

# Church of the Holy Angels

November 21, 2021, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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MASSSES OF OBLIGATION: SATURDAY 4:00PM, 5:30PM  
 SUNDAY 8:30AM & 10:30AM

CONFESSIONS: HALF HOUR BEFORE WEEKEND  
 MASSES 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

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Saturday, November 20

8:00am Mildred Lacrosse  
 4:00pm Ben Terry  
 5:30pm John Bartol

Sunday, November 21

8:30am Ron Procopio  
 10:30am People of the Parish

Monday, November 22

8:00am Deceased of the Roberts Family

Tuesday, November 23

8:00am Olga Nolan

Wednesday, November 24

8:00am John & Anna Croker

Thursday, November 25, Thanksgiving Day

8:00am All Souls Intentions

Friday, November 26

8:00am Peter & Mary Pittello

Saturday, November 27

8:00am Deceased of the Mattis Family  
 4:00pm Clem & Helen Parker  
 5:30pm Kelly Bressi

Sunday, November 28

8:30am Charles F. Mannello  
 10:30am People of the Parish

*Of Your Charity*, please pray for the repose of the soul of **John Goodeluin**, 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,  
 Alex Clayberger.

## Sacrificial Offering

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Weekend of November 14

Number of registered households	863
Sunday Offering (198 Households)	\$3,306.00
Loose Cash	\$86.00
Youth Offering	\$26.06
Shortfall- Debt Reduction & Plus One	\$118.00
Votive Candles	\$92.00
Energy	\$84.00
All Saints	\$35.00

Amount Budgeted	\$8,333.00
Amount Contributed	\$3,747.06
Weekend of November 14	-\$4,585.94

Improvement Fund	
Previous Balance	\$25,601.00
Weekend of November 14	+\$168.00
Balance	\$25,769.00

Air Conditioner Replacement Campaign	
Goal	\$60,000.00
Donations to date	\$40,051.00
Balance	\$19,949.00

## PREP Classes

Grades 6-7-8, Sunday, November 21

9:30-11:30AM.

Grades 1 thru 5, Monday, November 22, 5:30-7:00PM.



### 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

November 21 thru November 27

Sanctuary Light: *Special intention of Caroline Roth*

St. Anthony: *Special intention of Pauline Mirarchi*

St. Anne: *In loving memory of Andrew & Dolores Furca by Family*

St. Casimir: *In loving memory of Pappy & Virginia DeSantis by Angie & Family*

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

St. Kateri: *In loving memory of Peter & Mary Pittello by Family*

St. Marziale: *In loving memory of*

*The Deceased of the Roberts Family by Joan Roberts*

Sacred Heart: *In loving memory of*

*The Deceased of the Mattis Family by Joan Roberts*

### Guardian Angels Outreach Meal

Holy Angels Activity Center

Wednesday, December 1, 4:00-5:00PM

Drive-up only. Please note there

will not be an Outreach Meal on November 24.

### Adult Choir

Practice will be held on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 7:00PM. Combined Choir will sing at the 8:30AM Mass on Sunday, November 28.

**Register for an in-person or virtual Advent program, Advent Gifts for Christmas Giving will be presented by Sr. Jean Marie Holup, SS.C.M. through St. Cyril Spiritual Center in Danville, from 10 AM – 3 PM, on Saturday, December 4, 2021. This Advent Program, offered both in-person and virtually, will focus on the "special spiritual gifts" we will unwrap and rewrap. For more details visit [www.sscm.org](http://www.sscm.org). Registration deadline is November 29, 2021. Should you have any questions, please call 570-275-3581.**

### Job Opportunity at Mother Cabrini Parish

A part time custodian position will be available effective January 2, 2022. 25 hours/week. Stop by Mother Cabrini Office for a job description. Contact Jen Seidel at 570-648-4512, ext. 211 for more information.

### Thank You!

Because of the generosity of Holy Angels Parish Family, we were able to put together 100 baskets which will be distributed on Monday, November 22 from 11:00AM-1:00PM at the Activity Center. May God bless you for the kindness you have shown to others.

