

HOLY CHILD CATHOLIC PARISH

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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.

June 14, 2015

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



To understand today's Gospel Reading, it's helpful to look back at the first words of Jesus in the Gospel according to Mark. They are centered on the Kingdom of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel" (1:15). For Mark, the center piece of Jesus' public ministry and message was the inbreaking of the reign of God into the world. Sometimes Jesus spoke about God's Kingdom in parables, such as the parable of the mustard seed. Other times Jesus showed what the reign of God looks like, as when he shared table fellowship with people from all levels of the social ladder.

In teaching about the Kingdom of God, Jesus often drew upon images and experiences that Jews living in the rural areas of Galilee could easily relate to. Planted seeds and harvested fields were tangible images for the disciples and

the crowds that would help them better understand Jesus and his worldview. The example of the mustard seed in particular was a useful metaphor for God's coming reign in the world. The mustard seed aptly communicated the manner in which God's Kingdom grows in the world. Parables such as the mustard seed also signaled that Jesus' public ministry was fulfilling the prophecies of Israel, as heard in the reading today from Ezekiel. (Liturgy Training Publications)

From today's Gospel reading:

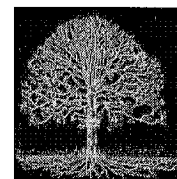
Jesus said to the crowds,
"This is how it is with the kingdom of God...
through it all the seed would sprout and grow,
he knows not how."

Reflection:

What's encouraging to us sowers is that the seed produces a crop even though the farmer "knows not how." There is a power, or energy at work once the seed is sown. We don't have to control it or look after it through the whole process. It can take care of itself.

Spiritual guides recommend a daily examination of our days. So we ask ourselves:

- Were we aware this day how God acted quietly and unobtrusively in the ordinary events?
- What growth have we experienced in our lives that has come about quietly and over some time?



Intentions for this Week

Saturday, June 13

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Evelyn Stolinas by Rich and Ann Marie Vacula

6:30 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Anna Frye by David Frye

Sunday, June 14th, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM at Holy Child

For All Parishioners

11:15 AM at Holy Child

For All Fathers

Monday, June 15

No Mass

Tuesday, June 16

No Mass

Wednesday, June 17

No Mass

Thursday, June 18

12:00 PM Mass at St. Mary's

Angie Bubacz by Anna Bogaczyk

Friday, June 19

No Mass

Saturday, June 20

4:00 PM at Holy Child

For All Fathers

6:30 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

For All Fathers

Sunday, June 21st, 12 Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM at Holy Child

For All Fathers

11:15 AM at Holy Child

For All Fathers

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 June 13 & 14

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Kayla Nash

Servers: Brendan Nash

E. Min: Anna Marie Mimplitsch

6:30 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Peter Lupkowski

Servers: Bill Lupkowski

E. Min: Chris King

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Joe Maresco

Servers: Will Brennan & Michael Harman

E. Min: Maryann Maresco

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Bob Wood

Servers: Roch Minnich

E. Min: Courtney Hull

Ministers of the Altar

for next weekend June 20 & 21

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Samantha Rutledge

Servers: Amanda Rutledge

E. Min: Ron Becker

6:30 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Ray Brundage

Servers: Nealens

E. Min: Tony Lupkowski

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Connie Penner, Linda Hawm

Servers: Grace and Sophia Scouten

E. Min: Alan Parrotte

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Courtney Hull

Servers: Patricia Minnich

E. Min: Donna Brennan

Readings

June 14

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 17:22-24

Psalm 92:2-3, 13-16

2 Cor 5:6-10

Mark 4:26-34

June 15

2 Cor 6:1-10

Matthew 5:38-42

June 16

2 Cor 8:1-9

Matthew 5:43-48

June 17

2 Cor 9:6-11

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

June 18

2 Cor 11:1-11

Matthew 6:7-15

June 19

St. Romuald

2 Cor 11:18, 21-30

Matthew 6:19-23

June 20

2 Cor 12:1-10

Matthew 6:24-34

June 21

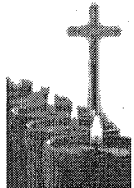
12th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jb 38:1, 8-11

Psalm 107:23-26, 28-31

2 Cor 5:14-17

Mark 4:35-41



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 (June 14th) in memory of deceased members of Holy Child

Parish. The Sanctuary Light at Holy Child is offered in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Boinske and Families by their children.

Bingo workers for June 20: Linda Brown, Connie Williammee, Patricia Minnich, Jean Leiboff

Kitchen workers for June 20: PREP Parents

Collection Counters:

June 14: Dave and Cathy Slusser

June 21: Jim and Joann Weiskopff

ATTENTION COUNTERS: The schedule for July through December will be out next week. If there are any last minute changes to your availability, please contact the office by Thursday morning. Thank you.

