

# *Blessed Trinity Parish*

## *Roman Catholic Church*

*Greenfield, Massachusetts*

*Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 24, 2023*



### *Schedule of Holy Mass*

Lord's Day Vigil— Saturday 4 pm

Lord's Day—Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am, & 11 am

#### **Weekday**

M - T - Th - F- 8:30 am

Wed. 12:05 pm & 6 pm

First Saturday - 8 am

Holy Day Vigil - 6 pm

Holy Day - 8:30 am, 12:05 pm, & 6 pm

*"Just as the living Father sent me  
and I have life because of the Father,  
so also the one who feeds on me  
will have life because of me." Jn 6:57*

### *Our Churches & Sacred Spaces*

#### *Blessed Sacrament Church*

221 Federal Street

Mass: Saturday—4 pm | Sunday—11 am

Monday & Tuesday—8:30 am | Wednesday—6 pm

Holy Day Vigil: 6 pm | Holy Day: 8:30 am

#### *Calvary Cemetery*

Wisdom Way | First Burial recorded 1792

#### *Holy Trinity Church*

135 Main Street

Mass: Sunday - 8 am & 9:30 am

Wednesday 12:05pm | Thursday & Friday—8:30 am

Holy Day: 12:05 pm & 6 pm

#### *Perpetual Adoration Chapel*

221 Federal Street | Always present 24/7

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### *All are Invited & Welcome to Join Us!*

We are a diverse Catholic Community of Greenfield which shares a faith in Jesus Christ, is nourished at the table of the Eucharist, celebrates life-giving and healing Sacraments, tries to live the Beatitudes, and reaches out in service, together.

Please join us on this journey of life and faith!

## **TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS**

O God, who founded all the commands of Your Sacred Law upon love of You and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping Your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. - *Amen*



### **PARISH OFFICE.**

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**HOURS:** Monday-Friday: 9 am - 3 pm

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Deacon George Nolan | Deacon Channing L. Bete (ret.)

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**OFFICE STAFF:**

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**MAINTENANCE STAFF:**

Harry Demers | Curtis Plausky

**CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION:**

Betty Fritz, Administrator

**MUSIC MINISTRY:**

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(Deadline: **Wed.5pm -10 days prior-** for following weekend.)

**FINANCE COUNCIL:** (transitional)

Bill Bell (Co-Chair) | Kevin O'Neil (Co-Chair)

Pierre Belhumeur | Ann Dillon

Gary Longley | Mark Penfield

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BOARD:**

Marshall Carroll (Chair) | Virginia Christi

Phil Corrinet | Jason Edson

Mary Fleury | Michael Motisi

Lindsay O'Neil | Katie Pierce

**BUILDINGS & MAINTENANCE COMMISSION:**

Pierre Belhumeur | Skip Descavich

Johan Livingstone | Gary Longley

Mark Penfield | Greg Rode

**FATHER JAMES CASEY HALL** (135 Main St)

**PASTORAL CENTER HALL** (14 Beacon St)

**BL. MCGIVNEY CONFERENCE ROOM** (14 Beacon St)

Arrangements for use can be made through the Parish Office.

**PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL**

Deacon John Leary, Coordinator

Hours available and Coverage Requested

**CALVARY CEMETERY**

Arrangements for burial can be made through the Parish Office.

### **OUR MINISTRIES.**

**FOOD PANTRY**

Saturday 9 am– noon | Tuesday Noon-3 pm | Thursday 3 pm-6 pm | pantry@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org

**COMMUNITY MEALS:** 2nd, 4th & 5th Thursdays—to volunteer call Kathy Melnik 413.773.3311

**ALTERNATIVES PREGNANCY CENTER**

413.774.6010 *Pregnancy Tests, Counseling, Support, Post Abortion Support*

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING:** Ed & Suzi Cottrill 413.773.3311

**YOUNG & CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT GROUP OF FRANKLIN COUNTY:** Stephanie Paige 413.773.3311

**POPE ST. JOHN PAUL THE GREAT YOUTH GROUP:** Ed & Suzi Cottrill 413.773.3311

**BLESSED TRINITY ROSARY SODALITY:** Marcy Hoynoski, President. 413.773.3311

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, LT. JOHN GALVIN COUNCIL No. 133:** Dan Arsenault, Grand Knight. 413.773.3311

## Thoughts from the Pastor's Desk ...

Dear friends of Blessed Trinity,

"Seek the LORD while He may be found, call Him while He is near" (Is 55:6). With this evocation from the Prophet Isaiah, we set our hearts and minds anew to the pursuit of the Lord, the pursuit of His will, the pursuit of sanctity. We move with confidence, assured of this truth: The Lord *is* near! We *can* find Him!

