

Holy Child

HOLY CHILD CATHOLIC PARISH

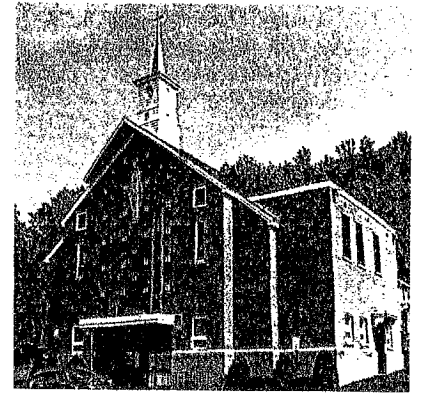
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Rita Hanson, Financial Secretary
Jen Minnich, Parish Secretary
Sarah Hazelton, DRE
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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
Office closed on Wednesday
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By Appointment
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St. Mary of Czestochowa

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.

September 6, 2015

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacraments:

Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Saturdays at 3:30 PM at Holy Child and at 7:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa. For other times, call the church office to make an appointment.

Baptism: Please call the church office to make arrangements to meet with the pastor and schedule the time and date of the ceremony.

Matrimony: Couples planning to marry should contact their Pastor at least 6 months before the planned wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick: Anointing and Holy Communion are available to the infirmed and homebound. Families are asked to notify the church office to arrange a visit.

New Parishioners

Holy Child Parish welcomes you! New members are asked to register by contacting the Parish Office. Registration is a requirement for admission to our religious education programs and reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Penance, Confirmation, and Matrimony.

Parish Contacts:

Director of Religious Education:

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Evangelization Committee:

Joan Miller 570-662-3594

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Alan Parrotte 570-549-2592

Good Neighbors:

Francis Murphy 570-835-5387

Good Samaritans:

Doris Partyka 570-324-2295

Health Ministry:

Dotty Welsh 570-463-2429

Knights of Columbus, MU Chapter:

Nick Musshafen 570-537-6620

Knights of Columbus, Blossburg Chapter:

Jim Weiskopff 570-662-7133

Ladies Guild:

Patty Hutcheson 570-662-2346

Mansfield University Campus Minister:

Courtney Hull 570-404-8435

Medical Equipment Loaning Program:

Dotty Welsh 570-463-2429

RCIA: Ken Auker 570-529-1859 or

Linda Kichline 570-724-4255

Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday, September 5th, First Friday

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Simon Stolas by Rich and Ann Marie Vacula

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Joseph Mahonski by Anna Bogaczyk & Family

Sunday, September 6th, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Living and Deceased members of Holy Child
Ladies Guild

11:15 AM at Holy Child

All Parishioners

Monday, August 31

12:00 PM Mass at St. Mary's

Chester and Roger Losinger by Family

Tuesday, September 1

12:00 PM Mass at St. Mary's

Carol Dalton by Family

Wednesday, September 2

No Mass

Thursday, September 3

6:00 PM Mass at Holy Child

Rose Sterling by Clifford and Jean Parker

Friday, September 4

8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child

George Silvaney by Betty and Family

Saturday, August 29

4:00 PM at Holy Child

John and Marian Ranck by The Ranck Family

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Sally Ward by John and Mary Rita Landis

Sunday, August 30th, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM at Holy Child

All Parishioners

11:15 AM at Holy Child

Gilda De Annuntis by Patricia Wright

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 (September 6) in memory of Rose Sterling by Clifford and Jean Parker. The Sanctuary Light at Holy Child is offered in memory of deceased members of Holy Child Parish.

Bingo workers for September 12: Linda Doud, Connie Williammee, Sara Williammee, Mary Nance

Kitchen workers for September 12: Joe and Crew

Collection Counters:

September 6: Jim & Joann Weiskopff

September 13: Dave and Cathy Slusser

Volunteer - if not you, then who???