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.

"The older I get, the smarter my father seems to get." —*Tim Russert*

THIS WEEK HOLY CHILD PARISH

Saturday, June 13

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

Sunday, June 14th, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, June 15

- ✦ No Mass
- ✦ 6:30 PM Bingo at St. Mary's

Tuesday, June 16

- ✦ No Mass
- ✦ 7:00 PM Faith Sharing

Wednesday, June 17

- ✦ No Mass
- ✦ Office Closed

Thursday, June 18

- ✦ 12:00 PM Mass at St. Mary's

Friday, June 19

- ✦ No Mass

Saturday, June 20

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Sunday, June 21st, 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time

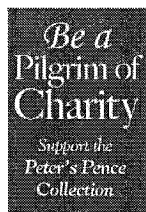
- ✦ Happy Father's Day

Spiritual Bouquet for Father's Day!



What a wonderful way to honor your Dad! 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.

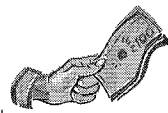
Father's Day intention envelopes will be placed on the altar and be specially remembered at all Masses on Father's Day weekend and throughout the month of June.



Next weekend, we will be taking a collection for the Peter's Pence. The Peter's Pence Collection unites us in solidarity with the Holy Father and his works of charity toward those who are suffering around the world. Pope Francis reminds us that true power lies not in amassing possessions and resources for ourselves but in giving. "We must never forget that true power, at any level, is service, whose bright summit is upon the Cross...It means to enter into Jesus' logic, who bends down to wash the feet of the Apostles," he said.

Your contributions to the Peter's Pence Collection join with the power of Christ and allow our Holy Father to support victims of war and natural disasters and all our brothers and sisters who face the greatest need.

There are envelopes in the back of the both churches if you do not receive packets in the mail.



Gifts to Your Parish

June 6 & 7

Sunday Envelopes: \$4199.50
Loose: \$ 316.00

Summer Drive: \$25.00 Holy Day: \$5.00
Parish Charity: \$5.00

Total: \$4570.50

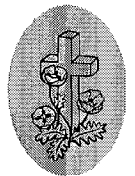
Cemetery: \$35.00

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 421.00 for the Care and Education of Priests and \$15.00 for Peter's Pence. 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:



Amen.

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.

For those who are ill and their caregivers:

Sis Seiser, Joseph Pultro, Tim Bogaczyk, Jean Leiboff, Pat Cole, Jeffrey Seeley, Patricia Kaminski, John McCarthy, Paul Harzinski, Ardith Matreski, Nancy Bullock, Charles Boinske, Linda Kichline, Joe Alampi, Kay Gallagher, Ken Riseborough, Charlotte Von Hendy, Janet Warren, Cathy Alampi, Dee Borden, Elsa DiBernardo, 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.

Summer & Sun BASKET BINGO

St. Michaels Catholic Church

June 20, 2015

12-4 pm

20 Games/20\$

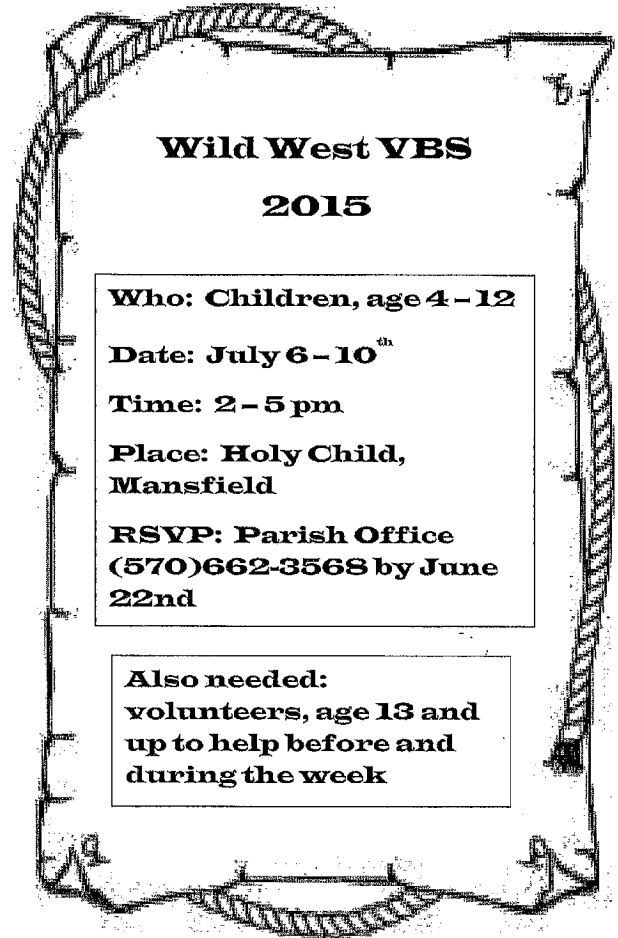
Prizes include:

Hershey Park and Knoebels Tickets

Rascal Flatts Concert Tickets

Peterboro Handcrafted Baskets

20\$ Admission includes 20 games of Bingo each with a prize designed for summer fun. There will be door prizes, raffles and concessions available from the kitchen. Please contact St. Michael's Rectory at 570-673-5253 or Cassi Blaney at 570-337-2894 for questions or to purchase tickets.



