

Church of the Holy Angels

November 8, 2020, Thirty Second 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

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, November 7

8:00am Joan D'Avanti

4:00pm Rita Buggy

5:30pm Bruno & Barbara Scicchitano

Sunday, November 8

8:30am Living & Deceased Veterans

10:30am People of the Parish

Monday, November 9

8:00am Bill Roberts

Tuesday, November 10

8:00am All Souls Intentions

Wednesday, November 11

8:00am Deceased of the Victor and Catherine
Mirarchi Family

Thursday, November 12

8:00am Deceased of the Smetona Family

Friday, November 13

8:00am Susan Diak Gluchowski

Saturday, November 14

8:00am Albert J. GoodLunas, Jr.

4:00pm Jean Cherneski

5:30pm Diane Rompallo

Sunday, November 15

8:30am Living & Deceased of the
Knights of Columbus

10:30am People of the Parish

Of Your Charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of **Frank Kreski and Mary Ann Pollack**, 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.

Sacrificial Offering

Weekend of November 1

Number of registered households 882

172 Sunday Offering (Households) \$4,381.00

Loose Cash \$109.00

Youth Offering \$23.00

Shortfall- Debt Reduction & Plus One \$61.00

Votive Candles \$45.00

Forty Hours \$12.00

All Saints, Ascension, Assumption 734.00

Catholic Education \$6.00

Individual Contribution \$840.00

Amount Budgeted \$8,333.00

Amount Contributed \$6,211.00

Weekend of November 1 -\$2,122.00

Improvement Fund

Previous Balance \$17,129.00

Weekend of November 1 +\$223.00

Balance \$17,352.00

Air Conditioner Replacement Campaign

Goal \$60,000.00

Donations to date \$9,536.00

Balance \$50,464.00

Diocesan Collections

World Mission Sunday \$18.00

Peter's Pence \$5.00

A Few Reminders

***Masks are to be worn as face covering the entire time parishioners attend Mass or any other liturgical event in the parish including sacramental Confession. They are not to be lowered at any time while in the church except to receive Holy Communion. It is not acceptable for parishioners to lower their face masks while sitting in the pew.**

***Social distancing is to be strictly enforced. The measure of 6 feet between individuals and family groups is to be maintained while seated and moving.**

***Groups are NOT to gather outside of our churches for social time. Face masks should be worn until a person has left the church property and distanced himself or herself from other congregants.**

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

November 8 thru November 14

Sanctuary Light: *In loving memory of Eleanor Hrapowicki by Children & Grandchildren*

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

St. Anne: *In loving memory of Steve & Bertilla Maciejewski by Jack & Catherine and Family*

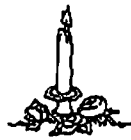
St. Casimir: *Special Intention*

St. Theresa: *Special Intention*

St. Kateri: *Special Intention*

St. Marziale: *In loving memory of Linda Greco by Rosa Dominiyanni*

Sacred Heart: *Special Intention*



Thanksgiving Day Dinner

Holy Angels Parish will once again be sponsoring a Thanksgiving Day Dinner from 11:00-1:00PM at the Activity Center. There is no cost for this superb dinner! This year, however, it will be take out only. Simply drive up to the cones by the Activity Center door and someone will bring your meals out to your vehicle. We ask that those in the vehicle please wear a mask as volunteer approaches.

PREP

Classes will be held on Sundays, November 15, 22 for grades 6, 7, 8 at 9:30AM-11:30AM.
Classes will be held on Mondays, November 9, 16, 23 for grades 1-5 from 5:30PM-7:00PM.

Holy Angels Stuffed Cabbage Sale

Friday & Saturday, November 13-14

9:00AM-1:00PM

Must buy in quantities of 4

Donation \$7.00 for 4

No pre-orders.

Christmas Cookie Sale

Holy Angels will once again be having their Christmas Cookie Sale. Cookies are \$5.00 per dozen and cookies must be purchased by the dozen. Orders with payment are due by November 22. Pick up date is Saturday, December 12, between 10AM-12PM in the Activity Center. Order forms are available in the back of the church.

