

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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Welcome!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,
No matter what your family or marital situation,
No matter what your past or present religious affiliation,
No matter what your personal history, background, race or other,
No matter what your own self-image or esteem,
You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at St. John's.

EUCCHARIST:

Lord's Day Mass: *Saturday 4:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 1:30 pm (Extraordinary Form), & 5:00 pm*
Weekday Mass: Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday at 8:00 am & Wednesday at 6:00 pm | Adoration: Wed. 12:00 - 6:00 pm

CONFESSION: Saturday 2:45 to 3:45 pm, Wednesday 4:30 to 5:30 pm, or by Appointment.

BAPTISM: Please call Deacon Dave Picard through the parish office to schedule.

MARRIAGE: To be arranged at least one year in advance. Please call the office.

ANointing OF THE SICK: Is available in the Confessional every Saturday or see Father after Mass. If you or a loved one needs Father to come to you, please call the parish office.

CONFIRMATION: Takes place in 11th Grade, please contact the Director of Religious Education to enroll in classes. If you are an adult and need to make your Confirmation, please contact the same office and ask about the RCIA program.

HOLY ORDERS: Are you thinking about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life? Please call Fr. Pierz at the parish office, or call the Office of Vocations at (413) 452-0811.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: *We are a Roman Catholic community inspired by the Holy Spirit to follow the example of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by sharing, growing and spreading God the Father's love through our parish ministries, and by coming together as a community in meaningful prayer and worship to celebrate that love.*

January 31, 2021—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus came as one who spoke in the name of the Lord, teaching with authority. Let us listen to his voice and adhere to him above anything else.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Friday - Closed

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Thoughts from the Rectory...

Dear friends of St. John the Evangelist,

I greet you on this last day of January. This month has already shown the great enthusiasm of the new year with many activities local and beyond. We continue to feel the strong tides of time and the onward journey through trial and tribulation. Pandemic fatigue and policy cares all press upon us. Yet the words of St. Paul should speak straight to us: "I should like you to be free of anxieties".

It's easy for us to feel overwhelmed or distracted, but with confidence and trust in the LORD, we need not be anxious. As we hear St. Francis de Sales say, "Put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations".

This month we've had productive meetings and robust conversations in our Pastoral and Finance Councils, as well as a host of pastoral commissions. I am so grateful to the many of you who have responded to a call to service, whether by the prompting of the Holy Spirit or the request of a friend. Your insights and efforts are necessary to the vitality and life of our parish family. Whether it's lighting the candles, packing some meals, cleaning the pews, discussing proposals, promoting events, expressing concerns, sharing some goods, or simply reaching out, each and every one of us contribute in myriad ways to the good of so many. Thank you!

Coming up, our parish annual report will be made available as well as individual contribution statements. Although 2020 has shown us unique challenges, great work and efforts can and continue to be done. Your recurring and weekly tithe, as well as special and extraordinary gifts at various time throughout the year, go a long way in furthering the mission of Christ and His Church. You are making Christ known: in your words, in your actions, in your shared work!

As we look to the new month and the opportunities it presents, I welcome your collaboration. Please take advantage of all the activities you find in our bulletin (especially the invitation to our parish mission scheduled for February 11-14!) as well as the many insights offered on our website, YouTube channel, and the volunteer-run social media platforms. There's much to see, much to do, and much to give thanks for! Praise God!

St. John the Evangelist, pray for us!

Fr. Pierz

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 30th—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm—Cynthia Jo Patruski-Klein (30th Anniversary) †

Requested by Mom, Kenny, Brian, Joey, Desi, and Family

Sunday, January 31st

8:00 am—Paul Menard (Birthday Remembrance) †

Requested by the Cecile Fragaso

10:30 am—Robert Stack Jr. †

Requested by Mom, Dad and family

1:30 pm (EF) —For the People

5:00 pm—God's Grace upon confirmandi Seamus Light and Jackson Zampiceni

Monday, February 1st

8:00 am—Kenneth and Candida Booth †

Requested by family

Tuesday, February 2nd

8:00 am—Edward Schilling †

Requested by goddaughter

Wednesday, February 3rd

6:00 pm—Robert J. Wynn

Requested by Cindy Bilodeaux

Thursday, February 4th

8:00 am—Maria Waterman †

Requested by a friend of the family

Friday, February 5th

8:00 am—Stefanie Roberts and Erica Roberts

Requested by family

Saturday, February 6th—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am—Delila Beck †

