

Church of the Holy Angels

February 17, 2019, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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

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, February 16
 8:00am Helen Thomas Grimooris
 5:30pm Alice Zyskoski

Sunday, February 17
 8:30am People of the Parish
 10:30am Mary & John Pelchar

Monday, February 18
 6:30pm Margaret May

Tuesday, February 19
 8:00am Deceased of the
 Bolick & Luberecki Families

Wednesday, February 20
 7:00am Thomas Bogovich

Thursday, February 21
 6:30pm Irene Burkholder

Friday, February 22
 8:00am Chester Kruleski

Saturday, February 23
 8:00am Marian Cremona
 5:30pm Edward J. Grazioli, Jr.

Sunday, February 24
 8:30am Charles Mannello
 10:30am People of the Parish

Masses are available for 2019 at this time. Please call or stop in the office if requesting specific dates.

Sacrificial Offering

Weekend of February 10
 Number of registered households 913

296 Sunday Offering Envelopes \$3,981.00
 Youth Offering \$89.00
 Loose \$75.00
 Votive Candles \$171.00
 Air Conditioning Maintenance \$211.00
 Shortfall- Debt Reduction & Plus One \$35.00
 Initial Offering \$20.00

Amount Budgeted \$8,333.00
 Amount Contributed \$4,582.00
 Weekend of February 10 -\$3,751.00

Improvement Fund
 Previous Balance \$20,552.00
 Weekend of February 10 +\$148.00
 Balance \$20,700.00

Diocesan Collections
 Poor Missions \$370.00
 Propagation of the Faith \$31.00
 Catholic Relief Services \$1.00

Important Dates

March 16, 2:30PM, First Penance for Grade 2 Students.
 March 17, 10:30AM Mass, Rite of Sending for Confirmands
 March 18, 6:20PM, Stations of the Cross for Children
 March 21, 6:00PM, Confirmation Practice with Sponsor at Holy Angels Church
 March 23, 10:00AM, Confirmation at Holy Angels



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.

BINGO

Bingo will be held Tuesday, February 19, 2019. 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

February 17 thru February 23

Sanctuary Light: *In loving memory of Ronald Fodor by Sandy*

St. Anthony: *In loving memory of Albert Raybuck, Sr. by wife, Joanna & Children*

St. Anne: *In loving memory of Howard W. Scheithauer by wife, Mary & daughters, Maria, Patricia, Christina*

St. Casimir: *In loving memory of Stanley Lazarski by Family*

St. Theresa: *Special intention*

St. Kateri: *In loving memory of Bill Roberts by wife, Joan*

St. Marziale: *In loving memory of Angelo D'Alexander, Jr. by wife, Minnie*

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



Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 7:15PM

Finance Council Meeting

Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 7:15PM

Bernardine Associate Meeting

Sunday, February 24, 2019 at 2:30PM.

Adult Choir

Practice will be held on February 27, 2019 at 7:00PM. Choir will be singing for Confirmation on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 10:00AM. Please reserve this date on your calendar!

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, February 23

5:30PM Dominic Tamborelli, Brianna Tamborelli, Kassandra Fernandez
Kaitlyn Fernandez

Sunday, February 24

8:30AM Angel Barwicki, Emily Olszewskie,
Sierra Balonis, Alex Fariello
10:30AM Austin Cole, Marshall Mirarchi IV,
Landon Williams

Holy Angels' Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

Classes will be held for Grades 6, 7, 8 on Sunday, February 24, March 10, 17 at 8:30AM

Classes will be held for Grades 1-5 on Monday, February 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25 at 5:30PM

Mount Carmel Area Food Pantry

26 N. Market Street Mount Carmel, PA

Distribution Schedule

Wednesday, February 20, Noon-1PM

Tuesday, March 5, 5-6:00PM

Wednesday, March 20, Noon-1PM

Tuesday, April 25, 6:00PM

Wednesday, April 17, Noon-1PM

KITCHEN EXTRAVAGANZA BINGO

Divine Redeemer Parish, Mount Carmel, PA will hold a "Kitchen Extravaganza Bingo" on Sunday, February 17, 2019, in Divine Mercy Hall, 400 Block of West Cherry Street in Mount Carmel.

