



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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Cemetery Coordinator, and

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Katrina Letourneau

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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
Helen Rotkiewicz*

Mass Intentions

December 20-28

Saturday, December 20 – 5:30 PM *Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)*

Sunday, December 21 – 9:30 AM † *In memory of Maria Russo*
Requested by Frank Russo

Monday, December 22 *No Mass*

Tuesday, December 23 – 8:15 AM *For the Souls in Purgatory*
Requested by a parishioner

Wednesday, December 24 – 5:30 PM † *In memory of Brian Ormsby and Kenneth Christopher Jamrog*
Requested by Barb Jamrog

Thursday, December 25 – 9:30 AM *For the deceased members of the Kopacz and Kobylinski families*

Friday, December 26 *No Mass*

Saturday, December 27 – 5:30 PM † *In memory of Robert Alber*
Requested by Frank Russo

Sunday, December 28 – 9:30 AM † *In memory of Stanley Slysz Sr. and Stanley Slysz Jr.*
Requested by the family

Financial Report December 14, 2025

Weekly Envelopes & Sittings	\$2086
Christmas Flowers	\$ 80
Energy	\$ 105
Donations/ other	\$ 5
Total	\$ 2276

Thank you for your continued generosity. Our weekly goal to sustain parish life is **\$2,500**. This week, we've received **\$2276** every gift helps us grow in faith and service.

December Prayer list

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

**Names will remain for one month

Religious Education Classes

Classes resume In January
Merry Christmas !!

Calvary Cemetery Winter Closure Notice

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

Our Lady of Grace Parish Christmas Mass Schedule

Wednesday, December 24, 2025
Vigil Solemnity of Christmas 5:30 p.m. Mass

Thursday, December 25, 2025 9:30 a.m.
Mass



Background on the Gospel Reading

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Today's Gospel (Matthew 1:18–24) invites us to contemplate the mystery of the Incarnation. Matthew tells the story of Jesus' birth from Joseph's perspective. Though Mary is found with child before they live together a situation that could have led to shame or even death Joseph chooses compassion. In a dream, the angel reveals that the child is conceived by the Holy Spirit, fulfilling Isaiah's prophecy: *"The virgin shall be with child and name him Emmanuel God with us."*

Joseph obeys God's command, taking Mary as his wife and accepting Jesus as his son. Together, Joseph and Mary show us what it means to trust God and cooperate with His plan. Their faith and courage remain a model for us as we prepare to welcome Christ at Christmas.

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



This Sunday's Readings

First Reading. Isaiah 7:10-14 Ahaz proclaims the sign that the Lord will give: a virgin shall give birth to a son, Emmanuel.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 24:1-2,3-4,5-6 The Lord is the King of Glory who established the earth.

Second Reading Romans 1:1-7 Paul greets the community at Rome and declares himself a servant of Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading Matthew 1:18-24 An angel appears to Joseph, directing him to take Mary as his wife and telling him that the child she will bear will be called Emmanuel.

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

Parish Office Update

Closed: Dec 24-28

Pray for Vocations

For our Church, that like Joseph, we may listen attentively to God's voice and follow His will with faith and courage, let us pray to the Lord.

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

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER 2025

For Christians in Areas of Conflict:

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope"

Cemetery Plowing Update

The cemetery will be plowed during winter storms. Please note that snow removal may take up to **two days after a major storm**. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to keep the grounds accessible and safe.

Pray the Rosary

We invite all to join us as we pray the ROSARY Saturday evening at 4:55pm before Mass.

OPLATEK-Christmas Wafer

Oplatek is still available at church, and at the Church office. A package cost is \$3.00 while supplies last

**Giving
Tree** 2025



Our Lady of Grace will be collecting for Bethlehem House Through January 11

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

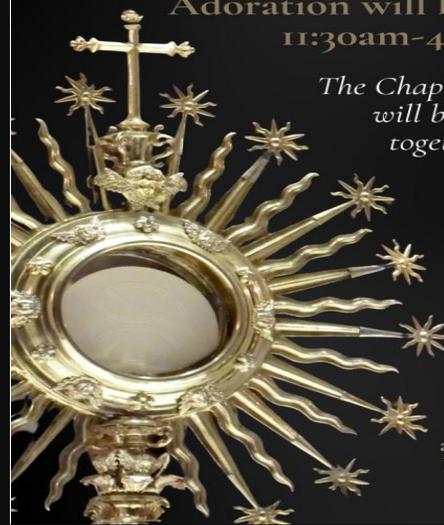
Refreshments will be served

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

Will you sit with the Lord?

On the First Friday of each month,
Adoration will be held from
11:30am-4:30pm.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy
will be prayed aloud
together at 3:00pm



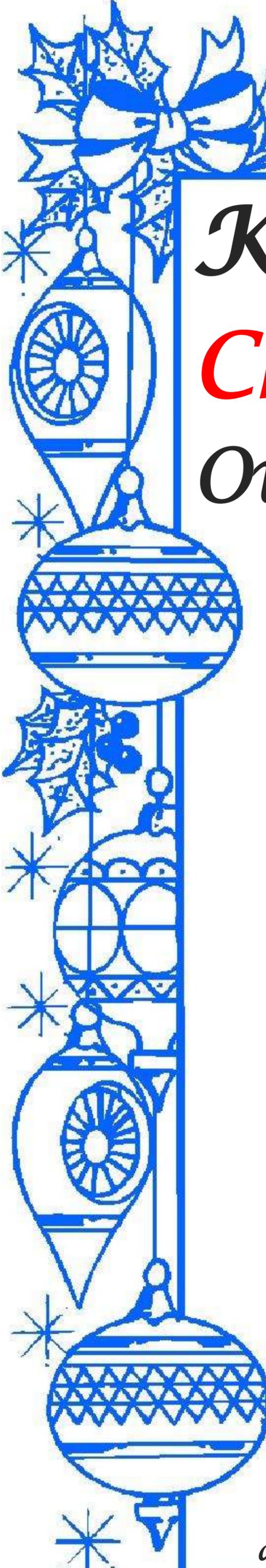
We need at least 2-3 people for each hour to be present with the Blessed Sacrament.

A sign-up sheet can be found by the tabernacle for an hour if you're able and for anyone who would like to lead the Chaplet of Divine Mercy Prayers.

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.



Keeping Christmastide at Our Lady of Grace

Dec. 24th CHRISTMAS EVE

✘ Mass: 5:30 P.M.

Dec. 25th CHRISTMAS

✘ Masses: 9:30 A.M.

Dec. 28th FEAST HOLY FAMILY

✘ Vigil Mass: 5:30 P.M.

✘ Sunday Masses: 9:30 A.M.

Jan. 1st SOLEMNITY OF MARY HOLY DAY

✘ Vigil Mass: 5:30 P.M.

✘ Feast Masses: 9:30 A.M.

Jan. 4th EPIPHANY

✘ Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 P.M.

✘ Sunday Masses: 9:30 A.M.

✘ **The Star of Bethlehem: *What did the Magi see?***

A PowerPoint presentation by Fr Doug, 2:00 P.M., Church Hall

Jan. 11th BAPTISM OF THE LORD

✘ **Ugly Christmas Sweater Weekend**

wear your ugly Christmas sweater to Mass!

✘ Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 P.M.

✘ Sunday Masses: 9:30 A.M.

*Christmastide ends and Ordinary Time begins
at the conclusion of Vespers, Baptism of the Lord*

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