

Church of the Holy Angels

August 30, 2020, Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

CONFESSIONS: HALF HOUR BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES

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

FINANCIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Charles Kaminsky, Chairman, Mary Ann Daya,

Kathy Nolan, Frank Mirarchi, Peter Avellino

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 29

8:00am Charles Lucas, III

4:00pm Rita Buggy

5:30pm Jasmine Miriello

Sunday, August 30

8:30am Patricia Zlocki

10:30am People of the Parish

Monday, August 31

8:00am Frank Chesney

Tuesday, September 1

8:00am Diane Parker Lentini

Wednesday, September 2

8:00am Brock Long

Thursday, September 3

8:00am James Nolan

Friday, September 4

8:00am Mary D. Marshalek

Saturday, September 5

8:00am Jean Cherneski

4:00pm Esther Watkins

5:30pm Carrie & Marshall Mirarchi

Sunday, September 6

8:30am People of the Parish

10:30am Henry Koldash

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

Sacrificial Offering

Weekend of August 23

Number of registered households 879

161 Sunday Offering (Households) \$3,902

Loose Cash \$19.00

Youth Offering \$31.00

Shortfall- Debt Reduction & Plus One \$21.00

Energy \$142.00

Votive Candles \$21.00

Assumption \$88.00

Amount Budgeted \$8,333.00

Amount Contributed \$4,224.00

Weekend of August 23 -\$4,109.00

Improvement Fund

Previous Balance \$15,659.00

Weekend of August 23 +\$33.00

Balance \$15,692.00

Diocesan Collections

Missionary Cooperative \$20.00



Diocesan Annual Campaign

A very special "thank you" to all who have contributed towards the Diocesan Annual Campaign. Our goal is \$19,936.00. We have calculated that so far we have paid in \$18,987.00. Which leaves us \$949.00 short of our goal. If you have not yet made your contribution, please do so as soon as possible.



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.

Adoration at the St. Pauline Center

Fridays and Saturdays 10:00AM- 4:00PM. Chairs are spaced 6 ft. apart and masks are required. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



Vigil Lights

August 30 thru September 5

Sanctuary Light: *Special Intention*

St. Anthony: *Special Intention*

St. Anne: *Special Intention of Furca Sisters & Families*

St. Casimir: *Special Intention*

St. Theresa: *Special Intention of Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Brennan & Mr. & Mrs. Mark Zosh*

St. Kateri: *Special Intention*

St. Marziale: *Special Intention*

Sacred Heart: *In loving memory of Elaine Duran by husband, Michael*

PREP ANNOUNCEMENT

Registration forms for PREP (Holy Angels religious education program) are available in the vestibule of the church as well as in the rectory. All children must register in order to attend classes this fall. Students in grades 1-8 should be enrolled in the program. Any questions, call J. Foris 570-490-0099.

HALO Back to School Collection!

HALO members will be distributing a hand-out after the Masses listing items for children returning to school. A box will be available in the back of the church to drop off your items when you come to Mass. Please note that the church is locked during the day so please plan on dropping off on weekends.

Mark your Calendars!

September 27-Pork Chop Dinner

October 18-Spaghetti/Meatball/Chicken Parm

November 13-14-Stuffed Cabbage Sale

More information will be provided closer to the dates of the sales.

HALO

Holy Angels Ladies Organization will be hosting an Apple Fest in conjunction with the Holy Name Society's Pork Chop Dinner on September 27. A variety of apple desserts, pies, cakes, cookies and apple dumplings will be available for purchase. Apple dumplings will also be available for purchase On October 3 & 10 from 11:00AM-1:00PM in the Activity Center.

Mount Carmel Ministerium Food Pantry

26 North Market Street, Mount Carmel

Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 1:00-3:00PM

Friday 11:00AM-1:00PM

No appointment needed

Wait outside; food will be brought out to you
Receive Food Monthly!

The Catholic Witness Survey – *The Catholic Witness* newspaper is conducting a survey of its readers, and parishioner participation is encouraged. The survey is anonymous and will provide *The Witness* with important information as we make plans for the future of the paper. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey online at <http://survey.hbgdiocese.org/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=mlLJ65m>. To request a hard copy of the survey, please contact the parish office or call *The Catholic Witness* at 717-657-4804, ext. 209.

