



Most Holy Redeemer Church

February 13-14, 2021

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First Friday
Confession 12:30 pm
Mass 1pm in Parish Hall
Adoration 1:30-5pm



Confession
Saturdays 3-3:30pm
or by appointment

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
during Monday's morning Mass

HADLEY AT ELAINE MANOR

MONTHLY MASS
2nd Thurs, 10:30am
Communion on Sundays

Holy Rosary Cemetery
Huntington Rd. Hadley, MA

OFFER



"See that you tell no one anything,
but go, show yourself to the priest
and offer for your cleansing what
Moses prescribed."

MARK 1:44

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Daily Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 am
(in Parish Hall)

Weekend Schedule (in Parish Hall)

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am

This Week's MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 13, 2021

4:00pm For Andrew Jekanowski r/b Connie & Rich Holden

Sunday, February 14, 2021

8:00am: For Stanley & Marion Konieczny r/b Gerald & Alvira Balut

10:30am: For Martha Boisvert r/b Ed & Joan Smola

Monday, February 15, 2021

8:00am For people of Most Holy Redeemer
For Alex & Zachary Wiesner from Mom

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

8:00am: For Martha Boisvert r/b Felicia's church ladies

Wednesday, February 17, 2021 (Ash Wednesday) 8am & 7pm

Thursday, February 18, 2021

9:00am For Veronica Kozlakowski r/b Gerald & Alvira Balut

Friday, February 19, 2021

1:00pm For thanks to Amelia from Patty

Saturday, February 20, 2021

4:00pm For Andrew Jekanowski r/b Michael & Kit Ziomek

Sunday, February 21, 2021

8:00am For Martha Boisvert r/b Connie & Rich Holden

10:30am For Martha Boisvert r/b Gerald & Alvira Balut

Most Holy Redeemer

Weekly Collection: \$ 4333.00

VOTIVE LIGHT PRAYER INTENTIONS

For Our Military: Chris Ahlemeyer, Edmund Loughran, & Troy Meyer , Sam Salvatore

For Claire's health from family

For Rita Bishko

For Ann Kristek from Diane & Joe

For Adeline Rocasah from Diane & Joe

For Victoria, Edward, & Theresa Banas from Fr. Charles

For John Kzcowski from family

For Philip, Catherine, & Nancy Woodard from Wayne & Irene Woodard

For Edward Machno & Frances (Machno) Slattery from Fr. Charles

For Patricia M. Bye from husband Joe

For the health of Ret. CW02 Edward Stanley from Gerald & Alvira Balut

For Helen Waskiewicz from Ron and family

For Henry Malek, Sr from Betty & Bill Koszewski

For Robert Christian Belado

For Edward & Helen Waskiewicz from son, Michael

For Adams, Asselin, Daughdrill & Muraski families from Nancy & Stan Adams

For Henry Malek, Sr. from wife Eileen & family

For Frances Pleppo from daughter Karen

For Theresa & Edward Boucher from daughter, Norma

For Sally Jekanowski

For Diane Witkos r/b Margie Kopec

For Bill Koszewski from Eileen Malek

For Ed Kelley from Chris & Jeff Sadlowski

For Ed Kelley from Marianne Wanczyk

Baptism, Confirmation, & Wedding Information

Baptism is available for infants, children, and adults. To sign up for classes, call the Faith Formation Office: 413-584-1326.

For the Sacrament of **Confirmation for Adults**, please call the office: 413-584-1326 or pick up a brochure at either church entrance.

Wedding dates cannot be set until after a meeting with the parish priest, at least 1 year before the desired date. Please call the office for an appointment.



Due to COVID-19, we are not doing visits to the hospitals, unless it is an emergency.

Prayer intentions for the good health of Steve Vinelli from wife, Linda.



Thank you for your generous support of our parish community!

Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel, we continue to hear Mark report the miraculous healings that Jesus performed in Galilee. The Gospel begins with Jesus healing a man with leprosy. Leprosy is a disfiguring, infectious skin disease that has been surrounded by many social and religious taboos throughout history. In 1873, the cause of leprosy, also known as Hansen's disease, was identified. We now know that leprosy is caused by a bacterial infection. Although it is infectious, modern medical studies have shown that transmission is more difficult than previously thought. Since the 1940s, medical treatments have been available, and the patient no longer needs to be isolated once long-term treatment has begun.

In Jesus' time, however, religious and social taboos dictated the behavior of those with leprosy and other skin diseases. The Law of Moses provided for the examination of skin diseases by the priests, and if leprosy was identified, the person was declared unclean. People with leprosy lived in isolation from the community. They were instructed to rip their clothes and to announce their presence with loud cries when moving in the community. If the sores of leprosy healed, the Law of Moses provided a purification rite that permitted the person to return to the community.

In today's Gospel, the man with leprosy took the initiative, approaching Jesus and asking for healing. In doing so, the leper violated the religious customs of the day by approaching a person who was clean. His request to Jesus can be interpreted as a courageous and daring act. The confidence of the leper in Jesus' ability to heal him is evident in the words of his request. But his words can also be read as a challenge to Jesus, asking just how far Jesus was willing to extend himself in order to heal someone. While healing the man, Jesus touched him, which also violated established social norms. This is an important sign of the depth of Jesus' compassion for the man and an important statement about Jesus' interpretation of the Law of Moses.