Requested by Christine Beck

4:00 pm—Jean C. Ormsby †

Requested by the Schlosser family

Sunday, February 7th

8:00 am—Deceased members of the Georgeady Family †

Requested by Mark and Dale

10:30 am—Hannah Fowler †

Requested by Virginia Stempel

1:30 pm (EF) —For the People

5:00 pm—Private Intention

SANCTUARY LAMP

JANUARY 31-FEBRUARY 6, 2021

WILL BE LIT IN MEMORY OF

FORGOTTEN SOULS IN PURGATORY

A BROTHER IN CHRIST

If you would like to request the Sanctuary Candle to be lit in honor of or in memory of someone, please contact the parish office.



Please remember in your prayers:

Please pray for the sick and dying of our parish. Remember all who are in hospitals, nursing homes and homebound. Pray for the hungry, the unemployed and under-employed. Pray for an end to abortion and a true respect for all life, from conception to natural death. Pray for peace. In a concrete way we pray for all those who have died and all the deceased members of our parish and diocese, especially Raymond Provost and Mary O'Rourke.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

If you would like to include someone who has recently passed away, please call the parish office or email: sje.parishsecretary@gmail.com.

IN MY MOTHER'S ARMS PRAYER LINE:

If you have a serious intention that you need prayers for: surgery, sufferings, medical, illness, cancer treatment, a sick child, or anything like that, please give Pat (786-3023) or Mary (786-9671) a call and you will have countless rosaries and prayers.



If anyone else is interested in being a prayer partner, please call Pat or Mary.

Weekend of January 24th

"Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father"

Weekly: \$3,636
Maintenance: \$305
Fuel: \$195
Loose: \$562.02
Online Giving: \$1,247
Loan Repayment: \$550
Total: \$5,543.02

"May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all His holy Church."

O, COME LET US ADORE HIM!



Every Wednesday
12:00pm — 5:45pm with
Confessions at 4:30-5:30pm,
and Holy Mass at 6:00pm

Sign up for an hour of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament! We are in need of people to cover all hours, especially 3pm-4pm.

For more information, please contact the front office, 786-8105. Your time is so appreciated!

FRAUD ALERT—BE VIGILANT

We again have reports of an attempt to trick parishioners into sending money via gift cards under the guise of responding to a fake request from their parish priest. People will pose as the parish priest, and they are able to trick folks into sending them funds usually electronically. The scammers ask parishioners to buy and then send them the gift card number and pin, which is all that is needed to cash them in, leaving the unsuspected parishioner out of luck. In almost all cases the money is unrecoverable.

We as a parish will NEVER solicit funds via text messages or emails that involve gift card numbers. If you receive any type of communication that seems suspicious, please report it to the local police and the parish office.

Please bring or mail any donations directly to the Parish Office, or use our online giving page:

<https://stjohnagawam.churchgiving.com/>



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH
December 8, 2020 – December 8, 2021

