



OUR LADY OF GRACE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Hatfield, Massachusetts

Established November 28, 2010

<http://www.ourladyofgrace.faith>

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Hatfield, MA 01038

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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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Parish Administrator

Very Rev. Douglas McGonagle

Provisional Priest

Rev. David Raymond

Administrative Assistant

Jennifer Iannuccilli

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Leo C. Rotkiewicz, Jr.

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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 offered for
The parishioners of Our Lady of Grace parish*

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 25 – 5:30 PM For the 80th 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*

Monday, April 27 No Mass

Tuesday, April 28 – 8:15 AM Pro populo

Wednesday, April 29 No Mass

Thursday, April 30 – 8:15 AM For the souls in purgatory *Requested by a parishioner*

Friday, May 1 No Mass

Saturday, May 2 – 5:30 PM In memory of Paul and Kathy Labbee *Requested by the family*

Sunday, May 3 – 9:30 AM In loving memory of Helena Stankowski, wife and mom *Requested by her husband and children*

2025-2026 Stanley Kawecki Memorial Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus Council #15197 is proud to announce that the 2025-2026 Stanley Kawecki Memorial Scholarship is available. Applications will be accepted until May 9, 2026. The Stanley Kawecki 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 & Sittings	2005
Mass Intentions	60
Energy	0
Easter Offering	10
Easter Flowers	10
Other Donation	60
Total	\$ 2145

Thank you for your continued generosity. Our weekly goal to sustain parish life is **\$2,500**. This week, we've received **\$2145**

[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.



**4th Sunday of Easter Sunday,
April 26**

First Reading Acts 2:14a,36-41 Peter and the apostles baptize 3,000 people.

Second Reading 1 Peter 2:20b-25 We have been healed by the wounds of Christ.

Gospel Reading John 10:1-10 Jesus is the gate for his sheep

Saint Joseph the Worker

Feast day May 1

Joseph understood the importance of work. He was a carpenter, a builder, and probably taught Jesus his trade.

Through his work, Joseph honored the Father in heaven and continued the act of creation. He lived in dignity.

To give workers a patron, the Church turned to Joseph, who had been made the Patron of the Universal Church by Pope Pius IX in 1870 and the model for fathers of families. Joseph was named protector of workers by Pope Benedict XV, and in 1955, the feast of Saint Joseph the Worker on May 1 was proclaimed by Pius the XII.

Let us pray to Saint Joseph for his help in all our work and for those many people who want and need jobs but cannot find them.

Background on the Gospel Reading

John 10:1-10

Jesus is the gate for his sheep.

This fourth Sunday of the Easter season is sometimes called Good Shepherd Sunday because in each of the three lectionary cycles, the Gospel reading invites us to reflect on Jesus as the Good Shepherd. In each cycle the reading is from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel. This chapter sets the framework for Jesus' teaching about himself as the Good Shepherd. Today's reading falls between the stories of Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the raising of Lazarus. Both of these stories were proclaimed in the Gospels found in this year's season of Lent. Following the controversy that ensued when Jesus healed the man born blind, Jesus directs his allegory about the sheep and the shepherd toward the Jewish religious leaders of his time, the Pharisees. Throughout John's Gospel the Pharisees fail to accept Jesus' ministry and teaching. They show themselves to be "robbers and thieves" because they try to lead the sheep without entering through the gate, Jesus. Through these metaphors, Jesus is telling his listeners that those who follow him and his way will find abundant life. He identifies himself both as the shepherd and the gate. The shepherds who are faithful to him are the ones whom the sheep (Jesus' disciples) should follow. The relationship between the sheep and their shepherd is based on familiarity. Sheep recognize their shepherd and will not follow a stranger. At the end of the day, shepherds lead their sheep from pastures to a common gated area called a sheepfold. There, one shepherd protects all of the sheep until the next day when each shepherd returns to lead his own sheep to pasture. As shepherds move among the sheep, the sheep follow only their shepherd. Today's Gospel also gives us the opportunity to reflect on Christian leadership. Jesus' words suggest to us that those who will lead the Christian community will be known by their faithfulness to Jesus. The leaders will recognize that Jesus is the gate for all of the sheep and that having a good relationship with Jesus is the primary characteristic of a Christian leader. Jesus' allegory also suggests that faithful Christian leadership requires a good relationship with the community: the shepherd knows his sheep, and they know him. Christian leaders follow the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, by being faithful to him and by being a good shepherd.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

For the Church, that priests and religious may shepherd God's flock with dedication, 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."



