



# Our Lady of the Hills Parish

Established on February 4,



2007

173 Main Street  
Haydenville, Massachusetts 01039-9768

October 31, 2021 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Which is  
the first  
of all the  
commandments?**

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#### Liturgy Schedule

##### Masses

Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM  
Saturday 4:00 PM  
Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

##### Confessions

Saturday 3:00-3:30 PM

##### Holy Day Masses

8:30 A.M. and 6:30 P.M.

#### Rectory Office

Hours: Monday – Wednesday  
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#### Cemetery

St. Mary of the Assumption Cemetery  
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Please call the Rectory Office at 413-268-7212.

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## Mass Intentions for the Week of October 30 - November 7

Saturday	October	30	4:00PM	
Sunday	October	31	8:00AM	
Sunday	October	31	10:30AM	+Joyce Packard from Bob Recos
Monday	November	01	8:30AM	+ Living and Deceased Parishioners
Tuesday	November	02	8:30AM	+All Souls Mass
Wednesday	November	03	8:30AM	
Thursday	November	04	8:30AM	+All Souls Mass
Saturday	November	06	4:00PM	
Sunday	November	07	8:00AM	
Sunday	November	07	10:30AM	+ All Souls Mass

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD, the God of your fathers, will give you a land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 6:2-6).

**Psalm** — I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).

**Second Reading** — Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him (Hebrews 7:23-28).

**Gospel** — To love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices (Mark 12:28b-34 )

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time; Halloween

**Monday:** All Saints (NOT A HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION)

**Tuesday:** Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day); Election Day

**Wednesday:** St. Martin de Porres

**Thursday:** St. Charles Borromeo

**Friday:** First Friday

**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

### Weekly Calendar Oct 30 November 7

**Sunday** - 9:05 am Faith Formation

**Monday** - 6:00 am Finance Council

**Tuesday** - 10 am Linda Manor AL

**Tuesday** - 10:45am Linda Manor EC

**Wednesday** - 6:00 pm Pastoral Council

**Thursday** - 10:00 am Highview NH

**Thursday** - 1:00 am Rosary

**Thursday** - 2:00 pm Liturgy Committee

**Saturday** - Take and Eat

**Saturday** - Sunday Survival Center Collection

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

**October 24 \$2087.00**

**Thank you for your support.**

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**Nov 6 - 7**

### **Thirty - First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4PM - Lector – Kathryn Marcinczyk  
Euch. Minister – Not needed  
Altar Server - Help Needed  
Greeters - Linda Rowley & Sue Hodgkins

8AM - Lector - Alma Rondina  
Euch. Minister - Not needed  
Altar Server - Chris Connell & Clara Rondina  
Greeters –Lynne Connell & bobby Knox

10:30AM - Lector - Anthony Giardina  
Euch. Minister - Not needed  
Altar Server - Caitlin Padeck  
Greeters - Lou Bouley & Colleen Ahern

### **SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS**

All Saints Day is November 1. This year it falls on a Monday. When it does fall on a Saturday or a Monday (as well as when the solemnities of the Assumption – August 15, and Mary Mother of God – January 1 do) it does remain a holy day but **NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.** **Thus, in these instances Catholics are not obliged to attend Mass.** Therefore, this year there will only be one Mass as usual on Monday, November 1, at 8:30 A.M.

### **FR. PETER CALIK – VICAR GENERAL**

Next weekend, November 6-7, Fr. Peter Calik who is Vicar General and thus second only to our Bishop in leadership of this Diocese, will be here to speak at all the Masses. He wanted to come both to reaffirm Bishop Byrne's will that our parish continue into the future (and thus support our current fund drive) and also to speak about the need to pray for more vocations to the priesthood. Please welcome him as you do all our visitors.

You shall love the LORD, your God,  
with all your heart,  
and with all your soul,  
and with all your strength.  
— Deuteronomy 6:5

### LOVE GOD

As we near the end of the liturgical year we listen to Gospel readings from the final stage of Jesus' ministry—his teaching in Jerusalem. This Sunday Jesus is in conversation with one of the scribes of the temple. In a rare occurrence Jesus and the scribe agree on the two greatest commandments—to love God with all your being and to love your neighbor as yourself.

In today's selection from Deuteronomy Moses gives this teaching to the Israelites as the core of their life of faith and prayer, and Psalm 18 echoes this prayer with the words, "I love you, O LORD, my strength" (Psalm 18:2). Jews and Christians agree that our greatest responsibility is to love the one and only God, and that we cannot claim to love God without loving our neighbor as ourselves.

### LIMITS TO SAINTHOOD

All saints can do miracles, but few of them can keep a hotel.

—Mark Twain

### BECOMING SAINTS

Follow the saints because those who follow them will become saints.

—St. Clement I

### Climate Change Corner

When asked what they did to help the environment, the women volunteers from OLOTH Take & Eat program eagerly responded with a long list of to do's:

Get the <b>MASS SAVES</b> audit	Use a rain barrel
Triple pane windows	Use H2O from dehumidifier to water your plants
New furnace	Dry your clothes outside
Water saver faucets	Use reusable bags when shopping
Smart thermostats	Turn the thermostat down a little
More efficient car engine	Recycle plastic bags
LED bulbs	Compost
Change from fossil fuel electricity to wind and solar power electricity through your provider.	

### IRA Required Minimum Distribution

Support our Parish and Save on Your Taxes

Did you know that you can use your IRA Required Minimum Distribution in whole or in part to pay a charitable contribution, thus saving both state and federal income tax? You can do this regardless of whether you itemize or claim the standard deduction. As our parish continues its capital campaign and you contemplate your support this is something to consider. Contact your tax professional or the parish office for details.

### Prayer for our Parish

Lord Jesus Christ, I thank you for our Parish, **Our Lady of the Hills**. My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am holy. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will be prayerful, if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring others into worship, if I invite and bring them in. It will be a place of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Amen

### Decoration for Thanksgiving

Decorating for the Thanksgiving Season is Thursday, November 4th at noon. Donations of mums, pumpkins, gourds, dried grasses, etc. will be appreciated. Leave your decorating donations inside the entrance doors of the church or at the rectory. Thank you.



**Prison Ministry** is one way of honoring Jesus calling to us. Deacon Bill Toller is a loyal Catholic working at the Hampden County House of Correction and is willing to meet with any of us who are interested in learning more. It is not complicated, and it is rewarding. Call Carol @ 413-374-2989 and leave a voicemail.

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