

Mary, Mother of Hope Parish Community

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May 2, 2021



Lord's Day Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 (Interpreted Mass for the Deaf)

Weekday Masses

Mon., Tues., Weds., Fri., Sat.: 9:00 AM

Adoration & Recitation of the Rosary

Monday-Saturday: 8:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3-3:30 PM or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

For dates and information call the rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

Call the Rectory as soon as possible, at least one year in advance

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and

Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Office Closed Thursdays

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Parish Staff

Fr. Michael Wood, Pastor

Rev. Donatus Ironuma, In Residence

Rev. Kenneth J. Tatro, In Residence

Deacon Al Mutti

Deacon Gerry Campion

Cathleen Senecal, Director of Religious Ed./

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Christopher Gosselin, Director of Music

John Koski, Facilities Manager

Cheryl Rivers, Parish Secretary

Gil Viteralli, Sacristan

Ministry with the Deaf

Kay Woods Pastoral Minister with the Deaf

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Parish Mission Statement: "We the people of Mary, Mother of Hope Parish are called through Baptism to celebrate the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament. As Christians, in the spirit of faith, service and community, we proclaim the Good News of Christ. We accomplish this by fostering a welcoming environment that supports the faith formation of our parishioners; the nurturing of spiritual life of our community and encouraging active participation in our parish life. It is our purpose within this parish to evangelize with God's Love and Word through example, outreach programs and respect for the diversity, gifts and cultures of others. It is our call to be faithful stewards of this mission."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2021

The Religious Education Program has ended for this year. We thank you for your faithfulness and your willingness to work with us. Your participation in our religious education program contributed to teaching our children the practices of our Catholic Faith instilling in them the love of God and of those around them.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 1

9:00 AM Barbara Gebo (5th Anniv.) req. by the Family

4:00 PM William Gervasi req. by Sr. Connie Santilla

Sunday, May 2

8:00 AM Constance Maciolek (26th Anniv.) req. by Ray & JoAnn Maciolek

10:00AM Rosa & Francisco Suarez req by the Family

Monday, May 3

9:00 AM Nile & Linda Ziemba (On the Special Occasion of their 26th Wedding Anniv) req. by the Family

Tuesday, May 4

9:00 AM Laura Grondski (Birthday Remembrance) req. by her Family

Wednesday, May 5

9:00 AM Germaine Girard req. by the Boulrice Family

Thursday, May 6

9:00 AM No Communion Service

Friday, May 7

9:00 AM Roland Hamel (62nd Anniv) req. by the Family

Saturday, May 8

9:00 AM Edward Paolino (Birthday Remembrance) req. by his Wife & Family

4:00 PM Maszta & Prejsnar Family req. by Janice & Betsy

Sunday, May 9

8:00 AM Lillian Bigda (Birthday Remembrance) req. by a Friend

10:00AM Elizabeth Viteralli req by the Family

Mary Mother of Hope Candle : The Mary Mother of Hope Candle will burn for your intention for a 1 week period. The suggested donation is \$10 for the week. This is a wonderful way to offer your intentions to our Lord as the candle stays lit next to His Mother and our Patron.

THE MARY MOTHER OF HOPE CANDLE
will burn from 05/02/21 to 05/08/21:

**BLESSINGS & PRAYERS FOR
THE 1ST COMMUNION CLASS OF
MARY, MOTHER OF HOPE PARISH**



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE
will burn from 04/24/21 to 05/07/21
**IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOAN URBANSKI
REQ. BY HER SISTER CLAIRE**

SANCTUARY CANDLE 2021 : There are openings for the Sanctuary Candle for 2021. The donation is \$20 for two weeks. If you would like to book the candle please call the rectory at 413 739-0456. Thank You

ATTENTION: The Mass Book for 2021 is open to book Masses, whatever is available can be booked

HELP NEEDED!! Each and every volunteer here at our parish is a value to our parish community. Now that we are back in our church we are looking for Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors to assist Father in the ministry of the Mass at weekend and Holy Day Masses. As Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers, you bring Christ to the people of God in both Word and Sacrament. This ministry is both a privilege and an honor. If you were a Eucharistic Minister or Lector and are ready to come back or if you are interested in joining this Important and Beautiful Ministry, please call the rectory at 413 739-0456

MORE USHERS ARE NEEDED : Would you be interested in helping us as an usher? Greeting and seating people before Mass and helping to sanitize the pews after the Mass. This is necessary in keeping all of us safe and we appreciate all of you who have been assisting us each and every week since the start of the pandemic. It is truly a blessing to have parishioners young and old involved in this, we could use more volunteers to help so that the work load is made a little easier on those who have been volunteering. Please call the rectory at 413 739-0456 Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri 9-3pm. Thank you for your consideration and all that you do for our Parish Community.

MINISTRY OF FAITH

The Ministry of Faith will be sending *Thinking of You Cards* to Parishioners who are elderly, home-bound, and in Nursing Homes over the Summer months. Parishioners are invited to donate generic *Thinking of You Cards* that can be used for these mailings. Mass Cards cannot be accepted. Cards may be deposited in the basket marked for card donations

The Daily Walk by Betty Hughes Arnold

When I awake to a brand new morn, the day's adventures not yet born

I know whatever they may be, I'll not be alone,
He walks with me.

If sad things come as they often do and I don't know
how I'll get through, the relief I seek I cannot see,
but there He is, He cries with me.

