

Holy Child

# HOLY CHILD CATHOLIC PARISH

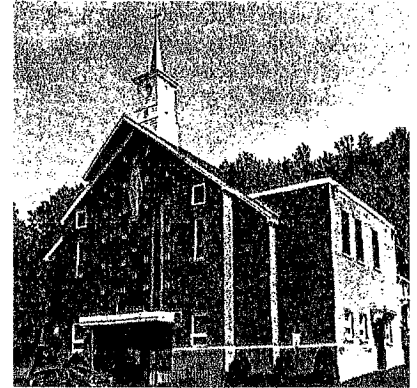
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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  
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St. Mary of Czestochowa

### 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.

## January 10, 2016 The Baptism of the Lord

### 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:

Sarah Hazelton 570-549-8174

Evangelization Committee:

Joan Miller 570-662-3594

Faith Sharing:

Alan Parrotte 570-549-2592

Good Neighbors:

Francis Murphy 570-835-5387

Good Samaritans:

Doris Partyka 570-324-2295

Health Ministry:

Dotty Welsh 570-662-2057

Knights of Columbus, MU Chapter:

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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 570-662-2057

RCIA: Ken Auker 570-529-1859 or

Linda Kichline 570-724-4255

## Mass Intentions for this Week

### Saturday, January 9

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Maurice Copello by Family

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Theresa Carlson by Lenny and Rose Mahosky

### Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, The Baptism of the Lord

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Hugh Cunningham by Linda Cloos

11:15 AM at Holy Child

All Parishioners

### Monday, January 11

12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's

Floyd and Genevieve Stachowski by Family

### Tuesday, January 12

12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's

Theresa Carlson by Dale and Marge Morgan

### Wednesday, January 13

No Mass

### Thursday, January 14

6:00 PM Mass at Holy Child

Mary Wivell by Don Wivell and Family

### Friday, January 15

8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child

Jack Miller by Joan and Family

### Saturday, January 16

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Isabelle Harzinski by Floyd Harzinski

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Frank Mahosky by Lenny and Rose Mahosky

### Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Eleanor Ogradowski by Francis Jerzak

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 is offered this week (January 10) in memory of Theresa Carlson by Lenny and Rose Mahosky at St. Mary's in Blossburg and in memory of living and deceased members of Holy Child Parish at Holy Child in Mansfield.

**Bingo workers for January 16:** Linda Doud, Sara and Connie Williammee, Patty Hutcheson

**Kitchen workers for January 16:** PREP: Farrer, Mitchell

#### Collection Counters:

January 10: Jim and Joann Weiskopff

January 17: Rob Minnich and Dawn Egan

"The Church does not dispense the sacrament of baptism in order to acquire for herself an increase in membership but in order to consecrate a human being to God and to communicate to that person the divine gift of birth from God."

— Hans Urs von Balthasar, *Unless You Become Like This Child*

## **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 January 9 & 10

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Bob Wood

Servers: Tristan Templeman

E. Min: Bill Page

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Jan Yoder

Servers: Nealens

E. Min: Tony Lupkowski

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Jim W., Maryjane Seifried

Servers: Isabelle Hazelton, Will Brennan

E. Min: Joan Miller

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Courtney Hull

Servers: Patricia Minnich

E. Min: Donna Brennan

### Ministers of the Altar

for next weekend January 16 & 17

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Ron Becker

Servers: Tristan Templeman

E. Min: Scott DiMarco

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Peter Lupkowski

Servers: Bill Lupkowski

E. Min: Chris King

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Maryjane Seifried, Connie Penner

Servers: Michael and Daniel Harman

E. Min: Francis Murphy

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Suzanne Case, Christina Jenkins

Servers: Roch Minnich

E. Min: Bill Page

## Readings

January 10

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 42:1-4, 6-7

Psalms 29:1-4, 9-10

Acts 10:34-38

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

January 11

Weekday [1]

1 Sm 1:1-8

Mark 1:14-20

January 12

Weekday [1]

1 Sm 1:9-20

Mark 2:1-8

January 13

Weekday [1]

St. Hilary

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20

Mark 1:29-39

January 14

Weekday [1]

1 Sm 4:1-11

Mark 1:40-45

January 15

Weekday [1]

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a

Mark 2:1-12

January 16

Weekday [1]

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a

Mark 2:13-17

January 17

SECOND SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Is 62:1-5

Psalms 96:1-3, 7-10

1 Cor 12:4-11

John 2:1-11



## Prayer for Life

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.

