

Church of the Holy Cross



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Parish Office Hours: Monday - Wednesday, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

Liturgical Schedule:

Weekends

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:45 am & 10:45 am

Weekdays

Monday to Wednesday: 8:00 am

Holy Days

Vigil As Announced

Eucharistic Adoration: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month

..... 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 pm - 4:15 pm
and Anytime by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the rectory for registration, preparation and details.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance of the desired date to begin the Couple to Couple Marriage Preparation Program.

Sacrament of the Sick/Communion Calls

Please notify the rectory if anyone is hospitalized or confined to home due to illness, handicap or age so that we may keep them in prayer, visit them and support them with the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and the Sick.

Coordinator of Religious Education:

Grades K-11 Elizabeth Schroeder

New Parishioners

We are pleased to welcome you into our parish family and invite you to enter fully into our spiritual and social life. Please introduce yourself after mass and arrange to enroll as a member.

Parish Bulletin

All items must be submitted in writing at the rectory prior to 9:30 am on Monday mornings, but preferably 2 weeks before.

Pastoral Council

Chair: Thomas Royer (978) 939-1070
Every parishioner is welcome to submit items for consideration, by calling the rectory or through any council member.

AA Meetings: Wednesdays 7:00 pm

Pastoral Ministries

There are many opportunities for ministry to our fellow parishioners. You are invited to volunteer your time and talent by expressing your interest to the pastor or to members of the Pastoral Council or the Religious Education Program.

MASSES

Plan To Attend					
SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.
1	2	3	4	5	6
8	9	10	11	12	13

SATURDAY JAN 8
4:30 pm +Bernice Racette by Vincent & Dorilla Leger

SUNDAY JAN 9
 7:45 am +Alice Saari (21st Ann) by her son, Paul Saari
9:15 am **Mass at St. Martin's**
 10:45 am +Carmel Patchkofsky by daughter, Deborah Sawicki

MONDAY JAN 10
NO 8:00 am Mass

TUESDAY JAN 11
NO 8:00 am Mass

WEDNESDAY JAN 12
NO 8:00 am Mass

SATURDAY JAN 15
 4:30 pm +Rachel Thibodeau by friends

SUNDAY JAN 16
 7:45 am +Scott Young by the Young Family
9:15 am **Mass at St. Martin's**
 10:45 am +Charles Matthew Ronaldo by Simone Nash



SANCTUARY CANDLES

M/M Frank Moschetti, M/M Theodore Bernard, M/M Yvon LeBlanc, Pat Flynn, M/M Jim Killay, M/M Raymond LeBlanc, M/M Michael Beaulieu, M/M Rene Jailliet, M/M Robert LeVangie, Roseanne Fuller, Jim Fuller, M/M Steve Schroeder, M/M Larry Martin, M/M Tom Benbenek, M/M Edward Yablonski, Laura Lawrence, M/M Michael Yablonski, M/M Rene Savoie, M/M Pete Valliere, M/M Jim Haverty, Joyce & Shirley Koczan, Suzanne Racette, M/M Dick Kodys, Raymond Boudreau, M/M Victor Dembek, M/M Bob Oliva, & **In Memory of** Nancy Anderson, Stanley & Nellie Koczan, Rachel Mailliet, Anthony J. Manca, John & Eleanor Quarella, Fr. George O'Brien, Gloria Magnuson, Deacon Arthur & Leah Chartier, Damien Royer, Paul Tourigny, Bobbie Lesneski, Rachel & Chuck Frenier, Alphonse & Loza Chartier, Philip Robichaud, M/M Allen Garvey, M/M Chester Lepkowski, Russell Taintor, Jr., M/M L. Russell Taintor, Sr., M/M George Reid, Sr., George Reid, Jr. Jamie Smart, Andrea Crowe, Jim Braun, Marla Whittle, and Michael Fichtel.

Altar Care: Judy & Michelle



ROSE OF LIFE

Each week a parishioner/family places a rose in the vase at the Blessed Mother's statue to express witness to the sanctity of life. Please see sign up book at the main entrance to participate.

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 Church Bulletin

WEDNESDAY: 7:00 pm, AA



CCD in Session

For questions, contact Coordinator, Elizabeth Schroeder at hcchurchet@gmail.com or at (978) 413-8833.

