

Holy Child

HOLY CHILD CATHOLIC PARISH

Rev. Bryan Wright, Pastor

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

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Thursday and 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.

March 6th, 2016

4th Sunday of Lent

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/Youth Director

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Evangelization Committee:

Joan Miller 570-662-3594

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Alan Parrotte 570-549-2592

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Good Samaritans:

Doris Partyka 570-324-2295

Health Ministry:

Dotty Welsh 570-662-2057

Knights of Columbus, MU Council:

Nick Musshafen 570-537-6620

Knights of Columbus, Blossburg C Council:

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, March 5

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Monica Leone by Children

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Gary and Desiree Christley by Ray and Loretta Brundage

Sunday, March 6th, 4th Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Bonnie Casselberry by Mr. And Mrs. Jim Oakes and Family

11:15 AM at Holy Child

All Parishioners

Monday, March 7

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

Fabian, Helen and Joan Manikowski by The Family

Tuesday, March 8

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

Leo Frederick by Michael Sherant Family

Wednesday, March 9

No Mass

Thursday, March 10

6:00 PM at Holy Child

Rose Bunn by Rosemary, Adele, Marsha, Scott and Families

Friday, March 11

6:00 PM at Holy Child

Dylan James Swank by Pat Bielski

Saturday, March 12

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Michael Buch by Aunt Ilene and Uncle Tom

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Thomas and Kathryn Dwyer by the Family

Sunday, March 13th, 5th Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Carolyn Jaquish Bond by Nancy and Dave Jaquish

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 (March 6) in memory of Mary Elizabeth Retorick by Clifford and Jean Parker at St. Mary's in Blossburg and in thanksgiving for a prayer answered by Betty Silvaney at Holy Child in Mansfield.

Bingo workers for March 12: Linda Brown, Connie Williammee, Anne Harman, Rita Hanson

Kitchen workers for March 12: Terri, Patty, Anita

Collection Counters:

March 6: John and Eileen Ranck

March 13: Cathy Slusser and Anne Kaminski



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.

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 March 5 & 6

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Bob Wood

Servers: Tristan Templeman

E. Min: Anna Marie Mimitsch

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Ray Brundage

Servers: Thomas King

E. Min: Chris King

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Connie Penner

Servers: Grace and Sophia Scouten

E. Min: Joan Miller

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Dick Colegrove, Christina J.

Servers: Brendan Nash

E. Min: Bill Page

Ministers of the Altar

for next weekend March 12 & 13

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Ron Becker

Servers: Need Volunteer

E. Min: John Ranck

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: Brenda Brewster

Servers: Jon Baker, Isabella Hazelton

E. Min: Alan Parrotte

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Courtney Hull, Maryjane Seifried

Servers: John Minnich

E. Min: Donna Brennan

Readings

March 6

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jos 5:9a, 10-12

Psalm 34:2-7

2 Cor 5:17-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

March 7

Lenten Weekday [4]

Is 65:17-21

John 4:43-54

March 8

Lenten Weekday [4]

St. John of God

Ez 47:1-9, 12

John 5:1-16

March 9

Lenten Weekday [4]

St. Frances of Rome

Is 49:8-15

John 5:17-30

March 10

Lenten Weekday [4]

Ex 32:7-14

John 5:31-47

March 11

Lenten Weekday [4]

Wis 2:1a, 12-22

John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

March 12

Lenten Weekday [4]

Jer 11:18-20

John 7:40-53

March 13

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Is 43:16-21

Psalm 126:1-6

Phil 3:8-14

John 8:1-11



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, March 5

- ✙ 5:00 PM Kitchen opens at H.C. Hall
- ✙ 6:15 PM Bingo in Holy Child Hall
- ✙ 5:00 PM Youth Dinner and Movie in HC Parish Center
- ✙ 2nd Collection for Care and Education of Priests

Sunday, March 6th, 4th Sunday of Lent

- ✙ 10:00 AM Religious Ed
- ✙ 2:00 PM Penance Service at St. Peter's
- ✙ 6:30 Knights of Columbus, HC Parish Center
- ✙ 2nd Collection for Care and Education of Priests

Monday, March 7

- ✙ 12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ✙ 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM Confessions at Holy Child
- ✙ 6:30 PM Bingo at St. Mary's

Tuesday, March 8

- ✙ 12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ✙ 9:00 AM Good Neighbors in HC Hall
- ✙ 7:00 PM Ladies Guild in Holy Child Hall

Wednesday, March 9

- ✙ No Mass
- ✙ 9:00 AM Good Neighbors in HC Hall

Thursday, March 10

- ✙ 6:00 PM Mass at Holy Child
- ✙ 12:00 PM Ministerium Lenten Luncheon at First Presbyterian Church

Friday, March 11

- ✙ 6:00 PM Mass, Stations of The Cross and Simple Supper at Holy Child
- ✙ 10 – 5 St. Mary's Church open

Saturday, March 12

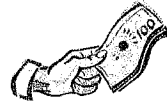
- ✙ 5:00 PM Kitchen opens at H.C. Hall
- ✙ 6:15 PM Bingo in Holy Child Hall
- ✙ 2nd Collection for Rice Bowl

