

Our Lady of the Hills Parish

A PARISH OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD

AUGUST 6, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Monday - Thursday

8:30 AM

Weekend Mass

Saturday

4:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Confessions

Saturday

3:00 - 3:30 PM

Wednesday

9:00 - 9:30 AM

Holy Day Masses

Adoration will be held on Monday

August 7, 2023 1:00 - 3:00 P.M.

Benediction about 2:50 PM



OUR LADY OF THE HILLS

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. - Mt 17:1-2

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OUR LOCATIONS

Our Lady of the Hills Parish

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Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Thursday | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Cemetery

St. Mary of the Assumption Cemetery
in Leeds, MA

Please call the Rectory Office at 413-268-

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY Church in Granby, MA will be having their **SUMMERFEST** on **SUNDAY AUGUST 20 from 12-4 PM**. Chicken dinner is \$15 and includes Half BBQ Chicken, Baked Potato & Corn on the Cob. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will also be available. Raffle Prizes of \$500, \$250 & \$100. Raffle Baskets, Bake Sale, Kids Games, Prizes, music by a DJ and more!! Fun for the whole family!



STAFF AND WEEKLY INFORMATION

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PARISH STAFF

Administrator

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Safe Environment & Victim Assistance <http://diospringfield.org/Ministries/child-youth-protection>

Weekly Collections

Weekly Goal \$3,500.00

July 30

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 5, 04:00 p.m. †† Herman Dufresne 40th Anniversary from his daughter Linda

Sunday, August 6, 08:00 a.m. † Albert Cadette

Sunday, August 6, 10:30 a.m. † Caroline Gram from her family

Monday, August 7, 08:30 a.m. †

Tuesday, August 7 08:30 a.m. Living and Deceased members

Wednesday, August 9, 08:30 a.m. † All Souls in purgatory

Thursday, August 10, 08:30 a.m. † Holy Souls in purgatory from Wounds pray group

Saturday, August 12 04:00 p.m. † Deacon John Reagan from his loving family

Sunday, August 13, 8:00 a.m. †

Sunday, August 13, 10:30 a.m. †

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

August 12th

4 PM Lector - Dick Bart

Euch. Minister - Mary Bart

Greeter – Doris Auclair & Laurie Pennell

August 13th

8 AM Lector - Katie Guiel

Euch. Minister - Joe Pipzniski

Greeter - Meadelyn Breen & Joanne Keller

10:30 AM Lector - Michael Moriarty

Euch. Minister - Colleen Padeck

Greeters - Mary Murphy & Anthony Giardina

Changes to Mass

Question:

Why do we make changes in the Mass? Some seem so small and unimportant. Are they really necessary?

Answer:

The celebration of the Eucharist is at the heart of our identity as Catholics. Our purpose as a Church community revolves around the Eucharist. Everything we are and everything we do is measured not only by how well we celebrate, but also by how well we live the sacrament. If that is so, then we as a community will always strive to celebrate the Mass as best we can. The reasons for some changes might seem more obvious than others, but there is a reason behind each one.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal is the introduction to the Missal that contains all the prayers for the celebration of the Mass. The Order of Mass we use now was issued in 1975 and, as often happens over the course of years, some questions have come up about the proper way of doing some things and whether or not other practices are acceptable. These changes clarify some things and make the celebration of the Mass more meaningful for everyone.

The opportunity is presented to us to better learn and understand each part of the Mass, which in turn should help us deepen our appreciation for its beauty and meaning. We will be a better Church if we have a clearer understanding and knowledge of Who and what we celebrate.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of August 6, 2023

Sunday:

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

Monday:

Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday:

Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday:

Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday:

2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

Friday:

Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday:

Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday:

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

What is Christianity finally about? These days if you ask almost anyone who doesn't know the Bible you'll probably hear an answer like this: "Being a good person" or "following the golden rule." No offense to the golden rule, but our faith is simply much stranger than that. This week's feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord is a luminous example of this. Jesus becomes radiantly and overwhelmingly beautiful. The glory of God literally shines forth from his body and even his clothes. Here we see that Christianity is not mainly a moral system, but a relationship with God in Christ, one that finally makes human beings gloriously beautiful.

Now we can see our good and bad deeds in a new and de-centered way. Our morality isn't about a heaven or hell scorecard. It's about lives open (or closed) to transfiguration, lives capable of revealing the glory of God in Christ to the world. Spouses, children, friends, co-workers, priests, consecrated women and men, and so on — we are all called to let the beauty of Jesus make our lives beautiful, little by little. His beauty in us is the center of our faith.

— Father John Muir