



MAYOR DAVID J. NARKEWICZ

**City of Northampton
Office of the Mayor**

210 Main Street Room 12
Northampton, MA 01060-3199
(413) 587-1249 Fax: (413) 587-1275
mayor@northamptonma.gov

For Immediate Release – July 26, 2021

Mayor Negotiates Deal with Diocese To Add Additional City Parking at Vacant St. Mary’s Parking Lot on State Street

NORTHAMPTON: Today, Mayor Narkewicz announced the successful completion of negotiations with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield to increase available parking downtown by about 42 additional spaces by utilizing the vacant St. Mary’s Church parking lot on State Street. The temporary municipal lot will open to the public for parking on Wednesday, July 28, 2021.

“With the unexpected shutdown of the Masonic Street Lot, and the long-planned construction in the Round House parking lot, we’re grateful and thrilled to have reached an agreement with the Diocese to restore some capacity to the downtown parking system,” said Mayor Narkewicz, “Especially heading into sidewalk sales this weekend, we’re confident that these 42 new spots will further strengthen our already robust parking system.”

Motorists who wish to park in the St. Mary’s lot may enter via State Street, roughly across the street from Fly By Night furniture. Residents and visitors who park in the lot should pay their parking fees at the kiosks on State Street or by using the ParkMobile App. The St. Mary’s Lot is a short-term parking lot that is part of parking zone **6362**. The maximum parking time in the lot is 2 hours, and Parking Enforcement Officers will enforce parking regulations during regular municipal parking hours. The City’s parking meters and pay-to-park kiosks are in operation Monday through Saturday, 8 am-6 pm, except Sundays and holidays.

The current agreement with the Springfield Diocese is in effect until October 15, 2021.

For additional information, contact the Mayor’s Office: mayor@northamptonma.gov or 413-587-1249