# THIS WEEK HOLY CHILD PARISH

## Saturday, January 9

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

## Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, Baptism of the Lord

- ✦ 10:00 AM Religious Ed

## Monday, January 11

- ✦ 12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ✦ 6:30 PM Bingo at St. Mary's
- ✦ 7:00 PM RCIA

## Tuesday, January 12

- ✦ 12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ✦ 10:00 AM Good Neighbors in HC Hall

## Wednesday, January 13

- ✦ No Mass

## Thursday, January 14

- ✦ 6:00 PM Mass at Holy Child
- ✦ 6:45 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

## Friday, January 15

- ✦ 8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child
- ✦ 7:00 PM Youth Catholic Trivia Night in Holy Child Hall

## Saturday, January 16

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

## Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✦ 9:00 AM 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Involvement in Mass
- ✦ 10:00 AM Religious Ed

**Children's Collection Envelopes** for 2016 are available in the back of both churches. We encourage parents to teach their children to support their parish by using weekly envelopes. If your child would like to start using them, you will find boxes of children's envelopes with no names. Feel free to take one for each child and please remember to write your child's first and last name on the front of the envelope to ensure proper credit for your family.



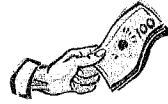
If you have a loved one who has passed away or is sick, please contact the office so that we can remember you in our prayers.

## **LOTTERY UPDATE**

There were no winners on January 1, 2, or 3. Please see the bulletin for a list of winners each week!

## Diocesan Annual Appeal Goal Report for Holy Child Parish

2015 Goal: \$30,000.00  
Total Raised to Date: \$29,263.00  
Over (Under): (\$737.00)



## Gifts to Your Parish

Dec. 31 – Jan. 3

Sunday Envelopes: \$3670.50  
Loose: \$ 281.90

Church Dues: \$110.00 Holy Day: \$1130.00  
Fuel: \$5.00 Christmas: \$210 Initial Offering: \$462.00

Total: \$5869.40

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 \$594.02 for the Care and Education of Priests. This money is sent to the Diocese of Scranton.

*Some of you in the Arnot and Morris Run areas may have not received your collection envelopes. Please call the office if this is the case. We have been experiencing problems with this in the past several months. Your patience is appreciated.*

## 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:

Elsa Di Bernardo  
Edwin Rosa  
Ken Riseborough  
Dennis Bogaczyk  
Loretta Brundage  
Bill Brennan

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.



*Campus Corner*

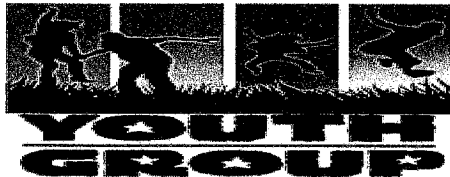
*Campus Corner*

**-The Catholic Student Association (CSA) meets every Thursday at 5 PM in 112 Pinecrest Manor. Everyone is welcome!**

**We will meet again on January 21<sup>st</sup>.**



**FMI about Campus Ministry, contact Courtney Hull: [chull@mansfield.edu](mailto:chull@mansfield.edu)**



**DECEMBER YOUTH GROUP EVENTS**

January 15<sup>th</sup> – Catholic Trivia Night, 7 PM in Holy Child Hall  
January 30<sup>th</sup> – Ice Skating, 1:00 PM at Corning Civic Center



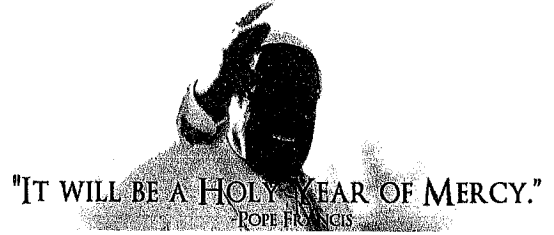
**STEBENVILLE**

It is time to plan for next summer's Catholic Youth Conference at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio next summer. Youth who will be going into 9<sup>th</sup>

grade next year *thru* graduating seniors are invited to attend. Please go to <http://steubenvilleconferences.com/> to find out more. We will be reserving our weekend in January; more information will follow. We only need to know if you are likely to attend. Contact the office or Sarah Hazelton to reserve your spot.

**EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY**

DEC. 8, 2015 - NOV. 20, 2016



**Mercy begins with a Spiritual Conversion**

Pope Francis reminds us that “The more we unite ourselves to Jesus through prayer, sacred Scripture, the Eucharist and the sacraments celebrated and lived in the Church and in solidarity with others, the more will grow in us the joy of cooperating with God in the service of the kingdom of mercy and truth, of justice and peace.”