ADORATION

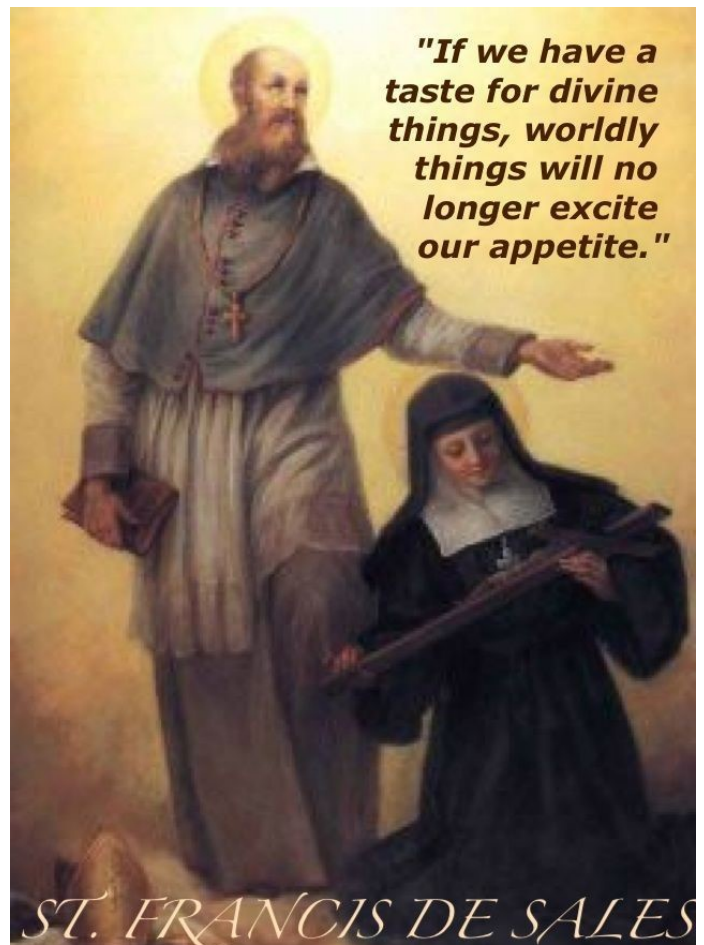
OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

The 19th of Every Month
FEBRUARY - NOVEMBER

7 - 9 pm

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH
AGAWAM

Join us to pray in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during this year dedicated to St. Joseph by Pope Francis. Come grow closer to Christ through the intercession of good St. Joseph.



"If we have a taste for divine things, worldly things will no longer excite our appetite."

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH INVITES YOU!

LIVING LENT WELL

PARISH

MISSION

PARISH MISSION SCHEDULE:

2/11 THURS. 7PM MISSION TALK

"GOD'S DISPOSITION TOWARD US"

2/12 FRI. 7PM MISSION TALK

"RECEIVING GOD'S LOVE"

2/14 SUN. 2:30-5PM CONFESSIONS &
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

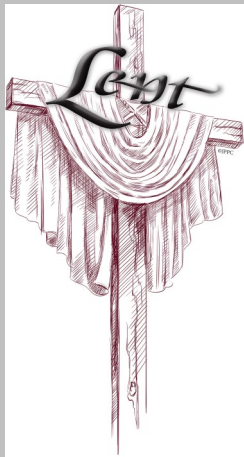
MISSION HOMILY AT ALL WEEKEND MASSES

SPEAKER: FR. SCOTT HASTINGS

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH, 833 MAIN ST., AGAWAM

Looking ahead to Lent!

(more details to come)



Ash Wednesday

February 17

40 Days for Life

Feb. 17—March 28

40daysforlife.org

Parish Mission

Feb. 11-14

with

Fr. Scott Hastings, JCL

Statement & FAQ on COVID-19 Vaccine

The Springfield Diocese has created a resource page at that includes:

- Moral considerations and key ethical questions about COVID-19 vaccines.
- A statement from the chairmen of the Committee on Doctrine and the Committee on Pro-Life Activities on the COVID-19 vaccine



Visit www.diospringfield.org/10710-2 for details.

Year of St. Joseph Activity:
Gather the family and your favorite snacks...

Pick an afternoon or an evening, go onto FORMED, (Parish subscribed website), go to "Explore" or "Search" and key in... *Joseph of Nazareth: The Story of the Man Closest to Christ*

The first feature film ever on the story of St. Joseph, who was a carpenter, the husband of Mary, and the foster father of Jesus Christ. Scripture tells us that St. Joseph was a "just man" and that God gave him the most daunting task ever asked of a man—to be the husband of the woman who would give birth to the Messiah and the father and protector of this Holy Family. He would be the man closest to Christ.



