



Most Holy Redeemer
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Office Telephone: 413-584-1326

March 19, 2023
Weekend Masses: 4:00pm Saturday
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30am
Daily Mass: Mon, Tues,
Thurs, & Fri 8:00am
Confessions: Saturday 2:45 – 3:30pm

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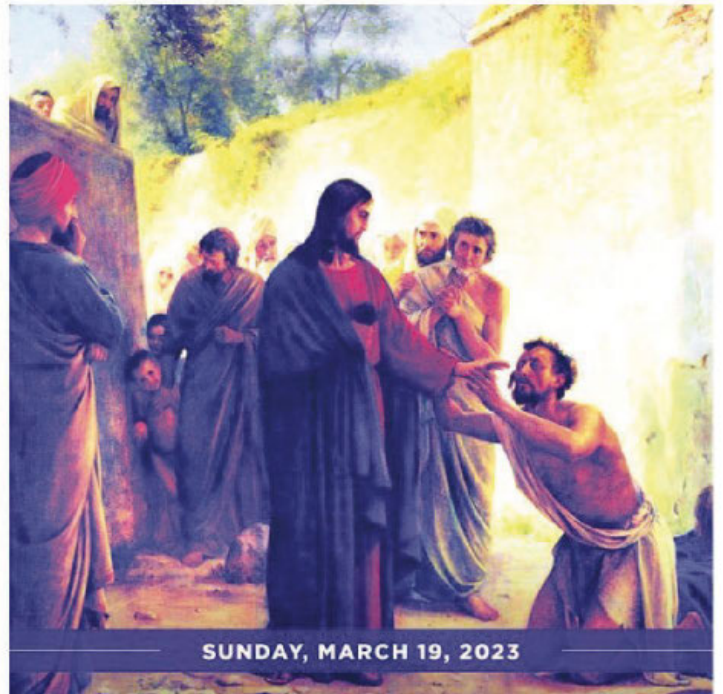
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Paul Mokrzecki
Pastoral Council
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OFFICE HOURS:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri.
9AM –3PM
Wednesday-CLOSED

First Friday
Confession 12:30pm
Mass 8:00 am
Mass 1:00pm

MIRACULOUS MEDAL
NOVENA
During Monday morning Mass



SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out,
he found him and said, "Do you believe in the
Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35

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Holy Rosary Cemetery,
Huntington Rd.,
Hadley, MA

This Week's MASS INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary Lamp for this week is in memory of Ryan Conway, from Linda & Jim Maksimoski.

Each day, the people of the Hampshire Deanery will be praying for one of the clergy assigned to the deanery or is retired here.



Altar Flowers this week are in memory of Dottie Royko, from Mary Galvin, Katy Gonski & Judy Johnson.

Saturday, March 18, 2023 Fr. Valentine Nworah
4:00 pm: Adolph ("Duff") Pipczynski; requested by Gerald & Alvira Balut.

Sunday, March 19, 2023 Bishop McDonnell
8:00am: Justina Kzcowski; requested by Ann, Anthony, & Stanley Sadlowski.
10:30 am: Charlie Malek; requested by the Forman's.

Monday, March 20, 2023 Our Active Priests
8:00 am: Josephine Kostek; requested by Helen Baj.

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 Fr. Ryan Silwa
8:00 am: Amy, Al, & Tony, requested by friends.

Wednesday, March 22, 2023 Fr. Gary Dailey
 NO MASS

Thursday, March 23, 2023 Our Active Deacons
8:00 am: Edward J. Banas (Birthday Blessings); requested by Fr. Charles.

Friday, March 24, 2023 Deacon Candidates
8:00 am: Health & well-being for Al & Tony; requested by Mom.

Saturday, March 25, 2023 Vocations
4:00 pm: John Mokrzecki; requested by Gerry & Alvira Balut.

Sunday, March 26, 2023 Clergy Who Are Sick
8:00 am: John Rup, Sr., requested by Gerry & Alvira Balut.
10:30am: Charles Malek, Sr., requested by Fr. Charles Kuzmeski.

VOTIVE LIGHT PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

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

For **John & Justina Kzcowski** , from family

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

For **the health of Claire**, from the O'Donnell family.