Bishop Ronald W. Gainer has announced his invitation to pastors to nominate men who wish to consider the Permanent Diaconate. Approximately 20 men, and if married, accompanied by their spouses, will be admitted to a year of aspirancy (exploration and discernment) beginning January 2021. The program will last a total of five years. Participants will be selected taking into account projected needs of the parishes, ministries, and geography of the Diocese.

Nominees must be faithful Catholic men, between the ages of 35 and 62, Catholic for at least three years, if married, in a valid and stable marriage of at least seven years and known to the pastor of their parish. In addition, they must possess an undergraduate degree, or its equivalent, be able to undertake graduate level studies, and be gainfully employed.

Applications must be obtained from the parish pastor after an initial discussion with him. Applications cannot be obtained directly from any Diocesan office.

The Diaconate is an order of the Catholic clergy open to married and single men. As such, the Permanent Deacon is a member of the Church's hierarchy, who is configured to Christ the Servant through the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

Applications for the Permanent Diaconate will be accepted until September 15, 2020. A rigorous interview process will lead to admission for the 2021 – 2026 program.

Our Lady of Hope Parish, Coal Township, PA

We are looking for a part time reliable, skilled **maintenance worker** to perform essential upkeep tasks throughout our facility. In this position, you will be responsible for a wide variety of activities such as repairs and cleaning to ensure that our facilities are both tidy and functional. Being reliable and self-motivated with a keen eye for detail is essential in this job, as the ideal candidate will have significant work experience and solid technical knowledge. You should have the manual dexterity and physical stamina necessary for this work. Please call the parish office at 570.648.4432 more details.

We are looking for a responsible part-time **custodian** to maintain and protect our facilities. The external and internal appearance of a building reflects on the community. It is important for a custodian to be careful and thorough in working, cleaning and tidying the premises. The ideal candidate will be experienced in a custodian role focused on building upkeep. Physical endurance and a keen eye for detail and diligence are also imperative in custodial maintenance jobs. Please call the parish office at 570.648.4432 more details.



Thank You!

Special thanks to all who helped at the Chicken Dinner this past weekend and especially those of you who supported this fund-raiser. The profit was approximately \$2,100.00! God bless you for all you do for Holy Angels Parish.

A Few Questions

Does my Church offer a Faith strong enough to command a sacrifice on my part? Do I have enough Faith to offer up a genuine sacrifice for Christ's sake? Can a Church in today's self-centered culture ask its people to sacrifice something for the sake of the Gospel? Jesus' challenge to all would-be disciples requires more than a "feel-good" spirituality. A true disciple asks, "Am I willing to sacrifice something for the Kingdom?" What made it possible for first-century Christians to choose a martyr's death? What has kept generations of Christians from losing Faith and falling apart when confronted by the violence and hatred of this world? How can I offer even the day-to-day sacrifices of my Faith that demand things I don't want to do or give? Can I sacrifice some of my time in order to visit a homeless shelter or soup kitchen? Can I sacrifice my job security and refuse to "go along" with a policy that is unjust? Can I sacrifice my need to be in control and let Christ do with me whatever he may will? Can I refuse to let my children watch television programs filled with sex and violence?



Standing Altar Candles for the Month of September

In Loving Memory of	Given by
John Voloshin.....	wife, Anna Marie & Family
Elizabeth Stillo	Family
Chester Gard	wife, Ann & Children
Bill Roberts.....	wife, Joan
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Brown	Brown Family
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Shaffer.....	Brown Family
Barry Brown	Mom & Dad
Anna Masiak.....	god-daughter, Kathy Varano