Doors open at 1:00 PM

Bingo Starts at 2:00 PM

Food will be available for sale

Tickets at The Door-\$25.00

Listening Session Bishop Ronald Gainer will host listening sessions throughout the Diocese of Harrisburg in January and February of 2019. The Bishop hopes that parishioners will attend so that he can hear their concerns and questions and so that they can also learn of his future plans for the Diocese. The goal of the sessions is to address the Grand Jury Report, the Diocese's response to abuse, our path forward, or any other questions or related concerns. Each session will include opening remarks from Bishop Gainer and retired Pennsylvania State Police Capt. Janet McNeal, recently hired to oversee the youth protection efforts of the Diocese. Following their brief remarks, the floor will be opened for questions. A session will be held at 6:30PM on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish, 559 West Center Street, Elysburg.

Potato Cake Batter/ Stuffed Cabbage Sale

Holy Angels Holy Name Society will be making Potato Cake Batter and Stuffed Cabbage. Order forms are available in the back of the church. All orders are due with payment by Sunday, February 24 and the pick-up date for items ordered is March 2, from 11:30AM-1:00PM in the Activity Center. Prices are:

\$5.00/quart of potato cake batter

\$6.00/ 4 stuffed cabbage and must be ordered in quantities of 4.

Join us this Lent for an exciting new bible study!

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *No Greater Love* is a **video series and full-length book** that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life in this biblical pilgrimage. While taking this study or reading this book, you will walk **step-by-step with Jesus** from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Mount of Calvary. Every step of the way, biblical experts reveal how **Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context** shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. With these insights, Catholics can come to a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love—**drawing closer to Jesus than ever have before.**

Our study starts on Sunday March 10 for six weeks at 6 PM in the Church Hall. Please contact either Kathy (570-205-4704) or Deb (570-274-5861) to RSVP. Details are on posters and fliers in back of church.

Baked Fish Dinner on Friday, March 15, 2019. Dinner includes baked haddock, our own Pyrohy, homemade coleslaw, green beans, and roll and butter. **Advance sale tickets and take out only.** Pick up your dinner from 3-6 PM in the church hall at Ss. Peter & Paul Church, 131 N. Beech Street, Mount Carmel, PA. Tickets are \$10 per person and must be purchased by Monday, March 11, 2019. Get your tickets early! Contact the rectory office at 570-339-0650 during business hours for tickets. Tickets also available in the church vestibule before Divine Liturgies.

Closing Mass for the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese – Please join Bishop Ronald W. Gainer as Celebrant and Homilist to conclude the 150th anniversary celebration of the founding of the Diocese of Harrisburg. A reception, featuring a sampling of ethnic foods from various ethnic and cultural groups that comprise the faithful of the Diocese, will be held immediately following the Mass. The Closing Mass will be held at Good Shepherd Church at 3:00 p.m. on March 3, 2019. For additional information, visit www.hbgdiocese.org/150

Ethnic Food Festival Openings:

Do you want to showcase, educate and teach your culture through food? Following the Closing Mass for the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Harrisburg, we will offer an Ethnic Food Festival to represent the rich cultures that are part of our diocese.

Just like we did for the Opening Mass celebration last March, no food will be available for sale and all are invited to join us! Most of the groups that were part of Opening Mass Ethnic Food Festival will be returning and therefore we have a limited number of spaces to showcase ethnic foods. Anyone interested in joining us must contact Jaclyn Curran at jcurran@hbgdiocese.org as soon as possible. The deadline to request your space to participate is February 18, 2019. Thank you.

Youth Group Events

Attention Teens! (Grade 8 and above): Please join the Our Lady of Hope/Saint Patrick Youth Group for these upcoming events.

Sunday, February 17 from 5:00-7:00p.m.-Monthly Youth Group gathering at the Our Lady of Hope Parish Center, 863 W. Chestnut Street, Coal Township. We will have a hoagie dinner (please bring \$5) and watch/discuss YOU-Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body, and conclude with a game. Bring a friend!

