

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH

NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS CHAPEL

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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 23, 2017

St. Mary of the Assumption

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2017

4:00 p.m. Stanley & Suzanne Skubel
Req. by Leo Skubel

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2017

8:45 a.m. Stanley & Phyllis Poplaski
Req. by The Family

MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2017

8:00 a.m. Priscilla (Pat) Bialas
Req. by The Richardson Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017

8:00 a.m. Robert J. Thomas, Jr. - 3rd Anniversary
Remembrance
Req. by Nicolette & Walter McGovern

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2017

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2017

8:00 a.m. Lawrence Dowd
Req. by The Mary, Mother of Hope
Parish Community

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2017

8:00 a.m. No Mass

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017

4:00 p.m. Ed St. John Jr. - Birthday Remembrance
Req. by Pam & Ed St. John

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2017

8:45 a.m. Betty & Kenneth Gurney
Req. by The Family

North American Martyrs Chapel

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2017

5:45 p.m. Mary Jane DiLego
Req. by Lori & Regina DiLego

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017

5:45 p.m. Eileen Goodrow
Req. by The Mary, Mother of Hope
Parish Community

SANCTUARY LAMP, WINE, HOSTS, & CANDLES ARE
GIVEN IN REMEMBRANCE OF ED ST. JOHN, JR.'S
BIRTHDAY BY PAM & ED ST. JOHN III.

PARISH NEWS

SPORTS TEAM BLESSING

This Sunday, April 23rd, we will be welcoming the Hoosac Valley Lacrosse Teams at our 8:45 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's. Fr. Matthew will offer them a blessing for a safe season and light refreshments will be served in the hall following Mass. If you know of any other area organizations or sports teams that are interested in this program, please contact Steve Berti at 413-743-5673.

YOUTH MASS

Our next Youth Mass will be held on Sunday, April 30th at 8:45 a.m. All Religious Education students, grades Kindergarten through 10th, are invited to join us. Students and their families will meet at 8:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Light refreshments will be served following Mass in the parish hall.

BLESSING OF THE BIKES

On Saturday, May 20th at 1:00 p.m., we will be holding an event for the children and people of our community. Bring your bicycle, tricycle, or non-motorized scooter and helmets to the St. Mary's parking lot on the 20th. Fr. Matthew will be saying a blessing for the safety of all who attend and will bless the bikes and helmets. No motorized vehicles are permitted. Please contact the parish office for more details.

BRING-A-FRIEND TO MASS

Please bring a friend with you to Mass during the weekend of June 3rd & 4th. Please consider spreading the joy of attending Mass to other people in your life. Refreshments will be served after each Mass and a special gift will be given to each guest. You may contact the office for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are holding two new fundraisers in the coming months for which we need volunteers. Tony Piscioneri will be organizing and holding a car wash fundraiser for our parish at St. Mary's on Saturday, June 17th. We are in need of people to help wash cars on that date. We will also be holding a parish tag sale along with a greeting card pop-up shop on Saturday, August 5th. Volunteers will be needed to help receive donations on several dates this spring and then to help set up and work at the event. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Michelle in the office. More details will be given soon about both events.

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

SATURDAY, MAY 13TH

First Holy Communion - 10:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 20TH

Blessing of the Bikes - 1:00 p.m. - St. Mary's Parking Lot

SUNDAY, MAY 21ST

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 3RD & SUNDAY, JUNE 4TH

Bring a Friend to Mass Weekend - All Masses & N.A.M.

MONDAY, JUNE 5TH

Pastoral Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH

Deacon Barrent Pease's Ordination to the Priesthood

St. Michael's Cathedral - Springfield, MA - 10:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH

Car Wash Fundraiser

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5TH

Parish Tag Sale & Greeting Card Pop Up Shop - Tentative

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH

Parish Picnic

NEWS

HIKER PROGRAM

We are looking for additional volunteer support to assist with the hiker program at St. Mary's. Currently we offer our parish hall to people who are hiking the Appalachian Trail between May 1st and October 15th. We need help from parishioners who are willing to unlock and lock the building as needed and who are able to ensure the building is clean and presentable. Please contact the office for more details or to volunteer. Thank you!

BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

The New Direction Pregnancy Support Center is once again conducting their baby bottle fundraiser and is asking parishioners for your support. Baby bottles will be available after Masses this weekend. Please consider filling the bottles with spare change and returning them to the church no later than Sunday, May 7th.

THANK YOU

Team Corinne extends their gratitude to the parishioners of St. Mary's for your continued support of their efforts to fundraise to help end Alzheimer's. The winner of the most recent raffle was Colleen. Thank you all for your ongoing support!

OUR GIVING

WEEKEND OF APRIL 8TH & 9TH

Regular Collection	\$3046.00	Easter	\$70.00
Fuel	\$256.00	Easter Flowers	\$198.00
Snow Removal	\$15.00	Holy Land	\$13.00

WEEKEND OF APRIL 15TH & 16TH - EASTER

Regular Collection	\$2377.01	Easter	\$1398.94
Fuel	\$105.00	Easter Flowers	\$62.00
Snow Removal	\$10.00	Holy Land	\$224.00

OPERATION RICE BOWL BAKE SALE - \$257.00

YANKEE CANDLE FUNDRAISER

Preliminary Total Sales: \$4435.42

Estimated Profit After Shipping: \$1583.30

Additional Donations: \$80.00

HANDS ON GENEALOGY PROGRAM

Alan Doyle Horbal, professional genealogist, will be offering a program about basic genealogy at the Cheshire Community Center on Tuesdays, May 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. Topics to be covered are:



- * How to research the 1900 - 1940 U.S. Census data.
- * How to find your ancestors' emigration data.
- * How to search for family outside the U.S.

All students must have an email account and be computer literate. Some assistance will be provided. Limited space is available. \$5 fee for the program.

To register, please call 413-743-9719.

ST. STANISLAUS SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

St. Stanislaus School will be holding a restaurant fundraiser on Tuesday, May 2nd from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Ramunto's Brick Oven Pizza, 67 Main St., North Adams, MA. Present this coupon and St. Stanislaus will receive 20% of your check total.

**Present this coupon on Tuesday May 2nd from 5-7 PM
at Ramunto's in North Adams and they will donate 20%
of your check to St. Stan's School in Adams, MA.**

67 Main St, North Adams 413-398-5152

BENEFIT SPAGHETTI SUPPER

On Saturday, May 6, 2017 there will be a benefit Spaghetti Supper at the St. Mary's Parish Hall from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. The benefit is for Jackie DeGrenier, a young mom who has been battling cancer and has been undergoing treatment since September. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children and can be purchased at Whitney's Farm, Moments House, and the Cheshire Police and Fire Stations. We are hoping parishioners will help assemble a raffle basket for the event by donating items in the theme of "Ice Cream Sundaes". Donations may be left in the parish hall or dropped off at the office.