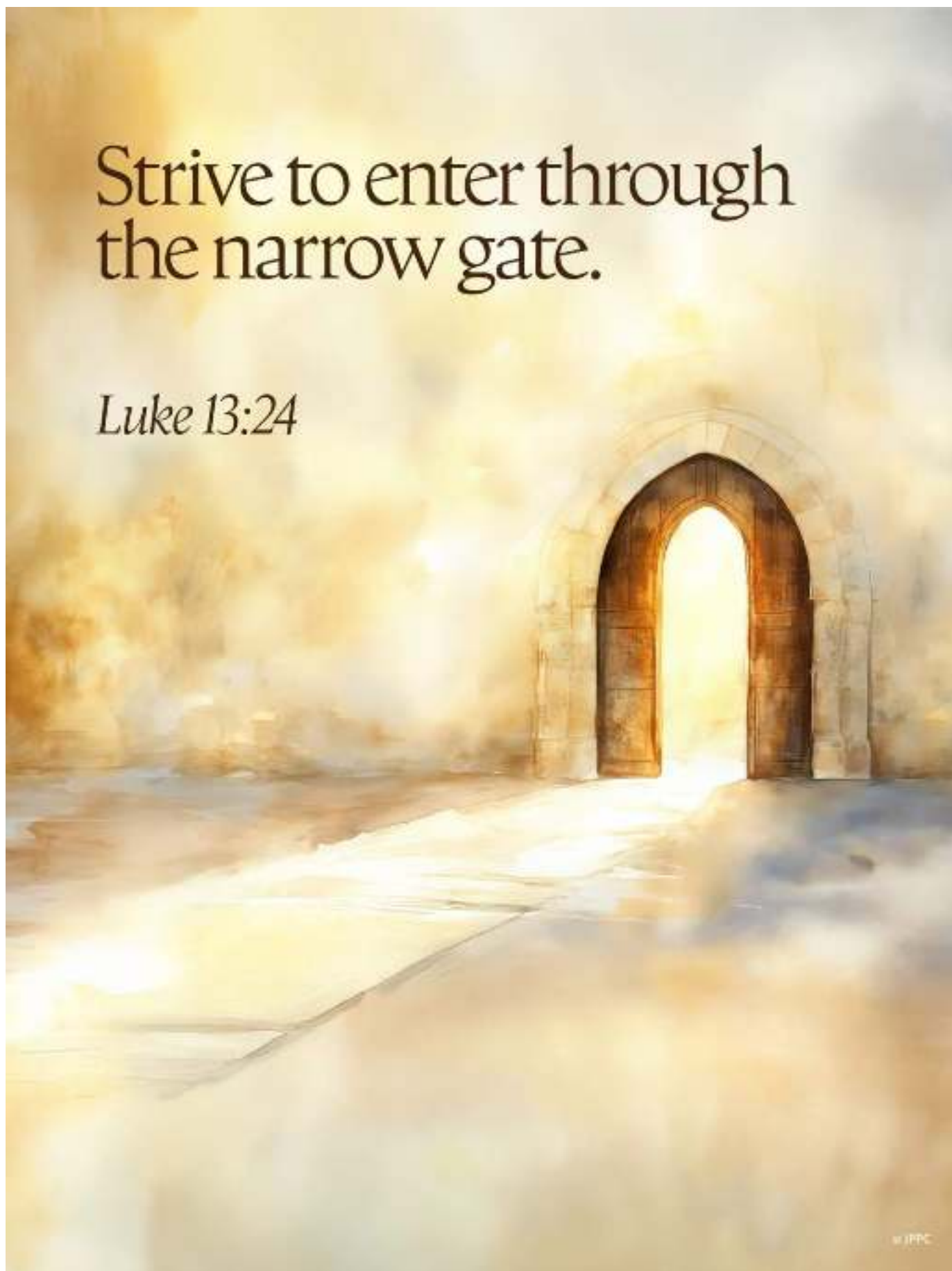


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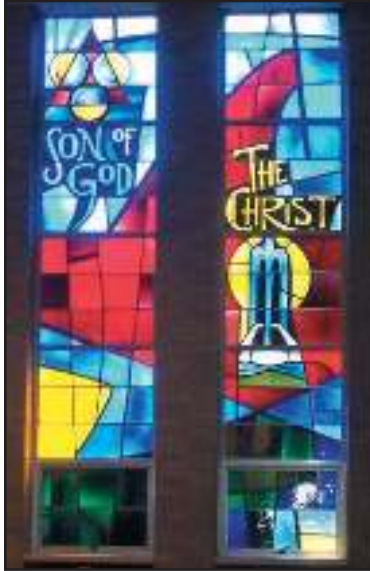
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Saturday 8:15 am Miraculous Medal
Novena Mass

Holy Day Masses: 8:15 am & 5:30 pm English
7:00 pm Spanish

Anyone age 7 or older who has not received First Holy Communion is asked to register for preparation by calling the Religious Education Office at 413-733-5823

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call 733-5823 for contact name and phone number.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays, 1:00-4:00 pm

Sacrament of Confirmation

Celebrated in 9th grade as part of our Religious Education program. Adult classes are also available. Contact Religious Education office at 413-733-5823

Confession

Saturdays 3:30pm - 4:15 pm and by appointment

Sacrament of the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office for those who may need to be anointed.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please make arrangements at least 6 months in advance.

Vocations to the Priesthood

If you are exploring a vocation to priesthood or religious life you are invited to contact the Vocations Office, 413-452-0816; or email vocations@diospringfield.org. Fr. Piotr Pawlus is Director of Recruiting and Fr. David Darcy (413-896-6397) is Director of Seminarians.

We Welcome New Parishioners!!

Interested in joining our parish community? New parishioners are most welcome. There are welcome cards by the parking lot exit door or obtain one from the priest. Just fill one out and a new parishioner packet will be sent to you. For more information call 733-5823.

Parish Mission Statement:

"We at Holy Name Parish, through the empowering spirit of Jesus Christ, strive to build a faith-filled community through prayer, action, and outreach to all."

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21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, August 23

**4:30 Mark and Fran Conway's
(Wedding Anniversary