He says, “I invite all Christians to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them. No one should think this invitation is not meant for him or her, since no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord. The Lord does not disappoint those who take this risk.”

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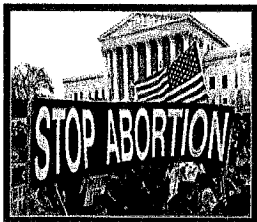
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**THE DAY THE MOSES/JOHN THE BAPTIST TURF WARS BEGAN**



On January 22 our nation will mark the 43rd anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, the Supreme Court decision that made abortion legal throughout the U.S.

Since that tragic decision, more than 57 million children's lives have been lost to abortion, and many suffer that loss -- often in silence. Join thousands of Catholics across the country in prayer for a Culture of Life from Saturday, January 16, 2016 ~ Sunday, January 24, 2016.



**Chemung County Right to Life** sponsors an Annual January bus trip to our nation's capital on the anniversary date of the passing of *Roe v. Wade*. If

you are interested in finding out more, please call 607-857-8479.

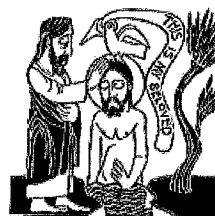
There will be a Pro-Life demonstration in front of Holy Child Church on Friday, Jan. 22nd from 1:30 to 2:30. Posters will be provided along with chairs for those who need them. Let this be the year we speak out for LIFE! All are welcome. More info? call Joan at 662-3594.

**The Knights of Columbus and Health Ministry** would like to thank those of you who contributed to the White Heart Foundation at the Veterans Day Mass. \$634.00 was collected for this worthy cause.

Bishop Bambera is pleased to announce that the **Second Annual Catholic Men's Conference** for the Diocese of Scranton will be held on **April 23, 2016** at King's College in Wilkes-Barre, PA.

The theme for the event is "Jesus Christ, The Face of True Manhood" and will feature two nationally-known speakers: Dr. Scott Hahn from Franciscan University and Monsignor Charles Pope from the Archdiocese of Washington DC. In recent years, many dioceses throughout the country have begun to sponsor such conferences to address the unique and often challenging issues facing men in our culture and in our world.

For more information, please contact: Glenn Yanik, at [gmyanik@epix.net](mailto:gmyanik@epix.net) or 570-362-0417; Michael Kilmer, who can be reached at [michaelkilmer71@gmail.com](mailto:michaelkilmer71@gmail.com) or 570-746-0100; or contact Catherine Butel, Diocesan Secretary for Parish Life, at [Catherine-Butel@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:Catherine-Butel@dioceseofscranton.org) or 570-207-2213.



**Have you ever wondered why Jesus was baptized if he was without sin?**

Well, much of what Jesus did in his ministry was to be an example for us. Though he was sinless, Jesus allowed himself to be baptized by John as a visible sign of his willingness to obey the Father's will. Doing the Father's will is what he wants from us. After Jesus was baptized, the skies opened up and the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus.

Baptism is often called, "The Gateway Sacrament," because it is the first one we receive when coming into the Catholic Church and the Sacrament that precedes all the others. Baptism is key to our own redemption so it is fitting that Jesus led the way. We follow him. "There is a whole mystery: he died for you. In him you are redeemed, in him you are saved." (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, No. 1225)

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**Thank you** to everyone who attended the dinner. Thank you to Cast and Crew for providing the delicious meal and all those who helped to make this appreciation dinner possible.



We are undecorating Holy Child Church this Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> after the 11:15 AM Mass. Help would be appreciated with this project.

Today is the last day of the Christmas Season. Long after the trees have been taken down and the lights and ornaments put in storage for next year, the Catholic Church continues to unpack the meaning of the great feast of the Incarnation. After last week's manifestation in the Epiphany, Jesus is now manifested as the son of God, ready to begin His mission. We who are baptized like Jesus also have a mission. God is calling us "beloved" now, if we listen carefully. *(Pastoral Patterns)*

## Do you own a business?

If you don't already, won't you consider advertising in our parish bulletin? The cost of an ad is \$5.00 per week and helps to cover costs to produce the weekly bulletin. Please call or email the office if interested.

**2015 Financial Statements** will be prepared during the month of January for those parishioners who request them. Your statement will cover all donations made through December 31, 2015. If you would like a financial statement, please write "send statement" on the front of your collection envelope, send us an e-mail, or call the parish office. Keep in mind, donations made on or after January 1, 2016 will not be included in this report.