

Church of the Holy Angels

September 20, 2020, Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSSES 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, September 19

8:00am Stanley & Helen Bednarchik

4:00pm People of the Parish

5:30pm Elizabeth Stillo

Sunday, September 20

8:30am William & Jeannette Cole

10:30am Peter, Anna, Peter, Jr. & Daniel Merena

Monday, September 21

8:00am Joan Bolick

Tuesday, September 22

8:00am Chester Gard

Wednesday, September 23

8:00am Robert Daniels

Thursday, September 24

8:00am Stanley & Helen Bolick

Friday, September 25

8:00am Al Kase

Saturday, September 26

8:00am Antoinette Ferri

4:00pm Viola Pinamonti

5:30pm Peter Lentini

Sunday, September 27

8:30am Clara Mrozek

10:30am People of the Parish

Of Your Charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of **Daniel Yastishak**, a member of Holy Angels Parish Family. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

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 September 6 & 13

Number of registered households	880
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331 Sunday Offering (Households)	\$7,826.00
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Loose Cash	\$249.00
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Youth Offering	\$26.00
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Shortfall- Debt Reduction & Plus One	\$300.00
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Energy	\$6.00
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Votive Candles	\$165.00
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Assumption	\$36.00
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Catholic Education	\$175.00
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Forty Hours	\$148.00
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Amount Budgeted	\$8,333.00
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Amount Contributed	\$8,931.00
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Weekend of September 6 & 13	+\$589.00
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Improvement Fund

Previous Balance	\$15,758.00
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Weekend of September 6 & 13	+\$576.00
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Balance	\$16,334.00
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Diocesan Collections

Peter's Pence	\$288.00
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Missionary Cooperative	\$10.00
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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 \$19,292.00. Which leaves us \$644.00 short of our goal. If you have not yet made your contribution, please do so as soon as possible.

Outreach Cake Donations

We are supplying meals to approximately 150 people in our area on a weekly basis. As part of the meal, we provide a dessert. (Piece of cake, pie, cupcake, etc.) Often times we don't have enough to go around. If you would be willing to bake a cake and drop it off at the Activity Center on Wednesdays by 2PM, we would appreciate it!

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

September 20 thru September 26

Sanctuary Light: *In loving memory of*

Diane Thomas Rompallo by mother, Olga & Family

St. Anthony: *In loving memory of*

Elaine Duran by husband, Michael

St. Anne: *In loving memory of*

Patti Gluchowski Brennan and Dad by Mother & Wife

St. Casimir: *Special Intention*

St. Theresa: *Special Intention*

St. Kateri: *Special Intention*

St. Marziale: *In loving memory of*

Stella Pupo by Lucy & Charles Kaminsky

Sacred Heart: *Special Intention*

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!

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.

IMPORTANT PREP INFO

Holy Angels Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) will begin September 20 and 21. All registration and diocesan forms must be returned for each child attending class. These forms and other guidelines have been mailed home. For new students entering or if there are any questions, contact J. Foris 570-490-0099 for information.

Holy Name Society Pork Chop Dinner & HALO Apple Fest

September 27- Apple Fest

11:00AM-1:00PM

Apple dumplings, apple desserts & tasty treats,
Benton Cider Mill Cider!

Apple Dumpling sale will also be held October 3 & October 10, 11:00AM-1:00PM in the Activity Center.

September 27-Pork Chop Dinner

11:00AM-1:00PM

Dinner includes: 2 pork chops, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, vegetable and dessert
Donation \$10.00

Holy Angels Picnic Grounds

HALO RAFFLE

Apple Air Pod earbuds with charger

Chances 6 for \$5.00

Will be available at the Pork Chop Dinner

Mark your Calendars!

October 9-Potato Cake Sale

3:00-7:00PM

Holy Angels Picnic Grounds

3-\$3.00, 6-\$5.00, 12-\$10.00

Fryers and servers needed. Call Jeff at 570-492-2888

October 18-Spaghetti/Meatball/Chicken Parm

November 13-14-Stuffed Cabbage Sale

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

Free Golden Oldies Show

Saturday, October 3

Mount Carmel Town Park 6:00-8:00PM

Music by Memory Lane

Bring lawn chairs

Covid-19 rules in effect

Food & Refreshments available, Restrooms available.

Honoring 1st Responders.

Informal Cruise Sunday, October 4 from Farmers Market Parking Lot.

For more information call Joe at 570-373-3561.

