

Church of the Holy Angels

October 4, 2020, Twenty-seventh 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, October 3

8:00am Sharon Marshalek
 4:00pm Thomas Barwicki
 5:30pm Ann & Ted Deptula

Sunday, October 4

8:30am People of the Parish
 10:30am 60th Wedding Anniversary of
 Norma & Robert Albert

Monday, October 5

8:00am Victor F. Nestico

Tuesday, October 6

8:00am Patricia Gluchowski Brennan

Wednesday, October 7

8:00am Ann Yanchuck

Thursday, October 8

8:00am Peter S. Lentini

Friday, October 9

8:00am Bill Roberts

Saturday, October 10

8:00am John & Marie Papp
 4:00pm Dominic D'Alexander
 5:30pm Special Intention of Rosanne Meyer

Sunday, October 11

8:30am Deceased of the Whytena Family
 10:30am People of the Parish

Of Your Charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of Mary Kaminsky, Rose Sando & Michael Sikora & Anoinette Wargo, members of Holy Angels Parish Family. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they 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 27

Number of registered households	880
158 Sunday Offering (Households)	\$2,988.00
Loose Cash	\$59.00
Youth Offering	\$13.00
Shortfall- Debt Reduction & Plus One	\$73.00
Votive Candles	\$33.00
Assumption	\$7.00
Catholic Education	\$80.00
Forty Hours	\$65.00
Energy	\$3.00
Fund-Raising (Pork Chop Dinner)	\$2,338.00

Amount Budgeted	\$8,333.00
Amount Contributed	\$5,659.00
Weekend of September 27	-\$2,674.00

Improvement Fund	
Previous Balance	\$16,395.00
Weekend of September 27	+\$170.00
Balance	\$16,565.00

Air Conditioner Replacement Campaign	
Goal	\$60,000.00
Donations to date	\$7,785.00
Balance	\$52,215.00

Diocesan Collections	
Peter's Pence	\$11.00
Disaster Relief	\$60.00

Diocesan Annual Campaign

A very special "thank you" to all who have contributed towards the Diocesan Annual Campaign. Our goal of \$19,936.00 has been reached!



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

October 4 thru October 10

Sanctuary Light: *In loving memory of Helen Thomas by husband, Clem*

St. Anthony: *Special Intention*

St. Anne: *Special Intention*

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

St. Theresa: *Special Intention*

St. Kateri: *Special Intention*

St. Marziale: *Special Intention*

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!

HALO Apple Dumplings

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

Holy Angels Boscov's Shopping Days

On October 14 & 15, we invite you to either shop in-store at Boscov's or online, mention Holy Angels Parish and our parish will receive 5% of your total purchase! No shopping pass to purchase.

Thank you and God Bless!

Mark your Calendars!

Friday, 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.

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).

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: \$12.00 No ticket needed. Take out only.

HALO School Supplies

We will be giving the bags out on Saturday, October 10th in the Activity Center from 11am to 1pm. Parents or grandparents are encouraged to stop in to pick up a bag of school supplies for your children!

Kulpmont American Legion

Breakfast Buffet

Sunday, October 11, 2020

8:00AM-1:00PM

\$8.00 All You Can Eat Breakfast

Includes: Eggs, Ham, Sausage, Home Fries,

Pancakes, Toast, Coffee & Juice!

Fall Food Sale

St. Patrick Church Hall

331 W. Shamokin Street

Trevorton, PA

Friday, October 30, 1:00-4:00PM

Saturday, October 31, 11:00AM-2:00PM

Homemade Soups, Pigeons, Haluski, Cole Slaw and Delicious Baked Goods!

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!

**Pulled Pork Barbeque Takeout Event
Bake Sale & Basket Raffle**

Pauline House

1136 Chestnut Street, Kulpmont

Friday, October 16, Basket Raffle Only

12:00 Noon-6:00PM

Saturday, October 17, Pulled Pork Barbeque

10:00AM-5:00PM

Pre-Sale of 100 tickets \$8.00 per platter
(some will be available the day of the event till sold out)

Platter includes: Pulled Pork with roll, baked macaroni & cheese, coleslaw and sauce.

Bake Sale with many homemade items!

Basket Raffle with over 50 baskets!

Tickets for the Raffle are \$20.00 per sheet of 26 tickets. After initial purchase, additional sheets can be purchased for \$10.00 per sheet.

Parking in rear, handicap accessible. COVID 19 recommendations of masks and social distancing.

Sponsored by St. Pauline foundation. Benefits Community Events and camp for diabetic and obese children.

St. Pauline Society Fruit/Nut Roll Sale

Cost \$16.00 per roll

Choose from: English Walnut, Poppyseed, apricot, Seedless Raspberry, Prune, Pumpkin Spice, Coconut Cream, Apple.