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Confessions are heard on Saturdays

at 3:30 PM at Holy Child

at 7:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

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

Ministers of the Altar

for this weekend September 5 & 6

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Bob Wood

Servers: Tristan Templeman

E. Min: Scott DiMarco

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Chris King

Servers: Thomas King

E. Min: Cecelia Tokarz

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Linda Hawn, Anna Marie Mimplitsch

Servers: Isabella Hazelton, Will Brennan

E. Min: Ann Monaghan

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Suzanne Case, Tina Jenkins

Servers: Roch Minnich

E. Min: Donna Brennan

Ministers of the Altar

for next weekend September 12 & 13

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Anna Marie Mimplitsch

Servers: Need Volunteer

E. Min: Peg Padden

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Jan Yoder, Pam Thomas

Servers: Nealens

E. Min: Tony Lupkowski

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Jim Weiskopff, Maryjane Seifried

Servers: Jon Baker, Daniel Harman

E. Min: Ann Vayansky

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Kayla Nash, Rita Hanson

Servers: Brendan Nash

E. Min: Bill Page



Readings

September 6

23rd SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Is 35:4-7a

Psalm 146:7-10

Jas 2:1-5

Mark 7:31-37

September 7

Weekday [23]

Col 1:24-2:3

Luke 6:6-11

September 8

THE NATIVITY OF THE

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mic 5:1-4a

Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

September 9

St. Peter Claver

Col 3:1-11

Luke 6:20-26

September 10

Weekday [23]

Col 3:12-17

Luke 6:27-38

September 11

Weekday [23]

1Tm 1:1-2, 12-14

Luke 6:39-42

September 12

Weekday [23]

The Most Holy Name of Mary

1Tm 1:15-17

Luke 6:43-49

September 13

24th SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Is 50:5-9a

Psalm 116:1-6, 8-9

Jas 2:14-18

Mark 8:27-35

**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.**

Please see the bulletin each week for any unexpected changes to the Daily Mass Schedule. It is there that you will find the Mass intentions listed.

THIS WEEK HOLY CHILD PARISH

Saturday, September 5

- ☛ 5:00 PM Kitchen opens at H.C. Hall
- ☛ 6:30 PM Bingo in Holy Child Hall
- ☛ 2nd Collection for the Care & Education of Priests

Sunday, September 6th, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ☛ 2nd Collection for the Care & Education of Priests

Monday, September 7, Labor Day

- ☛ 12:00 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ☛ 6:30 PM Bingo at St. Mary's
- ☛ Office Closed

Tuesday, September 8, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

- ☛ 12:00 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ☛ 12:00 PM Good Neighbors at 10 West
- ☛ 7:00 PM Ladies Guild in Holy Child Hall

Wednesday, September 9

- ☛ No Mass

Thursday, September 10

- ☛ 6:00 PM Mass at Holy Child

Friday, September 11

- ☛ 8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child
- ☛ 9:15 AM Evangelization Committee Mtg. in Holy Child Hall

Saturday, September 12

- ☛ 5:00 PM Kitchen opens at H.C. Hall
- ☛ 6:30 PM Bingo in Holy Child Hall
- ☛ 2nd Collection for Religious Education

Sunday, September 13th, 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

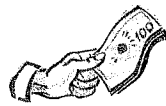
- ☛ 2nd Collection for Religious Education



The Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century. A September birth was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year with September. The September 8 date helped determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8 (nine months earlier).

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's birth. However, the apocryphal *Protoevangelium of James* fills in the gap. According to this account, Anna and Joachim are infertile but pray for a child. They receive the promise of a child that will advance God's plan of salvation for the world. Such a story (like many biblical counterparts) stresses the special presence of God in Mary's life from the beginning.