Annual Chicken BBQ: Mother Cabrini Church, Shamokin will hold their Annual Chicken BBQ on Sunday, October 25, 2020 from 11:00AM – 1:00PM at the "Cabrini Shed", (corner of Race & Cherry Streets). The dinner will include a ½ chicken, baked potato, baked beans, roll and "a sweet". Donation \$9.00. Tickets can be purchased by calling Mother Cabrini Parish Office, 8AM to 4PM at 570-648-4512, ext. 1. (Take Out Only).

FATIMA Movie Released

On Friday, Aug. 28, the highly anticipated FATIMA movie was released in select theaters and made available to rent online. This film tells the story of a 10-year-old girl and her two younger cousins who in 1917 in Fátima, Portugal, witness multiple visitations of the Virgin Mary, who tells them that only prayer and suffering will bring an end to World War I. As secularist government officials and Church leaders try to force the children to recant their story, word of the sighting spreads across the country, inspiring religious pilgrims to flock to the site in hopes of witnessing a miracle. What they experience will transform their quiet lives and bring the attention of a world yearning for peace. Based on real-life events, FATIMA is an uplifting story about the power of faith.

FATIMA can now be seen in select theaters and streamed online. Please visit www.fatimathemovie.com for more information.

Diocese of Harrisburg 6th Annual (Virtual) Women's Conference

Diocesan Women's Conference Registration, schedule, and other information is available at www.hbgdiocese.org/women for the sixth annual Diocesan Women's Conference, taking place Saturday, October 17, 2020 from 9 am – 12:15 pm. This year's conference is Virtual. The theme is *Catholic Women: Our Place at the Table*. The Keynote is Emily Stimpson Chapman, nationally known Catholic author, speaker, and blogger. The title of her keynote address is: *Tasting the Love of God: Finding Healing and Joy at the Catholic Table*. Other featured speakers are Bishop Ronald Gainer and Mrs. Megan Murphy. There will also be Eucharistic Adoration as well as Praise and Worship music. Cost this year is just \$10 per person. Registration this year is online only. Please join us for this fabulous conference!

Disaster Collections

A special Collection will be taken beginning the weekend of September 19 and 20 for those impacted by Hurricane Laura and other natural disasters. The funds collected will support the USCCB Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund. As Archbishop Gomez, President of the USCCB, states in his Letter: "The funds collected in this special appeal will become part of the Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund and will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA and/or Catholic Relief Services, the official relief agencies of the U.S. Catholic Church, as they and their local agencies respond to immediate emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter, and medical care, and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts; and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church." Bishop Gainer commented, "Just a few years ago I had the privilege of preaching the annual retreat to the priests of the Lake Charles Diocese. I was very impressed by their zeal and dedication. Now they and the people they serve need our help. I realize that the pandemic has impacted our families and parishes but I know the generosity of our Catholic faithful and trust that our sacrifices will not go unrewarded." Please be generous.

You may make your contribution by using a plain envelope and mark it "Disasters"

The Knights of Columbus, The Christopher Club, Mount Carmel will hold a Breaded Pork Chop Dinner, Sunday, October 4, 2020 from 11:30AM until sold out. Full course dinner with dessert. Donation: \$10.00 No ticket needed. Take out only.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

In re Diocese of Harrisburg
Case No. 1:20-bk-00599 (HWV)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 19, 2020 the Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Bankruptcy Court has established November 13, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "bar date").

If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.

Please visit <https://dm.epiq11.com/RCDH> or call (866) 977-0992 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS MADE TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEBTOR'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

Dear Padre,

My nephew has a chronic illness. My father is saving money to send to him so he can send it to a faith healer my dad has seen on TV. What can I say to my dad to convince him this is a bad idea?

The Catholic Church teaches that “those who dwell in heaven” regularly intercede with God on our behalf (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 956), and those intercessions include healings.

But living people with the power to instantly heal physical and mental ailments are rare. Some “healers” have accomplices who fake illness or disability and are then “cured” for the sole purpose of getting people to give money to the “healer.” We should be very skeptical about these claims, because scam artists understand how easy it is to take advantage of people who are desperate for relief of pain or for the cure of a chronic or terminal illness.

One thing is certain: healing ultimately comes from God. Anyone who claims he or she is the healer and not simply God’s instrument is unquestionably a fraud.

Suggest to your dad that he talk to his priest before he sends any money to the “healer.” The best way for him to help his grandson is to pray for him and donate any money he has saved to an organization that does research into the condition. That way, your father will be helping everyone with the condition—not just your nephew.

—Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Jesus wants to make us contemplate the gaze of that landowner: the gaze with which he looks upon each of the laborers searching for work and calls them to go to his vineyard....It is a gaze which calls, invites one to get up and begin a journey because he wants life for each of us.

