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We welcome all to our parish.

We hope you will favor our parish with your prayers and your presence. If you are interested in joining our parish, please see the priest after Mass or call the rectory.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

Weekend Masses

Saturday

4:00 & 5:30 pm

Sunday

9:00 & 10:30 am

Weekday Masses

5:15 pm

Weekday Holiday Masses

9:00 am

Holy Days

Vigil 5:15 pm

Holy Day 9:00 a.m. & 5:15 pm

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday

3:00 to 3:45 pm

5:00 to 5:30 pm

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

is celebrated on the last Sunday of the month.
Registered parishioners are asked to call the rectory.

MARRIAGES

Please speak to a priest after any Mass.



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18*

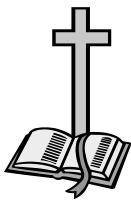
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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2025 Adult Education Program

Each year Sacred Heart Parish offers an Adult Education Program to help Catholics update their understanding of the faith. It is also offered for those adult Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, as well as for non-Catholics who are inquiring about the faith. This program is an excellent opportunity for anyone simply interested in learning more about our beliefs as Catholics or in becoming a member of the Catholic Church. Consider this opportunity for yourself or invite a friend. All are welcome. Our third session will be held on Sunday, February 2nd after the 10:30 AM Mass. Join Msgr. Christopher Connelly as he discusses Reconciliation and Sacrament of the Sick.



Annual Pre-Cana Class

In conjunction with our Adult Education Program, we will be holding our Annual Pre-Cana Class on Sunday, March 2, 2025, at 11:15 AM in the church. Please contact the rectory at (413) 732-3721 to register. Pre-registration is required. There is a \$10 registration fee for those couples not being married at Sacred Heart.



2024 Statement of Contributions

Upon request, we will be happy to mail out a copy of your 2024 statement of contributions. The parish tracks those contribution made using parish support envelopes or sent directly to the rectory with envelope number clearly marked. Loose checks placed in the basket cannot be tracked. Cancelled checks and other bank records are sufficient documentation for tax purposes. Any 2024 envelopes received in 2025 will be reflected on your 2025 statement. Please contact the rectory at (413) 732-3721 to request your statement.

The regular parish contribution statement will not contain information about capital campaign contributions, which were documented separately. We will work to ensure that those who have requested statements receive that additional contribution information as soon as possible. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Polish Junior League Scholarship

The Polish Junior League of Massachusetts is accepting applications for scholarships for college students of Polish heritage. Application information and forms may be obtained at www.polishjuniorleaguema.org/applications. Deadline for receipt of application materials is May 1, 2025.

AL-ANON *Strength and hope for families and friends of problem drinkers.* What can you do when someone close to you drinks too much? You might be surprised at what you can learn at an Al-Anon meeting. For meeting information call 1-888-4AL-Anon (1-888-423-2666) or visit www.al-anon.alateen.org; Al-Anon may also be listed in your local telephone directory.

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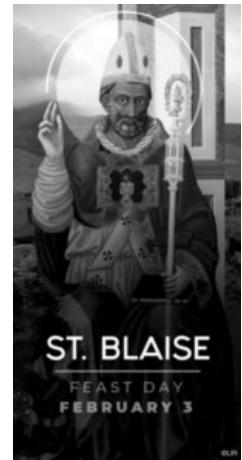
2025 Calendar Drawing Winners

1/19/25	#6943	Tiffany Amato	Kentucky	\$75
1/20/25	#7248	Ryan Weldon	Belchertown	\$100
1/21/25	#6385	Paige & Jasmany Naranjo	Braintree	\$25
1/22/25	#6513	Maryann Ardito	Springfield	\$25
1/23/25	#6986	Michael McKenna	Longmeadow	\$25
1/24/25	#6400	John Bonavita	East Longmeadow	\$25
1/25/25	#6264	Robert & Huyen McDonald	Texas	\$25

The Feast of Saint Blaise: Blessing of the Throats

The traditional blessing of the throats will take place next weekend, February 1st and 2nd, after all Masses.