God wills that we know Him but we must will so as well. God wills that we find Him but we must seek.

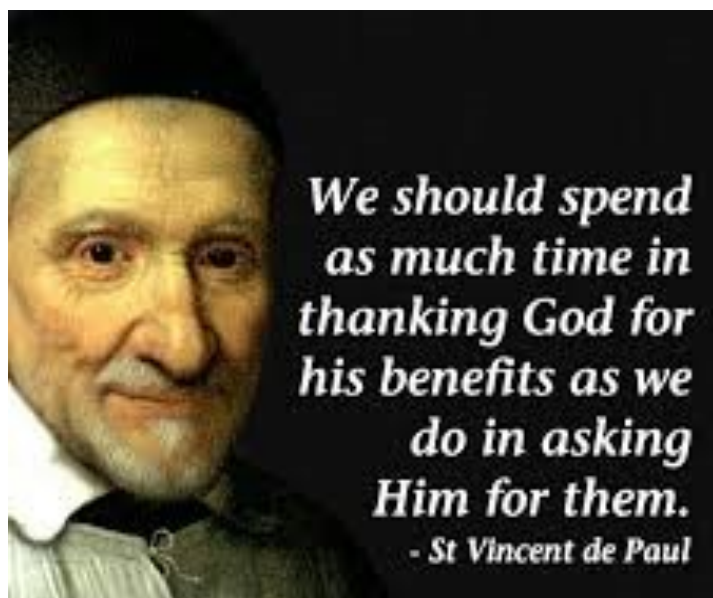
As many of you may be aware, I was involved in a vehicle collision a week ago Friday. I continue to recuperate and give thanks to God to be able to do so. Thank you also to so many who have been most generous and kind during these days of my limited activity, especially in transportation to appointments, recommendation and insights, and of course, delicious meals!

I also express gratitude for our continued work together in seeking the Lord. Let us support our Religious Education program that begins during these days for our children and their catechetical instruction (way to go Virginia and Catherine with our new catechists and families!). Let us also acknowledge the vibrant showing of our first OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) gathering with our largest class in many years (kudos to our Faith Formation Commission, especially Sandee Mizula and Deacon George!). Finally, let us continue the dialogues initiated and continuing throughout our parish with our most recent Open Parish meetings and regular Pastoral Commission discussions.

"Seek the LORD while He may be found, call Him while He is near" (Is 55:6).

*Most Holy Trinity, I adore You! My God, I love you in the Most Blessed Sacrament!*

**Fr. Pierz**



### **BLESSED TRINITY PARISH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**Parish Office** - Reception | Project Coordination

**Adoration Chapel** - Adoration Hours Available

**St. Cecilia's Choir** - Funeral Choir

**Community Meals** - Baked Goods | Meal Volunteers

**Pastoral Ministry to the Sick & Homebound** -

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion |  
Visitors | Card Ministry

**Blessed Solanus Casey Food Pantry** - Stocking  
| Pantry Hour Coverage | Greeting

**St. Dismas Jail Ministry**

**Greeters & Ushers** - all Masses

*If interested please contact the Parish Office, 413-773-3311*

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HARVEST SUPPER**

## **Harvest Supper**

October 7, 2023 (5:30 - 7:00 pm)

Father Casey Hall, Holy Trinity Church, 133 Main St.