MOUNT CARMEL – Mount Carmel Area Ministerium Food Pantry has announced food distribution times for the month of the November.

Income-eligible residents may receive food once per month. Food will be provided at these times:

Tuesday, Nov. 3 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 11 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 18 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 24 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Because of the coronavirus, the pantry is not yet holding distributions in which clients enter the building. Instead, pantry hours are scheduled in which clients park in front of the building, and food is brought out to them. Volunteers will be working inside the building to package food items and use carts to take the food outside when clients check in. The pantry is open to income-eligible residents of the Mount Carmel Area School District and income-eligible residents of other communities who are members of churches that are part of the Ministerium.

Court Our Lady of Victory #588

Court Our Lady of Victory #588 is selling Bayberry candles. This is a tradition to burn a Bayberry candle on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve to bring health and prosperity. Two tapers per box, \$10.00 a box. Please contact Nora Avellino at 570-534-7034

Roast Beef Dinner

Divine Redeemer Parish

400 Block West Cherry Street, Mount Carmel

Sunday, November 15, 202

Take-out only!

11:00AM to 1:00PM

Donation \$10.00

Must be pre-ordered by Monday, November 9. Call Divine Redeemer Parish Office to place an order and arrange payment 570-339-3450.

Homemade Slovak Nutrolls

Divine Redeemer Church

Walnut-Poppyseed-Pumpkin

Measures 15 inches-weight 1 ½ pounds

\$16.00 each with pre-paid orders due by Friday, November 6. Call Divine Redeemer Parish Office to place an order and arrange payment 570-339-3450

Our Lady of Hope 4 Cheese Lasagna Dinner TAKE-OUT ONLY

Sunday, November 8, 2020

11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

OLOH Parish Hall

Donation \$9.00

Includes: lasagna, salad, roll, dessert and beverage.

Thanksgiving Manna Bags

This year, instead of donating non-perishables as you have in the past, we ask that you make a monetary donation instead to help the needy and we will purchase the items which we can put in the baskets. The baskets we give out have a variety of canned goods and non-perishables as well as a 12-14lb turkey. Any amount of a monetary donation will be greatly appreciated. Please place your donation in an envelope marked "Manna Bag" and either drop it off in the collection or at the parish office.

**Kulpmont American Legion
Breakfast Buffet**

Sunday, November 15, 2020
8:00AM-1:00PM

\$8.00 All You Can Eat

includes: Eggs, Ham, Sausage, Home Fries,
Waffles, French Toast, Coffee, Juice.

Christmas Mass Schedule

We have been given permission from Bishop Gainer to celebrate Christmas Eve Masses with the earliest time being 2:00PM. Because we are unable to accommodate the normal amount of people in the church, we will be adding additional Masses this year. The Christmas Mass Schedule is:

Christmas Eve

2:00PM, 4:00PM, 6:00PM, 8:00PM

Christmas Day

8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00PM.

With the additional Masses we will also be in need of a few volunteers to help with sanitizing the pews in between Masses. If we have 4 people helping, the sanitizing is done in about 10 mins. If you feel you will be able to help with this, please call the parish office and let us know what Mass you will be attending for Christmas and that you are willing to stay afterwards to help with sanitizing.



Standing Altar Candles for the Month of November

In Loving Memory of

John Voloshin..... wife, Anna Marie & Family
 Carmen & Margie Altmire..... Niece & Family
 Clem & Helen Parker..... Children
 Charles Mannello..... daughter, Cindy & Family
 Michael Soubik..... Kris, Alan & Brooke Korkuch
 Chester Gard..... wife, Ann & Children
 Bill Roberts..... wife, Joan
 Charles Mannello..... wife, Alma & Children

Given by

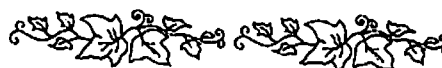
The Twelve Days of Christmas and One for Good Luck!

