

Church of the Holy Angels

January 26, 2020, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

855 Scott Street, Kulpmont, PA 17834-1811

Phone: (570)373-1221 Fax: (570)373-1226

email: oneangel@ptd.net

WEBSITE: www.HolyAngelsKulpmont.org

MASSSES OF OBLIGATION: SATURDAY 5:30PM SUNDAY
8:30AM & 10:30AM

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 4:00PM-5:00PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY THRU THURSDAY 9:00AM-4:00PM

OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAYS

Rev. Andrew Stahmer, Pastor

Deacon Thomas Conlin

Sister Teresa Catherine, Pastoral Assistant

Mary Kay Bartol, Secretary, Organist, Choir Director

Joette Foris, Director of Religious Education, Guitarist

Robert Balonis, Maintenance

Elaine Lutz, Office Volunteer

FINANCIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Charles Kaminsky, Chairman, Mary Ann Daya,

Kathy Nolan, Frank Mirarchi, Peter Avellino

Parish Mission Statement

We, the family of Holy Angels Parish, a diverse community of ethnic and cultural backgrounds, are united through the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Word of God to all peoples by following the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Working together in wisdom and love we commit ourselves in the following ways: protecting the unborn; fostering faith development in our youth; planting new seeds of evangelization throughout our parish family through prayer, spiritual works, education and outreach activities; ministering to the needs of our aging parishioners; promoting holiness through celebration of the sacraments, worship in liturgy, communal prayer, and our faith traditions.

Through these actions rooted in charity and mercy, we pledge to pass on our customs and beliefs to future generations, thus preserving our faith traditions for the greater glory of God and as a sign of Christ's love.

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jim Nolan, Chairman, Joe Meyer, Vice-Chairman, Jeanne Avellino, Pat Bingaman, Sherry Bozza, Maria Foris, Teresa McCabe, Juliann Wanzie, Kathy Pupo, Jeff Kruleski, Alex Clayberger, Lena Leaveck

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 25

8:00am Diana A. Parker Lentini

5:30pm John Pelchar, Sr.

Sunday, January 26

8:30am Anthony Martino

10:30am People of the Parish

Monday, January 27

6:30pm Irene Novak

Tuesday, January 28

8:00am Richard Clayberger

Wednesday, January 29

7:00am Michael Phillipine

Thursday, January 30

6:30pm Charles J. Lucas, III

Friday, January 31

8:00am Albert Chabi

Saturday, February 1

8:00am Walter Kozlowski

5:30pm Lori Chesney

Sunday, February 2

8:30am People of the Parish

10:30am Helen Geslock

Masses are available for 2020 at this time. Please call or stop in the parish office if requesting a specific date.

Of Your Charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of **Caroline D. Ryniak**, a member of Holy Angels Parish Family. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

Sacrificial Offering

Weekend of January 19

Number of registered households 894

218 Sunday Offering Envelopes \$3,961.00

Loose Cash \$89.00

Youth Offering \$39.00

Shortfall- Debt Reduction & Plus One \$229.00

Air Conditioning \$163.00

Votives \$226.00

Mary, Mother of God \$10.00

Initial Offering \$57.00

All Saints \$1.00

Amount Budgeted \$8,333.00

Amount Contributed \$4,775.00

Weekend of January 19 -\$3,558.00

Improvement Fund

Previous Balance \$22,837.00

Weekend of January 19 +\$264.00

Balance \$23,101.00

Previous Christmas \$17,165.00

Additional \$100.00

Total Christmas to date \$17,265.00

Diocesan Collections

Matthew 25 \$2.00

Central & Eastern Europe \$47.00

Military Collection \$5.00

Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 7:15PM

Finance Council Meeting

Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 7:15PM

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, January 28, 2020.

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

January 26 thru February 1

Sanctuary Light: Special intention

St. Anthony: *In loving memory of Sam Feudale by Lacroce Family*

St. Anne: *In loving memory of*

Raymond Gluchowski by Wife & Daughters

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

St. Theresa: *In loving memory of*

The Deceased of the Winhofer Family by Daughter

St. Kateri: *Special intention*

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

Sacred Heart: *Special intention of A Friend*



Vigil Lights and Standing Altar Candles are now available for 2020. Please contact the Parish Office either thru the Sunday Collection or by mail or phone if you would like a candle in remembrance of a loved one, in thanksgiving or for a special intention. Donation is \$5.00 for the Vigil Lights which will burn for the week and \$10.00 for the Standing Altar Candles which burn for the month.