Many people have asked if there will be a reception for Father Jacek before he leaves. The answer is, YES! On Sunday, June 28th, after both Masses, there will be a reception with light refreshments downstairs in Holy Child Hall. Please stop by to wish Fr. Jacek well as he looks forward to his new assignment at All Saints Parish in Plymouth.

Need Some Inspiration???

Please check out our DVD's, Books and the Christopher Notes in the back of the church. There are also some items for children for use during the Mass.

Seeds of Hope would like to thank all for the continuing generosity. All items will be given directly to those in need.



Attention High School Students!

Light the Fire Youth Rally will be held July 1st
at

Misericordia University in Dallas, PA

For more information or to register:

www.Light-the-Fire.org

Living Faith Daily Catholic Devotions for July, August and September are available in the back of both churches; we have a limited number.

SUPER BINGO
AT
HOLY CHILD HALL

FRIDAY, July 31, 2015
Doors open at 4:00 PM

Games Begin at 6:00 PM
\$2450.00 payout guaranteed!
20 Games pay \$50.00 each
4 Specials pay \$100.00 each
Jackpot special pays \$1050.00

Ticket: \$25.00 per person includes 12-on
bingo cards

(Every player must have \$25.00 admission
card)

Extra cards available for purchase (\$5.00 for
6-on, \$10.00 for 12-on)

Also: Lucky 7 and two 50/50 games will be
played

Kitchen opens at 4:00 PM

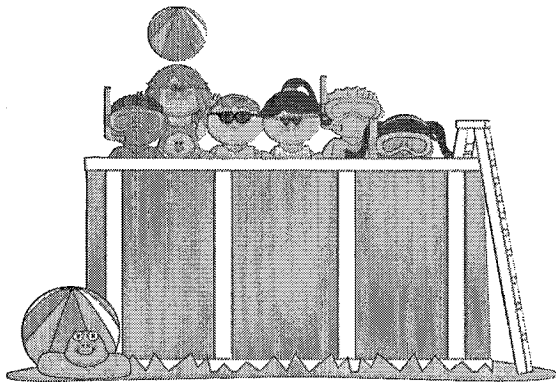
Call 570-662-3568 for tickets.
Tickets also available at the door.



Reverend Seth Dominic Wasnock, 29, of Forest City, was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Scranton Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 10 a.m. in the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton.

The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, served as principal celebrant and ordaining prelate for the morning ceremony, during which he will conferred the Sacrament of Holy Orders on the ordinand.

Save the Date!



Parish Youth Pool Party
Sunday, August 23rd
More Details to Come.....







The question is not: "What am I to do with my life?"

The question is: "What is God calling me to do?"

As a baptized man considering the Priesthood, with the right motives and the inward sense that God is calling you, you should consider this calling as an invitation from Christ. Truly, it is a gift from God. And you need to decide how to respond to this gift...

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 <p>Ready to purchase a new, used or certified pre-owned vehicle??? Please call or visit Peter Flisock Cole & Burd Ford-Lincoln 570-662-2141 ext. 109 www.coleandburdford.com</p>	<p>Thank you to the members of the Holy Child Health Ministry for the lovely card. It sure brightened my day!</p> <p><i>Leona Winder</i></p>	

Save the Date!!! On Sunday, August 30th, our parish will be having the annual roast beef dinner at St. Mary's Hall. You will receive cash raffle tickets in the mail to sell and we will again be having the basket raffle. (If you would like to donate a basket, contact the office.) Please make every effort to attend the dinner, sell the tickets and bid on some baskets. See you there!

WELCOME! We welcome all who join us for worship and invite you to become part of our parish family. We encourage you to full and active participation in our parish life. New members are asked to register by contacting the parish office.

★JUNE 21 to JULY 4, 2015★
FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM **FREEDOM TO BEAR WITNESS**
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The *Fortnight for Freedom: Freedom to Bear Witness* will take place from June 21 to July 4, 2015, a time when our liturgical calendar celebrates a series of great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power—St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, St. John the Baptist, SS. Peter and Paul, and the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. The theme of this year's Fortnight will focus on the "freedom to bear witness" to the truth of the Gospel. Watch upcoming bulletins to find out how you can participate!