

# Church of the Holy Angels

MAY 24, 2015, PENTECOST SUNDAY

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**MASSES OF OBLIGATION: SATURDAY 5:30PM**

**SUNDAY 8:30AM & 10:30AM**

**CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 4:00PM-5:00PM**

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

**MONDAY THRU THURSDAY 9:00AM-4:00PM**

**OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAYS**

**Rev. Andrew Stahmer, Pastor**

**Mary Kay Bartol, Secretary, Organist, Choir Director**

**Joette Foris, Director of Religious Education, Guitarist**

**Robert Balonis, Maintenance**

**Joseph Litchko, Church Care-taker**

**Elaine Lutz, Office Volunteer**

## 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.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

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**Saturday, May 23**

**8:00am** **Donald Shuey**  
**5:30pm** **Samuel & David Katchick**

**Sunday, May 24**

**8:30am** **Benjamin Terry**  
**10:30am** **People of the Parish**

**Monday, May 25, Memorial Day**

**8:00am** **Raymond E. Hodrick**  
**2:00pm@ St. Mary's Cemetery Deceased Veterans**

**Tuesday, May 26**

**8:00am** **Joseph Mirarchi**

**Wednesday, May 27**

**8:00am** **George Rick**

**Thursday, May 28**

**8:00am** **Henry Kanowicz**

**Friday, May 29**

**8:00am** **Paul T. Lobos**

**Saturday, May 30**

**8:00am** **Dorothy Kort**  
**5:30pm** **45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of  
Ron & Sharon Miller**

**Sunday, May 31**

**8:30am** **People of the Parish**  
**10:30am** **50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of  
Louis & Jean Cherneski**

## A Dime at a Time

Current Debt	\$238,769.40
Dime at a Time	\$20.39
Plus 1 (+1) Contributions	\$68.00
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$238,681.01</b>

## Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal

<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$19,900.00</b>
<b>Amount Contributed as of May 17</b>	<b>\$18,788.00</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$1,112.00</b>

## Sacrificial Offering

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**Weekend of May 17, 2015**

Sunday Offering Envelopes	\$4,704.00
Youth Offering	\$60.50
Loose Cash	\$190.00
Energy	\$2.00
Ascension	\$1,436.00
Ascension (loose)	\$95.00
Holy Thursday	\$2.00

Amount Budgeted	\$8,333.00
Amount Contributed	\$6,489.50
Weekend of May 17	-\$1,843.50

Votive Candles	\$149.00
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## Improvement Fund

Previous Balance	\$12,190.00
Weekend of May 17	+\$138.00
<b>Current Balance</b>	<b>\$12,328.00</b>

## Easter Collection

Previous Amount	\$13,161.00
Weekend of May 17	\$50.00
<b>Total to date</b>	<b>\$13,211.00</b>

## Diocesan Collections

Nepal Earthquake	\$791.00
Holy Land	\$3.00
Catholic Communication Campaign	\$2.00

## Vigil Lights

**May 24 thru May 30**

**Sanctuary Light: In loving memory of  
The Deceased of the Fodor, Kosloski & Stasick  
Families by Sandy**

**St. Anthony Vigil Light: Special intention of  
Cheryl Latorre**

**St. Anne: In loving memory of  
Andrew Furca by Wife & Children**

**St. Casimir: Special intention of  
Larry Saleski by Millie & Phil Scicchitano**

**St. Theresa: Special intention of  
Ron Thomas by father, Clem Thomas**

**Sacred Heart: In loving memory of  
Elaine Duran by husband, Michael & Family**

## BINGO

Bingo will be held Tuesday, May 26, 2015. Doors open 4:30PM. Game begins 6:00PM.

### Bingo Workers & Bakers

Cakes or pies are always needed for Bingo on Tuesday evenings. Drop off your baked goods at the Activity Center during the day on any Tuesday. Men are most welcome to assist with working the floor!

### Baptism Classes

Expectant parents are required to attend one Pre-Baptismal Class prior to the Baptism (preferably before the birth of their child.) Classes will be held on the second Sunday of each month at 11:45AM. Pre-register by contacting the office at 373-1221 at least 2 weeks prior to scheduled class.

### Presentation of the Gifts

If a Mass is being offered for your loved one, and family members would like to present the gifts at that Mass, we ask that you please call the rectory ahead of time to let us know of your intentions. 373-1221.

### The Greatest Prayer-The Mass

Please remember that the greatest prayer that our Lord has given to us is the Mass. When a loved one departs from his or her earthly home and begins a new life with our Lord, let us consider celebrating this new life with a Mass of Christian Burial.

