

Church of the Holy Angels

January 28, 2018, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSSES 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

Deacon Thomas Conlin

Mary Kay Bartol, Secretary, Organist, Choir Director

Joette Foris, Director of Religious Education, Guitarist

Robert Balonis, Maintenance

Elaine Lutz, Office Volunteer

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

James Nolan, Chairman, Joseph Meyer, Vice-Chairman, Jeanne Avellino, Pat Bingaman, Sherry Bozza, Maria Foris, Teresa McCabe, Juliann Wanzie, Kathy Pupo, Jeff Kruleski, Alex Clayberger,

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 27

8:00am Theresa Daya
5:30pm Frank & Marion Niglio

Sunday, January 28

8:30am Rev. Daniel Mahoney
10:30am People of the Parish

Monday, January 29

6:30pm Joseph W. Nagy

Tuesday, January 30

8:00am Joseph & Josephine Zinda

Wednesday, January 31

7:00am Jessica Steel

Thursday, February 1

6:30pm Stanley Zlocki, Jr. & Stanley Zlocki, Sr.

Friday, February 2

8:00am Sister Anna Marie Kalinauskas

Saturday, February 3

8:00am Regina Yeich
5:30pm Mary & John Pelchar

Sunday, February 4

8:30am Vince Chesney & Jane Chesney Korbich
10:30am People of the Parish

Sacrificial Offering

Weekend of January 21, 2018

Sunday Offering Envelopes	\$5,588.00
Youth Offering	\$70.00
Loose	\$125.00
Initial Offering	\$138.00
Mary, Mother of God	\$55.00
Energy	\$5.00

Amount Budgeted	\$8,333.00
Amount Contributed	\$5,981.00
Weekend of January 21	-\$2,352.00

Votive Candles	\$141.00
Air Conditioning maintenance	\$324.00

Improvement Fund	
Previous Balance	\$12,370.00
Weekend of January 21	+\$171.00
Balance	\$12,541.00

Christmas	\$21,712.00
Additional Christmas	\$164.00
Total Christmas to date	\$21,876.00

Diocesan Collections	
Central & Eastern Europe	\$98.00

A Dime at a Time	
Current Debt	\$109,948.10
Dime at a Time	\$50.35
Plus 1 (+1) Contributions	\$44.00
Debt Reduction	\$3,378.00

Attention Parishioners: This Valentine's Day, we want to "spread a little love" to those who have shown a LOT of LOVE for our country. We are asking interested parishioners of all ages to create Valentine's Day cards for our local Veterans. (This activity can be a teachable moment for our youth to learn who veterans are and why they are so important to our community.) If you are willing to help us "spread a little love," please place your completed cards in the mailbox in the back of the church. All cards are due by Sunday, February 4, so that they can be delivered in time for Valentine's Day. Thank you for helping us "spread a little love" to our local Vets!



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!

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.

BINGO

Bingo will be held Tuesday, January 30, 2018. Doors open 4:30PM. Game begins 6:00PM.

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 and women are most welcome to assist with working the floor!

Adoration at St. Pauline Center

Eucharistic Adoration is held at the St. Pauline Center Fridays from noon until 10:00PM and Saturdays from 5:00AM to 7:00PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed in the chapel on Fridays at 3:00PM

Vigil Lights

January 28 thru February 3

Sanctuary Light: Special Intention

St. Anthony: Special Intention of

Dave Permar by Millie Scicchitano

St. Anne: Special Intention

St. Casimir: Special Intention

St. Theresa: Special Intention

St. Kateri: Special Intention

St. Marziale: Special Intention

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



PREP

PREP Classes will be held Sunday, January 28 at 8:30AM for students in Grades 6, 7 & 8. PREP Classes will be held on Monday, January 29 at 5:30PM for students in Grades 1 thru 5.

Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 7:15PM

Finance Council Meeting

Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 7:15PM

Adult Choir

Practice will be held on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 for Adult Choir

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, February 3

5:30PM Rosalie Mitchell, Liam Bradley,
Sean Bradley, Kaden Hine

Sunday, February 4

8:30AM Sarah Cooper, Hannah Nolter,
Jessica Whalen, Donald Whalen

10:30AM Philip Kenenitz-Hutnick, Zachary
Smith, Jeremiah Sheganoski, Jacob
Zarski

Masses

Vigil Lights/Standing Altar Candles

At this time, we are taking Mass Intentions for the year 2018. Donation is \$10/Mass.