Virtual Retreat Conference

During this time of the Pandemic, many feel stressed and forget all the blessings in their lives. This year, instead of men in the parish going to the Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, you are invited to a virtual retreat conference on **February 27, 9:00 am—12:30 pm** via Zoom.

For more information visit holyfamilyretreat.org. Click on Themed Retreats or call Tom Wisniewski at 789-0671. Pre-registration is required.

New Sunday Mass!

To allow for spacing and opportunity to pray together, we have added another Mass on Sundays

This Mass is often *very lightly attended*.

Sunday evenings 5:00 PM

Come and pray! Be not afraid!

Holy Water Available!



Stop by the Sacristy after Mass with your Holy Water bottle and one of our Sacristans will fill it for you, or you can come to the Parish Office during the week and one of the staff can fill your container for you. Holy Water

bottles are available for a small offering as well.

COMING UP AT ST. JOHN'S

Monday, February 1

6:30 pm: RCIA (FJR)

6:30 pm: Christian Services Commission (PCO)

Tuesday, February 2

2:00 pm Loaves & Fishes (Kitchen)

Thursday, February 4

7:00 pm: Spiritual Life Commission (FJR)

Saturday, February 6

9:00 am: CCD (Church/Parish Center)

Sunday, February 7

8:00 am: Take and Eat—Kitchen/FJR

6:00 pm: CCD—Church/ Parish Center)

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

These are the only words appropriate enough to thank the wonderful people of St John the Evangelist for the love that you shared throughout the communities of Agawam and Springfield. Since joining the parish I have always believed that there was something special about this parish that constantly flowed throughout our parish family. Time after time I have been witness to a love that God has shared with all of you being shared with those less fortunate from Agawam to Uganda and this Advent was no different.

Below you will see a letter from one of the Giving Tree Agencies, The YWCA who houses a domestic violence shelter where abused mothers and children are housed. You made over 80 people happy who had no expectation of such generosity. Imagine if you will, one of our Religious Ed classrooms completely filled with beautifully wrapped gift overflowing with your love.

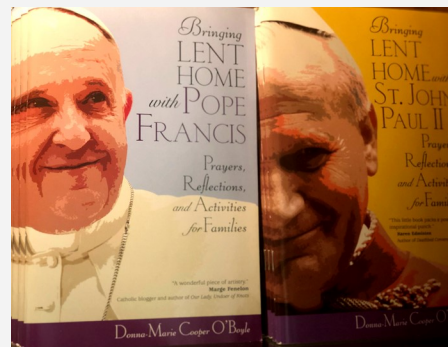
In addition to the domestic violence shelter, you donated gifts to men, women and children of our parish and the Agawam Senior Center, who struggle day to day due to financial difficulties caused by a lack of work, being a single parent, or just the being alone and elderly. Another river of gifts flowed into single mothers who live in poverty, men and women who are homeless, and people with medical difficulties and disabilities who would have no Christmas were in not for your loving generosity. So as you can see your loving kindness touched a diversity of people with many challenging and different afflictions. Together our family contributed to the lives of over 250 people who know St. Johns to be a loving and charitable neighbor and will be forever thankful for your presence. May God to continue to keep you in His arms as you share your love with his children.

From Elizabeth Dineen J.D., Executive Director:
THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!
You did such a terrific job leading St. John's Christmas Drive and galvanizing everyone to give in the midst of a pandemic.

I can only imagine how much work it was. Thank you very much for the fabulous Christmas presents. They were absolutely spectacular. I so deeply appreciate the generosity of the parishioners of St. John's Church. We were able to distribute your outstanding presents to the children residing within our domestic violence shelter. And, they were 'over the moon' to receive them.

So, thank you again.