### Holy Angels Parish Pool Winner

May 12, Ann & John  
\$77.00

### Eucharistic Adoration

Come to the Adoration Chapel at the St Pauline Center on Friday from noon until 10 PM and Sat from 5 AM to 7 PM. Jesus awaits you! The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed in the chapel on Fridays at 3 PM.

### Parish Council

Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 4  
7:15PM in the rectory.

### Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) Registration

Holy Angels PREP registration for the 2015-2016 school term is now in progress. Any student in Grades 1-8 that will be participating in our program must complete a registration form yearly. Forms have been given to students already in the program. Registration forms are also available in the vestibule of the church. Students should register ASAP so materials for the upcoming school term can be ordered.

### Picnic Committee

Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 7:15PM in the Activity Center. All parish members interested in the planning of our Annual Parish Picnic are welcome to attend.

### Memorial Day Mass

On Monday, May 25, Memorial Day, all are invited to attend Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery. The Mass will be celebrated at 2:00PM. Please bring a lawn chair for your convenience.

### Lottery Calendars

During the month of May, lottery calendars will be available in the vestibule after the weekend Masses or at the Parish Office during office hours. Donation \$5.00 per calendar. Please support this fund-raiser!

**20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Meeting**  
Sunday, May 31, 2015  
5:00PM in the rectory.

## Volunteers Needed

The Diocesan Summer Camp for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities is seeking volunteers who would be willing to assist at its residential camp during the week of August 9-14, 2015. The camp takes place at Camp Kirchenwald in Lebanon County and serves the needs of approximately 40 adults each year. Anyone 16+ is welcome to volunteer for full-time or part-time duties. Volunteers are required to complete the Diocesan Clearance process and attend training prior to helping at camp. Experience For more information, contact Vikki Laskowski at 717-657-4804, Ext. 323, or email [vlaskowski@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:vlaskowski@hbgdiocese.org).

**Family, Become What You Are - A Journey toward the World Meeting of Families with Bishop Ronald Gainer and Christopher West**

**Two programs!**

*Christ - True Hope of the Family, An evening of Reflection and Adoration*

*Four Opportunities to Attend:*

*June 1 at St Leo the Great Church in Lancaster*

*June 2 at Saint Pius X Church in Selinsgrove*

*June 3 at St Joseph Church in Hanover*

*June 24 at St Margaret Mary Church in Harrisburg*

*All sessions take place from 7-9 pm. Choose the session closest to you.*

**Family, Become What You Are!**

**A Diocesan Conference with Bishop Gainer, Christopher West and Jason Clark**

*Saturday, July 11, 2015, from 9 am to 5 pm*

*Bishop McDevitt High School in Harrisburg*

*Registration Fee: \$15, with lunch provided.*

Join us as we spend the day learning about the meaning and importance of marriage and family, and how to find true hope and healing for the wounds inflicting family life today. The conference will end with Sunday Vigil Mass celebrated by Bishop Gainer. For more information or to register visit [www.hbgdiocese.org/journey](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/journey), call 717-657-4804, Ext. 323, or email [familyministries@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:familyministries@hbgdiocese.org)

### Holy Angels 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

On Sunday, June 28, 2015, we will celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup> year as Holy Angels Parish and also celebrate Father Andrew's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination. Mass will be celebrated at 2:00PM. A buffet dinner and entertainment will follow at the Brady Fire Company Hall. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and are now available by calling Catherine at 570-373-5752 Ann at 570-373-5741 or Dave at 570-373-1355. Tickets are also available at the parish office. A limited number of tickets will be sold and no tickets will be available at the door.

### Golden Angels

Meeting & Strawberry Festival  
Thursday, June 4, 2015 at 5:00PM  
in the Activity Center

**Attention all Catholic young women ages 15-25.** Our Lord Jesus Christ has a great plan and mission for you! You are invited to attend the Diocese of Harrisburg's 7th Annual Fiat Days vocation discernment retreat to spend time with other women your age as you listen to the Lord's call in your life while having fun. Activities include - Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, sports, games, great food, talks and more.

Fiat Days will be held July 5-7, 2015 at Mount St. Mary's University and Seminary. No cost due to the generosity of anonymous donors. Please contact the Office of Vocations at (717) 657-4804, ext. 282 with questions or for a registration packet.

### 13<sup>th</sup> Great Kulpmont Cruise

Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>

Vehicle Display 12 Noon

Cruise begins 3:30PM

New this year- a drone will video tape display area at Holy Angels and the Cruise route on Chestnut Street. Call Joe at 570-373-3561 for more information.

Support the concession stand at our picnic area. Members of Holy Angels Parish will run the stand with all proceeds going to our parish. Call Catherine at 570-373-5752 or Ann at 570-3735741 if you would like to help or donate food products.