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, February 1

5:30PM Marshall Mirarchi IV, Landon Williams, Alexa Maher, Cali Maher

Sunday, February 2

8:30AM Gregory Troutman, Michael Wasilewski, Bobby Schoppy, Brooke Schoppy

10:30AM Emma Shimko, Noah Shimko Daniel Vincenzes, Grace Vincenzes

Holy Angels Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

Classes will be held on Sunday, February 9 & 23 for Grades 6, 7, 8 at 8:30AM

Classes will be held on Monday, February 10, 24 for Grades 1-5 at 5:30PM.

Student Offering Envelopes

There are still a few high school students who have not picked up their envelopes for 2020.

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2020

January 26-February 1

"Catholic Schools-Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed" OPEN HOUSE

Our Lady of Lourdes Regional High School Sunday, January 26, 2020

- New student registration for Grades Pre-K thru 12 for the 2020-21 school term
- School tours conducted by Student Service Club
- Information packets available
- Refreshments provided by our Parent/Teacher Association

Prospective students and parents are invited to visit Lourdes to discover the many advantages of a Catholic education. Administrators and faculty will be on hand to answer your questions regarding curriculum, financial assistance and extra-curricular programs and activities.

Mother Cabrini "Super Bowl" Sunday Bingo Sunday, February 2, 2020

- Lots of Free Door Prizes !!!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, February 2nd "Super Bowl" Sunday Bingo at

Mother Cabrini Church Hall! 20 - \$70.00 games / Final \$1,000.00 Cash Jackpot!

\$20 "All you can play package." \$10 packages also available.

Enjoy Cabrini's Tailgate Party: . . . A **FREE HOT DOG & CAN OF SODA** with each paid admission!

The delicious snack bar will also be open for your convenience.

Doors open at Noon so come early for a good seat.

Games begin at 1:30PM (weather permitting).

See you Sunday, February 2nd for Super Bowl Sunday Bingo!

Potato Cake Batter/Stuffed Cabbage Sale

Holy Angels Parish

Friday, February 21, 2020

Saturday, February 22, 2020

9:00AM-1:00PM

Potato Cake Batter \$5.00/quart

Stuffed Cabbage \$6.00/4

NO ORDER FORM NEEDED!

Stop in the Activity Center on the above mentioned dates and times to make your purchases!

Benefits: Holy Angels Fish Dinner Start-up.

Sunday of the Word of God

Recalling the importance placed on the Word of God at the Second Vatican Council, Pope Francis has established the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time as "The Sunday of the Word of God."

Having completed the Christmas season and the celebration of the "Word Becoming Flesh" in the mystery of the Incarnation, The Church is now invited to rejoice in the ongoing presence of Jesus in the Bible, the "Book of the Lord's people, who, in listening to it, move from dispersion towards unity." (Aperuit illis, #4)

Pope Francis expresses the hope that "The life of our people be constantly marked by this relationship with the living word that the Lord never tires of speaking to his Bride, that she may grow in love and perfect witness." (Aperuit illis. #2)

Dream Vacation Raffle

Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School
Grand Prize: Walt Disney World trip for 4-\$6,800 value

2nd/3rd Prizes \$1,000 gift card to Great Wolf Lodge Kalahari

4th Prize: \$500 Boscov's Travel Card

5th/6th Prizes \$250 Hershey Park Gift Card

7th/8th Prizes: \$100 Knoebels Amusement Park Ticket Booklet

Sponsored by Our Lady of Lourdes P.T.O.

Contact the school if you would like to purchase a raffle ticket. Donation \$20.00 each

Drawing Date: January 29, 2020

Society for the Propagation of the Faith Membership Sunday, February 2

The SPOF is the means through which the Holy Father supports more than 1,100 mission dioceses throughout the world. It assists with faith formation, the selection of native bishops, and the formation of seminarians, religious sisters and brothers, and lay catechists. As mission diocese struggle to take root, SPOF also provides critical education, health, and social services.

