



OUR LADY OF GRACE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Hatfield, Massachusetts

Established November 28, 2010

<http://www.ourladyofgrace.faith>

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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 light in memory of
William G Wilkes Jr
Lovingly requested by the family*

Mass Intentions • November 29-December 7

Saturday, November 29 – 5:30 PM † In memory of *Paul and Kathy Labbee Requested by the family*

Sunday, November 30 – 9:30 AM For *Jeff Parsons*

Monday, December 1 *No Mass*

Tuesday, December 2 – 8:15 AM For *peace* and for *children to return to God Requested by a parishioner*

Wednesday, December 3 *No Mass*

Thursday, December 4 – 8:15 AM † In memory of *Paul and Mary Casey Requested by the family*

Friday, December 5 *No Mass*

Saturday, December 6 – 5:30 PM † In memory of *William G. Wilkes Jr. Requested by the family*

Sunday, December 7 – 9:30 AM For the *3rd Anniversary Memorial of Rick Miastkowski Requested by the family*

Sunday, December 7 – 5:30 PM Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary-
For *Fr. Paschal and his fellow Friars and their Mission in Nicaragua*

**Financial Report
November 22 & 23, 2025**

Weekly Envelopes & Sittings	\$1970
Mass Intentions	\$ 75
Energy	\$ 40
Donations/ other	\$ 355
Total	\$ 2440

Thank you for your continued generosity. Our weekly goal to sustain parish life is **\$2,500**. This week, we've received **\$2440** every gift helps us grow in faith and service.

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

Calvary Cemetery Winter Closure Notice

Please note that Calvary Cemetery will be closed for burials starting November 29. This seasonal closure will remain in effect until the spring thaw, depending on weather conditions.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION:

**Monday, December 8th
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mass will be celebrated at OLG
Sunday, December 7
5:30 PM VIGIL ONLY**



Background on the Gospel Reading

Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of a new liturgical year for the Church. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. It is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. Key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice. In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Matthew will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle A). In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speak about the need for wakefulness, for watchful waiting, for the coming of the Son of Man. Matthew's Gospel is dated by most scholars after 70 A.D. Most believe that Matthew wrote for a primarily Jewish community, but one that was no longer centered on the Temple in Jerusalem. These were Jewish Christians trying to come to terms with their relationship to Judaism in a new situation: Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. There may have been Christians who believed that the events of the world around them gave evidence of the imminent return of the Lord in glory. The passage from Matthew we read today is rather straightforward. No one knows the precise time of the coming of the Lord in glory, so watchful waiting and vigilance are required. The passage speaks to the uselessness of looking for signs; there will be none. As a thief sneaks in during the night, so will the Lord's coming in glory be. The question for us as members of the Christian community, then, is how do we prepare for this? Today's passage speaks more about the manner of waiting, rather than the details of the preparation. Jesus compares the vigilance required of Christians to the vigilance of a homeowner who knows the plans of the thief. If one knows that the thief's action is imminent, one remains watchful. As Christians, we know that our Lord is coming even if we cannot know the precise timing. Jesus calls us to be watchful and vigilant, like the homeowner. If we become lax in our Christian living, we may be caught unprepared.

Blessed Solanus Food Pantry

This Season, 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) Paper towels, Toilet paper, maxwell house and Folgers coffee also needed

Pray for Vocations

"The LORD is our righteousness." Are you being called to bring the word of God as a priest, religious brother or sister?

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

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5
Isaiah describes his vision in which all nations are gathered together by God in peace

Second Reading Romans 13:11-14
Be prepared, salvation is near.

Gospel Reading Matthew 24:37-44
Jesus tells his disciples that the coming of the Son of Man will catch many people unprepared. Jesus tells his disciples that they are to always be ready for the day of the Lord.

Are you Called To be A Eucharistic Minister?

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

2026 Mass Book is available

The Mass Book for 2026 is open.

Mass requests are being accepted through June 2026

Mass Intentions

Per Diocesan directive, Mass stipends are now \$15.00.

Sanctuary Candle You may also wish to honor loved ones or special intentions by sponsoring the Sanctuary candle. The offering is \$15.00

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."

OPLATEK-Christmas Wafer

The Oplatek will be available at church on Dec. 6 & 7, and at the Church office. A package cost is \$3.00 for one package. Oplatek may be available later if supply lasts.

Pray the Rosary

We invite all to join us as we pray the ROSARY Saturday evening at 4:55pm before Mass. During the month of November, let us remember all those who have died especially the souls in Purgatory

**Giving
Tree** 2025



Our Lady of Grace will be collecting for Bethlehem House starting on November 30th

Bethlehem House Inc. is a non-profit located in Easthampton, MA that offers free pregnancy resources for women in crisis, and to provide nurturing support for all members of the family. Bethlehem House was founded in 2006 and has helped over 500 clients and they work with local birthing centers, hospitals, churches, and colleges. Their mission is “to bring God’s love and mercy to those who choose life.” There are many ways to help Bethlehem House, please visit their website at www.bethlehemhousewma.org for volunteer opportunities, including knitting and sewing, and prayer. Our tree will have specific items that Bethlehem House needs, and we will be collecting all of Advent. The generosity of the Parish is always overwhelming and appreciated by those we can help during this season of giving.

Requested items:

Onesies, sleepers, and 2-piece outfits sizes 0-3- & 3-6-months girls and boys

Terry cloth hooded bath towels

Socks

Diapers size 1-6 (no newborn)

Unscented baby wipes

Unscented baby washes, lotions, and shampoo

Dove bar soap for sensitive skin

Pacifiers

Baby Bottles

Bottle brushes

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

Food Drive for

Blessed Solanus Food Pantry

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Other items needed: Folgers coffee, Maxwell House Coffee, paper towels, Toilet paper and Cheerios

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.

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