**Quo Vadis Days 2015** Attention all Catholic young men ages 15-25. Our Lord Jesus Christ has a great plan and mission for you! You are invited to attend the Diocese of Harrisburg's tenth Annual Quo Vadis Days vocation camp to spend time with other young men your age as you listen to the Lord's call in your life while having fun. Activities include - Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, hiking, sports, games, great food, talks and more. QVD is staffed by the Diocese of Harrisburg's priests and seminarians. QVD will be held from June 21- 25, 2015 at Mount St. Mary's Seminary. Cost: no charge, due to generous donors. Registration forms can be found on our website at [www.hbgdiocese.org](http://www.hbgdiocese.org). You may also contact the Office of Vocations at (717) 657-4804, ext. 282 with questions or for a registration packet.

**Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet Cards** are available in the back of the church. Please make all returns by Thursday, June 18 so there is enough time to prepare cards to be placed on the altar for the Father's Day Masses.

### Zerbini Family Circus

The St. Pauline Center will be sponsoring the Zerbini Family Circus, Wednesday, June 10, for children and adults. Performances will be at 5:00 and 7:00PM and will be held on the grounds of the Kulpmont Veterans Sports Complex in Kulpmont. This Circus is very popular, held annually and is enjoyed by all. This event is made available thru the "Children Charities" of the Saint Pauline Center, therefore all children are admitted free of charge. Tickets are available at Holy Angels Parish Office and the Saint Pauline Center. Tickets will be available to the show at the entrance.

### Let's Go for a Walk!

Any one, old, young, male, female is invited to join the group at Veteran's Memorial Park, (aka. Ramp Field) at 6:30AM, Monday thru Friday for a morning walk! Walk at your own pace....one mile, two miles or three miles! So many health insurance providers are now requiring participants to be a part of a Wellness Program and this is a great way to jump start your exercise program. Join us and bring a friend or two!

### HOLY ANGELS PARISH PICNIC AUGUST 7 & 8

#### Volunteers Needed!

On Wednesday, June 3 at 9:30AM we are in need of volunteers to help with preparing the envelopes with trade-tickets and chances for Holy Angels Parish Picnic! Anyone who will be able to help is asked to come to the rectory.



### Pentecost

"Lower your bucket-- taste and see" More than a century ago, a great sailing ship was stranded off the coast of South America. Week after week the ship lay there in the still waters with not a hint of a breeze. The captain was desperate; the crew was dying of thirst. And then, on the far horizon, a steamship appeared, headed directly toward them. As it drew near, the captain called out, "We need water! Give us water!" The steamship replied, "Lower your buckets where you are." The captain was furious at this cavalier response but called out again, "Please, give us water." But the steamer gave the same reply, "Lower your buckets where you are!" And with that they sailed away! The captain was beside himself with anger and despair, and he went below. But a little later, when no one was looking, a yeoman lowered a bucket into the sea and then tasted what he brought up: It was perfectly sweet, fresh water! For you see, the ship was just out of sight of the mouth of the Amazon. And for all those weeks they had been sitting right on top of all the fresh water they needed! What we are really seeking is already inside us, waiting to be discovered, waiting to be embraced: the Holy Spirit of God Who has been living within us from the moment of our Baptism. The Holy Spirit is saying to us at this very moment from deep in our heart, "Lower your buckets where you are. Taste and see!" Come, Holy Spirit! Fill our hearts, and set us on fire! Amen.

Pentecost Sunday is one of the most ancient feasts of the Church, celebrated early enough to be mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles (20:16) and St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (16:8). Pentecost marks the end and the goal of the Easter season. For Christians, it is a memorial of the day the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles and the Virgin Mary in the form of fiery tongues, an event that took place fifty days after the Resurrection of Jesus. The Paschal mystery of the Passion, the Death, the Resurrection, and the Ascension of Jesus culminates in the sending of the Holy Spirit by the Father at the request of His Son on Jesus' disciples. The feast also commemorates the official inauguration of the Christian Church by the apostolic preaching of St. Peter which resulted in the conversion of 3000 Jews to the Christian faith. Pentecost is, thus, the official birthday of the Church. But years ago, *This Rock Magazine* reported that there were at that time 34,000 Protestant denominations which means that, on the average, more than sixty-nine new denominations had sprung up every year since the Reformation began in 1517. So whose birthday is it anyway? You could say, Pentecost is the birthday of the Church Jesus established nearly 2,000 years ago. Today's Scripture readings remind us that Pentecost is an event of both the past and the present. The main theme of today's readings is that the gift of the Holy Spirit is something to be shared with others. In other words, the readings remind us that the gift of the Holy Spirit moves its recipients to action and inspires them to share this gift with others.





