

HOLY CHILD CATHOLIC PARISH

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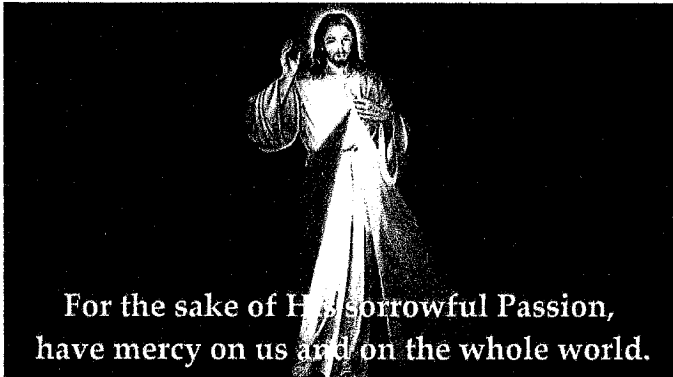
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April 12, 2015

Divine Mercy Sunday



What is Divine Mercy?

The Divine Mercy Message and Devotion

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us — all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

Mission Statement: Holy Child Parish

United with the Pope, we the members of Holy Child Parish seek to be a welcoming church, which fosters spiritual development and expresses charity by living in word and deed the life of Christ. Under the leadership of the bishop, our goals are to implement effective ministries through word, worship, and the sacraments, to enhance the spiritual growth of our parish family, and to encourage, through works of love and faith, the unity of the Church.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you. (divinemercy.org)

Chaplet and Exposition/Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

St. Mary of Czestochowa

Sunday, 4/12

Confessions 2:30PM – 3PM

Social in St. Mary's Hall



St. Faustina

Intentions for this Week

Saturday, April 11

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Angie Bubacz by Martha & Tom Jessup

6:30 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Lorelei Rae Grohman by Grandmother Jan Yoder

Sunday, April 12th, 2nd Sunday of Easter, Divine

Mercy Sunday

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Dorothy V. Baker by daughters

11:15 AM at Holy Child

All Parishioners

Monday, April 13

10:00 AM Mass at Holy Child

Isabelle Harzinski by Pat Andrews and Kathy Parmley

Tuesday, April 14

8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child

Mary Wivell by Holy Child Parish Ladies Guild

Wednesday, April 15

No Mass

Thursday, April 16

12:00 PM at Holy Child

Myron Mayer by the Youmans Family

Friday, April 17

8:30 AM at Holy Child

Chester and Roger Losinger by family

Saturday, April 18

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Carol Dalton by Family

6:30 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Anna Frye by Ray and Loretta Brundage

Sunday, April 19th, 3rd Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Marge Davies by sisters

11:15 AM at Holy Child

All Parishioners



The Sanctuary Light burns to remind us of the real presence of Christ reserved in the tabernacle.

The Sanctuary Light at St. Mary's in Blossburg is offered this week (April 12) in memory of Mary Elizabeth Retorick by

Clifford and Jean Parker. The Sanctuary Light at Holy Child is offered in memory deceased members of Holy Child Parish.

Bingo workers for April 18: Pat Metallo, Janet Metallo, Ben Minnich, Sara Williammee, Rita Hanson

Kitchen workers for April 18: PREP Parents

Collection Counters:

April 12: Anna Marie Mimplitsch and Rob Minnich

April 19: Jim and Joann Weiskopff

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Confessions are heard on Saturdays

at 3:30 PM at Holy Child

at 7:30 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

For other times, call the rectory to make an appointment.

Ministers of the Altar

for this weekend April 11 & 12

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Samantha Rutledge

Servers: Amanda Rutledge

E. Min: Scott DiMarco

6:30 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Pam Thomas, Jan Yoder

Servers: Nealens

E. Min: Tony Lupkowski

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Anna Marie Mimplitsch,

Dick Colegrove

Servers: Grace and Sophia Scouten

E. Min: Alan Parrotte

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Joe Maresco

Servers: Patricia Minnich

E. Min: Maryann Maresco

Ministers of the Altar

for next weekend April 18 & 19

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Bernard Stevenson

Servers: Tristan Templeman

E. Min: Ron Becker

6:30 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Ray Brundage

Servers: Thomas King

E. Min: Chris King

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Jim Weiskopff, Linda Hawn

Servers: Isabella Hazelton, Jon Baker

E. Min: Joan Miller

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Christine Jenkins, Rita Hanson