If you know of anyone, perhaps a relative, neighbor or a friend who is in need of a basket, please call the Parish Office as soon as possible.

### Thanksgiving Day Dinner

11:00AM-1:00PM

All are invited to a free Thanksgiving Day Dinner at Holy Angels Activity Center on Thanksgiving Day, November 25. The dinner will be take-out only. Drive up to the Activity Center door and your meals will be brought to your car.

### Desserts Needed!

If you are able to donate a pie or cake to be used as a dessert for our Thanksgiving Day Dinner we would greatly appreciate it. Baked goods can be dropped off at the Activity Center at your convenience.

### Mount Carmel Knights of Columbus

The Christopher Club, the social extension of the Knights of Columbus, Mt. Carmel, PA recently revised the by-laws and now permits men and women to join the club without membership as a Knight of Columbus. The club is a wonderful, wholesome establishment where family and friends meet. Individuals are invited to stop by, see the beautifully decorated social room, and, if interested in becoming a member, complete an application.

"Blessing of the Manger" Saturday, December 11, 2021, 7:15PM Knights of Columbus, The Christopher Club, Mt. Carmel, PA A community event with local clergy of all faiths participating. Holiday food, snacks, cookies served after the program. The club social room is beautifully decorated for the Christmas season.

"Caroling in the Town Park" Sunday, December 12, 2021, 7:00PM Mt. Carmel Town Park gazebo. A community event with the Mt. Carmel Ministerium and the Knights of Columbus - The Christopher Club, Mt. Carmel, PA. Hot dogs and hot chocolate will be served. St. Nick and Santa Claus might also attend.



### Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service

On Sunday, November 21 at 7:00PM, Holy Angels Parish will host the Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service. We gather with our friends and neighbors from the First United Methodist Church. We have so much to be thankful for and this is the opportunity to express our thankfulness to God. Following the service all are invited to a Social Gathering in the Church Hall.

### American Red Cross

A sincere thank you to those who donated blood at our recent Red Cross Blood Drive. The amount collected was 28 products.

### Advent Penance Services

In the past each parish has hosted its own Advent Penance Service. It has been decided by the pastor's of the deanery this year to have only 2 Penance Services. Both services will begin at 7:00PM:

Tuesday, December 14- Holy Angels, Kulpmont  
Wednesday, December 15- Our Lady of Hope, Coal Township.

All area priests will be present at both Penance Services.

### Holiday Festival

St. Pauline Center & Winnie the Pooh Day Care  
Shopping-Food-Fun

Saturday, December 11  
12:00-7:30PM

St. Pauline House/St. Pauline Center  
At the St. Pauline House

Santa Pictures/Gift 3:00-5:00PM

½ Price Raffle

At the St. Pauline Center  
Nativity Program 5:30PM

Luminary 6:30PM

Caroling 7:00PM



## Christmas Season at Holy Angels

for planning purposes

### Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve 4:00PM, 6:00PM, 8:00PM  
Christmas Day 9:30AM.

Please note that there will NOT be an evening Mass on Christmas Day (a Saturday). The Masses to fulfill your Sunday Mass Obligation will be on Sunday, December 26 at 7:00AM, 8:30AM & 10:30AM.

### Children's Christmas Party

It's hard to believe how quickly the Christmas Season will be upon us. And as in the past, we will be having a Christmas Party for the children of the parish up to age 8. Parents are asked to please sign up your child if attending the Christmas Party and along with their name and age, please include a gift suggestion (\$10-\$15 value). A sign up sheet is available in the vestibule. The Children's Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 19 following the 10:30AM Mass.

