

Church of the Holy Angels

August 29, 2021, Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSSES OF OBLIGATION: SATURDAY 4:00PM, 5:30PM

SUNDAY 8:30AM & 10:30AM

CONFESSIONS: HALF HOUR BEFORE WEEKEND

MASSSES OR BY APPOINTMENT

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, Administrative Assistant

Joseph Fesniak 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 28

8:00am Edward G. Teevan

4:00pm Sonia Rakowski

5:30pm Deceased of the Ortona Family

Sunday, August 29

8:30am Patricia Zlocki

10:30am People of the Parish

Monday, August 30

8:00am Safety & Health of Holy Cross

Football Team

Tuesday, August 31

8:00am Barbara Jean Kahler

Wednesday, September 1

8:00am Fr. Ray, Fr. Berger & Fr. Kemper

Thursday, September 2

6:30pm Patricia Nestico

Friday, September 3

8:00am James Nolan

Saturday, September 4

8:00am Brock Long

4:00pm Angelo D'Alexander

5:30pm Francis Sando

Sunday, September 5

8:30am People of the Parish

10:30am Richard Jakuc

Of Your Charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of **Anna Marie Voloshin**, 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.

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 22

Number of registered households 863

Sunday Offering (189 Households) \$3,205.00

Loose Cash \$59.00

Youth Offering \$35.00

Shortfall- Debt Reduction & Plus One \$17.00

Votive Candles \$122.00

Energy \$148.00

Assumption of the BVM \$88.00

Ascension \$5.00

Amount Budgeted \$8,333.00

Amount Contributed \$3,679.00

Weekend of August 22 -\$4,654.00

Improvement Fund

Previous Balance \$23,387.00

Weekend of August 22 +\$21.00

Balance \$23,408.00

Air Conditioner Replacement Campaign

Goal \$60,000.00

Donations to date \$29,691.00

Balance \$30,309.00

Mass intentions are available for the remainder of the year. Please call or stop by the parish office if you would like to schedule a Mass.

PREP Classes

Students in Grades 1 thru 8 enrolled in the Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) will begin classes as follows:

Grades 6-7-8, Sunday, September 12, 9:30-11:30AM

Grades 1 thru 5, Monday, September 13, 5:30-7:00PM.

If your child is not yet registered for PREP, please do so as soon as possible. Registration forms are available in the vestibule and can be returned either thru the Sunday Collection or dropped off at the Parish Office.

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.
5. Must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist
6. If single, should not be co-habiting with significant other.

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.

With Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the St. Pauline Center, join us Fridays at 3:00 pm for praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by recitation of the Rosary. Prayers are lead by one of the BF Associates of Holy Angels. All are welcome.

Vigil Lights

August 29 thru September 4

Sanctuary Light: *In loving memory of Elaine Duran by husband, Michael*

St. Anthony: *Special intention of Pauline Mirarchi*



St. Anne: *In loving memory of*

The Deceased of the Mattis Family by Joan Roberts

St. Casimir: *In loving memory of*

The Deceased of the Roberts Family by Joan Roberts

St. Theresa: *Special intention*

St. Kateri: *Special intention*

St. Marziale: *In loving memory of*

Ronald Procopio by wife, Cindy & Children

Sacred Heart: *Special intention*

Parish Council Meeting

September 2, 2021 at 7:00PM
in the rectory

Finance Council Meeting

September 9, 2021 at 7:00PM
in the rectory

Adult Choir

Practice will be held on Wednesday, September 1,
2021 at 7:00PM.

Chicken Bar-B-Que

Sunday, September 19, 2021

Holy Angels Picnic Grounds

11:00AM until sold out

Donation \$9.00

Includes: Half Chicken, Baked Potato, Veggie and
Dessert!

No tickets needed! No pre-orders!



Holy Angels Holy Name Society

Chicken Wing Sale

Saturday, October 9, 2021

1:00-5:00PM or until sold out

Holy Angels Picnic Grounds

Donation \$10.00 per dozen

There will be a variety of wing sauces available.

No pre-orders or tickets needed!

Back to School Party

Students of Holy Angels Parish are invited to the Parish Back to School Party on Sunday, August 29 at 1:00PM in the Activity Center. School supplies will be given to each student and all can enjoy some goodies!

K of C Wine Fest

Tickets are available at Holy Angels Parish Office for the K of C Wine Fest which will be held Saturday, October 16, 2021, 1:00-5:00PM on Holy Angels Picnic Ground. Donation \$20.00 pre-sale. (\$25.00 at the gate)

Mount Carmel Area

Ministerium Food Pantry

Tuesday, September 7, 4:00-6:00PM

Wednesday, September 23, 1:00-3:00PM

Each household may visit the pantry once each month.