Servers: Brendan Nash

E. Min: Bill Page

Readings

April 12

*2nd Sunday of Easter,
Divine Mercy Sunday*

Acts 4:32-35

Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15,
22-24

1 John 5:1-6

John 20:19-31

April 13

St. Martin I

Acts 4:23-31

John 3:1-8

April 14

Acts 4:32-37

John 3:7b-15

April 15

Acts 5:17-26

John 3:16-21

April 16

Acts 5:27-33

John 3:31-36

April 17

Acts 5:34-42

John 6:1-15

April 18

Acts 6:1-7

John 6:16-21

April 19

3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-9

1 John 2:1-5a

Luke 24:35-48

**Father and maker of all,
you adorn all creation with splendor and beauty,
and fashion human lives in your image and likeness.
Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your
hands and renew among your people
a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift
of life.**

**Grant this through Our Lord
Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God Forever and ever.
Amen.**

"I received a deeper understanding of divine mercy. Only that soul who wants it will be damned, for God condemns no one."
~St. Faustina

THIS WEEK HOLY CHILD PARISH

Saturday, April 11

- ✿ 5:00 PM Kitchen opens at H.C. Hall
- ✿ 6:30 PM Bingo in Holy Child Hall

Sunday, April 12th, 2nd Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy

- ✿ 10:00 AM PREP
- ✿ 2 PM – 3PM Divine Mercy Chaplet and Exposition/Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's
- ✿ 2:30 PM – 3 PM Confessions and Social to follow

Monday, April 13

- ✿ 10:00 AM Mass at Holy Child
- ✿ 6:30 PM Bingo at St. Mary's

Tuesday, April 14

- ✿ 8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child
- ✿ 7:00 PM Ladies Guild

Wednesday, April 15

- ✿ No Mass
- ✿ Office Closed

Thursday, April 16

- ✿ 12:00 PM Mass at Holy Child

Friday, April 17

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- ✿ 10:00 AM PREP

2015 Holy Child Parish Lottery Winners

Date	Winning Number	Amount Won
3/30	452	No Winner
3/31	333	No Winner

Thanks again for those of you who supported the lottery fundraiser in anyway. The profit, which will be deposited into the parish building fund, is \$2350.00.



The flowers on the altar in St. Mary's this weekend have been placed in memory of Lorelei Rae Grohmann, by her grandmother.



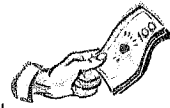
SUPPORT



Strengthening the Church at Home

On the weekend of April 18/19, there will be a collection for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. There are envelopes in the back of both churches if you

do not receive envelope packets in the mail.



Gifts to Your Parish

Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter

Loose:

Holy Thursday: \$ 116.00
Easter: \$ 522.28

Envelopes:

Holy Thursday: \$ 644.00
Easter: \$4184.96
Sunday Env: \$2553.00
Taxes and Insurance: \$ 20.00
Holyday: \$ 10.00
Initial Offering: \$ 10.00
Easter Flowers: \$ 45.00
Dues: \$ 35.00

Total: \$8140.24

Thank you! Your stewardship and generosity to your parish are needed and greatly appreciated. The amount needed from our weekly collections to meet our budget is \$4893.85.

In addition, we received \$262.00 for the Care and Education of Priests and \$86.00 for Rice Bowl and \$5.00 for Catholic Home Missions and \$927.25 for the Holy Land. This money is sent to the Diocese of Scranton.

PLEASE PRAY.....

We pray, always, for deceased parishioners, family, friends, and benefactors. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

For those serving our country:

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord and Savior.



Amen.