Book Corner

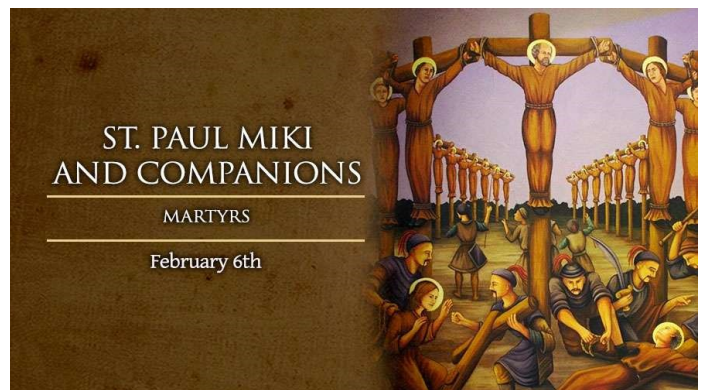


Bringing Lent Home with Pope Francis Bringing Lent Home with St. John Paul II

By Donna Marie Cooper Boyle

Daily devotionals to help families draw closer together, inspired by the life and wisdom of St John Paul II, and guidance by Pope Francis for thoughtful Lenten living.

**Copies are available for sale at the parish office
Monday—Thursday, 9 am—3 pm, or by
appointment, 413-786-8105.**



Virtues

Virtue of the Week: Fortitude

CCC 1808: Fortitude is the moral virtue that ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in the pursuit of the good. It strengthens the resolve to resist temptations and to overcome obstacles in the moral life. The virtue of fortitude enables one to conquer fear, even fear of death, and to face trials and persecutions. It disposes one even to renounce and sacrifice his life in defense of a just cause.



"In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

-John 16:33

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
XIX WORLD OF CONSECRATED LIFE

HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

Vatican Basilica
Sunday, 2 February 2015

Before our eyes we can picture Mother Mary as she walks, carrying the Baby Jesus in her arms. She brings him to the Temple; she presents him to the people; she brings him to meet his people.

The arms of Mother Mary are like the “ladder” on which the Son of God comes down to us, *the ladder of God’s condescension*. This is what we heard in the first reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews: Christ became “like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest” (*Heb 2:17*). This is the twofold path taken by Jesus: he *descended*, he became like us, in order then to *ascend* with us to the Father, making us like himself.

In our heart we can contemplate this double movement by imagining the Gospel scene of Mary who enters the Temple holding the Child in her arms. The Mother walks, yet it is the Child who *goes before her*. She carries him, yet *he is leading her* along the path of the God who comes to us so that we might go to him.



Jesus walked the same path as we do, and shows us the new way, the “new and living way” (cf. *Heb 10:20*) which is he himself. For us, consecrated men and women, this is the one way which, concretely and without alternatives, we must continue to tread with joy and perseverance.

Fully five times the Gospel speaks to us of *Mary and Joseph’s obedience to the “law of the Lord”* (cf. *Lk 2:22-24,27,39*). Jesus came not to do his own will, but the will of the Father. This way – he tells us – was his “food” (cf. *Jn 4:34*). In the same way, all those who follow Jesus must set out on the path of obedience, imitating as it were the Lord’s “condescension” by humbling themselves and making their own the will of the Father, even to self-emptying and abasement (cf. *Phil 2:7-8*). For a religious, to advance on the path of obedience means to abase oneself in service, that is, to take the same path as Jesus, who “did not deem equality with God a thing to be grasped” (*Phil 2:6*). By emptying himself he made himself a servant in order to serve.

For us, as consecrated persons, this path takes *the form of the rule*, marked by *the charism of the founder*. For all of us, the essential rule remains the Gospel, yet the Holy Spirit, in his infinite creativity, also gives it expression in the various rules of the consecrated life which are born of the *sequela Christi*, and thus from this journey of abasing oneself by serving.

Through this “law” which is the rule, consecrated persons are able to attain *wisdom*, not something abstract, but a work and gift of the Holy Spirit. An evident sign of such wisdom is joy. The evangelical happiness of a religious is the fruit of self-abasement in union with Christ... And, when we are sad, we would do well to ask ourselves, “How are we living this *kenosis*?”