Donation — \$15.00, Children under 12 - \$7.50, Maximum per family - \$50.00

Ham dinner with mashed potato, green beans, and squash. Dessert will be  
apple crisp and ice cream. Coffee and water (Kathy Tomasz Catering)

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council #133



Call Jay Dillon 325-5620 or Lou Grader 774-2848 for tickets

# *Welcome!*

*New Parishioners and guests. Thank you for joining us today.*

*We are so glad you are here!*

We are eager to meet you & invite you to learn more about our parish and register at the Parish Office. We hope that you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your presence, and your talents. New to the Catholic faith? We look forward to getting to know you in prayer & service

# OUR FAITH.

## OUR SACRAMENTS.

### EUCCHARIST:

#### LORD'S DAY MASS

**Saturday** 4:00 pm (BSC) | **Sunday** 8:00 am (HTC), 9:30 am (HTC), 11:00 am (BSC)

#### WEEKDAY MASS

M & T 8:30 am (BSC) | Wed. 12:05 pm (HTC) & 6 pm (PAC) | Th & F 8:30 am (HTC)

#### ADORATION

Always present, 24/7 in our **Perpetual Adoration Chapel (PAC)**

### CONFESSION:

**Saturday, 2:30-3:30 pm | 30 min. before Sunday Masses | Wednesday, 5-5:45pm |**  
**or by appointment.** (Every effort is made to arrive 30 min. before the 11 am Mass for Confession, however priest availability can be limited.)

### BAPTISM:

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule baptism preparation classes, review sponsor eligibility, and plan celebration of the sacrament. Typically celebrated within 8 weeks of birth. Ceremony may be private or during our Sunday Masses.

### MARRIAGE:

Please contact the Parish Office at least 9 months in advance to enroll in marriage preparation classes and plan liturgy arrangements.

### CONFIRMATION:

Typically takes place through our Religious Education program. If you are an adult and have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the Parish Office.

### HOLY ORDERS:

Have you ever been inspired of a vocation to the priesthood or religious life? Please speak with Fr. Pierz or call the Parish Office.

**ANOIDTING OF THE SICK:** Available during pastoral visit, Sacrament of Confession, or by appointment.

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS:** Seeking to receive all your sacraments and enter full communion with the Catholic Church? You are invited and welcome to join us! Please contact the Parish Office to learn how to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation.



## Sept. 27-Nov. 5.

This Fall, the **40 Days for Life** campaign is scheduled for **Sept. 27-Nov. 5**. The campaign relies on **peaceful, prayerful witness** in front of planned parenthood in Springfield. According to national organizers, more than 23,000 babies have been saved from abortion since the launch of the international campaign in 2007. Locally, organizers report at least 26 babies have been saved.

People can sign up with their parishes or as individuals to cover hours in front of the clinic. Springfield Bishop William D. Byrne also will lead people in prayer downtown during the 40 days, as he has in the past.

More information about the campaign and other pro-life activities can be found at the Respect for Life Office webpage at [diospringfield.org](http://diospringfield.org)



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# OUR MINISTRIES.

## OUR UPCOMING PASTORAL COMMISSION MEETINGS.

**SEPT 25TH – St. Dismas Jail Ministry:** *Serving people and families affected by incarceration.* **Meets:** 4th Mon. @ 6:00 pm  
**Next Meeting:** 6:00 pm on Mon., September 25 in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

**SEPT 27TH – FINANCE COUNCIL:** Meets 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 pm in our Pastoral Center Conference Room

**SEPT 28TH – RELIGIOUS ED BOARD:** Meets 4th Thursday @ 6:00 pm in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

**OCT 12TH – FAITH FORMATION:** *Catholic Education programs and events for Youth and Adults.* Meets 2nd Thursday @ 6:00 pm . **Next Meeting:** 6:00 pm on Thurs., October 12 in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

**OCT 16TH– PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND:** Meets 3rd Monday @ 7:00 pm.

**Next Meeting:** 7:00 pm on Mon., October 16 in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

*Do you know of a parishioner entering a nursing home, recently or with an upcoming hospital stay, who would like a visit or to receive the sacraments?* Contact [comfort@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](mailto:comfort@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org) or call 413-773-3311.

## OUR AFFILIATED PARISH GROUPS.

**SEPT 28TH & OCT 12– Community Meals Served:** 2nd, 4th and 5th Thurs. from 5:00-6 pm.

**Next Meal:** 5-6 pm on Thurs., September 28th. Take out only at our Holy Trinity Church.

**OCT 2ND – Blessed Trinity Rosary Society:** **Meets:** 1st Mon. @ 6:30 pm.

**Next Meeting:** 6:30 pm on Mon., October 2nd at Father Casey Hall

**OCT 19TH – Knights of Columbus:** **Meets:** 3rd Thurs. @ 7:00 pm.

**Next Meeting:** 6:30 pm on Thurs., October 19 in our Pastoral Center Conference Room.

## OUR MINISTRIES – MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

Each week we will update how our growing Ministries are having a positive impact in our community while sharing our Catholic Faith by the caring of others.

