

# St. Mary of the Assumption Church

159 CHURCH STREET, CHESHIRE, MASSACHUSETTS 01225

## North American Martyrs Chapel

Shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha

151 OLD STATE ROAD, BERKSHIRE VILLAGE, LANESBOROUGH, MA 01237

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL 2, 2017



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**MASSES**  
**ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION**  
Saturday 4:00 p.m., Sunday 8:45 a.m.  
Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.  
**NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS CHAPEL**  
Saturday 5:45 p.m., Holy Days 7:00 p.m.


  
**MASS**
  
 INTENTIONS
   
 APRIL 2, 2017

**St. Mary of the Assumption**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017**

4:00 p.m. Earl & Patricia Kelley  
Req. by John & Sue

**SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2017**

8:45 a.m. William Carlow - Wedding Anniversary  
Req. by His Wife, Ann

**MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2017**

8:00 a.m. Joan A. Massaconi  
Req. by Rose Graziani

**TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017**

8:00 a.m. The Parishioners of the St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Community

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2017**

8:00 a.m. Doris St. Cyr  
Req. by Jim & Carole Pyra

**THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2017**

8:00 a.m. Scott Zarek  
Req. by Edie Zarek

**FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2017**

8:00 a.m. No Mass

**SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2017**

4:00 p.m. Stanley Skubel, Sr.  
Req. by Leo Skubel

**SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017**

8:45 a.m. Jane Kanelos  
Req. by Joanne, Joe, & Alena Alcaro

**North American Martyrs Chapel**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017**

5:45 p.m. The Parishioners and People of North American Martyrs Chapel

**SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2017**

5:45 p.m. Louise Kristensen - Birthday Remembrance  
Req. by Her Family

ALL GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF  
FR. FRANCIS X. SULLIVAN  
BY FR. MATTHEW S. P. GUIDI

FROM FR. MATTHEW . . .

**+++ IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE**

Dear Parishioners,

My dear friend, Fr. Francis X. Sullivan, priest of the Diocese of Springfield, passed away on Christmas Eve of this past year 2017. He was a man of deep faith and served the Church with grace, vigor, devotion, and charm as a parish priest for over 68 years. He also served in the Berkshires at Our Lady of the Valley Parish in Sheffield from 1970-1973 which was his first pastorate. In his memory, the wall behind our main altar in the main church has been refreshed, refurbished, and painted. This project was of NO COST to the parish. I would also like to remember the deceased members of the Guidi & Patrakis families.

I want to thank David & Tracy Kittler and their crew for being able to get this time sensitive project completed before Holy Week and in time for Easter Sunday. You may notice that other items have been taken down and it is our great hope to re-purpose everything in ways that will be put to the best use for the good of the entire parish.

Through the generosity of additional donors, there are a few more projects that need to be completed and we have every hope to have them done in a timely manner without creating an interference to the weekend Mass schedule. Our hope is that the refashioning of the main church will not only enhance our Sunday worship experience here at St. Mary's, but will also help us in our evangelization efforts to bring back new and younger members and families!

"Put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience." (Colossians 3:10, 12)

God bless, Fr. Matthew

**FATHER DAVID'S NEW ADDRESS**

**Fr. David's new address is:** Fr. David Raymond, St. Patrick's Parish, 30 Main St., South Hadley, MA 01075. May God Bless Fr. David this Lenten and Easter season!

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# PARISH EVENTS & DATES ALL EVENTS ARE AT ST. MARY'S UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

## SUNDAY, APRIL 2ND - TUESDAY, APRIL 4TH

"Back to Basics" - A Lenten Mission to Restore Your Faith

## TUESDAY, APRIL 11TH

Mass of the Reception of the Oils - St. Joseph's - 7:00 p.m.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 13TH

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH

Easter Sunday - Masses at St. Mary's and N.A.M.

## SATURDAY, MAY 13TH

First Holy Communion - 10:00 a.m.

## SUNDAY, MAY 21ST

Deacon Bob's 30th Diaconate Anniv. Brunch - 10:00 a.m.

## NEWS

# BACK TO BASICS

## A LENTEN MISSION

*Sunday, April 2nd - 2:00 p.m. - Mission & Refreshments*

*Monday, April 3rd - 6:00 p.m. - Mass, Mission, & Confession*

*Tuesday, April 4th - 6:00 p.m. - Mass, Mission, & Confession*

**Please join us, our parish mission is this weekend!**

**Get to know your fellow parishioners as we embark on this journey to refresh our faith.**

### FR. MATTHEW'S CHEESEBURGER SOUP

*We are pleased to publish this recipe for the many who have requested it. Enjoy!*

#### Ingredients:

1/2 pound ground beef	3 c. chicken broth
3/4 c. chopped onion	1/4 c. all-purpose flour
3/4 c. shredded carrots	1 1/2 c. 2% milk
3/4 c. chopped celery	1/4 c. sour cream
1 teaspoon dried basil	4 c. shredded cheddar cheese
1 teaspoon dried parsley	1/2 large block Velveeta cheese cubed
4 tablespoons butter	

#### Directions:

1. In a large pot, melt 1 T. butter over medium heat: add vegetables and beef, cook and stir until beef is brown.
2. Stir in basil and parsley. Add broth, bring to a boil then simmer for 10-12 minutes.
3. In a separate bowl or pan, melt the remaining butter. Then stir in flour. Add milk and stir until smooth.
4. Gradually add milk mixture to the soup, stirring constantly. Bring to a boil then reduce heat to simmer. Stir in cheese.
5. Once cheese is melted, add sour cream and heat thoroughly. Do not boil.
6. Serve with your favorite bread and enjoy!

## OUR GIVING

### WEEKEND OF MARCH 25TH & 26TH

Regular Collection	\$2166.00	Catholic Relief	\$308.00
Fuel	\$25.00	Easter Flowers	\$228.00
Snow Removal	\$30.00	Home Mission	\$10.00

GIVING RECEIPTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE TO OBTAIN YOUR COPY.

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Easter Flower envelopes, with the name(s) of those you wish to make donations in memory of, are due this weekend.

Please place your donations in the collection basket. Thank you.



## PLEASE SUPPORT ST. MARY'S CCD

Our St. Mary of the Assumption Religious Education Program is currently holding a Yankee Candle Fundraiser to offset costs associated with their instruction. Funds raised will pay for events such as the New Spirit Retreat, which our Confirmation students participated in, and truly enjoyed, last month. The fundraiser will also help pay for banner making supplies, study materials, and more! We greatly appreciate any and all help you can provide. Fundraiser packets are still available at all church entrances.



**Forms are due back by Wednesday, April 5th.**

*Thank you in advance for your support!*

## OPERATION RICE BOWL UPDATE

On Sunday, April 9th at St. Mary's in the parish hall, the Religious Education students from grades 5, 6, & 7 will be holding a bake sale to raise funds for Operation Rice Bowl. Please stop by their table to support their efforts and this very worthy cause!

Thank you for the contributions that have been made to the St. Mary's CCD Program's non-perishable food drive. This weekend, your donations will be brought to the local food pantries. We truly appreciate your generosity!

## ST. STANISLAUS SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

St. Stan's School is currently registering students for 2017-2018. They will hold two open houses for interested families: a pre-K open house will be held on Thursday, April 6th, from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. and the open house for grades K-8 will be held on Sunday, April 9th, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Both sessions will be held in the school cafeteria. Program information and a tour of the school will be given at both events. For more information, please call the school at 743-1091.