Sunday, March 13th, 5th Sunday of Lent

- ✙ Daylight Savings Begins
- ✙ 10:00 AM Religious Ed
- ✙ 2:00 PM Penance Service at Holy Child
- ✙ 2nd Collection for Rice Bowl

2016 Holy Child Parish Lottery Winners

Date	Winning #	Name	Payout
2/22	645	No Winner	-
2/23	050	No Winner	-
2/24	001	Regina Johnson	\$50.00
2/25	650	No Winner	-
2/26	236	No Winner	-
2/27	315	Donald Swody	\$200.00
2/28	637	No Winner	-



Gifts to Your Parish

February 27 & 28

Sunday Envelopes: \$3770.00
Loose: \$ 485.05

Ash Wednesday: \$35.00 Church Dues: \$25.00
Fuel: \$1062.57 Easter Flowers: \$62.00

Total: \$5439.62

Cemetery Maintenance: \$55.00

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 .

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
Anna Marie Mimplitsch
Joanne Wemesfelder
Joan O'Donnell
Gabe Partyka

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

-The Catholic Student Association (CSA) meets every Tuesday at 4 PM in 314 Alumni Hall. Everyone is welcome! You don't need to be Catholic.

Chow with the Chaplains – Every Tuesday and Friday in Upper Manser from 11:30 AM to 1 PM. Meet and have lunch with local clergy.

There will be no CSA meeting or other events during the week of March -11 due to Spring Break.

Campus Corner will have updates following Spring Break.

Everyone is welcome to all our events!

Check here each week for a list of meetings and events.



FMI about Campus Ministry, contact Courtney Hull: chull@mansfield.edu



MARCH YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

Mar. 19 Easter Egg Hunt, 1 pm
Holy Child Hall

Thank you to all the Youth who helped with the Simple Supper. You did a great job!!!

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY AT MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY

Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) at Mansfield University is supported by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Scranton and has been at MU since the mid-1970's. CCM works under the title of United Campus Ministry (UCM) and until December 2012 had worked intentionally with Protestant Campus Ministry (PCM) staff. In January 2013, Courtney Hull was appointed as the Campus Ministry Coordinator for both the Catholic and Protestant Campus Ministry at Mansfield University. Local clergy assist Courtney with programming, office hours, presence at university events, etc.

United Campus Ministry exists not to replace one's religious tradition, but rather to be an extension of that tradition during a student's time at Mansfield. UCM is here to explore with and guide students as new ideas, new living experiences, new choices and new horizons are faced.

United Campus Ministry at Mansfield University is affiliated with, represented and sponsored by area church bodies which have designated United Campus Ministry (UCM) as their official ministry and UCM works cooperatively with all levels of Mansfield University.

The **Catholic Campus Minister/Campus Ministry Coordinator** is Mrs. Courtney Hull and she has been a part of the Mansfield family since 2001. Courtney's journey in ministry began as an undergraduate at St. Bonaventure University (SBU), a Catholic, Franciscan college in western New York state. While at St. Bonaventure, Courtney studied biology and theology and was active in campus ministry. Her service work at a student run soup kitchen, with children and also as an RA at SBU, led her to Philadelphia where she spent two years as a full-time volunteer at an inner-city soup kitchen called St. Francis Inn. In May of 2008, Courtney earned a Master's degree from St. Bonaventure in Franciscan Studies. Courtney became a Certified Professional Catholic Campus Minister in March 2009.

Courtney has office hours Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm or other times by appointment.

The United Campus Ministry office is located in Pinecrest Manor room #112.

**Please support the
GOOD SAMARITAN SOCIETY
EASTER RAFFLE 2016**

Drawing, March 19, 2016

Please make all raffle returns by March 13, 2016

Prizes:

1st: \$200.00 Cash

2nd: \$100 Wal-Mart Gift Card

3rd: Basket of Groceries

4th: Easter Basket

5th: Handmade Afghan

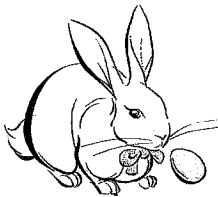
6th: Ham

Donation: \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.00; 6 for \$10.00

Additional tickets available in the vestibules of both churches.



Washing of Feet: Sign up to get your feet washed at Mass on Holy Thursday. There are sign-up sheets in the back of both churches.



Good Neighbor Easter Eggs

....still only 60 cents each
or \$6.00/dozen

Please indicate the number of each kind you are ordering.

Peanut butter/light chocolate _____

Peanut butter/dark chocolate _____

Coconut cream/light chocolate _____

Coconut cream/dark chocolate _____

Total due: \$ _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Order deadline: March 6, 2016
(No orders accepted after that date)

Unless other arrangements are made, eggs will be ready to be picked up on Palm Sunday weekend, March 19-20

EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY
DEC. 8, 2015 - NOV. 20, 2016



Lent – Transformed by God’s Mercy

Lent reminds us that it is possible to create something new within ourselves and around us, simply because God is faithful, always faithful, for God continues to be rich in goodness and mercy, ready to forgive and start afresh. – Pope Francis

(Seasons of Mercy)



Please help to beautify our churches by donating for Easter Flowers. You will find an envelope in your packet or if you do not receive envelopes, please put your donation in a clearly marked envelope and drop in the collection basket.