**Community Meals:** Our team served 89 meals of Hot Turkey Sandwiches, Carrots, Yogurt, & Apricots on Sept 14th.

**Breaking Bread - Breaking Barriers:** served 20 young women at the Franklin County Jail a meal of Chicken Pot Pie after celebrating Mass on September 16th.

**Homebound & Nursing Homes:** Currently we have 22 amazing volunteers visiting 49 homebound parishioners and 50 parishioners in nursing homes.

**Food Pantry (August):** Number of Pounds of Food - 9720 | Number of Meals Equivalent - 8100

Number of Households - 920 | Number of Individuals - 2240 | Number of Volunteer Hours - 96

**Interested in volunteering?** Please contact us at the Parish Office 413.773.3311 or [blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](http://blessedtrinitygreenfield.org).



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# OUR PARISH.



## Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, September 23 — FATHER LISOWSKI

4:00 BSC

*SAINT PIUS OF PIETRELICINA*  
JOHN NOGA — by the Noga/Smith Family

SUNDAY, September 24 — MONSIGNOR YARDEAU

8:00 HTC

THE PETERS FAMILY — by the CCD Students

9:30 HTC

SPECIAL INTENTION FOR REBECCA NICELY — by Mary Fleury

11:00 BSC

FLORENCE R. MCGOWAN — by the Nolan Family

MONDAY, September 25 — VOCATIONS

8:30 BSC

BARBARA CLAPP — by the Estate

TUESDAY, September 26 — BISHOP BYRNE

8:30 BSC

*SAINTS COSMAS & DAMIAN, MARTYRS*  
MATTHEW KOSTANSKI — by his Parents

WEDNESDAY, September 27 — DEACON CULLITON

12:05 HTC

*SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST*  
THERESA BETE — by the Family

6:00 PAC

FRANCIS J YESTRAMSKI — by Gerald J Baranoski "Sempri Fi"

THURSDAY, September 28 — VOCATIONS

8:30 HTC

*SAINT WENCESLAUS, MARTYR: SAINT LAWRENCE RUIZ & COMPANIONS, MARTYRS*  
WAYNE FLEURY — by Mary Fleury

FRIDAY, September 29 — DEACON NOLAN

8:30 HTC

*SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL, & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS*  
PATRICK ROSEWARNE — by Betty Webber

SATURDAY, September 30 — FATHER AUFIERO

4:00 BSC

*SAINT JEROME, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH*  
THE PROVOST FAMILY — by the CCD Students

SUNDAY, October 1 — VOCATIONS

8:00 HTC

FOR ALL THOSE WHO WORK TO PRESERVE LIFE

9:30 HTC

FRANCIS YESTRAMSKI — by Deacon Joe & Marie Bete

11:00 BSC

GRACE & BLESSINGS FOR ASHLEY FILIAULT — by her Mom

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**SEPTEMBER 24, 2023**

Give eternal life, O Lord, to all our beloved dead.  
May they rest in peace! We remember in our prayers:

**Patricia Rogalski**

## SEPT 24TH - OCT 7TH



**BSC SANCTUARY CANDLE** is burning for Bobby Sans — by Anonymous

**ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES** will burn in memory/honor of:

1. Suzi Cottrill — by the Lively Family
2. Special Intention — by Anonymous
3. Theresa Tuturice — by the Family
4. Patricia Duffey Earley — by Robert Earley

**HTC 7-DAY CANDLE:** James Tuturice — by the Family

*If you would like to burn a candle or donate flowers for a special occasion, in memory of a loved one or other intention, call the parish office at 773.3311*

## **WEEKEND OF SEPT 17, 2023**

*"Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father"*

Weekly Collection: \$6,649

Fuel/Energy Collection: \$235

Maintenance Collection: \$120

*"May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of His Holy Church."*

**Thank you for your generosity!**

## **DONATIONS REQUESTED.**

Our *St. Dismas* Jail Ministry provides Bibles, spiritual reading, and a *Magnificat Daily Devotional* for each inmate.

Contributions can be made out to:

**Blessed Trinity Parish** and labeled **Jail Ministry.**

*Thank you!*



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# OUR PARISH.



