

Church of the Holy Angels

December 8, 2019, Second Sunday of Advent

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Welcome to All!

This church is our heavenly Father's house, a place of solace and grace, so feel at home here. Enter reverently, pray quietly, sing joyfully, listen attentively, give cheerfully and come back gladly. Remain in the church after Mass for some personal quiet time with the Lord and come early before Mass to pray the Rosary with others. If you ever feel unwelcome-let the pastor know! And if the pastor makes you feel unwelcome, let him know!

Active Parishioner Status

We receive many requests for parishioners to be godparents or sponsors for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation and to rightfully enjoy the number of services offered at Holy Angels Parish. Part of the request is to be able to verify that a person is an "active member"

An "Active Member" is:

1. Properly registered on the parish rolls.
 2. Faithfully attends Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
 3. Participates in parish activities/ministries when possible.
 4. Uses the parish envelope system for donations.
- These are the main factors that will be considered in making the determination that someone is an "active member." Other criteria are also taken into consideration when requesting a sponsor certificate.*

Couples Planning Marriage

For couples who are planning to marry, please check the availability of our church prior to arranging venues.

BINGO

Bingo will be held Tuesday, December 10, 2019. Doors open 4:30PM. Game begins 6:00PM.

Workers & Bakers

Cakes or pies are always needed for Bingo on Tuesday evenings. Drop off your baked goods at the Activity Center during the day on any Tuesday. Men and women are most welcome to assist with working the floor!

Adoration at St. Pauline Center

Eucharistic Adoration is held at the St. Pauline Center Fridays from noon until 10:00PM and Saturdays from 5:00AM to 7:00PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed in the chapel on Fridays at 3:00PM

Vigil Lights

December 8 thru December 14

Sanctuary Light: Special intention
St. Anthony: *In loving memory of Tony Scicchitano by Jack & Catherine Maciejewski*

St. Anne: *In loving memory of Elaine Duran by husband, Michael*

St. Casimir: *In loving memory of Stanley Lazarski by Family*

St. Theresa: *Special intention*

St. Kateri: *Special intention*

St. Marziale: *Special intention*

Sacred Heart: *In loving memory of Bill Roberts by wife, Joan*

Mount Carmel Area Food Pantry

26 N. Market Street Mount Carmel, PA
Distribution Schedule

Wednesday, December 18, 11:00am-12pm

HALO Christmas Cookie Sale

Pick up date for those who ordered cookies is Saturday, December 14 between 10am & 12pm in the Activity Center

Adult Choir

Practice Wednesday, December 11 at 7:00PM
Choir along with members of the Knights of Columbus will carol on Wednesday, December 18 at 7:00PM at the Town Park in Kulpmont.
Choir will sing at the 8:00PM Mass on Christmas Eve. Please be present in the choir loft by 7:35PM.

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, December 14

5:30PM Jeremiah Sheganoski, Jacob Zarski, Kaden Hine

Sunday, December 15

8:30AM Rosalie Mitchell, Liam Bradley, Sean Bradley

10:30AM Jessica Whalen, Donald Whalen, Sophia Andres-Padula

Children's Christmas Party

On Sunday, December 15, from 12:00-2:00PM, children of our parish, age 8 & under, are invited to the Annual Children's Christmas Party in the Activity Center. A sign-up sheet is available in the vestibule for those planning on attending. Also on the sign-up sheet, we ask that you write in a gift suggestion for your child.

Holy Angels Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

Classes will be held on Sunday, December 8 & 15 for Grades 6, 7, 8 at 8:30AM

Classes will be held on Monday, December 9 & 16 for Grades 1-5 at 5:30PM.

Confirmation Meeting for OLOL and PREP Students and Parents

All upcoming 2020 Confirmation candidates and parents will have an important meeting on Sunday December 8, 2019 at 11:30 am in the church basement.

Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School Pot of Gold

Envelopes containing 5 Pot of Gold chances are available in the back of the church. Grand Prize is \$2,500! Drawing date is December 15, 2019. All returns are to be in by Sunday, December 8. Chances are \$2.00 each. Please use the envelope for your returns. This is one way we can help to support Catholic Education.

Holy Angels Kielbasa Sale

Order forms are available in the back of the church for anyone wanting to order kielbasa. Payment is due with order. Prices are:

\$10.00 for a 3 lb. Loaf

\$4.00 for a 1 lb. Ring

Orders due by Sunday, December 15, 2019

Pick up date is Friday, December 20 & Saturday, December 21 from 9:00AM-12:00PM

Mother Maria Kaupas Center

The Mother Maria Kaupas Center has announced the establishment of service stipends of \$300 each for college students in good academic standing who complete 10 days of community service work in the Mount Carmel-Kulpmont area over the December 2019-January 2020 semester break. Service projects will be assigned by the Center. Participants must be members of Divine Redeemer, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Holy Angels or SS Peter and Paul parishes. Application forms are available at the parish office or may be obtained by contacting Jake Betz at kaupascenterdrc@ptd.net or 570-339-3450 (option 7)



Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School

There is an opening for a cafeteria worker at Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School. The hours would be 7:30AM-1:00PM. Anyone who is interested is asked to please contact the school at 570-644-0375 ext. 001.

