

Everyone who exalts himself will
be humbled, but the one who
humbles himself will be exalted.

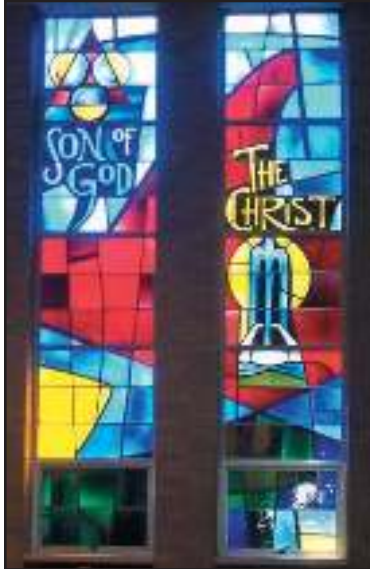
Luke 14:11



August 31, 2025

HOLY NAME PARISH

A Roman Catholic Faith Service Community



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SACRAMENTS AT HOLY NAME

Sunday Masses

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:30 am
10:30 am (Family Mass)
12:30 pm (Spanish Mass)

Daily Mass: 8:15 am
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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733-5823**

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22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, August 30

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

Monday, September 1

8:15 Walter Kowalski
By Tom Burke

Tuesday, September 2

8:15 Intentions of Deacon Michael and Patricia Hodges on their 58th Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday, September 3

8:15 Celebrant's Intention

Thursday, September 4

8:15 Holy Name Parishioners

Friday, September 5

8:15 Celebrant's Intention

Saturday, September 6

8:15 Leonardo Nicastrì
By Teresa and David Duval

4:30 Celebrant's Intention

Sunday, September 7

8:30 John P. O'Brien
By the Family

10:30 Celebrant's Intention

12:30 For All Deceased and Living Members of The Legion of Mary
By Our Lady of Fatima Praesidium

For the Intentions of the Perez Masariego Family

WORSHIP

From Your Pastor



In today's Reading, we explore a profound theme that resonates through both the Old and New Testaments-the virtue of humility and God's response to those who practice it. Let's examine these passages through the lens of spiritual wisdom and practical application.

The Book of Sirach presents us with timeless wisdom: "Conduct affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts." This proverb echoes the fundamental truth that true greatness lies not in external achievements but in the internal disposition of the heart. Like a tree that bends low with the weight of its fruit, the truly wise person becomes humbler as they grow in wisdom.

The Psalmist portrays God as a father to orphans and defender of widows, painting a powerful metaphor of divine care for the vulnerable. This imagery reinforces how God particularly attends to those who society might overlook, reminding us that Heavenly metrics of worth differ dramatically from worldly measures.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus uses the setting of a dinner party to teach about spiritual positioning. Through the metaphor of seating arrangements at a banquet. He illustrates that self-promotion leads to humiliation, while humility leads to honor. It's like a paradoxical dance-those who step back are ultimately brought forward by the divine host.

The Letter to the Hebrews contrasts the tangible, fear-inspiring mountain of the Old Covenant with the spiritual, grace-filled Mount Zion of the New Covenant. This comparison serves as a metaphor for how we approach God-not through self-assertion, but through humble recognition of our place within his divine plan.

In our times today: true greatness in God's kingdom operates on an inverse-principle-the way up is down. Like water that always seeks the lowest point yet is essential for life, humility positions us to receive God's grace and to be of maximum service to others.

Eucharistic Adoration will begin again later in September when the weather becomes cooler. We will keep you informed.

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 welcome.

We are still scheduling MASS INTENTIONS for 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.

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.

SERVICE

Committee and Commission Meetings

Finance Committee –meets the **first Thursday** of the month at **5:30p.m.** at the rectory

Spiritual Life Commission – meets the **second Thursday** of the month at **4:00p.m.** at the rectory.

Pastoral Council – meets the **4th Thursday** of the month at **6:00p.m.**



LOAVES AND FISHES



This, being the first Monday of the month, and also Labor Day, members of our parish will still 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 16 & 17, 2025 totaled \$5,268.43. Thank you!