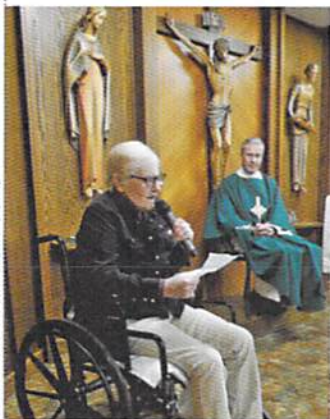
Picnic Food Sale Financial Report

Income	7/31 & 8/1	8/3-8/7	Total	Expenses	
Baskets	\$7,693.00	\$8,259.00	\$15,952.00	Eggs	Donated
Bake Sale	\$1,016.00		\$1,016.00	Potatoes	Donated
Kitchen	\$9,120.00		\$9,120.00	Flour	Donated
Money Raffle	\$1,258.00	\$1,688.00	\$2,946.00	Torpedo Rolls	Donated
Potato Cakes	\$4,648.00	\$315.00	\$4,963.00	Pierogies	Donated
Yard Sale	\$1,052.00	\$84.50	\$1,136.50	Onions	Donated
Big Prizes	\$957.00	\$1,616.00	\$2,573.00	Haluski Cabbage	Donated
Donations		\$230.00	\$230.00	Take-out Containers	Donated
Totals	\$25,744.00	\$12,192.50		Radio & Schuylkill Plus Advertisement	\$155.00
Gross	\$37,936.50			News Item Advertisement	Donated
Expenses	\$2,023.99			Raffle Chances	Donated
Profit	\$35,912.51			Food Expenses	\$1,768.99
				Total Expenses	\$2,023.99

Dear Padre,

I feel guilty about putting my mother in a nursing home. Have I abandoned her?

Caring for aging, fragile parents is a responsibility that is increasing as people live longer due to advances in medical technology. Accompanying longer lives, however, is often poorer health. Frequently family members conclude that they don't have the wherewithal to care responsibly for their parents. So, they seek a nursing facility where parents may be properly cared for in terms of their physical, psychological, and even spiritual health. Nursing homes with staff that understand the needs of the elderly are a great assistance. They have experience with many elderly residents, while our experience may be limited to our own loved one.



The situation becomes more complicated when parents ask their children to "never put me into a nursing home." As difficult as it is to refuse this request, neither you nor your parent knows how much care will be needed, so a guarantee isn't fair to the family. The best response would be: "We'll look after you as long as we possibly can, and we would only consider a nursing home if your needs become more than we could handle, or if it were the only place where you could be safely cared for."

Sometimes guilt arises when we haven't had the best relationship with a parent, and regret things from our past. The best

response then is to learn from the past and move forward. Commit to being more attentive, even though our parents no longer live with us. The worst abandonment would be depriving them of our love and affection.

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Homes for the elderly...should be the "sanctuaries" of humanity where one who is old and weak is cared for and protected....It is so good to go visit an elderly person! Look at our children: sometimes we see them listless and sad; they go visit an elderly person and become joyful!

—MEETING WITH THE ELDERLY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2014

Calendar

Monday
AUGUST 31
Weekday
1 Cor 2:1–5
Lk 4:16–30

Tuesday
SEPTEMBER 1
Weekday
1 Cor 2:10b–16
Lk 4:31–37

Wednesday
SEPTEMBER 2
Weekday
1 Cor 3:1–9
Lk 4:38–44

Thursday
SEPTEMBER 3
St. Gregory the Great,
Pope and Doctor
of the Church
1 Cor 3:18–23
Lk 5:1–11

Friday
SEPTEMBER 4
Weekday
1 Cor 4:1–5
Lk 5:33–39

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 5
Weekday
1 Cor 4:6b–15
Lk 6:1–5

Sunday
SEPTEMBER 6
Twenty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Ez 33:7–9
Rom 13:8–10
Mt 18:15–20

Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 30, 2020

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Jer 20:7–9

Rom 12:1–2

Mt 16:21–27

The Cost of Discipleship

In 1937, *The Cost of Discipleship* by a German Lutheran pastor, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, was published. The book reflected on the Sermon on the Mount, and the demands it outlined led to Bonhoeffer's arrest and eventual death at the hands of the Nazis. It can be very dangerous to be faithful to Jesus' way of life. This shouldn't surprise us. Jesus' teaching cost Jesus his life.

Though the Gospel reading does not provide us with a program of action, it repeats Jesus' charge to take up our cross and follow him. This cross is different for each of us; it makes very personal demands. We are called to lose our life for his sake. This was true at the time of Jesus; it is true today.

This was true at the time of the prophet Jeremiah as well. He was called to proclaim God's word to his own people. They would not listen. Instead, "I am an object

of laughter; / everyone mocks me" (Jeremiah 20:7). The prophet wants relief from his prophetic responsibility. Who wouldn't? What follows is quite moving. He makes up his mind that he will stop talking about God—but he can't. "It [the word of God] is as if fire is burning in my heart... / I grow weary holding back" (Jeremiah 20:9). That is the cost Jeremiah had to pay. The cross was the cost Jesus paid. And what of us?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- What is the cost of discipleship for you?
- What in your life might be the cross you are being asked to bear?

Jesus said to his disciples,
"Whoever wishes to come after
me must deny himself, take up his
cross, and follow me."

MATTHEW 16:24