Remembrance)**

By Mark

Sunday, August 24

8:30 Celebrant's Intention

10:30 Celebrant's Intention

**12:30 Maria de La Luz Perez Rivera
(23rd Anniversary)**

By Maria Canjura

Adalgisa Altagracia Pimentel
By her Children

Paula Cruz

By her daughter Arisleidy Cruz

Monday, August 25

**8:15 Jack Maloney (9th
Anniversary)**

By his Wife

Tuesday, August 26

8:15 Celebrant's Intention

Wednesday, August 27

8:15 Holy Name Parishioners

Thursday, August 28

8:15 Celebrant's Intention

Friday, August 29

8:15 Celebrant's Intention

Saturday, August 30

8:15 Celebrant's Intention

**4:30 Myles G. Keery (Birthday
Remembrance)**

By the Family

Sunday, August 31

**8:30 In Thanksgiving to the Holy
Spirit**

By Margaret Martin

**10:30 Gaetano Mancuso (Birthday
Remembrance)**

By his wife Carmela

12:30 Adalgisa Altagracia Pimentel
By her Children

WORSHIP

From Your Pastor



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today's Readings present us with profound teachings about God's universal invitation to salvation and the discipline required in our spiritual journey. Let us explore these sacred texts through the lens of Wisdom and understanding.

Isaiah speaks of God's grand vision to gather Nations of every language " Isaiah 66:18, painting a picture of divine inclusivity that transcends cultural boundaries. This imagery of global unity reminds us that God's love knows no borders, much like a vast ocean that touches every shore.

The Psalmist echoes this universality, calling all Nations to praise the Lord, for His mercy and faithfulness are eternal, like morning dew that refreshes every blade of grass without discrimination, God's love reaches all who seek Him.

Hebrews presents us with the challenging Wisdom that discipline, though painful in the moment, yields peaceful fruit. As the skilled sculptor chips away at marble to reveal beauty, so does God's discipline shape our character. "Strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees" Hebrews 12:2- a metaphorical call to perseverance in faith.