Vigil lights are available at this time for the calendar year 2018. Donation is \$5.00 for the week for the Vigil Lights, and \$10 for the month for Standing Altar Candles. Please call or stop in the parish office to reserve your specific dates on Masses and candles.

Oremus Prayer Study

Do you find it easy to pray? Is prayer an integral part of your day? Do you hear God's voice in your daily life, and know how to respond accordingly?

For many of us, the answer to these questions is, "no." We all desire an intimate relationship with God. But, since learning to "say our prayers" as children, we never moved beyond rote recitation to an authentic conversation with God.

Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer teaches you the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life. Over the course of eight weeks you will discover how to place yourself in the presence of God. Following the wisdom of the saints and the Tradition of the Church, you will learn how to express yourself to God in prayer, and how to make prayer an integral part of your daily life.

Oremus includes eight video presentations by Fr. Mark Toups, lively small-group discussions, and inspiring readings for each day. The study will start in Lent beginning Feb 18 through April 15. Please check posters and flyers in the back of the church for details. Call Kathy 570-205-4704 or Deb 570-274-5861 to register.

Kulpmont Knights of Columbus Hoop Shoot

All boys and girls ages 9 through 14 are asked to compete in the 2018 K. of C. Free Throw Championship at Holy Angel's Gym, 829 Scott St., on **Sunday, February 4th at 1:00 PM**. Champions will advance to the District Shoot. Entrants to bring proof of age & may compete in only one local competition. For more info, call Dave or Jake Shinskie at 570-373-1355.

Holy Name Society Potato Cake Batter Sale

\$5.00/quart

Order forms are available in the back of the church. Please include payment with order. All orders due by February 4th. Pick-up will be Saturday, February 10. 11:30AM-1:00PM in the Activity Center. Any questions, call the parish office at 570-373-1221

Facebook

Our Parish now has a FACEBOOK page Church of the Holy Angels, Kulpmont PA containing basic general info, Mass intentions for the week, quick access to weekly church bulletin, some photos, video, reminders of upcoming events, managed by Jim Nolan.

Call or text Jim at 570-205-1202, with any questions, suggestions, or to submit any photos with description.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage April 4–15th, 2018

Join Trinity Pilgrimages on an 11 day pilgrimage to Krk Island, Croatia and Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina, the sight of the reported apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary to six visionaries since June, 1981. Trip will include transportation to/from the Newark, NJ airport, Round trip Air travel, all ground transportation, English speaking guide, 2 nights stay/retreat in Krk Island for Divine Mercy weekend with Father Zlatko Sudac, mystic and stigmatist (modern day Padre Pio), 7 nights stay in Medjugorje at the home of Visionary Mirjana, 2 – 3 meals provided daily (depending on location), visits to Medjugorje holy sites including Apparition Hill, Cross Mountain, Saint James Church, and more. Total cost is \$2999. \$500 deposit required with full payment due by February 1, 2018. For more information contact Susan Fletcher at: 570-875-8936 or susan.marie.fletcher@gmail.com.

Our Lady of Hope's Crab Cake Dinner

Friday, February 16, 2018

4:00-6:00PM

Parish Hall-Oak & Chestnut Streets

Donation-\$9.00/Adult \$4.00/Child

Dinner includes: Two Crab Cakes, Mac & Cheese with Stewed Tomatoes, Dinner Roll and Dessert.

Eat-in or Take-out. Tickets are available at Our Lady of Hope Church office or at the door the day of the dinner.

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith was established in 1822 and is the means through which the Pope supports 1,150 mission dioceses around the world. It assists with faith formation, the selection of native bishops, and the formation of seminarians, religious sisters and brothers, and lay catechists. As mission dioceses struggle to take root, SPOF also provides critical education, health, and funding social services.

Your participation in SPOF Membership Sunday on February 4 by prayer and contributions helps to spread the hope-filled, saving message of Jesus to billions of people who do not know Christ, and supports the priests, religious and lay catechists in mission countries worldwide who offer them that Good News.

Thank you for answering the call to missionary spirit through your support of this holy work of the Church.

The Diocese of Harrisburg's Administrative and Financial Office has sent each parish in the diocese a report/evaluation on their financial performance.

Holy Angels is listed as having 968 families, ranking us 34 out of 98 in the diocese in size.

Since the diocese has given our parish a report on our finances, I feel that it is important for you our parishioners to know what our situation is and how we are trying our best to do the best for the physical, financial and spiritual needs of our parish.