St. Augustine connects Mary's birth with Jesus' saving work. He tells the earth to rejoice and shine forth in the light of her birth. "She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley. Through her birth the nature inherited from our first parents is changed." (AmericanCatholic.org)



Gifts to Your Parish

August 29 & 30

Sunday Envelopes: \$4091.55
Loose: \$ 509.36

Parish Charity: \$20.00 Holy Day: \$20.00
Church Dues: \$61.00

Total: \$4701.91

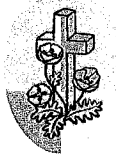
Cemetery Maintenance: \$30.00

Thank you! Your stewardship and generosity to your parish are needed and greatly appreciated. \$4879.00 is the amount needed for our weekly collections to meet budgeted expenses .

In addition, we received \$20.00 for the Care and Education of Priests, \$591.07 to the Church in Eastern Europe and \$20.00 for Catholic Relief Services. 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 need special prayers:

Pat Pfeifer
Marian Watkins
Yolanda Tacka

Please call the office to add names of those who are in need of prayer due to sudden illness, upcoming surgery, hospital stay or those who are experiencing a hardship. We would like to keep the names on our prayer list for a few weeks so that parishioners can pray for those individuals especially.

To respect our parishioners' privacy, please ask and specify if their names are to be put in the bulletin or added to the prayer chain or both.



If you have a loved one who has passed away or is sick, please contact the office so that we can remember you in our prayers.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal
National Service Committee



Pope Francis has been challenging the Catholic Charismatic Renewal (CCR) to promote more active engagement in ecumenical outreach. In response, the CCR of the Diocese of Scranton is sponsoring a day of formation in ecumenism.

Saturday, October 3, 2015

8:30 AM – 6:00 PM

Holy Family Spiritual Renewal Center

Naticoke, PA

Registration for the day is \$25 and includes three meals (breakfast will be served from 7:30 to 8:15). This day will be an opportunity to pray, learn, discuss and fellowship, and will feature presentations by Dan Almeter, who is knowledgeable and experienced in many aspects of ecumenism. The CCR invites you to join them as they embrace our Holy Father's desire to see progress made toward a greater visible unity in the Body of Christ. If you would like a registration form, please contact the office.

KoC Scholarship Winner

The MU Council of the Knights of Columbus is happy to announce that Jacob Holman is the 2015 Scholarship winner. Jacob is attending Lock Haven University for Criminal Justice in the hopes of one day becoming a State Trooper. We wish Jacob the very best in his schooling!
Good



The Good Neighbors would like to take a trip to the Bloomsburg Fair on Monday, September 28, 2015, if

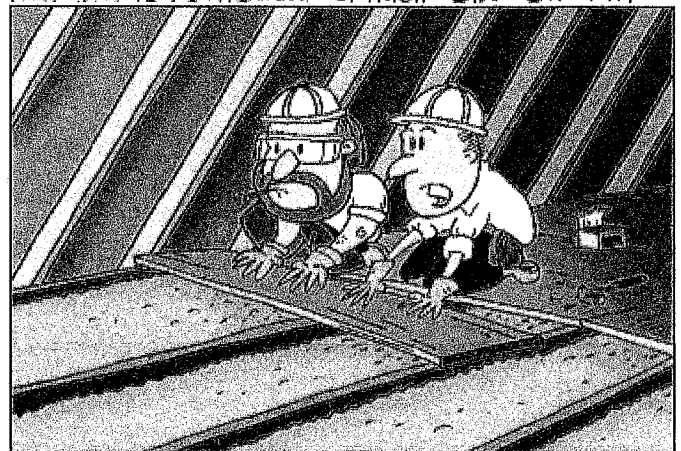
there is enough interest. You must be registered with EMTA and call Ginny Garrett at 570-724-1969 by midnight, Sept. 18th. First come, first serve. The cost is \$15.00 for transportation and free entrance to the fair.

When several pastors were asked: "For which ministries at your parish are you most in need of more volunteers?" their common response was: "All of them."

Parishes rely on parishioners to volunteer their time and talents to various ministries. Those who commit to a parish ministry often find it is a great way to meet people and build community.