Luke's Gospel delivers perhaps the most sobering message. "Strive to enter through the narrow gate." Luke 13:24. This isn't merely about entering a physical space, but rather about the quality of our spiritual journey. Like athlete's training for competition, we must be disciplined in our faith. The narrow gate isn't meant to exclude but to transform-much as precious metal must pass through fire to be purified.

As we reflect on these readings, let us remember that while God's invitation is universal, our response requires dedicated effort. The path to salvation isn't a casual stroll but purposeful journey requiring commitment, discipline, and authentic relationship with God.

May we embrace both the comfort of God's universal love and the challenge of disciplined faith as we continue our spiritual journey.

Tuesday Eucharistic Adoration is Postponed until September.

Exact date to start up again will depend upon the weather.

When trying to reach a priest in an emergency situation to administer the **Sacrament of the Sick** for someone in the hospital – if a parish priest isn't immediately available and time is critical, there should be a Chaplain available 24/7 at each of the area hospitals.

On the first Saturday of every month, the **Blue Army** group follows the 8:15a.m. Mass with a rosary, meditation on the mysteries and confession until approximately 9:30a.m. Everyone is invited!

Bible Study is postponed for the summer months of July and August and will resume in September.

**Just a Reminder - The Book is Open for
MASS INTENTIONS JULY – DECEMBER, 2025**

Please email to annfholyname@gmail.com or call if you prefer. Please be reminded that we can now take multiple intentions (they are called Collective Mass Intentions) for the ***Sunday 10:30a.m. and 12:30p.m. Masses only.*** The Mass stipend is \$15.00 if that is affordable for you.

SERVICE

Committee and Commission Meetings

Meetings will resume in September, unless otherwise noted.



LOAVES AND FISHES



On the first Monday of every month, members of our parish will cook and bring ***American Chop Suey*** to South Congregational Church to serve the hungry of our city. If you can help with the cooking, please call Ann at the rectory, 733-5823. You may use your own recipe. Meals can be dropped off between 4:15 and 4:30p.m., or you are invited to stay and help serve. You'll find plenty of safe parking right in the church parking lot. **Your service and generosity are greatly appreciated!**

STEWARDSHIP

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ☺

Collections and Mail-ins for August 9 & 10, 2025 totaled \$4,211.53. Thank you!

Special Collections for August

8-10, St. Michael's Academy; 8-15, Assumption of Mary; 8-17, Air Conditioning

A Donation Request from the Church

We are still hoping you would consider donating a Chasuble or Alb (or donating toward them), as ours have grown old. We have chasubles in white, green, purple, pink and red; albs are white. The cost can range from \$300-\$800, and if you are able to donate one, we invite you to do so ***“in memory of a loved one”***.

“Together in Hope,” the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Update

As of August 12th, this Appeal has reached \$1,503,509.89 from 6,943 donors. This includes both pledged and paid amounts. Our parish currently has 73 donors contributing a total of \$29,035.00 via pledges and cash donations. A great big thank you to all who have participated. And for those who are able and interested, it's not too late! Donations can be sent to the ACA, Diocese of Springfield, PO Box 249, East Longmeadow, MA 01028-0249. The mailbox recently changed, and this is the correct one. Or you can go online to <https://www.diospringfield.org/acawaystogive>.

The Annual Catholic Appeal is how we as Catholics connect with thousands of people across western Massachusetts who need the love and mercy of Jesus Christ. It supplies support for food pantries, faith education, protection for the unborn, and evangelization. God's mercy message comes from your gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal. You are the face of the Catholic Church today and in the future.

FOOD PANTRY for the Open Pantry

Items needed most are still **Oatmeal, Macaroni & Cheese, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Meat, Canned Vegetables and Peanut Butter**. We appreciate and thank you for your generosity and for not bringing any perishables! (Perishables during the summertime are even worse....)

EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IS NOW OPEN

Classes start on Saturday, September 27th for the Confirmation Group; and Sunday, September 28th for all of the other groups - First Communion (2nd grade to 8th grade); Also accepting 1st grade as the first year of Catechism. Confirmation is for 9th grade to 12th grade. Contact Sister Caritina at 413-777-5115 or email her at misionera557@gmail.com. Applications available in church and at the rectory.