In the account of Jesus’ Presentation in the Temple, wisdom is represented by *two elderly persons*, Simeon and Anna: persons *docile to the Holy Spirit*, led by him, inspired by him. The Lord granted them wisdom as the fruit of a long journey along the path of obedience to his law, an obedience which likewise humbles and abases, but which also lifts up and protects hope, making them creative, for they are filled with the Holy Spirit. They even enact a kind of liturgy around the Child as he comes to the Temple. Simeon praises the Lord and Anna “proclaims” salvation (cf. *Lk 2:28-32, 38*). As with Mary, the elderly man holds the Child, but in fact it is the Child who guides the elderly man. The liturgy of First Vespers of today’s feast puts this clearly and beautifully: “*senex puerum portabat, puer autem senem regebat*”. Mary, the young mother, and Simeon, the kindly old man, hold the Child in their arms, yet it is the Child himself who guides them both.

Here it is not young people who are creative: the young, like Mary and Joseph, follow the law of the Lord, the path of obedience. The elderly, like Simeon and Anna, see in the Child the fulfilment of the Law and the promises of God. And they are able to celebrate: they are creative in joy and wisdom. And the Lord *turns obedience into wisdom* by the working of his Holy Spirit.

At times God can grant the gift of wisdom to a young person, but always as the fruit of obedience and docility to the Spirit. This obedience and docility is not something theoretical; it too is subject to the economy of the incarnation of the Word: docility and obedience to a founder, docility and obedience to a specific rule, docility and obedience to one's superior, docility and obedience to the Church. It is always docility and obedience in the concrete.

In persevering along the path of obedience, personal and communal wisdom matures, and thus it also becomes possible *to adapt rules to the times*. For true "*aggiornamento*" is the fruit of wisdom forged in docility and obedience.



The *strengthening* and *renewal* of consecrated life are the result of *great love for the rule*, and also the ability to *look to and heed the elders* of one's congregation. In this way, the "deposit", the charism of each religious family, is *preserved by obedience and by wisdom*, working together. By means of this journey, we are preserved from living our consecration in "lightly", in an unincarnate manner, as if it were some sort of *gnosis* which would ultimately reduce religious life to caricature, a caricature in which there is following without renunciation, prayer without encounter, fraternal life without communion, obedience without trust, and charity without transcendence.

Today we too, like Mary and Simeon, want to take Jesus into our arms, to bring him to his people. Surely we will be able to do so if we enter into the mystery in which Jesus himself is our guide. Let us bring others to Jesus, but let us also allow ourselves to be led by him. This is what we should be: guides who themselves are guided.

May the Lord, through the intercession of Mary our Mother, Saint Joseph and Saints Simeon and Anna, grant to all of us what we sought in today's opening prayer: to "be presented [to him] fully renewed in spirit". Amen.

http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/homilies/2015/documents/papa-francesco_20150202_omelia-vita-consacrata.html



Attention All Local Crafters! Outdoor Spring Craft Fair

Saturday, May 1, 9 am - 5pm
(Rain date: Saturday, May 8)

We are seeking local crafters to join our spring craft fair with Mother's Day-friendly items.

Email sje.information@gmail.com
and we will send you a form.

(Crafters only. No vendors or direct sellers please.)

Ministry to Sick & Homebound
413-786-8105 ext. 105

PASTORAL MINISTRY HOURS:
Monday-Thursday from 9am-1pm.

Please leave your name and phone number, including area code, with a brief message if non-urgent. I will return your call as soon as I am able. ALL other calls requiring a priest, speak with our Parish Secretary. Blessings and thank you for your patience.

FOOD GIFT CARDS: Your generosity of free will giving is gratefully appreciated by these families in their time of need. Thank you all for who you are and what you do in the name of Jesus Our Lord.

PRAYER SHAWLS: If you have a family member, friend, or know a person who is in need of extra comforting care, please feel free to contact our Prayer Shawl Ministry under Ministry to Sick & Homebound. Call Francesca at 413-786-8105 ext. 105. Leave a message and I will get back to you. Only requirement is that the Shawl must be picked up by the person requesting same, and delivered to the person in need of this comfort. There will be a Prayer Card placed with shawl of the knitter who crafted this shawl of prayerful love.

BEREAVEMENT: If you have experienced any loss and are in need of Spiritual consoling, please call the Parish Office at 786-8105 ext. 105 for direct line to Pastoral Minister, Francesca. Please leave your name, phone number, including area code, with a message for a return call. All calls are confidential. Blessings.

