70 A.D.); Luke's Gospel, Catholic scholars propose, was written between 80 and 90 A.D. His audience was probably Gentile Christians. Luke here tries to interpret the fall of Jerusalem for them and to locate it in God's plans for humankind (salvation history). At the same time, Luke is suggesting to his audience that there will be a considerable elapse of time before Jesus' final coming. Luke's listeners have likely seen much upheaval and are anxious to know if these are the signs of Jesus' coming. Luke is urging greater patience. In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for "It will lead to your giving testimony" (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation. Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties.

Thanksgiving Food Drive for Blessed Solanus Food Pantry

This Thanksgiving, let us open our hearts to those in need. The Blessed Solanus Food Pantry at the Blessed Trinity Pastoral Center serves anyone facing hunger. We invite you to donate shelf-stable items to help fill the shelves and feed our neighbors. Collection box is at back of church or parish office

Most-needed items include:

- Small cans of baked beans, ravioli, and hearty soups
- Spaghetti sauce, rice, macaroni, ramen noodles
- Canned meats, peanut butter, jams, cereals, crackers
- Single-serving snacks and desserts (no glass please)

Pray for Vocations

For our parish, that we may encourage a culture of prayer and support for those called to a life of solitude and service. Let us pray to the Lord.

Talk to Fr. Doug, or contact the Vocations Office 413-248-7034, or via email: vocations@diospringfield.org

Respect Life

For those who have been unjustly accused of wrongdoing because they have stood up for God's law and defended the sanctity of life, we pray to the Lord.

We Are Here to Help

If you are experiencing food insecurity or if you know of anyone in our parish family who is suffering from food insecurity, please know that resources are available.

Please contact the parish office for any details

"For I was hungry and you gave me food..." (Matthew 25:35)

If anyone feels called to serve as a Eucharistic Minister or Altar Server please contact the Parish Office.

Thanksgiving Day

Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 AM at Our Lady of Grace.



33rd Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Malachi 3:19-20

The day of justice is coming, says the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 98:5-6,7-8,9

Sing praise to God, who rules with justice.

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Paul urges the community to follow his example and to earn their keep.

Gospel Reading

Luke 21:5-19

Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and warns his followers that persecution will come before the end time.

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 2025

For the prevention of Suicide:

"Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life."

The Mass Book for 2026 is open.

Mass requests are being accepted through June 2026

Pierogi Fest at Most Holy Redeemer Church

Saturday, November 15 • 9:00 AM -1:00 PM

Join us for our annual Pierogi Fest, a joyful celebration of tradition, flavor, and community!

- Homemade frozen pierogi (potato-cheese and cabbage) will be available for purchase
- Enjoy raffles featuring generous donations from local businesses and restaurants.
 - Browse our bake sale, gently used pocketbook sale, and Christmas holiday tag sale filled with festive treasures.

Bring a friend, share a smile, and celebrate the season with us!

With God all things are possible, without God we can do nothing.



PRAYER SERVICE AND ROSARY FOR ADDICTION RECOVERY

Sunday, November 30th @ Noon
St. Patrick Church
30 Main St, South Hadley

Join us as we pray
for all those suffering with addiction
and those who love them.

Addiction and substance abuse can be a stark reminder of our own struggles, weaknesses, and failings and that it is only in, with, and through God, we overcome them and are healed.

Safe Environment & Victim Assistance-

How to Report Abuse

Bishop William D. Byrne encourages anyone who has been a victim of sexual abuse by representatives (Clergy, educators, employees or volunteers) of the Roman Catholic Church to come forward by contacting the Office of Safe Environment & Victim Assistance, at (413) 452-0624, confidential number at 800-842-9055 or email reportabuse@diospringfield.org.

Together in Healing: A Support Group for Those Grieving a Loved One



Grieving the loss of someone you love is one of life's most difficult challenges

But you don't have to face it alone. Our support group offers a safe, compassionate space where you can share your grief, find understanding, and connect with others who are walking a similar path. Whether your loss is recent or it happened years ago, we're here to support you.

Public welcome 6-8 pm
Thursday, November 6
Thursday, December 4
Thursday, January 8, 2026
Thursday February 5, 2026

Meeting Hall at
Our Lady of Grace Church
11 School St. Hatfield
Refreshments will be served

Please RSVP to: Louisefinn4@gmail.com
Church Office: 413-247-9079



CALLED BY NAME HONORING FAITHFUL YOUNG MEN

Bishop Byrne is asking us to identify faithful young men (ages 15-30's) who exhibit qualities of leadership and service, and who may be open to learning more about the priesthood. To submit names, please visit myvocation.com/calledbyname. Men you submit will receive a letter of encouragement from Bishop Byrne, invitations to discernment events, and support from our Vocation Team. Thank you for your participation in this important campaign



Deepen your biblical knowledge by joining fellow parishioners for an open-discussion bible study on the Gospel of Luke. Bring your own bible. Main text from RSV-2CE translation.

Wednesdays @ 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM on

11/26
12/10



Diocese of Springfield

Office of the Bishop

November 2, 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in our Lord Jesus Christ.

As your bishop, one of my greatest responsibilities is to ensure that the faithful of our diocese will always have good and holy priests to shepherd them. And yet, priestly vocations are never the work of one person alone. They arise when the whole Church prays for, encourages, and calls forth those men whom God has chosen.

For this reason, our diocese is launching a special **Called by Name campaign on November 8-9**, during which I ask that you help me identify young men who demonstrate faith, generosity, and leadership.

The young men you nominate do not need to have already expressed a desire for the priesthood. Rather, we seek to honor and encourage those who live their faith with integrity, serve generously, and show potential for Christian leadership. Your nomination may be the spark that helps a young man open his heart more fully to God's call.

I ask each of you to prayerfully submit the name of at least one (or several) such young men. You may use the cards provided at Mass or submit names online at myvocation.com. For those under 18, please include their parents' names as well.

This effort is dear to my heart. With your thoughtful participation, I am confident the Lord will raise up many new shepherds for his people. May this campaign bear lasting fruit for our diocese and for the salvation of souls.

With every good wish, I am

Your friend in Christ,

Most Reverend William D. Byrne
Bishop of Springfield

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