PREP INFO

Registration forms for PREP Classes 2021-2022 are in the vestibule of the church. Anyone that has not registered, please complete a form and return it to the rectory ASAP. A student cannot be admitted without a completed registration. Also, remember that prior to First Communion a child must have 2 years of instruction. Any questions, call J. Foris at 570-490-0099.

St. Pauline Society Annual Purse + More Raffle and Homemade Food Sale

Friday, September 10, 2021, 12:00 Noon-6:00PM

Saturday, September 11, 2021, 11:00AM-4:00PM

St. Pauline Center

1150 Chestnut Street, Kulpmont, PA

\$20 for a sheet of 26 tickets. After initial purchase, additional sheets of 26 tickets can be purchased for \$10.

Need not be present to win

Homemade food will be available for purchase as well as baked goods. Handicap accessible, parking in rear.

Manna For The Many

Manna For The Many is a food pantry located at St. John's U.C.C. Church, 117 North 8th Street in Shamokin. This food pantry will now be serving the residents of the Mt. Carmel Area School District in addition to the Shamokin Area, Southern Columbia Area and Line Mountain Area School Districts. If you know of a person or family in need please share this information with them. The schedule is:

September 7, 9:00-11:00AM

September 8, 1:00-3:00PM

September 9, 6:00-8:00PM

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women of the Diocese to join us at the Fall Mini Retreat on Saturday, September 25, 2021 at Saint Catherine Laboure Church, 4000 Derry Street, Harrisburg, PA 17111. The theme is "Joined in Our Faith". The day begins with registration at 8:15 a.m. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. followed by 2 morning workshops, lunch and 1 afternoon workshop. The day will end with the Divine Mercy Chaplet and closing prayer. Register by contacting Brenda Wolf at 717-658-8191 or brendaangel.musicwithmama@gmail.com. Please make checks payable to: "Seton District Council of Catholic Women" Registration deadline is September 15, 2021. Please bring a Rosary and bible. See the **HDCCW website**, hdccw.webs.com for additional details and other Diocesan CCW information.

**Our Lady of Hope Parish
Spaghetti Dinner
Friday, September 17, 2021
Parish Hall-Oak & Chestnut Street
Coal Township
4:00-6:00PM
Donation \$10.00**

Includes: Spaghetti, meatballs, bread, salad & dessert.

Pro-Life Event of the Year – Everyone is invited to see and hear **Rachel Campos-Duffy**, national pro-life Fox News contributor, author and moth of nine children speak at the **2021 Celebrate Life Banquet** to benefit the work of the PA Pro-Life Federation Education Fund. The event will be held from 6:00-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 22nd at the Radisson Hotel Harrisburg, 1150 Camp Hill Bypass, Camp Hill. Individual seats are \$60. Tables of 8 may be sponsored starting at \$600. For more information or to register, visit www.paprolife.org/state-events or call the Federation office at 717-541-0034.

"Put your hand in Jesus' hand": For almost 50 years Mother Teresa worked in the slums of Calcutta, India. She worked among the most forsaken people on earth. You and I would recoil from most of the people that she touched every day – the dispossessed, the downtrodden, the diseased, the desperate. And yet, everybody who met Mother Teresa remarked on her warm smile. How, after almost 50 years of working in conditions like that did she keep a warm smile on her face? Mother explains that it is interesting. "When I was leaving home in Yugoslavia at age of 18 to become a nun, my mother told me something beautiful and very strange." She said, "You go put your hand in Jesus' hand and walk along with him." And that was the secret of Mother Teresa's life ever after. (Rev. King Duncan). -- Many of us here have good jobs, we live in nice homes, and we have easy situations. But we don't have the warm smile on our faces that this little nun, working in the most desperate situation imaginable, had on her face. What's the difference? It may be that we've never put our hand in Jesus' hand. It may be that we have Jesus only on our lips as St. James remarks in the second reading and as Jesus remarks in today's Gospel.

Today's readings explain what true religion is. It is not simply the scrupulous external observance of rules, laws, traditions and rituals. It is a loving, obedient relationship with God expressed in recognizing His presence in other human beings and rendering them loving and humble service. Prayers, rituals, Sacraments and religious practices only help us to practice this true religion in our daily lives.

Let us accept the challenge to become hearers and doers of God's word as St. James instructs us: Let us ask ourselves how the Sunday or daily readings are affecting or changing our lives. That will show us whether we are being attentive listeners to, and doers of, God's word. We become more fully Jesus' family members, only when we consistently "hear the word of God and do it" (Lk 8:21). When we receive Jesus in Holy Communion today, let us ask for the grace to become the doers of his word as Jesus was the doer of his Fathers' will.

