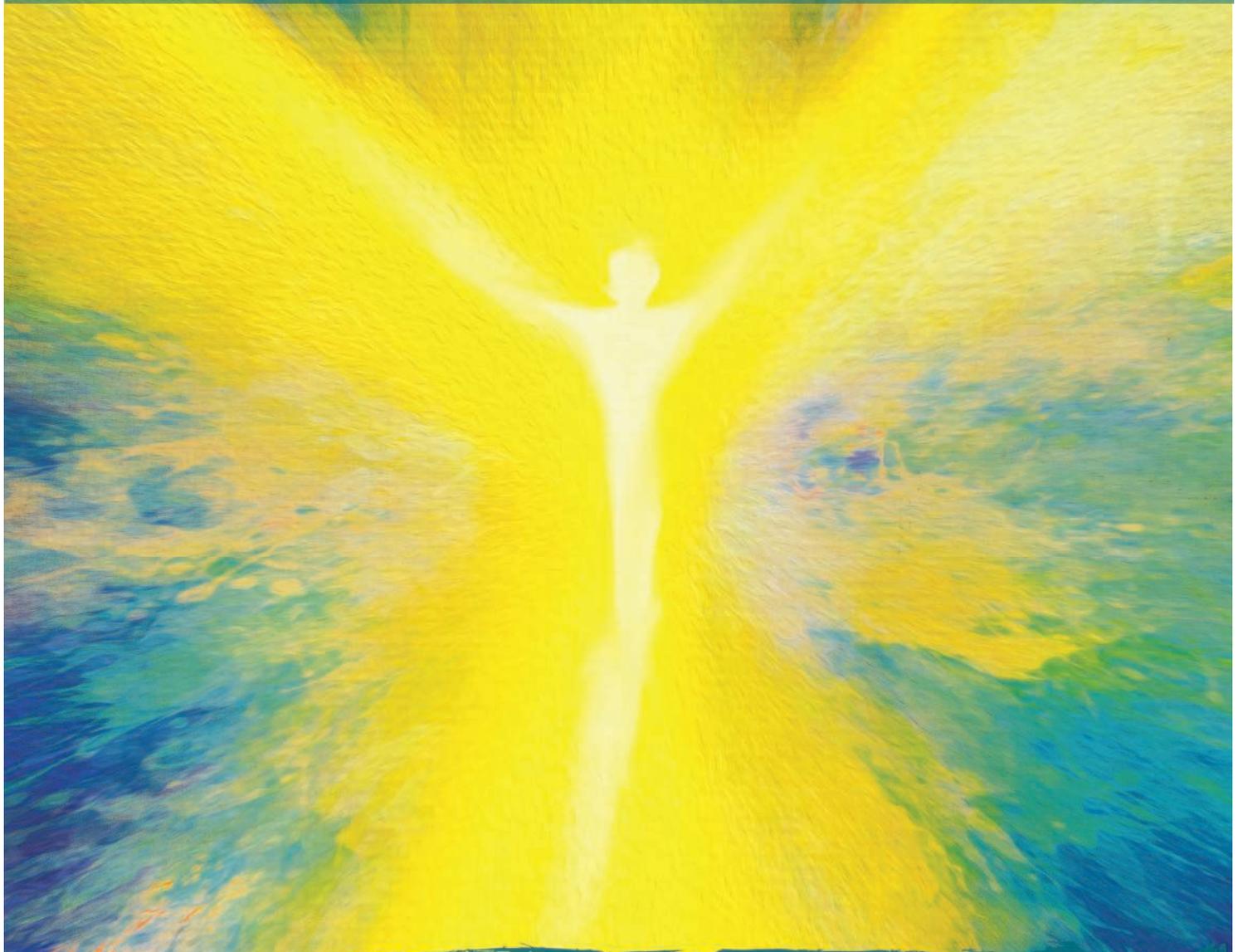


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MARCH 11, 2018

# MASS INTENTIONS

## ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

### SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018

4:00 p.m. Zelia Betit  
Req. by Irene

### SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2018

9:00 a.m. Pat Berti  
Req. by Patricia Deame

### MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018

8:00 a.m. Theresa Marby  
Req. by Irene Choquette

### TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018

8:00 a.m. Gabrielle Dufresne  
Req. by Fr. Matthew

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018

8:00 a.m. Fr. John T. Dean  
Req. by Our Parish Family

### THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018

8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners and People of  
Our Parish Community

### FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2018

8:00 a.m. No Mass

### SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2018

4:00 p.m. James Kolis  
Req. by Tom & Suzanne Kolis

### SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018

9:00 a.m. Beatrice, John, Jack, & Brian Gottardi  
Req. by Nancy & Tom Zappala

## NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018

5:45 p.m. Alexander D. Clement - Birthday  
Remembrance  
Req. by The Patriquin Family

### SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2018

5:45 p.m. Mrs. Preston Tracy  
Req. by Her Family

ALL GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF  
THE DECEASED MEMBERS  
OF OUR PARISH

## NEWS AND UPDATES

### LENT & EASTER SCHEDULE

#### Stations of the Cross followed by Adoration & Confession

St. Mary's Chapel Wednesdays through March 28th 3:30 p.m.

#### Holy Thursday, March 29th - St. Mary's 7:00 p.m.

#### Good Friday, March 30th - St. Mary's

Stations of the Cross 3:30 p.m. / Service 7:00 p.m.

#### Holy Saturday, March 31st - Easter Vigil Mass

St. Mary's Bonfire 7:45 p.m. / Mass 8:00 p.m.

#### Easter Sunday, April 1st

St. Mary's 9:00 a.m. / N.A.M. 11:00 a.m.

### SOUP & BREAD SUPPER

**Our annual Soup & Bread Supper is on Monday, March 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall.** Tickets are still available now after all Masses and are FREE, just bring a non-perishable food item on the night of the event. We are looking forward to this wonderful annual tradition and are hopeful you will be able to join us! Be sure to get your tickets before the hall fills!

### ELECTRICAL INCIDENT AT ST. MARY'S

As you may have heard, there was an electrical incident at St. Mary's on Sunday, March 4th. Just prior to Mass, we experienced partial electrical failure which was accompanied by a burning odor and smoke. The Cheshire Fire Department responded to the church, the building was evacuated, and both Mass and Religious Education classes were cancelled. It was eventually determined that a squirrel had chewed through the main line outside which caused the electricity to be reduced to a lower phase entering our building. The reduction caused the electrical issues internally. A motor in our main furnace was unable to operate properly as a result, and caused the burning odor and smoke. Fortunately, no major damage was done and all issues have been repaired. Thank you to the Cheshire Fire Department, George Sweet for his electrical work, National Grid, and to all of you for your prayers. God Bless!

### PENANCE SERVICE

Lent is the best time of the year to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation (also known as Penance or Confession). The second precept of the Church states, "You shall confess your sins at least once a year." This ensures preparation for the Eucharist by the reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which continues Baptism's work of conversion and forgiveness. **St. Agnes Parish in Dalton will hold a Berkshire & Deanery wide Penance Service with several priests on Sunday, March 18th at 7:00 p.m.** Please join us for this powerful and transformative Sacrament of Healing.

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

## MONDAY, MARCH 12TH

Soup & Bread Supper - 6:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY, MARCH 18TH

Youth Mass - 9:00 a.m.

## SUNDAY, MARCH 18TH

Penance Service - 7:00 p.m. - St. Agnes, Dalton

## SUNDAY, MARCH 25TH

Palm Sunday

## TUESDAY, MARCH 27TH

Mass of the Oils - 7:00 p.m. - St. Joseph, Pittsfield

## SATURDAY, MARCH 31ST

Easter Vigil Mass - Bonfire in front of St. Mary's 7:45 p.m.