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

For **Patricia M. Bye** , from husband Joe

For **Henry Malek, Sr** from Betty & Bill Koszewski

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

For **Clara & "Duff" Pipczynski**, requested by June Suleski.

For **Edward Kelly;** requested by Chris & Jeff Sadlowski.

For **Barbara Fydenkevez;** requested by Richard Buckowski & family.

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.

To have the altar flowers in memory of a loved one, the cost is \$50.00 per week.

You may also have the Sanctuary Lamp lit in memory of a loved one for \$10.00 per week. This is a wonderful opportunity, just in case a Mass is booked for that particular week. These funds will be used to defray the cost of these expenses.

Thank you for your continued & generous support of our parish community!

Weekly & Year to Date Collection

Mar 4-5	\$2,980	This Year:	\$108,063.70
Ash Wed.	\$40.00		
Easter Flowers	\$1,096.00	Budget:	\$131,400
Total this week:	\$4,116.00	Shortfall:	\$-23,363.30



Easter Flowers to date: \$ 1,183.50

March 19, 2023

Gospel Reading

John 9:1-41 (shorter form: John 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38)

Jesus heals the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man.



Background on the Gospel Reading

As we did last week, we are reading today from the Gospel of John. In today's Gospel, the healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus' response to a prevalent belief of his time: that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. That belief is why Jesus is asked the question of whose sin caused the man's blindness—his own or his parents'. Jesus does not answer directly, but instead gives the question an entirely different dimension—through this man's disability, God's power will be made manifest. Jesus then heals the man.

The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. They also have trouble believing that Jesus performed a miracle. To determine whether the man was really born blind, the Pharisees question him and his parents. The man challenges the leaders of the synagogue about their assessment of the good that Jesus has done. In turn, they expel the man for questioning their judgment.

The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Most Holy Redeemer Church was created in 1998 with the merging of Holy Rosary Church (1917) and St. John's Church (1915), both of Hadley.

As the one Roman Catholic Church in the Town of Hadley, Massachusetts, our Mission is:

- to be a welcoming place of worship for all.
- to proclaim the word of God and celebrate the sacraments.
- to attend to our ongoing formation in Christian living and support one another in spiritual growth.
- to dedicate our service to God.
- to recognize and support our responsibility for God's people, for spiritual and corporal works of mercy to the larger community, area, and world.
- to celebrate our belief in the message and teachings of Jesus Christ and the Roman Catholic Church and demonstrate our appreciation for the many gifts we have received.

Most Holy Redeemer is saying the Rosary on two Tuesdays of each month at 6:00 pm.



“Radiate the Light of Christ”

is this year's theme for the Annual Catholic Appeal. We are called to be the light of hope and love and share the gospel and our faith. You do that through your contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Together we shelter the homeless, respect life from conception to death, feed the hungry, help men and women discern their vocation, comfort those who mourn, and educate others in our faith.

You can make your contribution to Annual Catholic Appeal: online at www.diospringfield.org/aca.

Or by calling:
413-452-0670.

All donations are tax deductible. Thank you.

Hadley Food Pantry

A project of MHR and First Congregational Church

If you, or someone you know, are struggling to buy enough food, the Food Pantry can help by providing a variety of nonperishable items and personal care products to supplement purchased items. The Hadley Food Pantry is open every Sunday from noon to 1:00 pm. The food pantry is open to any Hadley resident in need.

Items needed this week:

Taco Kits and Pasta Sauce



THANK YOU TO PANERA BREAD FOR PROVIDING BREADS AND PASTRIES FOR THE FOOD PANTRY EACH WEEK!!

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. **Please do not donate expired food.**



A Message for a Darkened World...

In the beginning, God said, "Let there be light, and there was light." His son taught us, "You are the light of the world... Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." (Mt 5:14,16)

The words of Jesus Christ shine hope into our world darkened by strife, mistrust, greed, and pain. We're being called to unite in our mission to Radiate the light of Christ to be a powerful force of good in the world. With a contribution to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal, you can be the spark that lights the way.

Please make your donation today.