## THE BLESSED TRINITY CHOIR

Our choir is seeking new members! Our parish sports two talented groups who share their voices and Catholic faith through music at our weekend Masses.

Blessed Trinity Choir at Holy Trinity sings at our 9:30am Sunday Mass and Blessed Trinity Choir at Blessed Sacrament sings at our 11:00am Sunday Mass. They sing as a larger choir on Holy Days and Celebrations throughout the year.

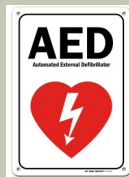
**The Blessed Trinity Choir at Holy Trinity Church** is actively seeking new members! No prior singing experience is necessary, just a desire to sing well with others. The camaraderie of the group is second to none and we would love to have you participate! Hope to see you there!

Rehearsals are **Tuesdays in the choir loft at 6:30pm.**  
**First rehearsal: Tuesday, September 26th 6:30pm.**

**The Blessed Trinity Choir at Blessed Sacrament Church** is seeking new members. New members do not have to know how to read music. It's a great gift to the parish and a way to enhance personal worship. High school students are also encouraged to join. Rehearsals are **Wednesdays 6:45-7:45 beginning in September.** New members are welcomed at any time!

## AED DONATION

Thanks to a generous donor our parish will be able to purchase and install a third AED machine which will ensure each of our parish buildings have this life-saving machine.



## PARISH PROJECTS



Last week we saw work on many of our parish projects.

**Stained Glass Windows** - workers replaced exterior panes which protect our beautiful stained glass windows.

**Adoration Chapel** - Our new tabernacle received its finish work and the wall was painted.

**Refurbished Confessionals** - work on our confessionals continued.

## THIS WEEK AT BLESSED TRINITY PARISH



### Saturday Sept 23

4:00 pm Mass (BSC)

### Sunday Sept 24

8 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-minutes beforehand

9:30 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-minutes beforehand

10:00 am CCD Kickoff Meet & Greet

11:00 am Mass (BSC) Confession: 30 minutes beforehand (Note: Priest availability can be limited with 9:30 am Mass at HTC.)

### Monday Sept 25

8:30 am Mass (BSC)

6:00 pm Roses for Mary Prayer Group (PAC each Mon.)

6:00 pm St Dismas Meeting - Pastoral Ctr. Conference Room

### Tuesday Sept 26

8:30 am Mass (BSC)

6:00 pm OCIA - Pastoral Ctr. Conference Room

### Wednesday Sept 27

11:30 am Most Holy Rosary (HTC)

12:05 am Mass (HTC)

5-5:45 pm Confession (PAC)

6:00 pm Mass (PAC)

7:00 pm Holy Hour for the Sick & Dying-(PAC)

7:00 pm Finance Council Meeting - Pastoral Ctr Conference Room

### Thursday Sept 28

8:30 am Mass (HTC)

5-6:00 pm Community Meal (HTC)

6:00 pm Religious Ed Meeting - Pastoral Ctr. Conference Room

### Friday Sept 29

8:30 am Mass (HTC)

### Saturday Sept 30

2:30 pm—3:30 pm Confession (BSC)

4:00 pm Mass (BSC)

### Sunday Oct 1

8 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-minutes beforehand

9:30 am Mass (HTC) Confession: 30-minutes beforehand

11:00 am Mass (BSC) Confession: 30 minutes beforehand (Note: Priest availability can be limited with 9:30 am Mass at HTC.)

**"Being Catholic is a way of life that is kind, compassionate, and wholesome."**

**JIM RIVES**  
*Why I Love Being Catholic*



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# OUR REGION.

## BISHOP'S MASS FOR MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES



Are you celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2023? Did you have a special anniversary in the past few years?

Bishop Byrne would like you to join him for a special Mass honoring and celebrating these milestones. For those **celebrating 25, 30, 40, 50** or more years of marriage, please contact your pastor and/or parish office to sign up for the invite list!

The Mass will take place **Sunday, October 15 at 2:00pm** in the **Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel**, 260 State Street, Springfield. Special invitations will be mailed to each couple so please be sure to provide your names, mailing address and anniversary date!