Please RSVP to Sister Emily Vincent, IHM the day before each event at SrEVincent@hbdiocese.org or 570-648-4432. We look forward to having you join us!

PIGEON DINNER: The Knights of Columbus will hold a pigeon dinner on Sunday, February 24th – 11AM to 2PM at the Knights Hall on Independence Street, Shamokin. Dinner includes 2 pigeons, mashed potatoes, green beans and a roll. Haluski sold separately \$3.00. Tickets can be purchased at Mother Cabrini Parish Office, NAPA Auto Parts on Market Street and Joe Candelora 570-847-0739.

Corner of Hope Pregnancy Care Center

The Corner of Hope Pregnancy Care Center is in need of 2T to 4T clothing, wipes and Pull-ups at this time.

We could use baby bottles as well for donation.

PCC Corner of Hope (Pregnancy Care Center)

150 S Market Street
Shamokin, PA 17872

570-648-2600



Crime Watch Meeting
Thursday, February 28, 2019
7:15PM in the Activity Center



Safety Presentation

Hosted by the Kulpmont Residential Crime Watch
Monday, March 18, 2019 starting promptly at 5:00PM
Holy Angels Activity Center.

Stop the Bleed (Presentation & Hands On)
Hands Only CPR (Presentation & Hands ON)
Recognizing Basic Medical Emergencies
(Presentation)

Classes will be taught through the Kulpmont Fire
Department by Elysburg EMS Staff.

St. Cyril's Spiritual Center

Enjoy a 24 hour, silent, directed retreat with director LuAnn O'Connell at St. Cyril's Spiritual Center 1002 Railroad St. in Danville, or come for the entire weekend March 8-10. See details and register online at www.sscm.org with Paypal or call 570-275-0910 by the March 1st deadline.

St. Cyril Spiritual Center, 1002 Railroad Street in Danville, PA will sponsor a Lenten Day on March 16, from 10:00AM to 3:00PM. Sr. Catherine Nerney, SSJ, Ph.D., will present the theme "Forgiveness and Reconciliation: The Great Work of Love in a Wounded World". This retreat will focus on stories, divine and human, through which we hope to recognize the face of God, beckoning us to receive the gift and share the great work of love that is forgiveness and reconciliation. Register online at www.sscm.org with Paypal or call 570-275-3581 by the March 8th deadline.

Calendar

Monday

FEBRUARY 18

Weekday

Gn 4:1–15, 25

Mk 8:11–13

Tuesday

FEBRUARY 19

Weekday

Gn 6:5–8; 7:1–5, 10

Mk 8:14–21

Wednesday

FEBRUARY 20

Weekday

Gn 8:6–13, 20–22

Mk 8:22–26

Thursday

FEBRUARY 21

Weekday

Gn 9:1–13

Mk 8:27–33

Friday

FEBRUARY 22

Chair of St. Peter,
Apostle

1 Pt 5:1–4

Mt 16:13–19

Saturday

FEBRUARY 23

St. Polycarp,
Bishop and Martyr

Heb 11:1–7

Mk 9:2–13

Sunday

FEBRUARY 24

Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time

1 Sm 26:2, 7–9,
12–13, 22–23

1 Cor 15:45–49

Lk 6:27–38

Dear Padre,

Why does the Church rightfully celebrate marriage, family, and religious life but neglect the equally important celibate single life? Perhaps if this vocation got the respect and attention it deserves, we'd have fewer people rushing into bad relationships and weak marriages.

Our vocation in life is a gift from God to become a living response to God's love. God invites people to holiness and service through marriage, the single life, the priesthood, the diaconate or the religious life. Lest the single life be overlooked, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states, "We must also remember the great number of *single persons* who...are especially close to Jesus' heart and therefore deserve the special affection and active solicitude of the Church, especially of pastors" (CCC 1658). It adds that the doors of homes "and of the great family which is the Church must be open to all of them."

Like the gift of one's vocation, celibacy also is a gift from God that's offered back to the Church. Jesus himself chose celibacy, not because he disapproved of marriage or family life, but for the sake of the kingdom. He was wedded to his mission in bringing about a universal family that follows God's will. To be celibate, then—whether as a single person or in consecrated life—isn't upheld in and of itself, but for the reign of God.