Your participation in the SPOF Membership Sunday by prayers and contributions helps to spread the hope-filled, saving message of Jesus to the billions of people who do not know Christ, and supports the priests, religious and lay catechists who offer them that Good News.

Thank you for answering the call to missionary spirit through your support of this holy work of the Church.

Fulfilled Bible Study

Join us this season in a bible study that explores the biblical roots of the Catholic Faith. Fulfilled uncovers God's consistent design for our worship of him and his relationship with us. Learn how the Old Testament Tabernacle can be used as a blueprint for the Catholic Faith and how Jesus fulfilled it in the New Testament. Part One focuses on the elements found in the outer sanctuary and how they connect to the liturgical calendar, the priesthood, purgatory, baptism and more. Fulfilled will help you explain how Jesus fulfills the Old Testament; share the Catholic Faith concisely; and examine your own faith and grow deeper in your relationship with Jesus.

Join us on Sunday evenings at 6PM starting February 23th through April 5th. Please RSVP by Feb 17 to either Kathy 570-205-4704 or Deb 570-274-5861. See posters in back of church for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! HOLY ANGELS PARISH PICNIC JULY 31 & AUGUST 1, 2020!

Contribution Records for 2019

Anyone needing a copy of their contribution record for tax purposes is asked to please submit a self-addressed stamped envelope to the parish office.

Knights of Columbus, Mt. Carmel, The Christopher Club, open Monday to Friday at 7:00PM. Soup, sandwiches, snacks generally available on Friday night. Watch for Wednesday dinner announcement. Annual "Fish Fry," Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26. First and second floors are available for rent to both members and non-members. All practicing Catholic men are invited to join your local K of C. The next degree ceremony is scheduled on March 8, 2020 in Mt. Carmel.

Encounter The Real Presence - A Lenten retreat for college-aged young adults in the Diocese of Harrisburg. Speakers, adoration, praise and worship, confession, and Mass. Register by Feb. 20 at www.hbgdiocese.org/encounter.

Sacrament of Reconciliation in American Sign Language

On Saturday, February 15, at 10 am St. Joseph Parish, Danville (68 Center St.) will be offering the opportunity for Confession in American Sign Language (ASL). Fr. Thomas Rozman, priest of the Diocese of Harrisburg, fluent in ASL, will be available for this sacrament, while assisting with first penance at the church. All those who may benefit from this occasion are encouraged to attend.

Cemeteries

We ask that all Christmas items be removed from the parish cemeteries by February 16. Also, any other items which are deteriorated we ask that they be removed by March 15. And as always, please take the items you are removing home with you to discard. Please do not discard the items at the edges of the cemetery properties. Thank you.



Matthew tells us that the people to whom Jesus brought his ministry had been sitting in darkness, but that Jesus' coming had brought them a great Light. The area was called the "Galilee of the Gentiles" because there was a large population of Hellenistic pagans mixed in with the Jews who had only recently begun to resettle a land devastated by earlier wars. As a Jew in Roman-controlled territory, Jesus had located himself among the marginalized, with the poor not the wealthy, with the rural peasants not the urban elite, with the ruled not the rulers, with the powerless and exploited not the powerful, and with those who resisted Imperial demands rather than with those who enforced them. Thus, he began his ministry among the apparently small and insignificant places and people who, nevertheless, were central for God's purposes. We, too, need to introduce Christ's Light into the darkness of prejudice, war, abuse, social injustice, hunger, poverty, ignorance, greed, anger, vengeance, and apathy.

Dear Padre,

What are deacons' duties? Can they preside at wedding ceremonies? What about baptisms and other duties usually reserved for priests?

The Catholic Church has two kinds of deacons: transitional deacons, seminarians in the last stage of their studies for the priesthood, and permanent deacons, men who will remain deacons.

Transitional and permanent deacons can baptize, give homilies at Mass, give blessings (for example, the blessing of throats on St. Blaise's feast day), perform the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and preside at wedding and funeral services where there is no Mass.



DEACON, AT LEFT / CNS PHOTO SEAN GALLAGHER, THE CRITERION

Neither type of deacon can administer the sacrament of reconciliation. They can visit and bless the sick, but they cannot anoint them. Deacons can distribute holy Communion, but they cannot consecrate the bread and wine.