Saint Blaise was the Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia during the fourth century. Very little is known about his life. According to various accounts he was a physician before becoming a Bishop. His following spread throughout the entire Church in the Middle Ages because he was reputed to have miraculously cured a little boy who nearly died because of a fishbone in his throat. From the 8th century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat.



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Harmony House Volunteer Recruitment Event

For anyone looking for a volunteer opportunity, Harmony House of Western Massachusetts has openings for many functions. A Volunteer Recruitment Event is scheduled for January 29th, 2025 from 6:00 – 7:15 PM at the Chicopee Public Library, 449 Front Street in Chicopee. Current volunteers and staff will be on hand to discuss their experiences at the home and answer questions. Harmony House is a social model home for hospice care located in Chicopee. The organization is currently in need of caregivers and people who would enjoy the opportunity to support our residents in other ways; for example, companionship, cleaning, outdoor work, helping to stage and promote fundraising events, and so many more purposes. Whether it's a few hours a week or a few hours a month, Harmony House is a welcoming place for people looking to help people. Please join us on January 29th or email harmonyhousewma@gmail.com.

Faith on Fire Coffee Social Hour

Come to our Faith on Fire "coffee social hour", Thursday, February 6th, at 6:30 PM in the Sacred Heart Parish Center located at 1061 Springfield St in Feeding Hills. We need united volunteers graced by the Holy Spirit to help guide the Faith on Fire event for 2025. Come and see if you want to be a part of this amazing event. Questions? Call Joanne at (413) 998-3454.

First Friday Prayer Breakfast

The next First Friday Prayer Breakfast will be on Friday, February 7th, in the Bishop Marshall Center at St. Michael's Cathedral. Deacon Donald Higby, M.D., will speak on the topic of cancer, with music by Doris Poirier & Robert Keliher. Mass begins at 7:30 a.m. in the Holy Spirit Chapel with a free continental breakfast at 8:00 a.m. and talk beginning at 8:30 a.m. Prayer Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus after Mass. Bring a friend, an associate or family member! Ample Parking.

In case of inclement weather, cancellation will be on 22 News and Channel 560

Diocesan Youth Rally

The Office of Youth Ministry invites all middle to high school aged youth from across the diocese to the third annual "The Path that Leads to You" diocesan youth rally at 5:30 PM on February 8, 2025 at Pope Francis Prep High School in Springfield. The exciting day will feature Bishop Joseph Espaillat, America's youngest bishop, national youth speaker, and rapper. Enjoy live music, fun games, dynamic talks, and a powerful experience of Eucharistic Adoration. The rally is organized by the Diocesan Youth Ambassadors, a group of high school leaders, who have spent nearly a year planning the event. Don't miss this chance for the young people in your life to grow in faith, connect with others, and be inspired! To register or for more information, visit westernmasscatholic.org/youthrally.



Perpetual Novena to Matt Talbot

Wednesdays, during our daily 5:15 PM Mass, we will pray a perpetual novena in honor of Matt Talbot, patron of the addicted and those who love them.



Knights of Columbus Winter Picnic

Knights of Columbus, Father Shea Council will hold a Winter Picnic at Our Lady of the Lake Parish, Fr. Shea Hall, located at 224 Sheep Pasture Rd in Southwick on Saturday, February 8th, from 5 to 6:30 PM. Ticket prices for ages 13 to Adult are \$10.00, for ages 5 to 12 yrs \$5.00, and children under 5 yrs are free. Maximum price per family is \$25.00.

An Evening Celebrating Mary, Mother of Hope

As part of the Jubilee Year of Hope 2025, the Basilica of St. Stanislaus in Chicopee, MA, invites everyone to a special evening celebrating Mary, Mother of Hope on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. This inspiring event will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a Scriptural Rosary reflecting on The Joyful Mysteries, including a Marian presentation by Fr. James McCurry, OFM Conv., and a selection of Marian hymns. The evening will take place at the Basilica of St. Stanislaus, located at 566 Front Street, and will conclude with a light reception. As we journey through this Jubilee Year of Hope, this celebration offers an opportunity to deepen our faith and draw closer to Mary, who leads us to the heart of her Son. Sponsored by the Basilica of St. Stanislaus Rosary Society, this event is open to all. Come and experience the hope and joy of this Jubilee Year! All are welcome.