Special Collections for September - St. Michael's Academy, 9-7

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 25th, this Appeal has reached \$1,531,845.99.89 from 7,055 donors. This includes both pledged and paid amounts. Our parish still has 73 donors contributing a total of \$29,035.00 - no change since two weeks ago. 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, October 4th 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

En la lectura de hoy, exploramos un tema profundo que resuena tanto en el Antiguo como en el Nuevo Testamento: la virtud de la **humildad** y la respuesta de Dios hacia quienes la practican. Examinemos estos pasajes a través del lente de la sabiduría espiritual y de su aplicación práctica. El **Libro del Eclesiástico (Sirácida)** nos presenta una sabiduría atemporal: *“Conduce tus asuntos con humildad y serás más amado que quien reparte regalos.”* Este proverbio refleja la verdad fundamental de que la verdadera grandeza no reside en los logros externos, sino en la disposición interior del corazón. Como el árbol que se inclina por el peso de sus frutos, la persona verdaderamente sabia se vuelve más humilde a medida que crece en sabiduría. El **Salmista** describe a Dios como *Padre de los huérfanos y defensor de las viudas*, pintando una poderosa metáfora del cuidado divino hacia los más vulnerables. Esta imagen refuerza la idea de que Dios presta especial atención a aquellos que la sociedad podría pasar por alto, recordándonos que las medidas celestiales del valor difieren radicalmente de las medidas mundanas. En el **Evangelio según San Lucas**, Jesús utiliza el escenario de un banquete para enseñar sobre la posición espiritual a través de la metáfora de los lugares en la mesa. Nos muestra que la autopromoción conduce a la humillación, mientras que la humildad lleva al honor. Es como una danza paradójica: aquellos que se hacen a un lado son finalmente adelantados por el anfitrión divino. La **Carta a los Hebreos** contrasta el monte tangible y temible de la Antigua Alianza con el Monte Sión espiritual y lleno de gracia de la Nueva Alianza. Esta comparación sirve como metáfora de cómo nos acercamos a Dios: no por autoafirmación, sino mediante un humilde reconocimiento de nuestro lugar dentro de su plan divino. En nuestros tiempos, la verdadera grandeza en el Reino de Dios se rige por un principio inverso: **el camino hacia arriba es hacia abajo**. Como el agua que siempre busca el punto más bajo, pero que es esencial para la vida, así también la humildad nos coloca en la posición de recibir la gracia de Dios y de estar al servicio máximo de los demás.

¡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 artículo 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 el picnic Parroquial el Miercoles 3 de Septiembre desde las 4:00pm hasta las 7:00pm en el Centro Social. Gracias por cooperación.

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 en Sabado 4 de Octubre para el grupo de Confirmación, y el **Domingo 28 de Septiembre** para todos los demás grupos: **Primera Comuni3n** (desde 2º grado hasta 8º grado). También se aceptan estudiantes de **1º grado** como primer año de Catecismo. La **Confirmaci3n** es para j3venes de **9º a 12º grado**. Para m3s informaci3n, favor de comunicarse con la **Hermana Caritina** al **413-777-5115** o al correo electr3nico **misionera557@gmail.com**.
Las solicitudes est3n disponibles en la iglesia y en la rectoría.

Para Bautismos, Bodas, Quinciañeros, preparaci3n de Adultos para sacramentos o Presentaciones de infantes: Favor de verse con Marta Piñero despu3s de la Santa Misa o llamar a la oficina al 413-733-5823 – Ext. #132 y dejar su Nombre y numero de telefono. Le devolver3mos la llamada lo mas pronto posible.
Para **Primera Comuni3n o Confirmaci3n**, 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 3ntes de la Misa
Dom3ngos @ 11:45Am

Legi3n de María
M3rtes @ 6:00pm

Movimiento Juan XXIII
Mi3rcoles @ 6:00pm

Cont3ctanos en Español

Marta Piñero 413-733-5823 Ext. #132



Parish Picnic 2025 – It's Next Sunday!!!

With great joy, we invite you to celebrate the Jubilee Year together at our Parish Picnic 2025, which will take place next **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!

Holy Trinity Parish (Westfield) Fall Festival, Sunday, **September 14, 2025**, from 12 noon to 5 pm at Pilsudski Park, 200 Old County Rd., Holyoke. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 am, Polish & American food (includes Take-Out). Polish & American music by the Windstar Band for your listening & dancing pleasure in the spacious ballroom from 1 to 5 pm. The band will feature an Elvis Presley Medley. Games for adults & children, Bounce House. Bingo, Straw Booth, Money Wheel, Lottery Tree, Basket Raffle, Bake Sale. Grand Raffle worth \$2000 in cash prizes. Come for good food and a good time. Free admission & parking, held rain or shine. The Northside Creamery will be selling ice cream cones and sundaes. New this year is handicap golf cart transportation from parking to festival. For more information, call the Parish Office, Monday thru Thursday from 9am to 4pm at 568-1506. Hope to see you there!

On Monday, **September 15th** at 6:00 p.m. **Blessed Sacrament in Holyoke** will host a presentation on **"End of Life Issues."** A panel of speakers consisting of a Funeral director, an attorney, a hospice worker, and a cemetery employee will each give a short presentation. Each speaker will answer questions. This informative presentation will take place in the church at 6:00 p.m. Questions? Please call the Rectory office 413-532-0713.

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