

Mary, Mother of Hope Parish Community

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December 30 2018



Lord's Day Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 (Interpreted Mass for the Deaf) and 11:30 AM

Weekday Masses

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

Thursdays, Communion Service 9:00 AM

Recitation of the Rosary

Monday—Saturday: 8:35 AM

Perpetual Novena to St. Peregrine

Monday Evenings 5:30 PM (Mass)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 8:00-8:45 AM, 3:00—3:30 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Third Sunday of every other month, for dates.

And information call the rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

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

Parish Staff

Fr. Michael Wood, Pastor

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Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and

Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Office Closed Thursdays

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If you are new in the Parish, please introduce yourself after Mass or at the Rectory.

We want to know and serve you. We hope you will favor your Parish with your prayers,

your presence, your time, talent and treasure

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 29

9:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Albert Bourdeau req. by their Family
4:00 PM Fred Krampits & Hilda & Walter Harscheid req. by Jean & Rick Krampits

Sunday, December 30

8:00 AM Beverly Cerruti req. by her Friends of Chicopee
10:00AM Theresa & John Mc Elhaney req. by the Family
11:30AM Francisco & Albertina Pereira req. by David Gomes

Monday, December 31,

9:00 AM Rev. William Wynne O.S.A req. by Alice Wynne & Family
5:30 PM Rita Lemoine req. by Normand Lemoine & Family

Tuesday, January 1, SOLEMNITY OF MARY

9:00 AM Parishioners of Mary Mother of Hope

Wednesday, January 2

9:00 AM Gail Giblio req. by her Saturday Night Friends

Thursday, January 3

9:00 AM Communion Service

Friday, January 4

9:00 AM Deceased Family Members of the Brown & Shaw Family req. by the Family

Saturday, January 5

9:00 AM Francine Hawk req. by a Friend
4:00 PM Bill Billeter (18th Anniv.) req. by his Wife and Family

Sunday, January 6, The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 AM Sigmund Ziemba req. by his Wife & Family
10:00AM Margaret Mastroianni req. by Betsy & William Cavanaugh
11:30AM Ryan Su req. by the La France 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 SANCTUARY CANDLE

will burn from 12/22/18 to 01/04/19:
In Loving Memory Of
Michael Rancitelli
From his wife, Laurie

WINTER PARKING ADVISORY: If you park in the spaces on the side of the church near the rectory please be aware that there are no snow guards on our roof. If there is snow, the snow could come down & it could cause damage to your cars. If this should happen the church can not be responsible. *Thank You!*

EPIPHANY PAGEANT:

Sunday, Jan 6th - 10 AM Mass ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 9:30 AM

Rehearsal: Wednesday, Jan. 2nd, @6:00 PM

EPIPHANY CELEBRATION & CHILDREN'S PARTY
The Religious Education Commission will sponsor a party for the children of the parish on Epiphany Sunday, January 7, 2018. The gathering will be held in the social center immediately following the 10:00 AM Mass and Epiphany Pageant. Gifts will be given for **children of the parish age 12 and under.**

The children must be registered to receive a gift.
Please fill in the form and drop it into the collection basket by Monday, December 25th

NAME _____
Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____ Boy () Girl ()
month date year

A CHRISTMAS WELCOME - If you are visiting our parish for the Christmas Holiday or have been away from the Church for some time allow me, on behalf of our parish family, to warmly welcome you. As we celebrate the Gift of Jesus Christ, born for us, we also look to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. We, at Mary, Mother of Hope, strive to be a holy family built on the foundation of the Christ Child. Please feel welcome to join our family each week. If you have any questions about coming back to the faith please never hesitate to call our office to make an appointment with me or send me an e-mail fathermw@gmail.com *I wish you all a Merry and Blessed Christmas! Fr. Michael*

PLEASE NOTE: THE SANCTUARY CANDLE IS BOOKED FOR 2019 WE ARE TAKING REQUESTS FOR 2020.

STARTING IN JANUARY 2019 WE WILL BE TAKING REQUESTS FOR THE MARY MOTHER OF HOPE CANDLE.

THIS CANDLE WILL BURN NEXT TO THE BLESSED MOTHER FOR YOUR INTENTION FOR A ONE WEEK PERIOD. THE SUGGESTED OFFERING 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.

To book the candle call the rectory at 413 739-0456. thank you.

MARY, MOTHER OF HOPE MEDITATION GARDEN

Parishioners are invited to donate paving stones in memory of their loved ones **-both living & deceased.**

A donation of \$150.00 will underwrite the cost of each paver. Order forms are available in the Social Center Lobby and in the vestibules of the church.

ELMS COLLEGE The Annual Diocesan Appeal for the College of Our Lady of the Elms – the Catholic College of Western Massachusetts will be made throughout the Diocese at all Masses the weekend of Jan.5/6. Your generosity will help to increase the amount of scholarship aid available to parish members, catholic school students, and catholic families in an effort to make this quality college education more affordable. We urge you to take part in this effort and there is an envelope in your packet for this purpose.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the Holiday the Rectory will be closed Tuesday, January 1st . Thank You.



