



OUR LADY OF GRACE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Hatfield, Massachusetts

Established November 28, 2010

<http://www.ourladyofgrace.faith>

11 School Street

Hatfield, MA 01038

(413) 247-9079

Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

The office is Closed Wednesday

Email: ourladyofgracehatfield@yahoo.com

Parish Administrator

Very Rev. Douglas McGonagle

Provisional Priest

Rev. David Raymond

Administrative Assistant

Jennifer Iannuccilli

Music Ministry & Organist

Leo C. Rotkiewicz, Jr.

Director of Faith Formation,

Cemetery Coordinator, and

Safe Environment

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 offered for
The parishioners of Our Lady of Grace parish*

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 18 – 5:30 PM *In loving memory of Francis Englehardt* Requested by the Family

Sunday, April 19 – 9:30 AM *In thanksgiving for the many volunteers in our parish* Requested by a parishioner

Monday, April 20 No Mass

Tuesday, April 21 – 8:15 AM *For family members who have fallen away from the Church* Requested by a parishioner

Wednesday, April 22 No Mass

Thursday, April 23 – 8:15 AM *For the souls in purgatory* Requested by a parishioner

Friday, April 24 No Mass

Saturday, April 25 – 5:30 PM *For the 80 th anniversary remembrance of Marshall and Nellie Pease* Requested by their son John and family

Sunday, April 26 – 9:30 AM *In loving memory of Dante A. Villani* Requested by the Villani Family

Please contact the Parish office at 413 247 9079 to schedule a Mass

2025-2026 Stanley Kaweck Memorial Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus Council #15197 is proud to announce that the 2025-2026 Stanley Kaweck Memorial Scholarship is available. Applications will be accepted until May 9, 2026. The Stanley Kaweck Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000.00) is awarded to a deserving Catholic High School Senior who will be pursuing a course leading to a Bachelor's or Associate's Degree, attending an Accredited Trade School, or entering a valid Apprenticeship Program. A returning college sophomore or second year student in an Accredited Trade School or valid Apprenticeship Program may reapply if they did not receive this scholarship as a first-year student. The application is available at applicable guidance offices, Holy Family parish office, or by submitting an email request to Knights15197@gmail.com.

April Prayer List

Chris Balise
Jan Balise
Quinn Cooke
Michael Coby
Fr David Raymond
Charlotte Grace
Sue Favreau
Jean Gilbert
Gina
Barbara Growhoski
Mary Gruszkowski
Michael Holhut
Kathy Jagodzinski
Barbara Jamrog & Brandin Jamrog
Alex Klaes & Rose Klaes
Edward & Ruth Kuchyt
Bill Lahart
Blanche Lawrence & Frank Lawrence Jr
Lillian Morin
Rose & Joe Mulherin
Pope Leo
Jeff Parsons
Tom
A young parishioner seeking strength and prayers
A Parishioner
John & Maryellen Reynolds
Paul Schmidt
Kari Ann Wiles
A parishioner facing difficulties
****Names will remain for one month**

Financial Report April 12, 2026

Weekly Envelopes & Sitzings	2594
Mass Intentions	45
Energy	230
Easter Offering	5
Easter Flowers	55
Other Donation	
Total	\$ 2929

Thank you for your continued generosity. Our weekly goal to sustain parish life is **\$2,500**. This week, we've received **\$2929**

Thank You for your generosity!!

We ask that all **CORI forms** be returned to Kat Letourneau promptly. The Diocese requires these forms for any volunteer whose ministry involves contact with vulnerable populations. Thank you for helping us uphold the highest standards of safety and care.



3rd Sunday of Easter

3rd Sunday of Easter Sunday, April 19

First Reading Acts 2:14,22-33
Peter and the apostles announce that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Second Reading 1 Peter 1:17-21 You were saved by Christ's sacrifice.

Gospel Reading Luke 24:13-35 Jesus appears to two disciples who are walking to Emmaus.

TAKE & EAT MEALS MINISTRY

Our Take & Eat meals are prepared on the third Sunday of each month. The next delivery is **Sunday, April 19, 2026**.

Menu: Ham, scalloped potatoes, carrots, lemon poppy muffins, and carrot cake.

If you will not be home to receive your meal, please let us know. Thank you to all our dedicated volunteers who make this ministry possible!

PLEASE NOTE:

The parish office will be closed on Monday, April 20th for Patriot's Day.

Background on the Gospel Reading

On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week's Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed. When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again, we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized.

Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist. We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them. Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God. In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

For families, that they may pray for their children and help them be open to God's call, let us pray to the Lord.

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 2026

For Priests in Crisis:

"Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer."

Respect Life

That as we recognize Jesus in the breaking of the Bread, we may also see Him in the poor, the sick, the marginalized, and the unborn, we pray to the Lord.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions are now available **from July through the end of 2026**. If you would like to schedule a Mass for a loved one or special intention, please contact the parish office. The offering for each Mass is **\$15.00**.



APRIL 26

CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF
SPRINGFIELD



Thank You!

FOR YOUR GENEROUS
EASTER FLOWER OFFERINGS

Your generosity has helped beautifully
decorate our church for Easter.

We appreciate your blessings!



Bethlehem House, Inc. is a non-profit organization located in Western Massachusetts which offers free pregnancy resources for women in crisis. We reach out to provide loving and nurturing support to help all members of the family in this time of need.

Bethlehem House is in need of some gentlemen volunteers on Wednesdays & Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and/or 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. to help load baby baskets, pac-in-plays and car seats, along with other items into our clients' cars.