### 7 DAYS AND NIGHTS of Perpetual Adoration and Hourly Rosary

**October 7-13, 2023**  
OUR LADY OF MERCY ORATORY  
at the NATIONAL SHRINE  
OF THE DIVINE MERCY  
2 Prospect Hill Rd., Stockbridge, MA

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, OCT. 7, 2023 – Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary**  
Congress opens:  
9:00 a.m. – Livestream Mass in the National Shrine (open to public)  
10:00 a.m. – Procession to the Our Lady of Mercy Oratory (Adoration begins and continues 24/7)

**MONDAY – FRIDAY**  
11:00 a.m. – MASS IN THE ORATORY  
Blessed Sacrament will be reposed for daily Masses

**FRIDAY, OCT. 13, 2023 – Feast of Our Lady of Fatima**  
12:45 p.m. – Procession begins from the Oratory to the Shrine and will be led by the **Most Rev. William Byrne, Bishop of Springfield**  
1:00 p.m. – Final Holy Hour before the Closing Mass  
2:00 p.m. – Closing Mass of the Eucharistic Rosary Congress 2023 celebrated by Bishop Byrne

**We need at least two Adorers every hour!**  
PLEASE SIGN UP HERE FOR THE EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: [bit.ly/43KO8Xk](https://bit.ly/43KO8Xk)  
(case sensitive, please type as appears)  
For more information, please call 413-298-3691  
or email [jean.springfieldrosarycongress@gmail.com](mailto:jean.springfieldrosarycongress@gmail.com)  
Or scan this QR code to sign up



**NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE DIVINE MERCY**  
Stockbridge, MA • [ShrineofDivineMercy.org](http://ShrineofDivineMercy.org)  
GPS Address: 11 Pine Street, Stockbridge 01262  
(then continue up Pine St. to our driveway!)



## FRANKLIN COUNTY PARADE!

We were so glad to welcome our community to our campuses during the Franklin County Fair parade!



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# OUR YOUTH.



**YOUNG & CATHOLIC.** Join the Young & Catholic Franklin County Board each Wednesday for Adoration, Confession and Dinner. **Adoration and Confession 5-6 pm** followed by dinner afterwards somewhere local. **Holy Family Roman Catholic Church**, 29 Sugarloaf St, South Deerfield, MA 01373. [www.youngandcatholic.org](http://www.youngandcatholic.org)

Young and Catholic (YC) was founded 2021 by a group of young adults from the Springfield, MA area interested in bringing people together and creating a place for young adults to meet each other and Christ and His Church. Since 2021, YC has served the young adults of Western Massachusetts by offering diverse opportunities for evangelization, formation, and community.

## VOLUNTEER VAN DRIVERS NEEDED.

The families that drive St Michael's students from the Greenfield area to Brattleboro need volunteer drivers for the afternoon school pickup shifts (2:40pm leave for 3:15 arrival at the school).



If you would be willing to drive the van for a shift or two in the afternoons throughout the school year, or even occasionally to fill in for a driver who is unable to drive, please contact **David Korpiewski at 413-695-2191**. The van is a 12 passenger van and there are currently 11 students who need your help to make sure they can go up and back every day. The families ask that you please pray and consider helping if you can.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION KICK-OFF!



**Please join us this weekend on Sept. 24 for our Kick-Off.**

**Religious Education classes begin on October 1st in the Pastoral Center!**

This year all classes grades Kindergarten through Confirmation will take place from 9:45-10:45.

We look forward to a vibrant and fruitful religious education program this year!

**CCD Registration is still open! You can print out the form on our website, [blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](http://blessedtrinitygreenfield.org) and submit it to the office. Printed forms are also available in the parish office.**

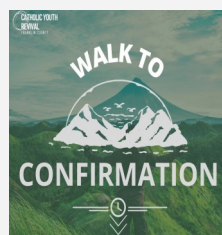
*Questions? Please reach out at [Religioused@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org](mailto:Religioused@blessedtrinitygreenfield.org) or approach Virginia or Catherine anytime.*

## LIONEL M. MARTIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Our Knights of Columbus Council #133 Lionel M. Martin Memorial Scholarship is open.

This scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors who are active in our parish and in their faith.

*Applications are available in the Parish Office.*



**SAVE THE DATE!** CYR Franklin County Youth Ministry Walk to Confirmation event will take place **Saturday, October 14th**

**10am-2pm**

**Holy Family Parish  
South Deerfield**

Join high school aged teens from the Franklin County area Catholic Youth Groups as they gather for a day of talks, activities, lunch, time for prayer, and a short hike to the summit of Mt. Sugarloaf. Attending high school youth ages 14-18 are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather. Parents must complete registration to attend and fill out a Youth Activity Participation and Liability Waiver Form. Forms are available at <https://diospringfield.org/Ministries/office-of-youth-ministr>. Email the signed form to your confirmation teacher or bring it with you.