May 24, 2015

# dear Padre

**Monday**  
MAY 25

*St/ Bede the Venerable,  
Priest and Doctor  
of the Church;  
St. Gregory VII, Pope;  
St. Mary Magdalene  
de' Pazzi, Virgin*  
Sir 17:20-24  
Mk 10:17-27

**Tuesday**  
MAY 26

*Saint Philip Neri, Priest*  
Sir 35:1-12  
Mk 10:28-31

**Wednesday**  
MAY 27

*Saint Augustine of  
Canterbury, Bishop*  
Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17  
Mk 10:32-45

**Thursday**  
MAY 28

*Weekday*  
Sir 42:15-25  
Mk 10:46-52

**Friday**  
MAY 29

*Weekday*  
Sir 44:1, 9-13  
Mk 11:11-26

**Saturday**  
MAY 30

*Weekday*  
Sir 51:12cd-20  
Mk 11:27-33

**Sunday**  
MAY 31

*The Most Holy Trinity*  
Dt 4:32-34, 39-40  
Rom 8:14-17  
Mt 28:16-20

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## What charities should we give to?

**Q** Must I give to every charity that asks? Monthly, I receive about fifty requests for money from religious organizations. Some even send free blessed gifts. I do not want to throw them away, but I cannot afford to give to all of these groups. What should I do?

**Congratulations on your** generosity in helping so many needy causes. The Lord loves a cheerful giver.

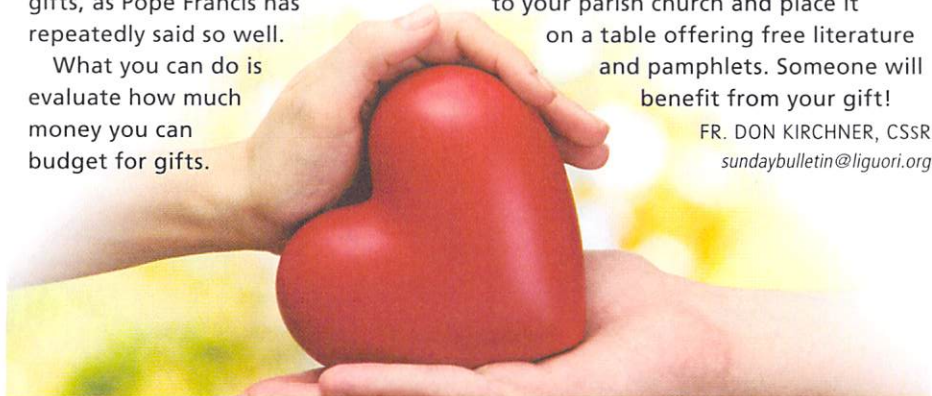
Unfortunately as Jesus said, we will always have the poor with us (Matthew 26:11). Private charity can alleviate some of the misery, but it cannot handle all of it. We need true social justice and a fairer distribution of God's gifts, as Pope Francis has repeatedly said so well.

What you can do is evaluate how much money you can budget for gifts.

Decide what your contribution to the parish will be each month. With the money left over, help a few of the groups asking for money. Try to choose the ones you feel are good causes and that may be less likely to receive donations.

As for the religious gifts they send, use what you can. Take whatever is left to your parish church and place it on a table offering free literature and pamphlets. Someone will benefit from your gift!

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# Pentecost

♦ MAY 24, 2015 ♦

**W**hen our children were toddlers, we played a game called Typhoon. It wasn't much—we looked intently into their eyes and then blew into their faces and said, "typhoon." Whether it was the breath blowing past them or the word itself, I am not sure, but they always widened their eyes, looked startled for a minute, and then started laughing.

The memory of this game comes unbidden when I read that Jesus blew on the disciples and commanded them to receive the Holy Spirit. I can imagine that their eyes widened and they looked startled for a minute. Maybe one or two of them were tempted to laugh, but the enormity of what Jesus said next sobered them quickly. There was power in the Spirit Jesus breathed out: a power to forgive sins.

The Church uses this passage (among others) to support Christ's institution of the sacrament of reconciliation, and so it is. In our reflection, though, we should not forget that we all are called to forgiveness in our relationships with one another.



While our forgiveness is not sacramental, it is a measure of our life in the Spirit that is poured out on the world at Pentecost. One of our great temptations is not to forgive but hold others bound because of our anger, fear, or plain stubbornness.

Remember, though, that forgiving others frees us as much as it frees them. In forgiving, we are no longer bound by hate, resentment, or feelings of vengeance. Rather, we show ourselves transformed in Christ by this immense gift of love.

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## Today's Readings

Acts 2:1-11  
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25  
Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15



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