## SUNDAY, APRIL 1ST

Easter - St. Mary's - 9:00 a.m. / NAM - 11:00 a.m.

## SUNDAY, APRIL 8TH

Confirmation Banner Making - 7:00 p.m.

## MONDAY, APRIL 16TH

Pastoral Council - 6:00 p.m. - Rectory Dining Room

## SUNDAY, APRIL 29TH

First Communion Banner Making - 11:00 a.m.

## SUNDAY, MAY 6TH

Youth Mass - 9:00 a.m. / Open House 10:00 a.m. - noon

## SATURDAY, MAY 12TH

First Holy Communion - 10:00 a.m.

## NEWS AND UPDATES

### SOLAR PROJECT

Our parish is seriously considering an exciting solar opportunity, the installation of solar canopies in the parking lot at St. Mary's! Brightfields Development, a company that has been working with the Archdiocese of Boston, and recently began working with our diocese, leases underutilized parking lot properties to install the parking lot canopies. All costs associated with the project are incurred by Brightfields. Our parish will receive regular income, as determined by a contract, for a period of 20+ years. Additional information will be provided to you soon, but we could not wait to share the good news!

### DEDICATE A CHAIR CAMPAIGN

Our chair campaign is underway and many people have generously donated funds to the project. **Please note, we are currently considering a banquet style chair instead of the chair which is on display in the hall. The banquet chairs are familiar to most of us, as they are used in many restaurants and banquet facilities. This decision was based on feedback we received regarding our original choice. Chairs may be purchased for \$25 each in memory of a loved one. At the end of the project, we will have a memorial plaque made with the names of all who had a chair donated in their memory.** Chairs may be purchased via check, cash, or via the "Give" link on our website. Please be sure to include the name of the person for whom you are purchasing the chair. If you have any questions about the project please contact the office. - Thank you!

## OUR GIVING

### WEEKEND OF MARCH 3RD & 4TH

WEEKLY GIVING DATA DOES NOT INCLUDE SUNDAY OFFERING DUE TO MASS BEING CANCELLED AT ST. MARY'S.

Regular Collection	\$1,955.00	Snow Removal	\$78.00
Fuel	\$0	Easter Flowers	\$30.00
Holy Land	\$5.00	Catholic Relief	\$5.00

### FATHER DAVID UPDATE

**Father David Raymond has a new address.** He is now at: St. Thomas the Apostle, 47 Pine St., West Springfield, MA, 01089. His phone number is 413-739-4779.

### ST. STANISLAUS SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Saint Stanislaus Kostka School in Adams is currently accepting applications for the next school year. St. Stan's offers two, age level pre-school programs: a two morning program for three year old children and a three to five day program, either full (8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.) or half day, for children who are four. The Kindergarten program for five year olds is five full days. Registration forms may be accessed by visiting [www.saintstansadams.org](http://www.saintstansadams.org) or by calling the school at 413-743-1091.

Openings in grades 1 through 8 are limited and require an appointment with the principal prior to registration. Parents of transfer students are encouraged to visit the school and set up a "Shadow Day" for their child/children. Children of all faiths are welcomed if space is available.



### LITURGICAL HELP WANTED

**We are in need of additional Lectors, Altar Servers, and Eucharistic Ministers.** If you are interested in joining a liturgical ministry or would like more information, please contact Fr. Matthew or Deacon Bob.

### CATHOLIC MASSES ON TV

In addition to the diocesan television programs which air on Albany station WXXA Channel 8, "Real to Reel" on Sunday mornings at 5:30 a.m. followed immediately at 6:00 a.m. by the weekly televised Mass, the "Chalice of Salvation", other Masses are available to watch. Daily Mass airs at 8:00 a.m. on Channel 70. Sunday Mass airs at 9:00 a.m. on Channel 4 and 6:30 a.m. on Channel 35.

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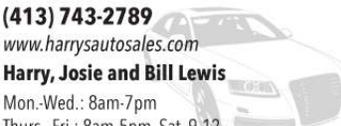
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