**Holy Angels ADULT Volunteers' Christmas Party**  
Sunday, December 26, 2021

Doors open 1:30PM

Brady Fire Company Banquet Hall  
Buffet Dinner and Beverages, Door Prizes,  
Music by "Looker"  
3:00-5:00PM

All those who volunteer at Holy Angels Parish, (age 21 +) including Picnic workers, Fund-raiser workers, Outreach workers, Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors, Choir Members, (and spouses) are invited to spend the day after Christmas with your parish family. **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!** A sign-up sheet is available in the vestibule. Deadline for reservations is Sunday, December 5, 2021. (please note there is no cost for attending this party)

### Christmas Flower Memorials

In your envelope pack for November/December, you will find an envelope for Christmas Flowers. If you would like to memorialize your donation for a loved one, please PRINT the name clearly on the back of the envelope and return with your offering. Those names of the memorialized will be printed in the bulletin during the Christmas Season.

## The Twelve Days of Christmas Drawings

Tickets are now available for a chance to win one or more great prizes as Holy Angels launches its 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Twelve Days of Christmas Drawings. Donation is \$10 per ticket with 5 numbers per ticket. The winning ticket is determined by the PA Evening Pick 3 on December 10 thru December 21. Tickets are available at the Parish Office and in the vestibule after the weekend Masses. Keep in mind you have a chance to win every day if one of your numbers come up!

And the Prizes are:

December 10- \$100 Cash

December 11- \$100 Cash

December 12- \$100 Amazon Gift Card

December 13- \$100 Visa Gift Card with a Basket of Christmas Goodies

December 14-\$150.00 Walmart Gift Card

December 15-\$150.00 in Knoebels Tickets

December 16- \$150.00 Wine and Spirits Gift Card

December 17-\$150.00 Gift Certificate from Irish Isle

December 18- Keurig Coffee Maker & Coffee

December 19-\$250 in Lottery Tickets

December 20-\$300.00 Cash

December 21- Large Screen TV



# Dear Padre,

Why does the Church continue to use the image of a king to describe Jesus? He didn't act like a king or expect his followers to treat him like one.

**H**ereditary kings ruled most nations in the ancient Near East. In Egypt, the king was actually recognized as a god. In Israel, God was considered the one true king, and God's covenant was the treaty that united God and the people.

But the time came when the Israelites thought they needed to strengthen themselves militarily and politically. Then the elders came to Samuel and asked him to appoint a king to govern them like other nations (1 Samuel 8:5). The three great kings of Israel (Saul, David, and Solomon) were considered instruments of God but were also subject to existing legal codes.

Throughout the New Testament runs the theme that Jesus, a descendant of the royal Davidic line, is a ruler or king. The Magi first proclaimed Jesus king, saying they were looking for the "newborn king of the Jews" (Matthew 2:2).

At the heart of Jesus' message was the good news that all people could enter the kingdom of God if they rejected sin. Jesus used the parable of the mustard seed (Mark 4:30-32) to show that his kingdom will grow until everyone can be embraced within its branches. This kingdom, first manifested in simplicity and love in the Galilean countryside, is to reach its fulfillment in a great love among all people. Jesus as king is an image that should lead us to recognize our commitment to love and service to others in his kingdom.

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## Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 22

St. Cecilia,  
Virgin and Martyr

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20

Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 23

Weekday

Dn 2:31-45

Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 24

St. Andrew Dŭng-Lac,  
Priest, and Companions,  
Martyrs

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17,  
23-28

Lk 21:12-19

Thursday

NOVEMBER 25

Weekday

Dn 6:12-28

Lk 21:20-28

Friday

NOVEMBER 26

Weekday

Dn 7:2-14

Lk 21:29-33

Saturday

NOVEMBER 27

Weekday

Dn 7:15-27

Lk 21:34-36

Sunday

NOVEMBER 28

First Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16

1 Thes 3:12-4:2

Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

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ANGELUS, NOVEMBER 25, 2018



## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Jesus asks us to allow him to become our king....But we must not forget that Jesus' kingdom is not of this world. He will give new meaning to our life—at times even put us to difficult tests through our mistakes and our sins—merely on the condition that we not follow the logics of the world and of its "kings."