At every parish, there are a variety of ministries parishioners can get involved in. Whether you're 16 or 60, have an hour or 10 hours to give, enjoy gardening or crunching numbers, there is a ministry at your parish to suit you.

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THIS ISN'T WHAT I HAD IN MIND WHEN THEY ASKED IF I ENJOYED WORKING ON CHURCH BOARDS

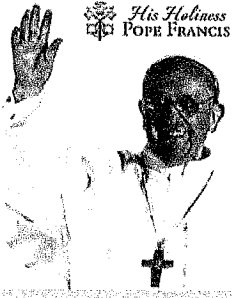


LIFE CHAIN IS OCT 4. 2:30 TO 3:30
AT CORNER OF MAIN STR AND RT
6. MAKE THE COMMITMENT &
STAND FOR LIFE! -The HEALTH
MINISTRY"



RCIA: Rite of Christian
Initiation of Adults

Classes begin on
Monday, September 21st
at 7:00 PM in Holy
Child Parish Center.



Be a family of ...love

The primary task of parents is to make present to their children God and his infinite love. Love is not an emotion or a warm feeling it is a lived response that seeks the good of the beloved. Through the witness of their love for one another, a husband and wife model the self-sacrificing love of God for us. "In the family we learn how to love, to forgive, to be generous and open, not closed and selfish," We learn to move beyond our own needs, to encounter others and share our lives with them."

Practical ways to be families of love:

- Pope Francis advises us to think of family as a verb—something we do — not something we have. Spend time with your family. Set aside time regularly for "Family Date Night." The focus is on lavishness of time and attention rather than destination or activity.
- Celebrate the Eucharist each Sunday with your parish family. It is our privileged opportunity to experience God's love in a tangible way!
- Take time each day to reflect on the ways God has been present in your life, how were you close to God or how did you stray from him in moments of your day? Commit to do better.

Evangelization Committee Meeting on
Friday, September 11th at 9:15 AM after
morning Mass in Holy Child Hall.



From today's Gospel reading:

Immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed and he spoke plainly.

Reflection:

We stand today with the deaf man and beg Jesus to open our ears to hear his word in our daily lives. Our ears are opened and we hear again about our sins, our selfishness and our greed, our apathy and our laziness. But we also hear what God, in Jesus, has to tell us: that we are loved and cherished by God, who desires communion with us. Now our tongues are loosened as we praise what God has done for us in this Eucharist.

So we ask ourselves:

- How would I rate myself as a listener?
- Do I give a listening ear to others, or am I too eager to speak and give advice?



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HOUSE CHARITIES

Girl Scout Troop 40802 is collecting soda tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Please bring your tabs in every week from home. They will be collected weekly.

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FUNDRAISING

This fundraiser will be used to raise money for our Parish Building Fund. For every purchase made, Flower Power Fundraising will give 50% back to Holy Child Parish! In this campaign, with any order of \$40 or more, you will receive a FREE BONUS of 35 Rock Garden Allium - a \$12 value!

Catalogs and order forms are in the back of both churches. You can save on shipping by combining orders and having them sent to one address. On the order form, please put your name on the line behind "SELLER'S NAME". Make checks payable to "Holy Child Parish". No information is needed on the envelopes. Simply place them in the weekend collection. This Fundraiser will continue through Oct. 15.

For those wishing to place an order online, you may follow these simple directions:

- 1) Go to <http://www.flowerpowerfundraising.com/>
- 2) Click on 'Find a Group', top right corner
- 3) Under 'Find a Group', type 'Holy Child Parish' in the box behind 'Organization Name' (no city!)
- 4) Click on 'Search', then follow the directions below 'Search' (Yes, it says "Wellsboro" because the address of the contact person is Wellsboro. No fear!!)
- 5) You are now on our Fundraiser page and the online catalog page! Just scroll down the page and follow the directions.
- 6) Choose your items and place your order!! Please share this opportunity with your friends. You can follow our progress on this site! Thank you for your support of our Parish!!

