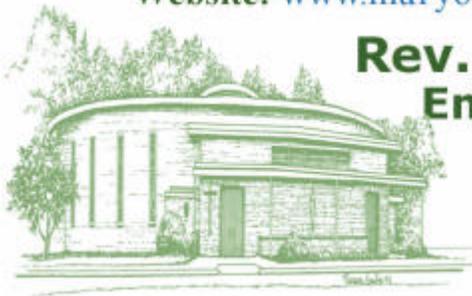


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January 10, 2021

Sunday Mass Schedule at MOQ

Sunday Masses: 9:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

*The official time for the opening of the church doors is 8 o'clock in the morning .
Please keep this in mind for those who might show up extra early; especially during the winter months*

Daily Mass Schedule for the town of Southington offered at:

Immaculate Conception Church—130 Summer Street

7:30am & Noon Monday ~ Friday & Saturday 7:30am

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Please call the to make arrangements and receive information concerning eligibility of godparents.

Marriage: Arrangements should be made by calling the Rectory at least six months in advance.

Reconciliation/Confession: after daily Mass, Sundays between each scheduled Mass.

Anointing of the Sick, Hospital or Home Visitation: Please contact the Rectory.

RECTORY OFFICE

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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
Closed Thursdays

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

(860) 628-0437

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Mission Statement

Mary Our Queen Parish is a Roman Catholic community, founded under the patronage of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and our Queen. We strive to celebrate the liturgy with full conscious and active participation. We are especially devoted to handing the faith to our youth and to strengthening the faith-lives of our families.

We strive to offer a warm welcome to all and to reach out to the spiritual and material needs of the people of our community, our nation and the entire world.



SUNDAY—JANUARY 17 @ MOQ

9:00 AM †STELLA ST. GEORGE *req. Rita St. George*

11:00 AM †JOHN ADUSKEZICH *req. Legenza Family*

5:00 PM PARISHONERS OF MARY OUR QUEEN

**Daily Mass offered at Immaculate Conception Church
130 Summer Street ~ Southington**

MONDAY—JANUARY 18

7:30 AM †LOUISE & MELANIE ROSSINI
req. Thomas Rossini



12:00 PM PRO POPULO

TUESDAY—JANUARY 19

7:30 AM PRO POPULO & 12:00 PM PRO POPULO

WEDNESDAY—JANUARY 20

7:30 AM PRO POPULO & 12:00 PM PRO POPULO

THURSDAY—JANUARY 21

7:30 AM PRO POPULO

12:00 PM †RESPECT FOR LIFE *NOVENA BEGINS*

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FRIDAY—JANUARY 22

7:30 AM PRO POPULO & 12:00 PM PRO POPULO

SATURDAY—JANUARY 23

7:30 AM PRO POPULO

SUNDAY—JANUARY 24 @ MOQ

9:00 AM †FORTUNATA BALESTRA *req. family*

11:00 AM †SISTO & GIOVANNA SALZILLO

req. Maria Picone

5:00 PM PARISHONERS OF MARY OUR QUEEN



CANDLE MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of:

† John Conti *req. daughter, Lucia*

*If anyone is in need of a prayer shawl,
please call the parish office 860-628-4901*

St Thomas Parish of Southington will be offering an online bereavement workshop using Zoom meetings. The New Day process serves the needs of those who are in the earlier stages of grief. It consists of nine facilitated online workshops, and the winter 2021 group is being formed. The first meeting will begin Tuesday, January 12 at 6:30 PM. To enroll, or for more information, call Deacon Vinny Raby 860-628-9425.

Manna Sunday - every Sunday !!!



Donations of staple, non perishable foods: cold cereals, peanut butter, jams, soups, coffee, tea, juices, tuna fish, etc. for distribution to needy in our community by Southington Community Center. Baskets are located in the vestibule of the Church.

PARISH SUPPORT

Please do not forget about our Parish in this difficult time, we accept mail-in contributions and online giving.

NOTE: If you have signed up and are using our parish's On-line Giving, please call or email the office, to discontinue receiving your offertory envelopes through the mail. Thank you !!

Online-Giving link:

<https://osvhub.com/maryourqueen/funds>

New Parishioners/visitors ~ Welcome to Mary Our Queen!

We are delighted to have you join our parish family. Please introduce yourself to Father after Mass. We also encourage you to register and join our Parish Family. Parish registration forms are available at the entrances of the Church. Once completed, mail them to us or drop them in the collection basket.



From the Pastor's desk.....

Our faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us fine-tune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and sisters, and creation itself.