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 21, 2021

Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe (B)

Dn 7:13-14 / Rv 1:5-8

In 18:35b-37

## Your Majesty

**T**his is an interesting form of address. It is not really a title like *Queen* or *Lord*. Nor does it identify a function ascribed to royalty, as does *ruler*. It refers to a status of excellence. It belongs to the position of royalty itself rather than the person in that position. Just what is majesty and why do we attribute it to some people? Originally people believed that royal individuals were descendants of the gods. This probably explains the notion of royal majesty. The readings for today's feast show that Jesus turned the ideas of kingship and royal majesty upside down.

The son of man in Daniel was a heavenly being upon whom "dominion, glory, and kingship" (7:14) were bestowed by God. The kingship of this figure is universal and everlasting. In the Gospels, Jesus frequently identifies with this title. When he does so, he is making a claim about his identity. The passage

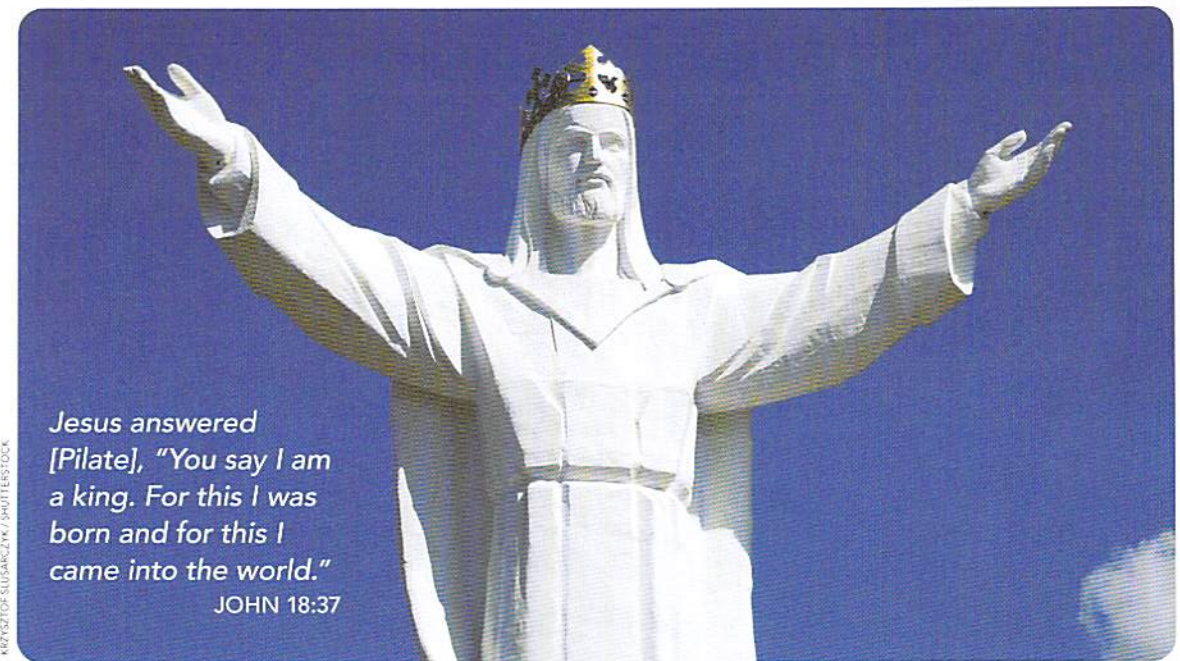
from Revelation depicts Jesus like this son of man, a heavenly being who comes "amid the clouds" (1:7) as "the ruler of the kings of the earth" (1:5).

In the Gospel scene, Jesus is interrogated about his identity. He insists that his kingship springs from love and service, not power and force. It's clear that his royal majesty flows from who he is, not from any political position he might hold. To call him king, as we do with today's responsorial psalm, was a very dangerous political statement for his early followers, for it claimed that Jesus is Lord, not Caesar.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## FOR Reflection

- ★ Do you think Jesus was naive about power politics? Why or why not?
- ★ What influence does Jesus exercise over your life as your king?



Jesus answered [Pilate], "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world."

JOHN 18:37

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