—ANGELUS, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

Calendar

Monday
SEPTEMBER 21
St. Matthew,
Apostle and
Evangelist
Eph 4:1–7, 11–13
Mt 9:9–13

Tuesday
SEPTEMBER 22
Weekday
Prv 21:1–6, 10–13
Lk 8:19–21

Wednesday
SEPTEMBER 23
St. Pius of Pietrelcina,
Priest
Prv 30:5–9
Lk 9:1–6

Thursday
SEPTEMBER 24
Weekday
Eccl 1:2–11
Lk 9:7–9

Friday
SEPTEMBER 25
Weekday
Eccl 3:1–11
Lk 9:18–22

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 26
Weekday
Eccl 11:9–12:8
Lk 9:43b–45

Sunday
SEPTEMBER 27
Twenty-sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Ez 18:25–28
Phil 2:1–11 or 2:1–5
Mt 21:28–32

Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 20, 2020

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 55:6–9

Phil 1:20c–24, 27a

Mt 20:1–16a

It's Not Fair

The story in the Gospel doesn't sound fair. Some people worked from early morning until evening; others joined them at the end of the workday. But they all got the same pay. How can that be fair? Perhaps fairness isn't the point of the story. But then, what is?

The landowner, symbolizing God, hired the workers “after agreeing with them for the usual daily wage” (Matthew 20:2). If the earliest workers presumed that the agreed-upon wage would be changed, does that make God unfair? Those workers expected God to conform to what they considered just—and justice certainly is a very important value. However, God acted out of divine generosity—a quality we hope to benefit from but which might engender resentment when it is bestowed upon others.

As difficult as this story might seem to us, it raises some important questions about ourselves. Perhaps the story is not so much about God as it is about our

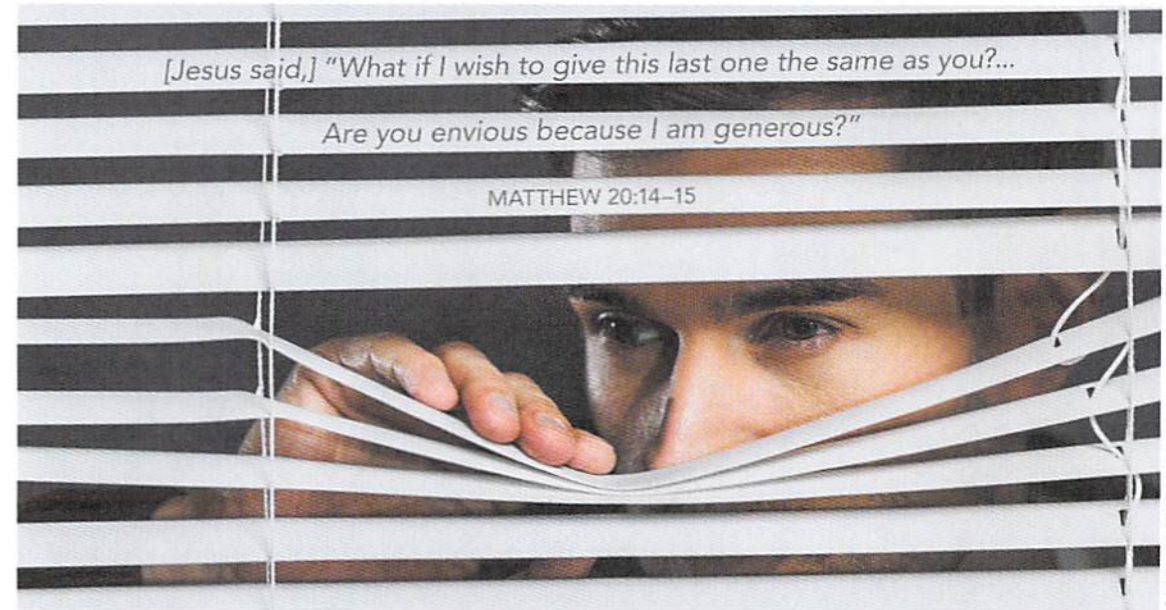
own attitudes. If we are faithful to what we believe is God's will for us, do we then presume that God owes us some kind of compensation? Do we expect that God will act according to our standards of retributive justice (this-for-that) rather than restorative justice (bring-it-back-to-life)? Do we resent God's graciousness toward others?

It is better that we all look to God for generosity than for justice. If we do, we will find, as the psalm response tells us: “The LORD is gracious and merciful” (Psalm 145:8).

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ Do you resent others who seem to have an easier life? Does this lead you to question God's justice?
- ★ Pray for the insight to realize that we earn nothing; everything is a gift from God.



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