Contact Joann Sassani place order (570-259-9299.) Or drop off your order with payment to Holy Angels Parish Office. Deadline for ordering is November 1st, 2020. Orders will be delivered November 18 and can be picked up at the St. Pauline Center.

Air Conditioner Replacement

As you may be aware, we will need to replace our air-conditioning units in the spring of 2021. The approximate cost of this project will be \$60,000. At this time, we are off to a great start! If you would like to make contributions toward our air-conditioning, please use a plain envelope and mark it "air-conditioning". You can make a one-time large donation, or donate monthly. We will keep you updated on our progress on the financial page of the bulletin.

Knights of Columbus, The Christopher Club, hosting VINCES CHEESE STEAK HOAGIES, Tuesday, October 6, 2020, 12:30PM to 5:30PM in front of the K of C, 128 W. 3rd. Street, Mt. Carmel. Your support of this project is greatly appreciated.

The Christopher Club, Mount Carmel will be open Friday evenings serving various food items. Social distancing and LCB regulations are strictly followed, including mandated closing at 11:00PM.

Our Lady of Hope

Fall Food Sale and Basket Raffle

Friday, October 16, 4:00-8:00PM

Saturday, October 17, 11:00AM- 6:00PM

In the Parish Hall

Food is Take-out Only!

Menu: Haluski, Potato Cakes and Potato Cake Batter, Pigeons, Sausage Sandwich and Pierogies



The common theme of today's readings is the necessity of bearing fruit in the Christian life and the consequent punishment for spiritual sterility, ingratitude and wickedness. In today's first reading, called *Isaiah's Song of the Vineyard*, the prophet describes God's care of, and expectations for, His Chosen People. God's Chosen People have failed to bear fruit in spite of the blessings lavished upon them by a loving and forgiving God. Further, they have been poor tenants in the Lord's vineyard. Hence, God laments: "I expected my vineyard to yield good grapes. Why did it yield sour ones instead?" In the Responsorial Psalm (Ps.80), the Psalmist pleads with God to look down from Heaven and to "take care of this vine," knowing that if any good is to come of the vine, it will be God's doing and not the people's. In the second reading, Paul tells Philippians about the high expectations he has for them, reminding them that they need to become fruit-producing Christians by praying and giving thanks and by practicing justice, purity and graciousness in their lives. Giving a theological explanation of Israel's history of gross ingratitude through a parable, Jesus, in today's Gospel, reminds us Christians that, since we are the "new" Israel, enriched with additional blessings and provisions in the Church, we are expected to show our gratitude to God by bearing fruits of the kingdom, fruits of the Holy Spirit, in our lives, and to give God the Glory for these accomplishments.

Are we good fruit-producers in the vineyard of the Church? Jesus has given the Church everything necessary to make Christians fruit-bearing:

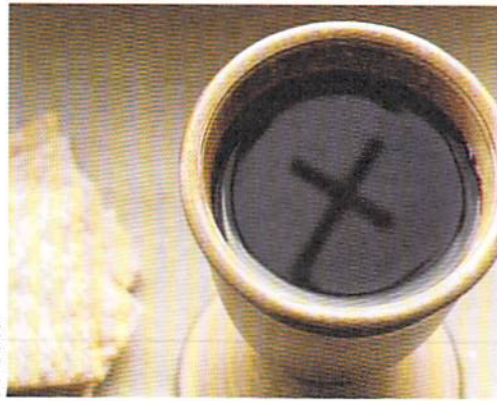
1. The Bible to know the will of God.
2. The priesthood to lead the people in God's ways.
3. The Sacrament of Reconciliation for the remission of sins.
4. The Holy Eucharist as our spiritual Food and Drink.
5. The Sacrament of Confirmation for a dynamic life of Faith.
6. The Sacrament of Matrimony for the sharing of love in families, the fundamental unit of the Church.
7. Role models in thousands of saints We are expected make use of these gifts and produce fruits for God.

Dear Padre,

Aren't we discriminating against other Christians when we don't celebrate the Eucharist with them?

You have to keep the Church's intentions in mind: Are we excluding to make people feel left out, or are we excluding to uphold the dignity and sanctity of the Eucharist?

Everyone is welcome to celebrate the Eucharist—there's only one part they can't participate in. That might sound like a cop-out, but Catholics believe that the Eucharist is the actual Body and Blood of Christ. For it to be true Communion, everyone who receives it must believe the same thing about it.



In its Guidelines for the Reception of Communion, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops says, "Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily

not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission" as outlined in canon law. "All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another" (GRC).

—Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Many members of our communities yearn to receive the Eucharist at one table, as the concrete expression of full unity. We experience the pain of those who share their whole lives, but cannot share God's redeeming presence at the Eucharistic table....We long for this wound in the Body of Christ to be healed.