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# OUR REGION.

Our region presents some of our most beloved images of New England with picturesque towns, rolling farmlands, festivals, hiking trails, orchards, Farmer's Markets, museums and more.

This Autumn, be sure to enjoy all that our region has to offer!

## READING THE FORESTED LANDSCAPE.

Saturday Sep 30, 2023 | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Take a **FREE** guided tour of the first part of the Mahican-Mohawk Trail that will teach you how to identify its plants & animals and read its ancient and recent history through its landscape. A great start for a longer hike through the park or by itself as an educational nature walk. Ages 8 to adult.



Meet at trail parking lot on Route 2 at the park entrance to Mohawk Trail State Forest, Charlemont, MA 01339.

For more information call (413) 339-5504

## TROLLEY FEST.

Saturday Sep 30, 2023 | 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM



Museum visitors will be able to ride on No. 10 and the pump car, visit the restored Vermont Central caboose, and Speeder rides will also be available. There will be wooden and electric trains for kids to play with. Presentations will include a

“how-to” blacksmith demonstration, a Morse code explanation and hands-on cider making, butter making, weaving, and other activities for young folks. There will be vendors, music and snacks.

\$5.00 all-day pass for adults | \$3.00 ages 6 to 17  
Under 6 free

Shelburne Falls Trolley Museum | 14 Depot Street

## HEADED TO THE BIG E ON A SUNDAY?



Celebrate Mass on

Sept. 24 | Oct. 1

8am - Storowton Village Meetinghouse

10am - The Big Top Circus Tent

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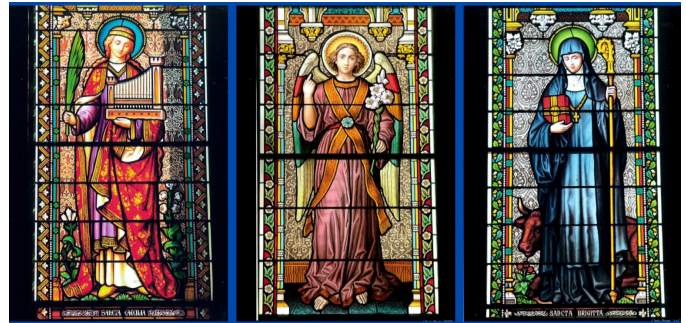
## Vatican II

What do we need to know about **Vatican II**?

Join **Father Charles DiMascola**, local priest for over 40 years, as he shares the importance of **Vatican II** and how it is **the most misinterpreted council** of the Catholic Church. Learn how it's still relevant today, how you may have misinterpreted its purpose and how it can reaffirm the teaching role of the Church in today's world.

**Sunday, September 24 at 2pm**

**Holy Family Roman Catholic Parish Hall  
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**FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL ON SEPTEMBER 29TH** St. Michael is a powerful intercessor, especially against powers of darkness acting in a person's soul or in the world at large. He is known as the one who banished Satan from heaven and continues to act in the world as a fierce spiritual warrior against all that is evil.



**To celebrate.** Set a seasonal table of **Carrots and other autumn foods** which are traditional for this feast day. **Blackberry Pie**—legend has it that when Satan fell from heaven, he landed in a blackberry bush and spit on the berries to curse them and make them sour. So now, we eat all the blackberries before he has a chance to do this. **Goose** is also a customary dish but **roasted whole chicken** is an easy substitute. For a traditional meal, try roasting carrots, sweet potatoes and onions with the chicken on this day.  
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**Prayer to St. Michael.** *"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls."*

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time—"Be united in heart with one another."**

Phillipians 2:1-2 "If there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing." Ask the Lord to help your marriage be united in heart with one another. Check out a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. You can find one by looking up WWME.org. The dates to sign up are:

**October 16-November 6, 2023**, Virtual 3RE (M/W evenings)

**October 20-22, 2023** in Barre, Vermont (St. Monica/St. Michael)

**November 10-12, 2023** in Huntington, NY (Immaculate Conception Seminary)

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>.



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