A visit from the family comes, and I am as happy as
can be; as we recall old memories, He listens in
and laughs with me.

When I am ill and feeling low, can hardly make it
through the day, I give it up unto the Lord,
He hears my prayer, He comforts me.

Whenever from the path I'd stray, He'd have me
walk, "Do not sin," He reminds me, and from the
cross He forgives me.

When the day is over and I'm tired, mind and body
need to rest, I say my prayers and feel at peace,
for through the night, He watches me!



We gratefully acknowledge gifts to **Mary, Mother of Hope's Memorial Fund** as follows:

In memory of **Evelyn Foley** from Eileen Gilhooly, Anthony & Margaret Krzystofik and Ann Sorel

ELECTRIC CANDLES!!!! We now have new electric candles to light in the candle room. To light one just press the button in front of the candle and the candle will light. The donation is up to you, whatever you can give.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS; Calling all members of the former Men's & Women's Clubs and Family & Community Life members. The Fellowship of Hope will be holding its first meeting on Sunday, May 2, 2021 at 11:00 AM in the Parish Meeting Room. Please join us as we start planning our events for the year.

PASTORAL COUNCIL The Pastoral Council is looking for ideas and activities we can plan as Covid restrictions loosen. We would love to hear your questions, comments, or suggestions! Reach out to us at pastoralcouncil@mmohspringfield.org.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confessions
Confessions will be heard on Saturday from 3-3:30 PM or by appointment in the parish meeting room. Those wishing to celebrate the Sacrament will enter the parish meeting room through the open door near the Mary Prayer Garden. If you want to arrange a time with Fr. Michael please call the rectory at 739-0456. These confessions will also be heard in the parish meeting room and the penitent will enter the open door near the Mary Prayer Garden. Masks are to be worn by both priest and penitent at all times. These must be put on prior to leaving your vehicle in the parking lot. *Thank You.*

FATHER'S DAY ENVELOPES You have probably noticed there are envelopes for Father's Day. These envelopes are similar to the All Souls envelopes in November. During the month of June, the Father's Day envelopes, with your listed intentions, will be placed in front of the image of St. Joseph and will be prayed for at each Mass through the month. Any contributions you would like to make in the envelope will be kept right here, in full, in your loved ones memory in our parish 'Beautification Fund. As always thank you so much for your generosity and know this is a beautiful way to honor those who are so dear to us. May God Bless You! *Fr. Michael*

HOLY HOUR Every Man is called to be a Father. Does God want YOU to be a Priest, or the Father of a Priest? Come and pray for Vocations with Bishop Byrne on Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 7pm at Holy Family Parish, South Deerfield. For more information call Fr. Jon Reardon 413 248-7034 / vocations@diospringfield.org

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: The best way to know if one of our parishioners has been admitted to the hospital or a resident of a nursing home, or homebound and not able to attend Mass especially at this time, is for the family or neighbor or friend to share the information by placing a phone call to the rectory at 413 739-0456. Please let us know so that they can be added to our lists, we want to make sure that we keep in touch with them to let them know they are not forgotten, they are in our prayers and if there is anything that we can do for them. Thank you for your help

Deacon Gerry Campion is offering his prayers and guidance, listening to your concerns. If you would like to talk to him, you can call him on his cell phone 413 686-1422 . We thank Deacon Gerry for his dedication and concern for our parishioners.

Mary's House of Prayer, 202 East Main Street, Chicopee, is hosting Full of Grace: Women and the Abundant Life Foundational Study on Monday mornings, April 26 through June 28, 2021 from 10:00 AM until Noon OR Tuesday evenings, April 27 through June 29, 2021 from 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM. The cost is \$45 for materials and all women are welcome! Come, learn, make new friends, and enjoy! Please contact Jean Raczkowski (413 452- 0511) for more information. Please note: No class on Memorial day.

SENIOR ADVICE: Many aging adults are unaware of the available care options and programs that can help them maintain their independence and quality of life. There is a free resource that provides comprehensive information on topics like financial support and assisted living options that are available in their area. You can read more about these programs on their website at: <http://www.senioradvice.com/assisted-living/massachusetts>.

BIBLE STUDY: *How to pray like Mary.* This 6 week study will take place at Sacred Heart, Feeding Hills starting Tuesday, May 11. There will be 2 sessions 10-11:30 AM or 6:30 -8 PM. The cost is \$15 per person and the group size will be limited to no more than 10 per session. Please sign up by calling Pastoral Minister Deb Brianesco at 786-8200 ext 3

PARISH DONATIONS THRU ONLINE BANKING

Are you currently paying your bills through online banking? Please consider having Mary, Mother of hope Church as one of your payees. Online bill pay is a free service at most banks. When setting up your online payment, **under Company add Mary Mother of Hope Church, 840 Page Blvd, Springfield, MA 01104** and use your envelope # as the account number. You can contribute to the special collections either by using your envelope from the packet or issuing a separate online payment with the name of the Special Collection in the memo field. We are hoping that this may be an easier way for you to contribute to the Parish especially during the summer season. Thank you for your ongoing generosity to the parish, most especially during this pandemic.

WEEKLY REPORT /APRIL 24/25 2021

TOTAL ENV. DONATIONS \$5297.00

MAINTENANCE \$334.00 MISSION \$344.00

MOTHER'S DAY \$1444.00