Unlike transitional deacons, permanent deacons can be married. If a deacon's wife dies, he may not remarry except in certain circumstances, for example, if his children are still very young. Unmarried permanent deacons must remain unmarried.

Deacons are vital to the life of the Church. Many permanent deacons have families and full-time jobs in addition to their Church work. We don't thank deacons and their families enough for the many sacrifices they make for the people of God.

—Fr. Donald Kirchner, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Calendar

Monday
JANUARY 27
Weekday
2 Sm 5:1–7, 10
Mk 3:22–30

Tuesday
JANUARY 28
St. Thomas Aquinas,
Priest and Doctor of
the Church
2 Sm 6:12b–15, 17–19
Mk 3:31–35

Wednesday
JANUARY 29
Weekday
2 Sm 7:4–17
Mk 4:1–20

Thursday
JANUARY 30
Weekday
2 Sm 7:18–19, 24–29
Mk 4:21–25

Friday
JANUARY 31
St. John Bosco,
Priest
2 Sm 11:1–4a, 5–10a,
13–17
Mk 4:26–34

Saturday
FEBRUARY 1
Weekday
2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17
Mk 4:35–41

Sunday
FEBRUARY 2
Presentation
of the Lord
Mal 3:1–4
Heb 2:14–18
Lk 2:22–40
or 2:22–32

Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 26, 2020
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Is 8:23–9:3
1 Cor 1:10–13
Mt 4:12–23 or 4:12–1

Is Christ Divided?

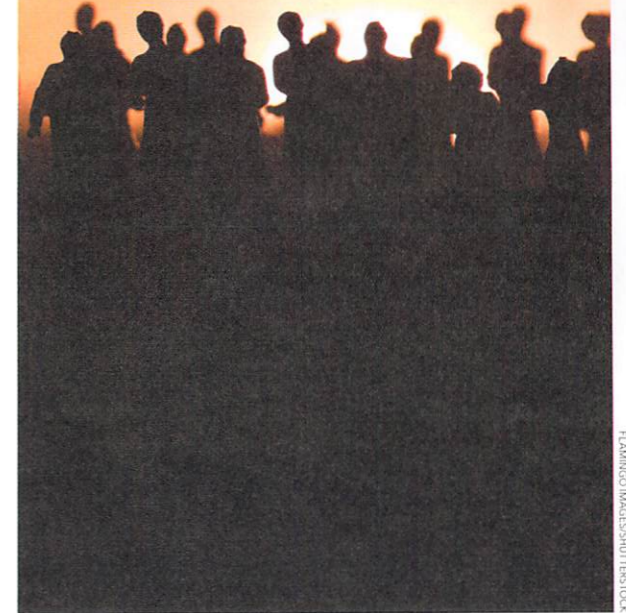
"You're breaking the back of the body of Christ!" Saint Paul might have said this to members of the Corinthian community who rival each other, claiming that the leader who baptized them is greater than the one who baptized others: "I belong to Paul...I belong to Apollos...I belong to Cephas" (1 Corinthians 1:12). This suggests that, based on their baptizer, the members themselves are superior. Such rivalry sounds so petty. We should be careful here, because some of this rivalry still exists in the Church.

In any healthy group there will be diverse opinions. We all have our own tastes, preferences, cultural habits, and so on. This is true in church music, preaching style, and religious devotion. The uniformity of the Church prior to the Second Vatican Council has given way to great diversity. What is different is not necessarily bad. Nor is our preference necessarily superior. Such diversity need not pit us against each other, but sometimes it does. Is Christ divided over points of preference?

We are all part of the body of Christ; we are all God's beloved. The diversity among us challenges us to work toward the common good, to "be united in the same mind and in the same purpose" (1 Corinthians 1:10). Let us not divide Christ.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."
MATTHEW 4:17



FOR Reflection

- ✦ How do you act toward someone who understands faith differently? Do you respect their viewpoint or automatically ignore them?
- ✦ Which religious voices do you listen to? Why?



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

It deeply troubles me when I see a timetable in a parish: "From such a time to such a time." ...Don't worry about the timetable: have the courage to look past the timetable. In this way, dear deacons, if you show that you are available to others, your ministry will not be self-serving, but evangelically fruitful.

—JUBILEE OF DEACONS, MAY 29, 2016