Contact
413-452-0670 or email aca@diospringfield.org



The Pastoral council will meet on Monday, March 20 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. We welcome Tom Waskiewicz to the Pastoral Council.



Please join us for coffee after 10:30 Mass on Sunday at the Parish Hall.

The Rosary will be said on March 21st & April 4th at 6pm.

A Lenten Penance Service is scheduled on Sunday, March 26th at 2:00 pm. You have nothing to lose but your sins!

Stations of the Cross are scheduled during the Lenten season every Friday at 6:30 pm.

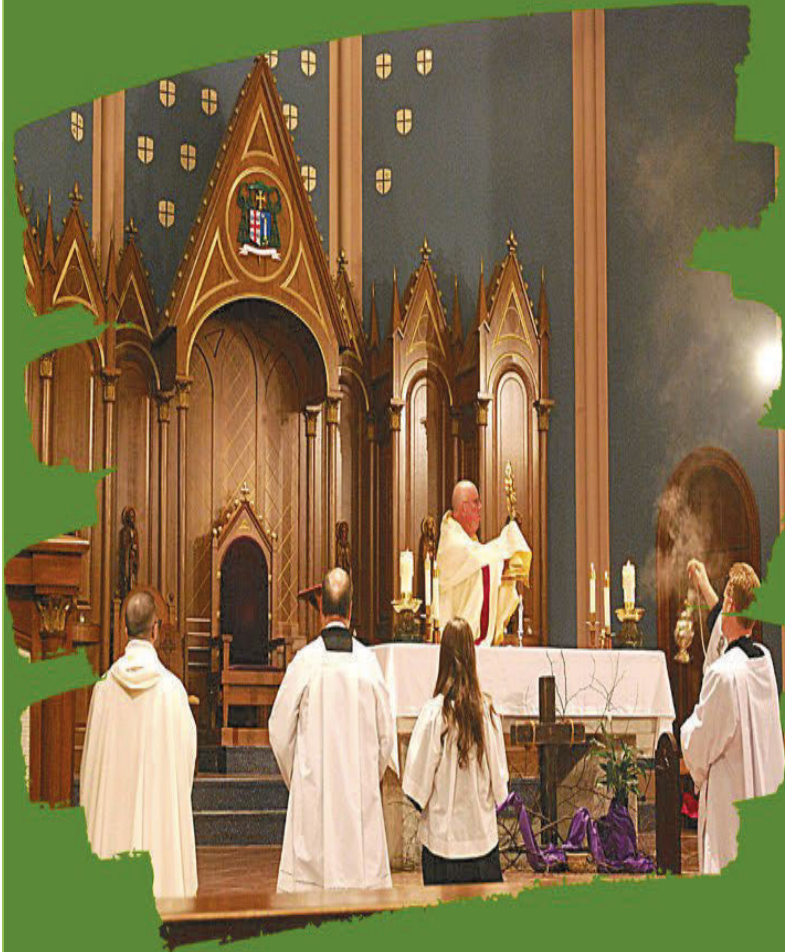
Many thanks to Hopkins Academy for donating large quantities of food to the Food Pantry.

If you would like to receive a tax statement for your 2022 contributions to MHR, please make your requests now. Put your name, address, and envelope # (if you know it) in an envelope marked Tax Statement Request and drop it in the Collection basket. You can also stop by the office during office hours.

Father will be having classes on the G.K. Chesterson Group. They will be scheduled on the third Wednesdays of the month from 6:30-8:30 in the Rectory. More details to follow. All are welcome.

We will be receiving religious articles, pictures, etc. in the near future that will be donated from a parishioner's home. Please call the office if there is





OFFICE OF VOCATIONS
Diocese of Springfield, Ma

Sunday March 26, 2023
2-3pm

Holy Hour for Vocations

Currently, we have just **two** seminarians.
Therefore, the churches of Western
Massachusetts needs your prayers.

**All are
invited!**

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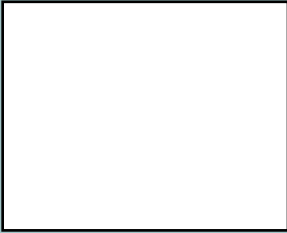
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