NO CCD Next Week - Martin Luther King Holiday

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Fiscal Year 9/1/2021-8/31/2022

Weekly Budget: \$3,100 YTD Budget: \$55,800
 Weekly Collect.: 12/26/21: \$2,054 YTD Weekly Collect: \$36,366
 R & M Collect.: \$15 YTD R & M Collect: \$2,435

YTD Surplus (Shortfall): (\$16,999)

Special Collections: Christmas offering was \$1,702, Retirement for Religious was \$30, Sanctuary Candles was \$50, and Solemnity of Mary was \$35. **Thank you.**

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Fiscal Year 9/1/2021-8/31/2022

Weekly Budget: \$3,100 YTD Budget: \$58,900
 Weekly Collect.: 1/2/22: \$1,719 YTD Weekly Collect: \$38,085
 R & M Collect.: \$290 YTD R & M Collect: \$2,725

YTD Surplus (Shortfall): (\$18,090)

Special Collections: Immaculate Conception was \$42, Sanctuary Candles was \$20, Christmas Offering was \$79, Fuel was \$7, Catholic University was \$72, Oplatek donations were \$71, Solemnity of Mary Collection was \$416, and Budget Appeal was \$7 which was added to the weekly collection. A donation in the amount of \$100 was received for a future elevator. **Thank you.**

A Big Thank You!

Deacon Dennis expresses his sincere thanks to all who gave him Christmas cards and gifts during the Christmas season. May God Bless you All!



"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." — Lk 3:16bc

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† STEWARDSHIP ✉
 Let us honor God with our first fruits rather than the left-overs.



You are requested to remember in your prayers the following: anonymous cancer patient, Doris Bickford, Brenda & Stacy Bishop, Jared Blais, Raymond Boudreau, Alice Chicoine, Henry Connery III., Michael Crowley, Mike Dembek, Carol Desmarais, Jane Fleck, Gail Gabis, Tim Gatautis, Doris Geyster, Marley Guthrie, Paul Jurgelonis, Kristen, Sandy Kulvete, Rudy Kut, Bob LeMieur, Simone Nash, Mark Noel, Gabe Olszak, George Racette, Judy Roberts, Jane Royer, Ambrose Russell, Maria Rose Schroeder, Marie Valeri, Priscilla Valliere, Gloria Wilder, Michael Young, & All affected by Coronavirus.

Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we pray for the comfort of your love.



Congratulations are extended to Paisley Mae Babcock who was baptized here recently. The parish community prays for and welcomes this new young member.



Please keep in your prayers the soul and family of **+Scott Young**, son of parishioner Dianne Young, who recently passed away. May he rest in peace.



ST. HILARY OF POITIERS

Born a pagan, St. Hilary (c. 315 – c. 367) studied philosophy and the meaning of life, eventually making his way through the bible. He became a convert and was appointed bishop of Poitiers in 353. Sometimes referred to as the Hammer of the Arians, St. Hilary defended the Nicene Creed against a popular heresy, Arianism. He was exiled to Phrygia for opposing Roman emperor Constantius II, who preferred the heresy which denies Christ’s divinity. From Phrygia St. Hilary fought with his pen, zealously writing against the heresy.

Eventually he was allowed to return to Poitiers, but did so by a circuitous route, preaching against Arianism all the way. St. Hilary was likely the first writer of hymns in the West, his writings on the Trinity, Psalms and Gospel of Matthew survive today. St. Hilary was created Doctor of the Church, a title given to those who provided important contributions to theology and doctrine, in 1851 by Pope Pius IX.

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Living Faith Initiative

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NEXT WEEK’S SCRIPTURE READINGS

January 16, 2022 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 62:1-5
1 Corinthians 12:4-11
John 2:1-11



Pro-Life Morning of Reflection – January 15

All are invited for “A Morning for Life” with Monsignor James Moroney on Sat., Jan. 15 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon at the Cathedral of St. Paul, 38 High St., Worcester. The mini-retreat will include a talk on “How Precious Life Is” quiet prayer time, and Mass for Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life. Pre-registration is preferred (though not required). Email intent to attend to aledoux@worcesterdiocese.org. Download the flyer with more details at: www.worcesterdiocese.org/respect-life.

Annual Mass for Life

All are invited to attend the annual Mass for Life celebrated by Bishop McManus on **Thursday, Jan. 20 at 7:00 pm.** at the Cathedral of St. Paul, 38 High St., Worcester. Please join us on the eve of the March for Life as we remember the 49th tragic anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* and pray for an end to abortion and the conversion of our nation. All are welcome!

Divine Delivery

(See it from a different angle)

A businessman ordered flowers to be sent to the opening of his friend’s new branch office. When the businessman got to the event, he was shocked to see the flowers with the inscription “Rest in Peace.” He was so outraged that he stopped at the florist to complain.

“It could be worse,” the florist said, “Just think: Today someone was buried beneath a floral arrangement with the inscription ‘Congratulations on Your New Location!’”

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