Holy Angels Parish will be selling chances on gift baskets just in time for the Christmas Holidays. Donation is \$10.00 for 5 numbers with winning ticket based on the PA Evening Lottery Number! Only 200 Tickets will be on sale throughout the month of November at the Parish Office with drawings beginning on December 10th and ending on December 22nd. All prizes are valued at \$100 or more and include, but not limited to:
 \$100 Knoebels Tickets with \$100 Cash!
 \$100 Texas Road House Gift Card
 \$100 Weis Gift Card
 Air Fryer with embellishments
 Pre-lit Christmas Tree & Ornaments
 Christmas Warmth & Joy includes lottery tickets, wine, blanket, cards, stamps
 Bath Towels & Bathroom Items
 Christmas Breakfast Griddle/Waffle Maker
 Christmas Toy Basket
 Small Grill & Umbrella with Cooler
 Christmas Basket
 Restaurant Gift Cards
 Large Television!

Missalettes

Beginning the weekend of November 29, the First Sunday of Advent, we will be distributing a missalette to those of you who have been attending Mass on a regular basis. You are to TAKE THE MISSALETTE HOME WITH YOU AND BRING IT BACK FOR YOUR USE.

The Knights of Columbus, The Christopher Club, Mt. Carmel, will sponsor a FILLED CHICKEN BREAST DINNER, SUNDAY, NOV. 22, 2020, from 11:30 AM until sold out. Ticket NOT required. Take Out Only.



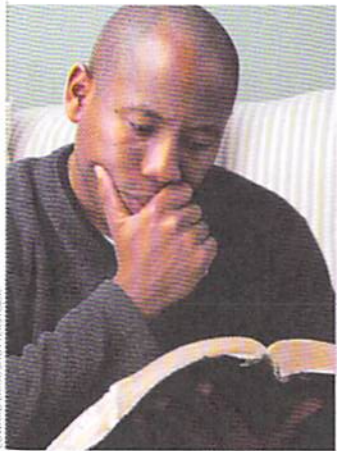
When Bishop Philip Brooks, author of "O, Little Town of Bethlehem," was seriously ill, he requested that none of his friends come to see him. But when an acquaintance of his named Robert Ingersoll, the famous anti-Christian propagandist, came to see him, Brooks allowed him to enter his room. Ingersoll said, "I appreciate this very much, especially when you aren't letting any of your close friends see you." Bishop Brooks responded, "Oh, I'm confident of seeing them in the next world, but this may be my last chance to see you."

Dear Padre,

A non-Christian friend asked if Catholics read the Bible. What can I say about Catholics and the Bible?

Yes. Catholics consider the Bible to be the inspired word of God by which he revealed to the Jewish and early Christian people who he is and how they can attain salvation. The Bible comprises many shorter works collected together. The books of the Bible were written at different times by different people. There are two parts to the Bible: the Old Testament and the New Testament.

The Old Testament talks about God's relations with the Jewish people before the coming of Jesus. The Old Testament consists of the first five books, which



are sometimes called the Pentateuch; the histories, which tell about the conquest of the Holy Land; the prophets, which record the words of those sent to Israel to call it back to the true belief in God; the writings, containing sacred songs (the Psalms), advice on everyday living, and other explorations of religious issues. In the Greek tradition, which Catholics follow, the Old Testament contains forty-six books.

The New Testament, a collection of twenty-seven shorter books, talks about Jesus and his followers. It consists of the four Gospels, which are about Jesus' life on earth, his death, and resurrection; letters, which are written to newly established Christian

communities to guide them in their faith; the Acts of the Apostles, which is a history of the activities of the early Church; and a book of prophecy, called Revelation.

—Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

The study of the sacred Scriptures must be a door opened to every believer....Evangelization demands familiarity with God's word, which calls for dioceses, parishes, and Catholic associations to provide for a serious, ongoing study of the Bible, while encouraging its prayerful individual and communal reading.