Dear Parishioners,

During this Holy Season let us pray for love, hope and peace and be thankful for each other. I am thankful to God for the many blessings we at Mary, Mother of Hope have received.

There has been such a heartwarming response to the various programs and events sponsored by parish committees. I recognize that among the joys and tribulations, there is a genuine awareness of each other and the generosity by our people has been overwhelming.

I thank all that have responded so generously by their memorial donations to the Flower Fund. I extend appreciation to those whose donations of grocery store certificates and food, which keeps our parish pantry stocked, so that we are able to help those of our parish community who are facing difficulties. I am grateful to all those who delivered flowers to our homebound and nursing home members which is a joyful and gracious undertaking.

A Special Thank You to the volunteers who shop, prepare and deliver home cook meals to the members of our Community in our Take and Eat Program.

I extend gratitude to members of the Spiritual Life Commission and to volunteer parishioners who helped to decorate the church for our celebration of the Birth of Jesus.

The celebration of Christmas is a wonderful time of year to fully appreciate the talents of our devoted choir, under the direction of Christopher Gosselin and our Folk Group. I give thanks to them and their splendid musical contributions. I thank the children of the parish for their presence and participation in our Christmas Eve pageant and the Epiphany pageant which will be on January 6th. I extend my warm appreciation to their devoted teachers. God bless and guide all our children, may we help them to grow in goodness and faith

I extend my personal thanks to Deacon Al, Deacon Gerry, Gil Viteralli, our Sacristan and those who loyally serve our parish in assisting us throughout the year in the ministry of Altar Server, Master of Ceremony, Lector, Eucharistic Minister and Usher. You make our ministry easier and very enjoyable.

Thank you for your devotion and for making this a beautiful and happy Christmas for me and for all who worship at Mary, Mother of Hope.

Father Michael

In Your Prayers Let us prayerfully remember our hospitalized and homebound parishioners and all who struggle with terminal and chronic disease and depend on prayers for strength, healing and courage

We gratefully acknowledge gifts to Mary, Mother of Hope's Improvement Fund as follows:
In memory of **Chris Rivers** from Dennis Bajek. Michael & Hannah Brosnan and The Deaf Community

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY: Jesus grew up in wisdom, age and grace in the midst of his family. How is your family growing in the midst of these challenging times? Seek out God's grace. (Luke 2:41-52) If you think God is calling you, email :vocations@diospringfield.org

AREA EVENTS

MARCH FOR LIFE 2019 Pro-Lifers will once again journey to Washington D.C. to join hundreds of thousands in standing up and declaring that abortion destroys life. Please join us for the March for Life on January 18th. There are busses which bring youth to the youth rally and busses that go to other events. Limited tickets are available for youths so please call soon. For info on the cost of the trip or financial assistance, please call the PVMCFL at 413 583-5034.

AOS-USA DANUBE RIVER CRUISE Take your faith on a journey, to Oberammergau with a Danube River Cruise on this 11 Day experience. July 7, 2020-July 17, 2020 with Father Jack Harper. Your included destinations while on this journey: Budapest, Hungary, Bratislava, Vienna, Durnstein (Melk Abbey), Linz, Passau, Regensburg, Oberammergau World Renowned Passion Play. Also Mass will be offered throughout your journey. Land prices begin at \$4599 per person, based on double occupancy. Deposits of only \$500 per person will reserve your space. Call Eileen 860 399-1785 or Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Start the New Year out right enriching your marriage by attending a World-wide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are Jan. 18-20 in S Kingstown, RI & Mar. 8-10 in Duxbury MA. For more info call 800 710-9963

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: Texas Road House Restaurant 300 Cooley St. Springfield (offer only at this address) has a program for the Parish to receive 10 % of your check on **Sundays 11:30 AM-3:00 PM only**. Bring a bulletin with you

PLEASE NOTE 2ND COLLECTIONS As of Jan. 1, 2019 any envelopes for a second collection should be put in the basket along with you regular weekly offering when the ushers first come with the baskets. There will not be an actual second collection during Mass. On the few occasions during the year when we will have an actual second collection, these will be announced beforehand both in the bulletin and at the beginning of Mass.

MEETINGS/EVENTS @ MARY MOTHER OF HOPE

- Dec. 31 No Coffee & Donuts 8AM -11:30 AM**
- Dec. 31 No Rel Educ K-4 8:45 -9:45 AM**
- Dec. 31 No Rel Educ 5-6 11:00 AM**
- Dec. 31 No Rel Educ. 9-11 Class 5:15 PM**
- Jan. 01 No St. Peregrine Novena Mass 5:30 PM**
- Jan. 02 No Crafts 9: 30 AM**
- Jan. 05 Adoration 9:30 to 10:30 AM**
- Jan. 06 Confessions 8:00-8:45 AM, 3:00-3:30 PM**

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TOTAL NUMBER OF ENV. 314 ENV. \$5855.00
LOOSE MONEY \$338.00 TOTAL \$6193.00
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS \$257.00