We have 849 families receiving envelopes for our Sunday/Holy Day/etc. collections. Based on figures for a four year period, from 1-1-2013 to 12-28-2016, on 4 areas of funds (Sundays, Christmas, Easter and collections such as energy), 276 gave \$0 for these 4 years in all 4 areas. During the same time period 119 gave \$100 or less for these 4 years in those 4 areas combined. For this past year 2017, the average weekly envelopes coming in/being used are 320. A reminder again, 849 envelopes are being sent to our parishioners.

In September 2008, the parish debt was approximately \$450,000. As of January 2018, our parish debt should be \$114,000. The latest figures from the diocese have not been sent yet. The various costs for maintenance/repairs/constructions for our parish property, etc. such as new roofs for the church, rectory, Anne-Joachim House, garages and painting of the church inside and the Activity Center in and out, and many more items over the years since 2008, have been paid for up front.

God bless you and thank you for everything you do for the Lord and for the good of the parish.

Father Andrew Stahmer, Pastor

Bus Trip to Mohegan Sun Casino.

Divine Redeemer Parish is sponsoring a "Mardi Gras" Bus Trip to Mohegan Sun Casino, Wilkes-Barre, PA, on Tuesday, February 13, 2018. Cost of the trip is \$22.00. There is a \$25.00 rebate plus a \$5.00 food coupon. Reservations can be made by calling *Janice Kozlowski* at 570-339-2579. Payment is due by Tuesday, January 30th to *Janice Kozlowski* or *Divine Redeemer Parish Office*. *Bus Trip Reservation Money is non-refundable*. The bus will pick up at 8:30 AM at the BB&T Bank in Kulpmont; 8:45 AM at the Atlas Legion; 9:00 AM at Divine Redeemer Church, 300 West Avenue, Mt. Carmel; 9:10 AM at Fifth & Market Sts., (old Moose Bldg.) Mt. Carmel; 9:15 AM at Mt. Carmel Apts., 315 S. Hickory St., Mt. Carmel; and will depart from Mohegan Sun at 5:00 PM. *Any questions, contact Janice Kozlowski* at 570-339-2579. Proceeds will benefit Divine Redeemer Parish

Thank You!

To all those who donated gifts to the children from the Giving Tree at Christmas, we extend a heartfelt thanks. Your generosity was overwhelming, and the children appreciated the gifts which you gave. May God bless you and keep you in his care always.

I12 Introduction to Prayer - Father Steve Frenier, Our Lady of Hope Parish, will be teaching a class on prayer through the Diocesan Catechetical Program to be held at the Our Lady of Hope Parish Center, 863 W. Chestnut Street, Coal Township, PA, on Thursday's during Lent: Prayer is "nothing else than an intimate friendship, a frequent heart-to-heart conversation with Him by Whom we know ourselves to be loved." (Saint Teresa of Avila) Topics addressed in this course include: the nature of prayer, prayer in Scripture and in the life of Christ, the various forms of Christian prayer, the sources of prayer, overcoming difficulties and temptations in prayer, the Liturgy of the Hours, and an in-depth consideration of the Lord's Prayer. Thursdays, February 15, 22, March 1, 8, and 15, 2018 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Registration is \$25 per person. Visit www.hbgdiocese.org/institute to register or contact Ryan Bolster at rbolster@hbgdiocese.org or (717) 657-4804, ext. 225 for information.

Calendar

Monday

January 29

Weekday

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30;

16:5-13

Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday

January 30

Weekday

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b,

24-25a, 30-19:3

Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday

January 31

St. John Bosco,

Priest

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17

Mk 6:1-6

Thursday

February 1

Weekday

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12

Mk 6:7-13

Friday

February 2

Presentation of the Lord

Mal 3:1-4

Heb 2:14-18

Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Saturday

February 3

Weekday

1 Kgs 3:4-13

Mk 6:30-34

Sunday

February 4

Fifth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23

Mk 1:29-39

Dear Padre,

Every year, someone with a cold wants to shake my hand at the sign of peace, and sick people drink from the Communion cup. Can't parishes ban the cup and the sign of peace during flu season?

Many people share your concern. As a priest, I am hugged by an entire congregation throughout flu season. If I'm sick, I warn people as they approach, but some people want a hug anyway. For many, community fellowship wins out over prudence.