HERITAGE WOODS: No participation at this time.

HERITAGE HALLS: No participation at this time at all campuses.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY: If someone is at home and unable to have their own hands on experience with Our Lord Jesus because of illness or decline in movements because of restrictions, please, if you feel this will help, call me, so that I can reach out to the person and until I can once again visit in person. I will make a personal phone call where we can get to know each other, share our fears, hopes and spiritual likes, if any, and pray together. I will read the Gospel of the day to the infirmed.

HOSPITAL VISITS: HIPAA Medical Law restrict access to patient admittance information. Please call the Parish Office if you have a family member admitted to a local hospital in need of a visit by Father Pierz. Follow up in-house visits will be provided per Francesca.

ST. AGATHA

February 5th

Local Area Weekend Mass Times

(Good to know just in case!)

Saturday Vigil

4:00

Sacred Heart (Feeding Hills)
Our Lady of the Lake (Southwick)
Sacred Heart (Suffield)
St. Thomas (West Springfield)
St. Mary (Longmeadow)

5:30

St. Thomas (West Springfield)
St. Mary (Longmeadow)

Sunday

7:15

Sacred Heart (Feeding Hills)

8:00

Sacred Heart (Suffield)
Our Lady of the Lake (Southwick)
St. Thomas (West Springfield)
St. Mary (Longmeadow)

8:30

Sacred Heart (Feeding Hills)

9:30

Sacred Heart (Suffield)
St. Thomas (West Springfield)
St. Mary (Longmeadow)

10:00

Our Lady of the Lake (Southwick)

11:00

Sacred Heart (Feeding Hills)
Sacred Heart (Suffield)
St. Thomas (West Springfield)
St. Mary (Longmeadow)

12:15

St. Thomas (West Springfield)

Travel Tip: Know where local churches and what Mass times are *before* you hit the road! Always be sure to pack your spiritual suitcase too!







PRAYER HELPERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD MONTHLY PRAYER FOR PRIESTS IN THE DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD, MA

Christ Jesus, our clergy were chosen by You to follow in the footsteps of Your Apostles. They have been set apart and anointed for priestly ministry; may they always remember the great dignity of their calling. May they seek to please God alone, remaining wholly devoted to Him throughout their lives. Sanctify priests, especially [Name], so that they never lead souls astray.

Lord Jesus, illuminate the hearts of our priests with Your grace, and enlighten their minds with Your wisdom. May they radiate Your compassion and mercy, conveying Your love to those in their care. As bearers of Your light to the world, may priests not sit in darkness, but instead shine brightly for all to see. Amen.

February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Rev. Timothy Campoli	2 Rev. Thomas Lisowski	3 Rev. Mariusz Jarzabek, MIC	4 Rev. Christopher Malatesta	5 Rev. Rene Parent	6 Rev. Michael Twohig
7 Rev. Bruce Teague	8 Rev. Stanley Sokol	9 Rev. James Nolte	10 Rev. William Lunney	11 Rev. J. Lessard-Thibodeau, JCL (healing)	12 Rev. John Hurley	13 Rev. Galadima Goni
14 Rev. Yerick Mendez	15 Rev. Michael Bernier (healing)	16 Rev. Joseph Marchese	17  Most Rev. William D. Byrne (Ash Wednesday)	18 Rev. Tomasz Gorny	19  Rev. John Brennan	20 Rev. Jaime Ahern
21 Rev. Msgr. Michael Shershanovich	22 Pope Francis	23 All Military Chaplains	24 Rev. Msgr. Daniel Liston, JCL	25 Rev. Steven Amo	26  Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI	27 Rev. Adrian Benoit
28 Rev. Paolo Bagattini, CSS	<p><i>Lord, raise up holy ministers for Your altars. May all priests be faithful servants of the Gospel. Amen.</i></p>					

"What tongue, human or angelic,
may ever describe a power
so immeasurable as that exercised
by the simplest priest in Mass?"

—St. Leonard of Port Maurice



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