Ladies Guild Membership Form

Dues: \$5.00 per year

(enclose this form and check in a clearly marked envelope and drop into the collection basket)

NAME: _____

Phone #: _____

Best time to call: _____

Email _____

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/>

Attention Parents:
Religious Education Registration
will be on Sept. 13th at 10:00 AM in
Holy Child Parish Hall.

Winners of Holy Child Parish Basket Raffle

Basket	Winner
Green Bakers Basket	Linda Brown
God Bless America	Jill Boyce
Breakfast Basket	Gabe Greco
Taste of Italy	Dick Musser
Polish Basket	Anita Kump
Princess House	Connie Williammee
Gourmet Foods	Janie Hilfiger
\$100 Wal-Mart Gift Card	Eileen Ranck
Coastal Collection	Sophie Schwoyer
Girls Plain Back-to-School Book Bag	Linda Palmer
Boys Back-to-School	Theresa Banik
Baby Basket	Bob Bowens
Painting	Patricia Wright
Gift Card Box	Susan Bower
Girls Accessory	Mary Minnich
Tequila Basket	Pat Cummings
Body Wash	Rob Minnich
Papa the Butcher	Rich Wigglesworth
Bar Set w/ Gift Card	Janie Hilfiger
80's Basket	Katherine Nealen
Bingo Bag	Annie Dufrain
Hair Products	Terri Faber
Pope Book	Fr. Langan
Cake Decorating	Terri Faber
Yarn Basket	Anne Kaminski
Money Tree	Gabe Partyka
Axe for Men	Doug Draxler
Money Basket	Ron Signor
Watkins	Pat Cummings
Black Book Bag	Roch Minnich
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Wine and Cheese	Dave Thomas
Breads	Katherine Wasowicz
Kitchen/Slow Cooker	Dio DeGuzman
Family Fun Night	Carley Yoder
Dry Goods	Martie Sobocinski
Towel Basket	Angela Leinhardt
Bed Set	Jeanne Leiboff

Winners of Cash Raffle

Cash Prize	Winner
\$500.00	Ray Nealen
\$250.00	Ron Signor
\$100.00	Kathy Rago
\$50.00	Robert Houser
\$50.00	Rob Tierney
\$25.00	Susan MacBlane
\$25.00	Joseph Maresco

Profit Report from Parish Picnic, 8/30/2015

Roast Beef Dinner:	\$ 833.29
Basket Raffle:	\$1913.00
Cash Raffle:	\$4560.00
Grand Total:	\$7306.29



"Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little." - Edmund Burke

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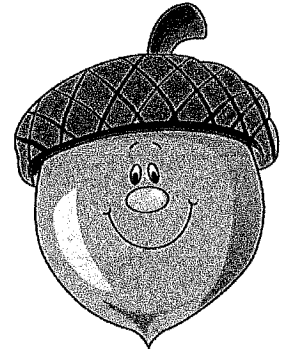
Attention Building Committee Members:



There will be a meeting on Thursday, October 1st at 6:45 PM. Please make every effort to attend Mass prior to the meeting.

TEEN YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

Holy Child Teen Youth Group is back in session! The next meeting is Sept. 19th, at 5pm in the Parish Center. Bring your creativity, because we will be working on a fall craft project. New members welcome!



THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who supported the Holy Child Parish Picnic held last Sunday at St. Mary's in Blossburg! Thank you for working the kitchen. Thank you for donating baskets. Thank you for buying tickets and attending the dinner. Thank you for organizing the different events. As usual, this fundraiser was a huge success and we are looking forward to next year!



Weekend Retreat for 6th, 7th & 8th Graders
October 2 - 4, 2015
Camp Orchard Hill
Dallas, PA

Registration deadline is September 18, 2015. For more information, call 570-207-2213 or visit the Diocese of Scranton website at www.dioceseofscranton.org