Of course it would be best if those who are sick don't drink from the cup containing the precious Blood. But even if they do, receiving the precious Blood is more important to me than the slight risk of illness.



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However, if it bothers you that much, there's nothing wrong with electing not to receive the precious Blood. And instead of shaking hands and hugging at the sign of peace, try nodding and waving. If people don't understand and push for more, simply say, "Don't want to pass on the flu." That should stop them.

In today's society, far too many things keep us physically apart. I refuse to casually surrender anything that brings us together in love and fellowship except in dire circumstances, and for me, a normal flu season doesn't qualify.

Fr. Rick Potts, CSSr

Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A Word From Pope Francis

What an illusion it is when people today shut their eyes in the face of sickness and disability! They fail to understand the real meaning of life....The world does not become better because only apparently "perfect" people live there...but when human solidarity, mutual acceptance, and respect increase.

—Jubilee for the Sick and Persons With Disabilities, June 12, 2016

Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 28, 2018

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Dt 18:15-20

1 Cor 7:32-35

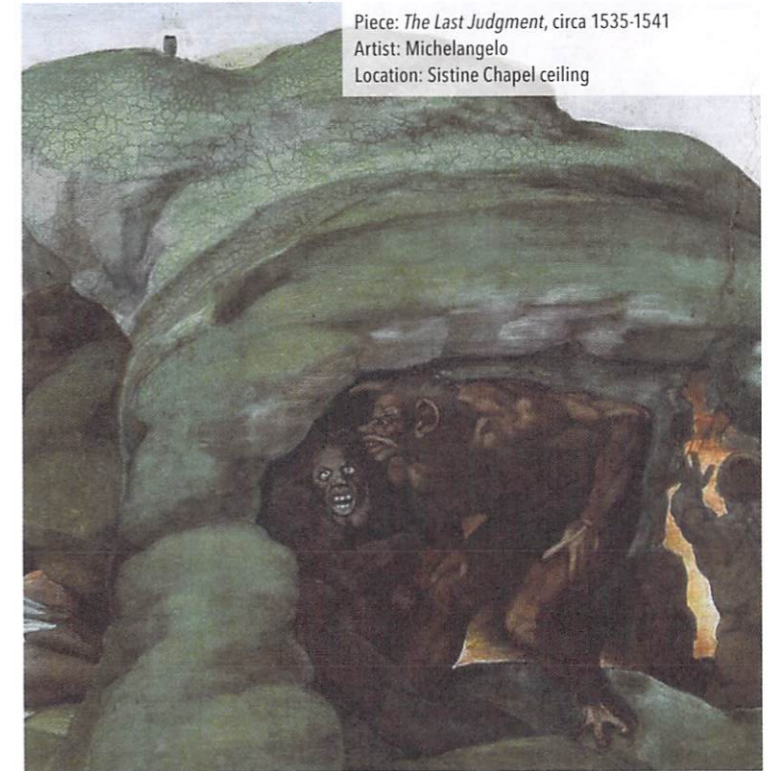
Mk 1:21-28

Progress Isn't Always Easy

Jesus' miracles and preaching were part of what convinced people that he was the Son of God. He spoke like no other and then backed up his words with amazing and wonderful actions. For example, he confronted evil spirits and cast them out. The people were amazed and saw this as evidence of his divinity, because no one had absolute power over evil—except God himself. This is a power the Church continues to practice today through the ministry of healing and exorcism.

Jesus did not want to see people suffer under the power of Satan but rather wanted them to live full and happy lives. "I came that they might have life and have it abundantly," Jesus said in John 10:10. This strong desire of Jesus to heal and save drove him to tirelessly preach and do good. And because of this combination of goodness and power in his person, his fame spread. Yet the message he preached was challenging and demanding. Eventually many preferred to silence that good, powerful, but demanding voice.

Today, like Jesus, the Church still longs for nothing less than humanity's complete health and happiness. Yet, at times, the path to that human progress is not the easiest. Like temperamental children are chided by loving parents to eat healthy food rather than just what they like, so the good and powerful voice and



Piece: *The Last Judgment*, circa 1535-1541

Artist: Michelangelo

Location: Sistine Chapel ceiling

actions of the Church are challenged.

We find our full flourishing as human beings and as Catholics by embracing Jesus' words and desires for us.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Am I letting myself be tricked into eating any moral junk food that isn't healthy for my long-term spiritual and moral flourishing?

Jesus...said, "Quiet! Come out of him!"

He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him.

(Mark 1:25, 27)