For those who are ill and their caregivers:

Sis Seiser, Jean Leiboff, Pat Cole, Jeffrey Seeley, Patricia Kaminski, John McCarthy, Christine Wilcox, Ron Andrews, Ardith Matreski, Nancy Bullock, Michael Rumsey, Linda Kichline, Joe Alampi, Kay Gallagher, Patty Vlajic, Ken Riseborough, Charlotte Von Hendy, Janet Warren, Cathy Alampi, Dee Borden, Bill Brennan, Linda Roupp, Ron Wood, Celia Levindofski, Charles Shedden, Vincent LaDalia, Mary Ann Bacard, Sis Sandstrom, Edwin Rosa, Maryann Thomas, Bonnie Casselberry, Allison Orchowski, Gary Johnson, Connie Leone, Lloyd Barrett, Dawn Egan, Eleanor Brion, Kathleen Evans, Carol Folcarelli, Desiree Bleam, Dennis Bogaczyk, Pete Hall, Carter Goodwin, Jeannie Leone, Bryan Augustine, Nancy Matthews, Anna Marie Mimplitsch, Anna Friedmann, Carol Knable, Benjamin Alessi, and family, friends and parishioners in nursing homes. Please call the parish office to add names of those for whom you wish us to pray or to remove names as needed.

To respect our parishioners' privacy, please ask them before having their names printed in the bulletin.



FLOWER POWER

Holy Child's Flower Power Spring Fundraiser is underway!

For every purchase made, Flower Power Fundraising will give 50% back to Holy Child Parish which will go into the Building Fund. This year, you will receive a free bonus Anemone when your order totals \$40 or more (**before shipping**). Catalogs are available in the back of both churches. Save on shipping by combining orders sent to the same address. On the order form, please put your name as the "Seller" and make checks payable to "Holy Child Parish." You can drop your order in the collection basket.

To place an order online, please follow these simple directions:

- 1) Go to <http://www.flowerpowerfundraising.com/>
- 2) Click on 'Place Order', top right corner
- 3) Under 'Find a Group', type 'Holy Child Parish' in the box behind 'Organization Name' (no city or state!)
- 4) Click on 'Search', then follow the directions below 'Search' (Yes, it says "Wellsboro" because the address of the contact person is Wellsboro.)
- 5) You are now on our Fundraiser page. Just scroll down the page and follow the directions to view the online catalog.
- 6) Choose your items and place your order! P.S. If you combine your order with family and friends, you can save on shipping.
- 7) Wait for your order to arrive! It is just that simple.
- 8) Please share this opportunity with your friends.

All orders due by May 1st

The last dates to turn in paper order forms for Flower Power via the weekend collection are April 25th and 26th. Catalogs and forms are in the back of both churches. Online orders may be placed through May 1st. Remember that 50% of every order is a donation to Holy Child Parish.

Thank you for your support.

The bulletin is available in PDF format from the website. Going out of town and have access to our website? Check out the weekly bulletin while you are away.

Safe Environment for Children:

Holy Child Parish is committed to ensuring a safe environment for children.

- ❖ Holy Child Parish is committed to uphold the "national Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" as established by the U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops.
- ❖ All adults who work with our children are trained in the "VIRTUS, Protecting God's Children" Program.
- ❖ All adults who work with our children are screened by law enforcement.

All adults who work with our children acknowledge and accept the "Diocese of Scranton Volunteer Code of Conduct."

NOTICE REGARDING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE BY ORDAINED OR LAY PERSONNEL OF THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

Such an act should be reported to local law enforcement and the Diocese by calling the Victim Assistance Coordinator (570-862-7551) or the Chancellor (570-207-2216) or the Vicar General/Director of Clergy Personnel (570-207-2269).

Upon receiving a report of this kind, the Diocese of Scranton is committed to assisting victims or survivors of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being.

<http://www.dioceseofscranton.org/about/compliance-office/>



Many thanks to all who sang in the Choir on Holy Thursday! The sharing of your gift of song on this special celebration of the

Eucharist is greatly appreciated.

When bringing food items and otherwise into the kitchen at Holy Child, please either take or toss any remaining leftovers. If you are coming back for it, put your name on it. There are also many dishes and pans in the freezer room waiting to be claimed. Thank you for helping to keep our kitchen area neat and clean.