Hibernian Irish Cultural Night 2025

The Hibernians of Hampden/Hampshire Counties invite the public to attend the Traditional Irish Night in Holyoke 2025 at the Log Cabin on Saturday February 22, 2025 with Valet Parking. Tickets are only \$50.00 per person. Call Joe O'Connor at (413) 627-7148 or Fran Hennessey at (413) 785-5687 by February 18 or go online to [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com). The event will feature the Keohane and Kenneally Irish American Band—"a tour de force of musical talent that will bring you to your feet; they will blow you away with their diverse set list"; and a Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner with Ribs by Mick Corduff Executive Chef at the Log Cabin. The event was sold out the past 2 years so get your tickets early—"Tis the Event of the Season."

The Hibernians wish a Happy St. Patrick's Day to all!

Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to the Shines of Italy Raffle

Rome, San Giovanni Rotondo, Lanciano, Loreto & Assini

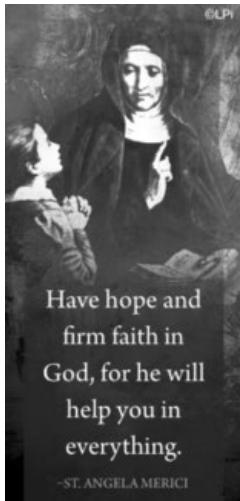
St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Belchertown is holding a raffle to win a trip for two to take part in a Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Italy from September 28 to October 7, 2025. Spiritual Director Fr. David Darcy. Raffle tickets are \$100 each. Prize value of \$10,798, includes double occupancy and roundtrip airfare from Boston. Winner will be drawn either when 400 tickets have been sold or on May 1, 2025. Raffle tickets can be purchased through the St. Francis of Assisi Business at 10 Park Street in Belchertown or call (413) 323-6272 x 1. Proceeds from this fundraiser benefit the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Building Fun for the new Parish Center. For more information, visit www.stfrancisbelchertown.com.

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JANUARY 26, 2025

<u>WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS</u>		<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
SATURDAY	JANUARY 25	
4:00 p.m.	Nancy Holland	The Davis Family
5:30 p.m.	Elizabeth Strycharz & Kathleen Shea	Cathie Curran
SUNDAY	JANUARY 26	
9:00 a.m.	John T. Shea <i>15th Anniversary</i>	The Family
10:30 a.m.	Frank Pluta	Ed Polchlopek & Jane
MONDAY	JANUARY 27	
5:15 p.m.	For the People	
TUESDAY	JANUARY 28	
5:15 p.m.	Sr. Mildred Moynihan	Sr. Sharon
WEDNESDAY	JANUARY 29	
5:15 p.m.	Michael Fenton	Garvey Family
THURSDAY	JANUARY 30	
5:15 p.m.	Peggy Meara	The Family
FRIDAY	JANUARY 31	
5:15 p.m.	Mary Kelliher Marino	CHS Class of '71
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 1	
4:00 p.m.	Lynn Ann Tierney	Family
5:30 p.m.	John Davis	The Campiti Family
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 2	
9:00 a.m.	Peter Karam	The Family
10:30 a.m.	Ellen Maher	Daughter Carol



Please remember in your prayers

Edward Donovan
 Miguelina Velez
 Guillermmina Rivera
 Edward Keating
 John Stefano
 Josephine McNulty
 Jeanette Ghareeb

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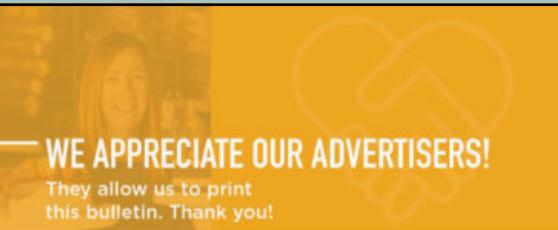
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