—JOINT STATEMENT, CATHOLIC-LUTHERAN
COMMEMORATION OF THE REFORMATION, OCTOBER 31, 2016

Calendar

Monday
OCTOBER 5
Weekday
Gal 1:6–12
Lk 10:25–37

Tuesday
OCTOBER 6
Weekday
Gal 1:13–24
Lk 10:38–42

Wednesday
OCTOBER 7
Our Lady of the Rosary
Gal 2:1–2, 7–14
Lk 11:1–4

Thursday
OCTOBER 8
Weekday
Gal 3:1–5
Lk 11:5–13

Friday
OCTOBER 9
Weekday
Gal 3:7–14
Lk 11:15–26

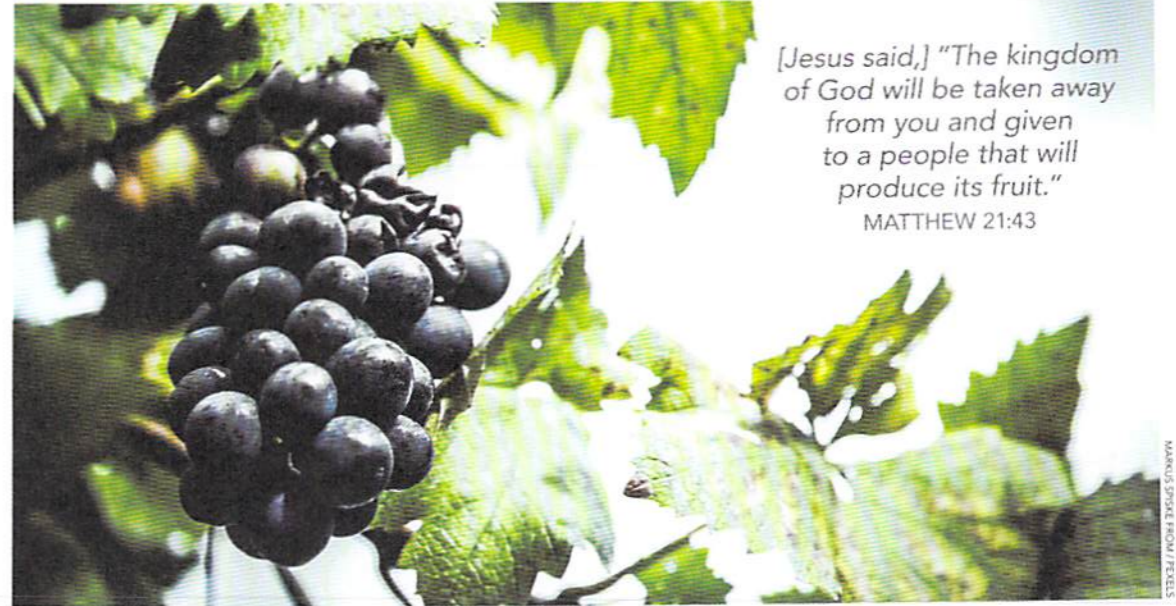
Saturday
OCTOBER 10
Weekday
Gal 3:22–29
Lk 11:27–28

Sunday
OCTOBER 11
*Twenty-eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*
Is 25:6–10a
Phil 4:12–14,
19–20
Mt 22:1–14
or 22:1–10

Our Parish COMMUNITY

October 4, 2020

Twenty-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time (A)
Is 5:1–7 | Phil 4:6–9
Mt 21:33–43



[Jesus said,] "The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."
MATTHEW 21:43

Caring for God's Vineyard

Today's readings are troubling texts. This is not because of what they say, but because of how they have been interpreted through the ages. In the first reading, despite everything the owner has done, the vineyard identified as Israel/Judah has brought forth wild grapes. In the Gospel the issue is with the trustworthiness of those who work and care for the vineyard. It is clear that Jesus is criticizing the leaders of his day with a failure of leadership. For this reason, leadership will be taken from them and given to others.

Both of these readings have been interpreted as condemnation of the Jewish people. This has sometimes resulted in anti-Semitism. We must remember that both readings reflect internal problems—something that all religious bodies experience. Despite their failure, the people of Judah

were still called God's "cherished plant" (Isaiah 5:7). In the Gospel, leadership was taken from some Jews and given to other Jews—not to outsiders. One religious tradition didn't replace another.

We experience similar struggles in today's Church. As the vineyard of God, what kind of fruit do we produce? After all God has done for us, how do we respond? How faithful are we in caring for God's vineyard? This is a difficult time with respect to religious leadership, but how supportive are we of genuine local Church leadership? You and I have been entrusted with the growth and health of the Church. How good have we been at caring for that vineyard?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ✦ We are the Church. How do we handle some of its internal problems?
- ✦ We pray for the leaders of the Church at every liturgy. Make those prayers your own.

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