—EVANGELII GAUDIUM, NOVEMBER 24, 2013

Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 9

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Rome)

Ez 47:1–2, 8–9, 12

1 Cor 3:9c–11, 16–17

Jn 2:13–22

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 10

St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Ti 2:1–8, 11–14

Lk 17:7–10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 11

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

Ti 3:1–7

Lk 17:11–19

Thursday

NOVEMBER 12

St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

Phmn 7–20

Lk 17:20–25

Friday

NOVEMBER 13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

2 Jn 4–9

Lk 17:26–37

Saturday

NOVEMBER 14

Weekday

3 Jn 5–8

Lk 18:1–8

Sunday

NOVEMBER 15

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prv 31:10–13,

19–20, 30–31

1 Thes 5:1–6

Mt 25:14–30

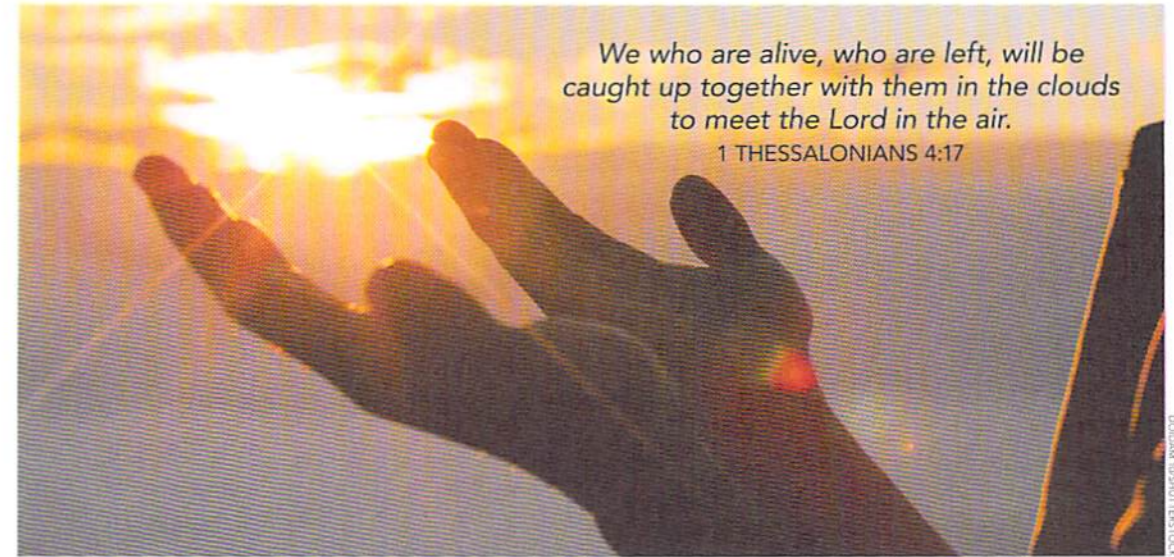
Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 8, 2020

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Wis 6:12–16

1 Thes 4:13–18 or 4:13–14 | Mt 25:1–13



We who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.

1 THESSALONIANS 4:17

Everybody Wants to Go to Heaven, but Nobody Wants to Die

This is the title of a bluegrass song as well as a book on bioethics. It's a clever title, and there is some profound truth in it. Death, which is so natural for living things, seems so unnatural to human beings, who cling tenaciously to life. One would think that believers who hold that Christ conquered death would be comforted by that faith. However, that isn't always the case. It's not that they don't believe; it's that they don't *understand* what they believe. But that is the difference between understanding and believing.

This is the problem described in Paul's letter today. The Thessalonians believed that, through his resurrection, Christ conquered death. Then why did some among them begin to die? Did those dying lack faith? No, Paul insists. Jesus, who died and rose, embraces those who have died and who will rise with him. Did the people fully understand this? Do we? Isn't this a question of faith—and trust?

Paul thought that he and other believers could still be alive when the rising would happen, and they were not. Or were they? Doesn't our faith give us hope that we—both the living and the dead—will be embraced by God's mercy? Doesn't something wondrous occur when those who have "fallen asleep" wake up in the glory of God? Still, we might not understand all of this, but we are called to believe, and in believing we are told to "console one another with these words" (1 Thessalonians 4:18).

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- What about death frightens you?
- At such moments, remind yourself that God loves you and that the risen Christ will embrace you.