Although Jesus touched the leper, he did not break completely with the Law of Moses. He instructed the man not to tell anyone about the cure and told him to present himself to the priests as prescribed by the Law of Moses. The first instruction sounds nearly impossible to honor. Certainly, the man would want to share the good news of his healing, and his quick improvement would require an explanation. The second instruction honors the Law of Moses.

Mark's Gospel tells us that after this healing, it became difficult for Jesus to travel freely. There are several possible explanations for this. There might have been concern about the repercussions of Jesus' breach of social and religious norms. In touching the man with leprosy, Jesus made himself unclean. Mark's narrative, however, leads to the conclusion that Jesus' movement was hampered by his popularity. Despite his instructions, the cured man spread the word about Jesus' healing power. Even when Jesus was in deserted places, people sought him out in search of his healing.

Masses for Ash Wednesday: 8 AM & 7 PM

Holy Thursday: 7 PM

Good Friday: 3 PM Liturgy and Stations

Holy Saturday: 8 PM

Easter: 8 AM & 10:30 AM



Faith Formation

Class Schedule:

February 14: NO CLASS

February 21: K-5, 6-8

March 7: K-5, 9-10

March 14: K-5, 6-8

Pretzels: A Prayer Treat!

Did you know that pretzels became a treat more than 1400 years ago?

Around 610 A.D., a monk was baking bread in a monastery in Europe. While baking the monk was thinking about prayer. At this time, people held their arms over their hearts while praying. So the monk decided that he would twist leftover dough into a shape of someone praying..

When the new treat was finished baking, the monk showed the other monks. They decided to give the twisted treats to children as rewards for learning their prayers. The monks called the treats pretiola, a Latin word that means "little reward".

With a family member or a friend, write a short prayer. Pray the words together, holding your arms over your heart like a pretzel. When you are finished praying, share a pretzel treat!

Bishop Byrne visits Bethlehem House

Bishop Byrne visited Bethlehem House in Easthampton. He stated that Bethlehem House "gives women authentic choices, families authentic choices to choose life by giving them the support that they need, material, physical, and spiritual support along the way."

Bishop Byrne said he was impressed with Bethlehem House and encourages people to get involved to help women facing crisis pregnancies.

" So as we celebrate the dignity of every human life, each of us must commit to pray, commit to get involved, so we can all raise up the truth that God loves life, most especially the unborn," said Bishop Byrne

We want to assure you that we are still following all the Diocesan and State guidelines regarding COVID safety precautions. If you have concerns, please contact the office . Masks are still required.

A Friendly Reminder

The 4:00 Mass on Saturday is available to watch on Facebook. You can access it all week if you don't get a chance to watch on Saturday.

Prayer Shawl Update

We have had more people show an interest in making shawls. Mother Nature affected our meeting last week, but we are working on them from home as well as at the meetings.

Please call the office if you know of someone who is in a nursing home, homebound, not feeling well, or having surgery and we will get a shawl to them.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus!!



Hadley Weekend Meals Ministry

A project of MHR, First Congregational, North Hadley Congregational, and Take and Eat, supported by the Hadley Young Men's Club.

Meals are delivered on the 1st Saturday and 2nd Sunday each month. MHR's team prepares meals on the 2nd Sunday every



Hadley Food Pantry

A project of MHR and First Congregational Church
We would like to thank the Knights of Columbus
for their support of the Food Pantry

The Hadley Food Pantry in the MHR Parish Hall is open
every Sunday from noon to 1pm. We are in need of
Pasta sauce, cooking oil, and bottled juice

SEE BELOW

Monetary donations are always welcomed to help cover the cost of replenishing the shelves. You may drop off donations at the office during regular hours or put them in an envelope marked "Food Pantry" and place in the collection basket. Checks should be made payable to MHR Church with "food pantry" written in the memo line. Your continued support is appreciated by those who rely on the pantry.
Contact Joan Smola at
413-584-1901



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MEETINGS 2ND MONDAY 7:00PM
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Catholic Jokes and funny stories:

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and place it on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching". Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table, was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A written note was placed on this tray, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

Saints Facts

Saint Valentine was a kind hearted priest. He aided young Christians being persecuted by Claudius II and was imprisoned. While there, he converted 46 members of a guards family to Christianity!!

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and our salvation he came down from Heaven (bow) and by the Holy Spirit, was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontias Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day, in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us: you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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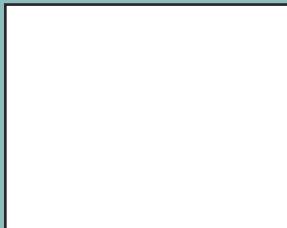
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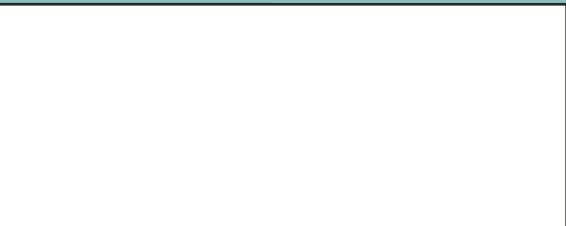
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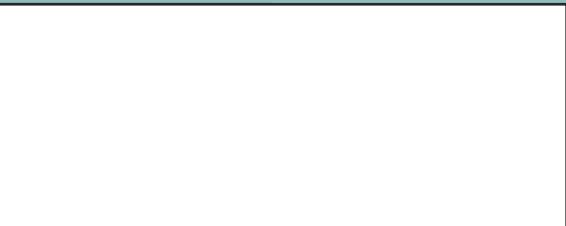
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