If interested please call 413 262-8517.

Upcoming Celebrations!

First Communion - May 16th @ 10:00 AM

 Raelynn Banner
Ignatius Bello
Addison Ludwiczak
Sophie Szawlowski

Confirmation - May 17th @ 1:00 PM
at Holy Family Parish

Boden Crevier
Logan Holhut
Bryce Niconczyk
Mason Place
Frank Szawlowski III

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, March 5
Thursday, April 9
Thursday, May 7
Thursday June 4

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

THANK YOU!

For all the donations
for a family in need



We will continue to collect for both
Blessed Solanus and the Hatfield family in need

Most needed items are:

- Paper plates
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Cleaning products

Thank you!

ONE NATION UNDER GOD

NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage
St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Route

This June 18-20 2026, the **National Eucharistic Pilgrimage** will pass through the diocese. The diocese has many events planned for the pilgrimage and parishes are encouraged to come out and take part in them.



Love Your Neighbor As Yourself

OUR FUNDED MINISTRIES AND AGENCIES

As members of the Diocese of Springfield, we are called to live out the Gospel's mandate to love our neighbors.

The Annual Catholic Appeal is the largest source of funding for the works of the Diocese of Springfield. The Appeal provides the necessary financial resources for community-based ministries and agencies that serve individuals and families of our parishes, schools, and communities throughout the four counties of western Massachusetts.

Help us serve those in need throughout western Massachusetts

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As followers of Christ, we are called to be generous stewards of the gifts God has entrusted to us. Your participation, whether through prayer, sacrifice, giving, or acts of service, reduces our suffering in the love of mercy.

I invite you to reflect on the blessings you have received and to consider a gift to help support them. Every contribution, no matter how small, is a significant step toward expressing both your faith and your love for the Church.

Most Rev. William D. Byrne,
Bishop of Springfield



SERVICES TO THOSE IN NEED

Protest Community Connection
Belknap Food Project
Catholic Charities
Counseling Services/200 Child Protection
Crisis House
Lorraine's Soup Kitchen
Lupinus House
The Thriving Center
Providence Ministries
Residence Coordinator: Chris Hannon, C.S.J.
Bridges for The Homeless Ministry
St. Vincent DePaul Society - Westfield

SERVICES TO YOUNG PEOPLE

Catholic Youth Center
Children's Advocacy Center
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Support for Catholic Education
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Youth Ministry

PASTORAL & SPIRITUAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Apocalypse of the Sublime
Catholic Ministry
Catholic Communications Corp.
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Faith Formation
Jesuit
Ministry with the Deaf
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Serenity & Clergy Educational Support
Underdogged Pattern Association/Parish

SERVICES TO THE FAMILY & ELDERLY

Alzura
Belknap House
Clergy Clinic, Inc.
Family House of Western MA
Mary Medical Ctr. Transitions for Homeless
New Director: Women's Center
Pregnancy Support Service of Belknap Ctr.
Rachel's Haven
Sisters Retirement Fund
Support of United Parishes



Treasuring the Eucharistic Heart

Learning Series at OLV Easthampton

- In preparation for the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage
- Six in-person sessions for adults, Tuesdays, April 28 – June 2 at 5:00 p.m. in the OLV parish hall.
- Recordings available for remote participation.
- Stories of saints and consecration to the Sacred Eucharistic Heart of Jesus in union with U.S. bishops consecrating to the Sacred Eucharistic Heart of Jesus in union with U.S. bishops.
- Practicing Eucharistic devotions (adoration, Chaplet of Eucharistic Adoration, etc.)

To Register: Email Katie Sadakierski at sadakierski.olv@gmail.com or call the OLV office at 413-527-9778.

RETROUVAILLE

HelpOurMarriage.org
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

MAY MARRIAGE WORKSHOP

May 1 – May 3, 2026
Windsor, CT



If your marriage has become distant, troubled, unloving or uncaring; if you are divorced or separated but want to try again, **Retrouvaille** can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to communicate better, resolve conflicts fairly, and re-discover why you fell in love.

helpourmarriage.org
(860) 837-0447

Polish Junior League of Massachusetts Scholarships

The Polish Junior League of Massachusetts is accepting applications for scholarships for college students of Polish heritage. Application information and forms may be obtained at www.polishjuniorleaguema.org/ applications. Deadline for receipt of application materials is 5-1-2026.

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.

THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR SUPPORT

With your generous contributions, the Annual Catholic Appeal distributes funds to ministries and agencies across the Diocese of Springfield. In some cases, it is the sole source of support for these ministries. Since its inception in 1999, your donations have helped serve the young and old, fed the hungry, spread the faith, lifted up families and individuals in need and in crisis, educated our priests and deacons, and helped to support all life, from conception to natural death.

Are you ready to make a difference in the lives of thousands of our neighbors? Love your neighbor as yourself. Take time to make your donation today. Your gift will nurture faith, hope, and love right here in our four counties of western Massachusetts.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

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DONATE BY PHONE
CALL US AT
413-452-0630

MAKE A PLEDGE
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SENT BY MAIL OR IN YOUR PARISH

Make the most of your ACA contribution! Talk to your company about its matching gift program. Contact our office for information on the transfer of stocks and bonds. For traditional IRA gift transfers, please consult your IRA administrator.

MORE QUESTIONS?

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BY EMAIL AT ACA@DIOSPRINGFIELD.ORG

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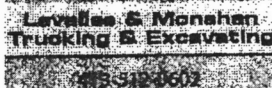


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