**Marion Heights Fire Co. Food Truck Fund-raiser
Rexy's Gourmet Hot Dogs
Friday, September 3, 11:30AM-5:30PM
Location: Marion Heights Fire Company
418 Warsaw Street
Marion Heights**



Annual Chicken BBQ

Mother Cabrini Church, Shamokin will hold their Annual Chicken BBQ on Sunday, October 10, 2021 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, cranberry sauce, roll and "a sweet".** Donation \$10.00. Tickets can be purchased by calling Mother Cabrini Parish Office, 8AM to 4PM at 570-648-4512, ext. 1. Deadline to place an order is 12Noon on Friday, September 24th. (Take Out Only).

Boscov's Friends Helping Friends

Holy Angels Ladies Organization (HALO) will be sponsoring a Shopping Pass Day at Boscov's on October 20th. The Shopping Pass is \$5.00 and entitles you to 25% off the lowest sale price. Passes are available at Holy Angels Parish Office at this time.

To report suspected abuse of a minor, please follow these two steps:

1

Call the toll-free PA Child Abuse Hotline at **1-800-932-0313**

2

Report suspected abuse of a minor by a church official, employee or volunteer by calling the diocesan toll-free hotline at **1-800-626-1608**

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU REPORT SUSPECTED ABUSE WITH BOTH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE DIOCESE.
Email: ReportAbuse@hbgdiocese.org

Diocese of Harrisburg Youth Protection Program www.YouthProtectionHBG.com

Dear Padre,

I recently had a spirited discussion with a Protestant friend regarding Romans 8:26. He believes his “perfected prayer of being filled with the Holy Spirit and speaking in tongues” is addressed in that verse. What does the Church say about this verse?

Romans 8:26 says, “In the same way, the Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit itself intercedes with inexpressible groanings.”

I’d be careful not to interpret this passage too narrowly and limit its application only to the gift of speaking in tongues. In fact, its application is much broader and actually can be applied to all Christian prayer.

When it comes to praying effectively, all of us can use some extra help. We get that help from the Holy Spirit. Scripture scholar Joseph A. Fitzmayer, SJ, maintains that the Holy Spirit actually plays an active and dynamic role in helping Christians pray effectively by interceding on his or her behalf. In effect, the Holy Spirit expresses for us the inaudible prayers and groaning of our hearts, for which we have no words. So, when we pray, the Holy Spirit is actually present to us and makes up for what we are lacking in our prayer due to our own human weakness.

Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSSR | Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Let us try asking ourselves: Am I open to the action of the Holy Spirit?...This is a prayer we must pray every day: “Holy Spirit, make my heart open to the word of God, make my heart open to goodness, make my heart open to the beauty of God every day.”

GENERAL AUDIENCE, MAY 15, 2013

Calendar

Monday
AUGUST 30
Weekday
1 Thes 4:13–18
Lk 4:16–30

Tuesday
AUGUST 31
Weekday
1 Thes 5:1–6, 9–11
Lk 4:31–37

Wednesday
SEPTEMBER 1
Weekday
Col 1:1–8
Lk 4:38–44

Thursday
SEPTEMBER 2
Weekday
Col 1:9–14
Lk 5:1–11

Friday
SEPTEMBER 3
St. Gregory the Great,
Pope and Doctor
of the Church
Col 1:15–20
Lk 5:33–39

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 4
Weekday
Col 1:21–23
Lk 6:1–5

Sunday
SEPTEMBER 5
Twenty-third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Is 35:4–7a
Jas 2:1–5
Mk 7:31–37

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Ow'r Parish COMMUNITY

August 29, 2021

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Dt 4:1–2, 6–8

Jas 1:17–18, 21b–22, 27

Mk 7:1–8, 14–15, 21–23

Law Versus Values

That is a very difficult choice to place before people. Why can't we choose both? Actually, that is the ideal.

Law is a legislated way that a group lives out a value. We value safe highways, and so we legislate traffic regulations, speed limits, and so forth. We value communal prayer, and so we devise liturgical calendars and worship ceremonies. Usually, the way we live out a value changes more frequently than the value itself. However, it often happens that people become so attached to a custom or law, though unfamiliar with the underlying value it embodies, that a change of custom becomes very disruptive. This certainly happened in the Church after the Second Vatican Council, which took place in the 1960s.

This seems to be the source of tension in today's Gospel scene. Washing hands before eating was a ritual custom here, not just a hygienic one. It probably originated with priests who bloodied their hands while sacrificing animals. Eventually, ritual washing became one of the 613 customs that Pharisees expected every Jewish man to observe. Referred to as “a hedge around the law,” such customs served to ensure the law itself was protected and would not be broken. Jesus' disciples did not observe this ritual, and so they were criticized.

Jesus immediately came to their defense. He did not disparage the value of appropriate ritual behavior. Rather, he accused his opponents of clinging to out-of-date practices while disregarding underlying values. Practices are external; values are internal. Laws and customs can change; fundamental principles and standards endure.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

Do you have a favorite religious practice? The rosary? Communal singing? What religious value does it reflect?

[Jesus said,]
“Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.”

MARK 7:15