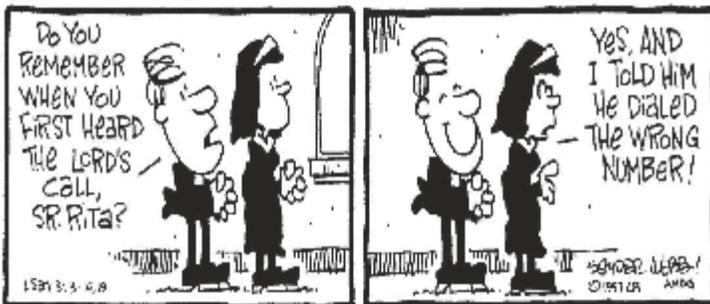
Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

The example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

The Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.

Father Kargul

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Are there HMOs in Heaven?

A doctor, a nurse, and the top executive of an HMO died and were in line together at the pearly gates. St. Peter asked each one what good they had done in their lives.

The doctor said, "I have devoted my life to the sick and needy and have had a part in caring for and healing thousands of people."

St. Peter replied, "That's great. Go ahead into heaven."

The nurse chimed in, "I have supported the doctor and his patients my entire life as an adult, have taken time to explain things to patients, and have helped them lead healthy lives."

"Wonderful," says St. Peter. "Please proceed in with the doctor."

Then the executive said, "I was the president of a very large health maintenance organization. I was responsible for the healthcare of millions of people all over the country."

St. Peter says, "Oh, I see. Please go on in ... but you can only stay two nights!"



The **Catholic High School Collection**, occurring in all parishes of the Archdiocese on the **weekend of January 23/24**, supports the outstanding education offered at our Catholic secondary schools by providing funds for tuition assistance, technology enhancements, curricular improvements, and

marketing, all of which are so critical during this ongoing pandemic. Please consider investing in the exceptional academics, solid faith formation, and spirit of service at our high schools by making a gift to this year's Catholic High School Collection on January 23/24.

2021 Mass Book for Sundays & Holy Days

The 2021 Sunday masses are still available to all of you. Please call the office to book a SUNDAY mass intention at 860-628-4901

We are also book candle memorial Intentions for the Sanctuary & Blessed Mother Candle.

Archbishop Blair has extended Mass attendance dispensation through February 28th.

9:00AM SUNDAY MASS IS LIVESTREAM



Condolences to Ronald & Annette Oakes on the passing of Ronald's Father, Ronald Oakes, Sr.

Eternal rest grant unto Him O Lord



You are required to call or sign-up online, the link can be our on our website page for Sunday Masses.

We will STILL be taking temperatures before entering. Anyone with a temperature above 100 degrees Fahrenheit will be asked to leave.

If you feel ill, please stay home.

There are hand sanitizer stations at the door to use when entering and throughout the Church.

Communion on the tongue should be excluded for the sake of the health of others, with the understanding that it will be allowed at a later date when it is safe to do so. If people insist, they can be given Communion only after everyone else has received, and the priest should sanitize his hands immediately, even after a single Communion, **if** his hand touches the communicant's mouth in any way."

Please do not congregate to talk in the pews or aisles.

Southington Catholic Parishes **Plan for 2021**

All five of the parishes in Southington:

Immaculate Conception, Mary Our Queen, St. Thomas, St. Dominic and St. Aloysius have already joined each other in patronage of Southington Catholic School. Each subsidizes it financial and works to engage with the school to increase enrollment. This first piece of collaboration is going well. The next steps are:

1. Starting in the Fall of 2021, we will be operating a joint religious education program. There will no longer be separate programs with different timelines for sacraments. This unified program will ensure all children are exposed to the same information and faith formation each and every year, regardless of time or location
2. Once the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted, we will be operating a joint youth ministry program in town. With one public high school in here, most of our young people are used to studying together. This program will provide social interaction and service programs to engage teens in the Works of Mercy. As time progresses, we will be looking to other ways to integrate Catholic life in our town across all the parishes. We will be opening up groups and organizations to discuss combining activities and service.

The better we work together, the more vibrant our ministries will become.



A New Year and New Opportunities:

Southington Catholic School is looking ahead to the 2021-2022 school year. Starting this month, prospective families are invited to schedule a tour of our pre-k to grade 8 school. Under COVID precautions, visits are by appointment only and can be scheduled for Wednesday afternoons 2:30-4:00 PM or by special request. Please call 860-628-2485 to register. Opening in our pre-k programs are filled on a first come basis.

Invest wisely: Supporting Catholic education is an investment in the moral leaders of our future. In a Catholic school, high academic standards are matched with a challenge to serve those in need. Please consider a donation/pledge to the Southington Catholic School Annual Fund. For your convenience, you can donate in a safe, contactless way online. Just click on FACTSgiving located on our website: www.southingtoncatholicschool.org

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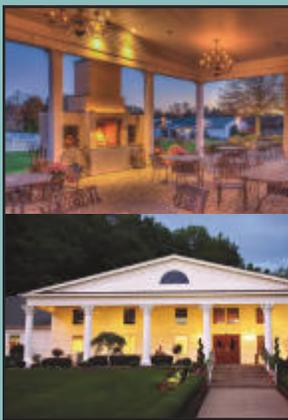
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