COMUNIDAD HISPANA

Mensaje Del Pastor, John Chrysostom Tibakunirwa

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Las lecturas de hoy nos presentan profundas enseñanzas sobre la invitación universal de Dios a la salvación y la disciplina necesaria en nuestro camino espiritual. Acerquémonos a estos textos sagrados con los ojos de la Sabiduría y el entendimiento. Isaías nos habla de la gran visión de Dios de reunir a las naciones de toda lengua (Is 66,18), pintando un cuadro de inclusividad divina que trasciende las fronteras culturales. Esta imagen de unidad global nos recuerda que el amor de Dios no conoce límites, como un vasto océano que toca todas las orillas. El salmista hace eco de esta universalidad, invitando a todas las naciones a alabar al Señor, porque su misericordia y fidelidad son eternas. Como el rocío de la mañana que refresca cada brizna de hierba sin distinción, así el amor de Dios alcanza a todos los que lo buscan.

La carta a los Hebreos nos presenta la sabia pero exigente verdad de que la disciplina, aunque dolorosa en el momento, da fruto de paz. Así como el escultor hábil golpea el mármol hasta revelar la belleza, de la misma manera la disciplina de Dios moldea nuestro carácter. *“Fortalezcan las manos caídas y las rodillas vacilantes”* (Hb 12,12): un llamado metafórico a la perseverancia en la fe.

El Evangelio de Lucas nos entrega quizá el mensaje más serio: *“Esfuércense por entrar por la puerta estrecha”* (Lc 13,24). No se trata simplemente de atravesar un espacio físico, sino de la calidad de nuestro camino espiritual. Así como los atletas se entrenan con disciplina para la competencia, también nosotros debemos ejercitarnos en la fe. La puerta estrecha no pretende excluir, sino transformar, del mismo modo que el metal precioso debe pasar por el fuego para ser purificado.

Al reflexionar sobre estas lecturas, recordemos que, aunque la invitación de Dios es universal, nuestra respuesta requiere esfuerzo dedicado. El camino hacia la salvación no es un paseo casual, sino un viaje intencional que exige compromiso, disciplina y una relación auténtica con Dios. Que abracemos tanto el consuelo del amor universal de Dios como el desafío de una fe disciplinada mientras continuamos nuestro camino espiritual.

¡Picnic Parroquial 2025 – Celebrando el Año del Jubileo!

Los invitamos a celebrar juntos el Año del Jubileo en nuestro Picnic Parroquial 2025, que se llevará a cabo el Domingo 7 de septiembre. Comenzaremos con una Misa Bilingüe a las 11:30 a.m. (no habrá misa en Inglés a las 10:30am, y no habrá misa a las 12:30pm. Se unirán ambas misas) El picnic comenzará a las 1:00 p.m. en el patio de la iglesia (*si el clima lo permite*). ¡Habrà diversión para toda la familia! Disfrutaremos de: Hot dogs 🌭, Hamburguesas 🍔, Papitas y popcorn 🍿, Ricos bacalaítos 🐟, Refrigerios 🥤, ¡La payasa Lolalina pintando caritas a los niños! , Y Música alegre a cargo de nuestros coros parroquiales 🎵. Este evento es completamente GRATIS, pero las donaciones son muy apreciadas. A la entrada principal del estacionamiento encontrará una lista de artículos necesitados para éste evento. Si desea colaborar, puede hacerlo anotando su nombre y numero de telefono al lado del articulo deseado a donar en la lista. ¡Muchas gracias por su continuo apoyo! ¡Los esperamos con alegría para compartir como familia en la fe! 🙏

Estaremos colectando las donaciones para usar en el picnic Parroquial el Miercoles 4 de Septiembre desde las 4:00pm hasta las 7:00pm en el Centro Social. Gracias por cooperación.

!!Aviso Importante!!