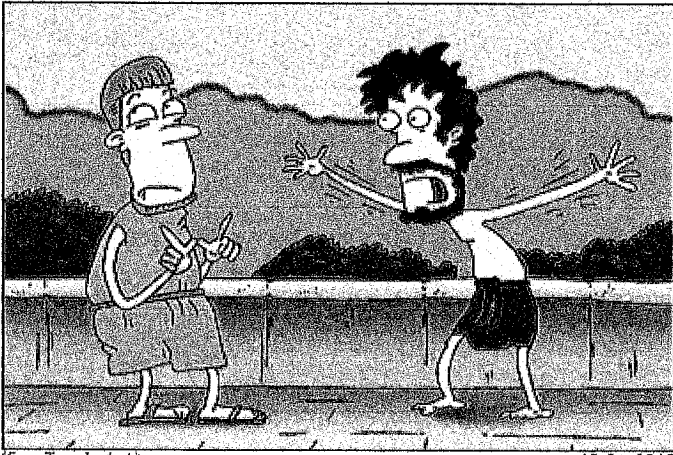
Cemetery Spring Cleaning

Winter has taken its toll and it's time to refresh our cemeteries.

Please remove all items from graves and dispose of them properly – they are your responsibility. All items remaining and of poor condition will be removed by maintenance. We will be scheduling a spring clean-up day for May. Thank you for helping.



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(See Jonah 1-4)

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JONAH ATTEMPTS TO SHARE HIS TALE WITH DOUBTING THOMAS

Daily Mass Change: Beginning in May, Daily Mass will be at St. Mary's in Blossburg on both Tuesday and Thursday at 12:00 PM. Daily Mass on Monday and Friday will remain at Holy Child Church in Mansfield. This schedule will remain in effect until Fall.

"Attention, single Catholic men 18-30: The Knights of the Holy Eucharist, a community of consecrated brothers dedicated to fostering reverent devotion to Our Eucharistic Lord, invite you to discern your vocation at their House of Formation, located at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, Alabama. Learn more: knights.org."

Just a reminder - Father Jacek will be away for Convocation next week; there will be no daily Mass Monday thru Friday, April 20 - 24.

The wounds Jesus shows to his disciples remind us that he remembers what we humans go through and that he is with us when we have to carry our own crosses. Thomas is invited to touch his wounds. But Jesus does the reverse. He reaches out to touch and heal our wounds and so gives meaning to our pain. It's one thing to have been hurt and suffered pain. We all go through that. It's another thing to have someone who lived and listened to our story and who joins us now to assure us that no pain need be wasted, meaningless and without the possibility of giving new life to us.

Pain, alienation and life's bumps can raise a lot of doubts in our minds - doubts about ourselves and about God. I am glad Thomas was there for us. He has gotten a bad reputation, but he voices what we sometimes are hesitant to say, "Where is Christ in all this mess?" In today's post-resurrection account Jesus invites Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Today we invite the wounded Jesus to touch our wounds, the open, visible ones, as well as those we keep covered up and hidden from even those who know us well. (Preacher's Exchange)

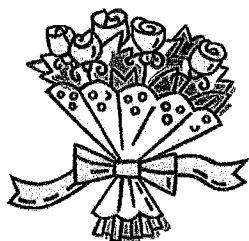
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Scranton Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference is still open for registration. There will be a bus available for transportation which will be covered by the parish. Anyone wishing to attend on Saturday, April 25, 2015 should call the church office for registration information.

Spiritual Bouquet for Mother's Day!



What a wonderful way to honor your Mom! There are envelopes in your packet or at the back of both churches. Fill out the Spiritual Bouquet envelope and place it in the collection basket.

Mother's Day intention envelopes will be placed on the altar and be specially remembered at all Masses on Mother's Day weekend and throughout the month of May.

Easter Flower Donations in Honor/Memory of:



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kefover

Mr. and Mrs. John Kearns

Bernadine Youmans: Floyd

and Genevieve Stachowski, Alfred and Betty Jean Stachowski, Walter and Josephine Stachowski, Bernard Stachowski, Bill Stachowski, Andrew and Mary Beaderman

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hohman

Flor Blanco: Nelly, Gilberto, Rosalinda, Mynerd

For an overview of Bishop Bambera's Message heard at the Masses this weekend, please see the insert in today's bulletin.