Lourdes Regional needs a JH Boys Basketball Coach one team-7th Grade. Someone to travel and coach just away games (7 games). If they wish, the coach may come to practices and coach home game, but not necessary. Other staff member can cover the home games. If interested contact Michael A. Klembara, AD, 570-764-0636.

Carmelite Kitchen

For those who ordered from the Carmelite Kitchen pick up date is December 17th, 11:00AM-3:00PM at 929 Pine Street garage in rear.

Giving Tree

A Giving Tree for needy children in our area is available in the front of the church. Please take a tag if you wish to shop for gifts for a needy child. Be sure to sign your name on the sign-up sheet and take an instruction sheet with you. If purchasing more than 1 gift for a child, please place them in a gift bag rather than bundling boxes as the bag is easier for the child to carry home. **We MUST have all gifts returned to the church by December 11, by 2:30PM.**

Kulpmont American Legion Breakfast Buffet

Sunday, December 8, 8:00AM-12:00PM

\$8.00 per person

Buffet items: Eggs, Ham, Sausage, Home Fries, French Toast, Pancakes, SOS, Toast, Coffee Juice

Advent Penance Services

Penance Services will be held throughout the area during the season of Advent. If you are unable to attend the Penance Service held at Holy Angels, please attend a service elsewhere. All Services begin at 7:00PM

Sunday, December 8, Our Lady of Hope, Coal Township

Monday, December 9, Holy Angels, Kulpmont

Tuesday, December 10, Holy Rosary, Elysburg

Wednesday, December 11, Divine Redeemer, Mount Carmel

Thursday, December 12, St. Patrick, Trevorton

Christmas Wafers (Oplatki) are available in the back of the church. Donation is \$3.00 for a pack of 6 wafers.

St. Pauline Foundation Luminaries of Love

St. Pauline Center, Kulpmont

Saturday, December 14

Kulpmont 100 presents Free Concert

6:00-6:45PM-The Heart of PA will perform. An award winning women's Barbershop Chorus under the direction of Dee Casteel.

6:45- 7:00PM-Blessing of Luminaries

7:00-7:45PM-MCA JR/SR. High School Jazz

Band under the direction of Bernie Stellar

Light refreshments will be served following the program.

To purchase luminaries to remember or honor a loved one call JoAnn at 570-259-9299

Kulpmont 100

12/1 through 12/20/19 – Deer naming Contest.

Entries at Turkey Hill, Kulpmont. Gifts awarded to two person(s) *under 12* who select drawn names.

Date: 12/ 18 / 19

"Santa In The Park" - the sights and sounds of "The Season"

*(in cooperation with Kulpmont Sportsman Association, Shamokin Rotary, Kulpmont Knights of Columbus, and Holy Angels Choir)

- 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM Kulpmont Town Park – 11th & Chestnut Streets
- 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Hot chocolate & cookies by the Kulpmont Sportsmen Association
- 6:00 PM – Dominic, the Italian Christmas Donkey
- 6:30 PM - Santa in his Sleigh
- 7:00 PM - Kulpmont Christmas Carolers (Knights of Columbus and Holy Angels Church Choir)

Student Offering Envelopes

Students attending Mount Carmel Area Highschool are asked to pick up their pack of offering envelopes for the calendar year 2020 available in the back of the church. Students in Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School and PREP will receive their envelopes in class. Please do not use these new envelopes until January 2020.

Knights of Columbus, The Christopher Club, Mt. Carmel, traditional "Blessing of the Manger". A community event held in conjunction with "Christmas On Oak Street". Saturday December 14, 2019 - approx. 7:15PM. Holiday food, snacks, cookies provided; Visit by St. Nicholas and entertainment by "Lift Your Spirits" and Mr. Mark O'Hearn, local musician and vocalist. The club is beautifully decorated for the season by the talented and creative Sir Knight Michael White. Club will open at 6:00PM. **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC; No smoking per LCB regulations.**



Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, December 24

4:00PM, 6:00PM, 8:00PM

Christmas Day, December 25

9:30AM

Vigil Mass of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, December 31, New Year's Eve

5:30PM

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1, 2020, New Year's Day

9:30AM



How are you preparing the way for the Lord? What needs straightening in your life? Call on God in prayer to help you. (Matthew 3: 1 – 12). If God may be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit our website at www.hbgdiocese.org, call Father Jonathan Sawicki at (717) 657-4804, or write: frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org.

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