APRIL 26

**CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF
SPRINGFIELD**

Finance Council Meeting

April 27

at 6 pm

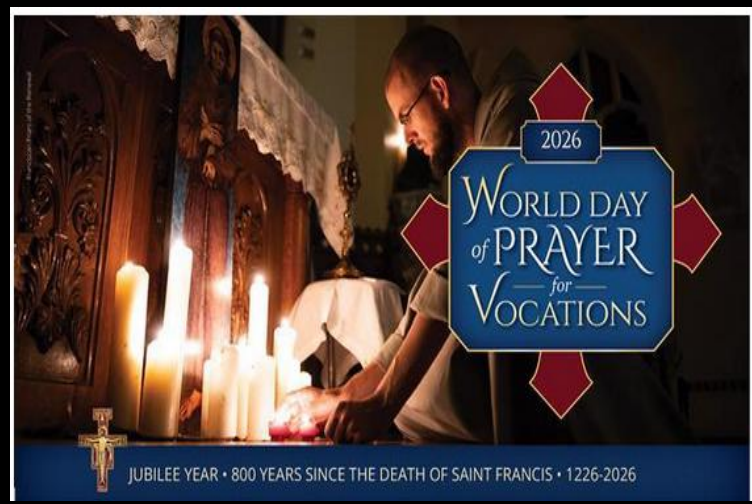
in the church hall

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**.

TAKE & EAT MEALS MINISTRY

Our meal was successfully delivered to 16 people on Sunday, April 19th. They received a hearty meal of baked ham, scalloped potatoes, carrots, bread, seasonal dessert, along with a bag of goodies featuring, chips, and assorted snacks and drink for the next day. We wish to extend our sincere thanks to all the people from our Take and Eat Ministry Team who participated in the planning, preparing and delivering of this meal. Our next meal offering is being planned for Sunday, May 17th



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 

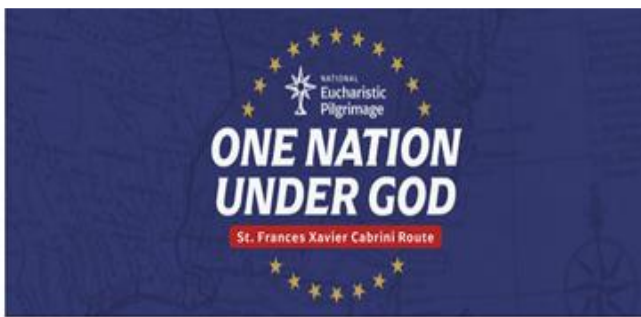


We will continue to collect for both
Blessed Solanus and the Hatfield family in need

Most needed items are:

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

Thank you!



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.

MARY and the WRITINGS of ST. FRANCIS



Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed 2026 as a Year in the Footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi. Join us for a Senior Retreat Day of Reflection on Mary and the writings of St. Francis, led by Fr. Brad Milunski, Pastor of the Basilica of St. Stanislaus B.M. It will be a day of learning, prayer, and spiritual enrichment.

- Date:** Wednesday, May 6, 2026
Time: 8:00 a.m. Registration with refreshments
 9:00 a.m. Program with Fr. Brad Milunski
 Including confessions, Adoration, and ends with Mass at 3:00 pm
Place: Jericho Celebration Center, 537 Northampton St., Holyoke, MA
Presenter: Fr. Brad Milunski
Cost: \$25 which includes lunch at Hamel's

For further information call 413-452-0511 or email: disciplesofmary@diospringfield.org

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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

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MAY MARRIAGE WORKSHOP

May 1 – May 3, 2026
 Windsor, CT



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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.

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