Whatever the vocation and however it's lived out, "all cooperate in the building up of the Body of Christ" in a spirit of equality and dignity according "to each one's own condition and function" (Canon 208).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSr
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



one another?"

A Word from Pope Francis

No vocation is born of itself or lives for itself. A vocation flows from the heart of God and blossoms in the good soil of faithful people, in the experience of fraternal love. Did not Jesus say: "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for

—Day of prayer for vocations, May 11, 2014

Our Parish COMMUNITY

February 17, 2019

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Jer 17:5–8

1 Cor 15:12, 16–20

Lk 6:17, 20–26

Pursuing a Higher Moral Standard

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus offers a rather radical call to holiness. Many of us have a hard time accepting that we are all called to such levels of morality. Yet, read to whom Jesus is speaking here. The Gospel says his audience is everyone: his apostles, his disciples, and a large number of other people from around the region. The Second Vatican Council offers a reminder when it says, "Fortified by so many and such powerful means of salvation, all the faithful, whatever their condition or state, are called by the Lord, each in his own way, to that perfect holiness whereby the Father himself is perfect" (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church [*Lumen Gentium*], 11).

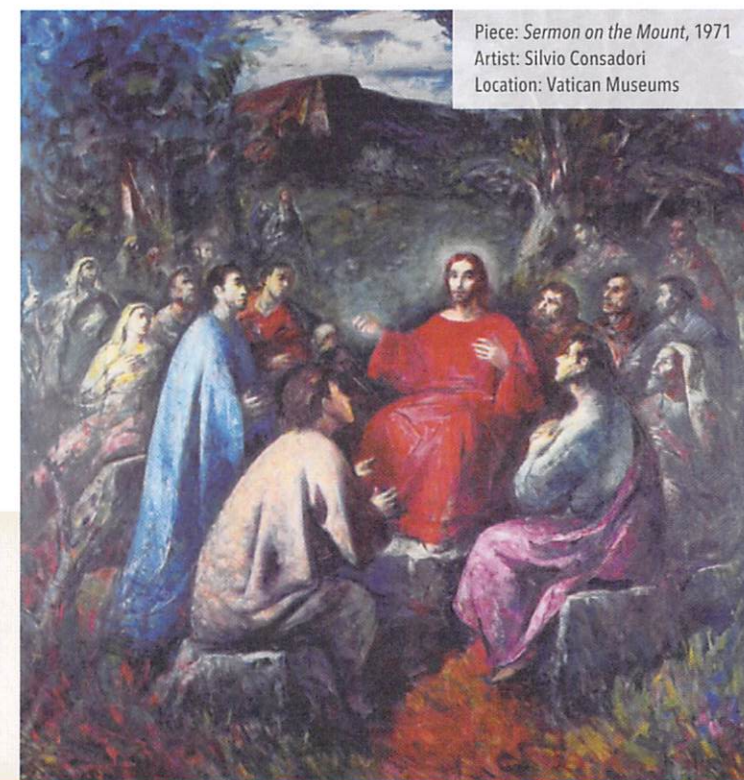
A key to progress in any personal area is keeping hungry, never being fully satisfied. The same goes for our faith and relationship with our Lord. If our goal is to be comfortable, to follow the path of least resistance, then mediocrity is our goal. Jesus is

anything but mediocre. He proposes to us a high moral standard that isn't reached by coasting.

Our souls are hungry by design. They are never fully satisfied in this life because we desire the Infinite—we desire God.

Luckily, our Lord not only proposes a high moral ideal of holiness, but he also gives us his very Spirit so we can reach the heights he proposes. And so we can pray with St. Augustine, "Give me what you command, and command what you will."

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *Sermon on the Mount*, 1971
Artist: Silvio Consadori
Location: Vatican Museums

For Reflection

Do I consider myself a Catholic who is tending and working toward holiness?

Would Jesus consider me a Catholic who is tending and working toward holiness?

*And raising his eyes toward his disciples [Jesus] said:
"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours."*

Luke 6:20