Se pospone la Adoración de los Martes por el resto del mes de Agosto dedibo al problema del aire acondicionado y las altas temperaturas. La Adoración se reanuda en Septiembre. Le informaremos la fecha exacta mas Adelante dependiendo las condiciones del clima. Gracias por su coomprención.

Catolica Springfield les invita al **Concierto de Ambiorix Padilla** que se llevará a cabo el Sabado 27 de Septiembre en la Parroquia Santísimo Sacramento en Springfield por una donación de \$20.00 dolares. Para obtener boletos, favor de ver a Marta después de la Santa misa Hispana. Están todos cordialmente invitados.

El Ministerio Espiritualidad Matrimonial les invita a un retiro de parejas que se llevará a cabo el Sábado, 18 de Octubre de 8:00am a 4:00pm. Lugar: Hacienda Oasis, 44 Beebe Rd. Monson MA. Costo: \$30.00 dolares por pareja. Para mas información puede llamar al 413-313-1361 o enviando un correo electronico a espiritualidadmatrimonial@gmail.com.

La Diocesis de Springfield les invita a el Programa de Estudios y Formación en Elms College Año "2025" Fechas: Septiembre 8, 15, 22 y 29, Octubre 6, 13, 20. Hora: 6:30 pm.—9:00 pm. Po un costo de: \$55.00 por persona (incluye los materiales y/o libro). Lugar: Elms College, 291 Springfield Street, Chicopee. O por Zoom (El enlace se enviará semanalmente los lunes antes de las 2:15p.m. Para Hojas de Inscripción y mas informacion favor de buscarla en la entrada del estacionamiento principal de la Parroquia. Los esperamos!!

INSCRIPCIONES PARA LA CATEQUESIS 2025-2026 YA ESTÁN ABIERTAS

Las clases comienzan el **sábado 27 de Septiembre** para el grupo de **Confirmación**, y el **domingo 28 de Septiembre** para todos los demás grupos: **Primera Comunión** (desde 2º grado hasta 8º grado). También se aceptan estudiantes de **1º grado** como primer año de Catecismo. La **Confirmación** es para jóvenes de **9º a 12º grado**. Para más información, favor de comunicarse con la **Hermana Caritina** al **413-777-5115** o al correo electrónico misionera557@gmail.com.

Las solicitudes están disponibles en la iglesia y en la rectoría.

Para Bautismos, Bodas, Quinciañeros, preparación de Adultos para sacramentos o Presentaciones de infantes: Favor de verse con Marta Piñero después de la Santa Misa o llamar a la oficina al 413-733-5823 – Ext. #132 y dejar su Nombre y numero de telefono. Le devolverémos la llamada lo mas pronto posible. Para **Primera Comunión o Confirmación**, favor de llamar a la Hna. Caritina al 413-733-5823 – Ext. #130 o al 413-777-5115.

Grupos Activos Hispanos

Hora Santa – Sábados
@ 7:00pm en la Iglesia

Rosario ántes de la Misa
Domíngos @ 11:45Am

Legión de María
Mártres @ 6:00pm

Movimiento Juan XXIII
Miércoles @ 6:00pm

Contáctanos en Español

Marta Piñero 413-733-5823 Ext. #132



Parish Picnic 2025 – Celebrating the Jubilee Year! Coming Up Very Soon!

With great joy, we invite you to celebrate the Jubilee Year together at our Parish Picnic 2025, which will take place on **Sunday, September 7th**. We will begin with a **Bilingual Mass at 11:30 a.m.** (Please note: there will be no Mass at 10:30 a.m. or 12:30 p.m. that day.) The picnic will follow at 1:00 p.m. in the church courtyard, weather permitting.

There will be fun for the whole family! We'll enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and popcorn, delicious bacalaítos (cod fritters), and refreshments. The beloved clown Lolalina will be there painting faces for the children, and our parish choirs will provide joyful music throughout the event. This event is completely free of charge, but donations are very much appreciated. At the main entrance of the parking lot, you will find a list of needed items for the event. If you would like to help, you're welcome to choose an item and sign up on the list. **All donations will be collected on Wednesday, September 3rd between 4p.m. and 7p.m. at the Social Center.**

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to sharing this joyful day with you as one family in faith!

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