Please turn in your baby bottles for Endless Mountain Pregnancy Center by March 13th.

The Mansfield Area Food Pantry has moved to its new location west of Mansfield, off Benson Drive. The Mailing address is PO Box 5, Mansfield, PA 16933.

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(See Luke 15)

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THE CHUBBY SON HAD A MOMENTARY FREAKOUT WHEN THE PRODIGAL CALF RETURNED

Lenten Observances 2016

Fridays of Lent*

- ❖ Mass @ 6:00 PM followed by Stations of the Cross and a simple supper at Holy Child or St. Mary's. See the weekly bulletin for schedule.
- ❖ St. Mary's Church will be open from 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Feel free to come in and spend some time with Jesus.

Confessions

- ❖ Every Monday night before Holy Week at Holy Child Church, "The Light will be on for You!" Fr. Bryan will hear confessions from 5:30-7 PM at Holy Child Church.
- ❖ Tioga County Penance Services:
Sunday, 3/6, St. Peter's @ 2 PM
Sunday, 3/13, Holy Child @ 2 PM
Wednesday, 3/16, St. Thomas, 7 PM

Mansfield Ministerium

- ❖ Lenten Luncheons will be held each Thursday at First Presbyterian Church in Mansfield. A modest Soup Lunch will be served. Holy Child will host on March 10th.

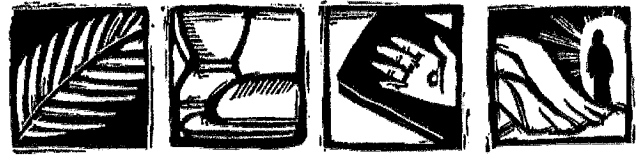
Operation Rice Bowl

- ❖ During Lent, we are encouraged to fast, sacrifice and give to the poor. Operation Rice Bowl incorporates all these Lenten themes. We are encouraged to fast or to eat a sacrificial meal once a week and to donate the money you would have spent on it to the Rice Bowl Program. There is an envelope in your packet. If you do not receive envelopes, feel free to use a clearly marked plain envelope for your donation.

* Abstinence from eating meat is to be observed on all Fridays of Lent. This applies to all persons 14 and older.

** Fasting applies to all Catholics from age 18 – 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be eaten, but not to equal a full meal. (Ash Wednesday and Good Friday)

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Palm Sunday Weekend

No Change in Mass Schedule

Tuesday, March 22nd

4:00 PM - Chrism Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton (Good idea to arrive early for available seating)

Holy Thursday, March 24th

6:30 PM - Altar Server Practice, HC
7:00 PM - Mass at Holy Child
Adoration until 10:00 PM

Good Friday, March 25th

1:30 PM - Altar Server Practice, SM
2:00 PM - Service at St. Mary's
Collection for the Holy Land

Holy Saturday, March 26th

10:30 AM - Blessing of the baskets at **St. Mary's**. There will be no blessing of the baskets at Holy Child.
12:30 PM - Altar Server Practice, HC
8:00 PM - Easter Vigil Mass at Holy Child

Easter Sunday, March 27th

9:00 AM - Mass at Holy Child
11:15 AM - Mass at St. Mary's

Schedule Change





All the faithful of the Diocese are invited to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton, on

Tuesday, March 22, 2016, at 4 PM. At this Mass, priests from throughout the Diocese will renew their priestly promises before the Bishop, and the oils to be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, anointing of the sick and Holy Orders will be blessed. Participation in the Chrism Mass is a beautiful way to pray for and support the priests of the Diocese. For reserved seating, please call Diane Franklin in the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213.

The Good Samaritans of Holy Child Parish are once again hosting this

unique Lenten Devotion on Friday, March 18th at 8:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church in Blossburg. The "Live Stations" is a

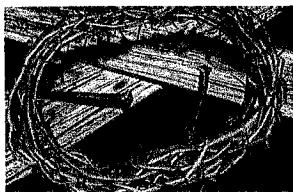


tableau vivant, where cast members are posed as statues for each of the fourteen stations of the cross. Guests will make a spiritual pilgrimage through meditation on the scenes of Jesus' suffering and death, while observing and reflecting on the presentation from their pew. A string quartet from Mansfield University will provide the music. Music prelude begins at 7:30 p.m. with Live Stations beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Please note that the Simple Supper will take place after the **6:00 p.m.** Mass in St. Mary's Hall, **before** the Live Stations.

"The mercy of God is his loving concern for each one of us. ...he desires our wellbeing and he wants to see us happy, full of joy, and peaceful. ...Just as he is merciful, so we are called to be merciful to each other."

Pope Francis, *Misericordiae Vultus*, no. 9



Penance is an experience of the gift of God's boundless mercy

The Sacrament of Penance is an experience of the gift of God's boundless mercy. Not only does it free us from our sins but it also challenges us to have the same kind of compassion and forgiveness for those who sin against us. We are liberated to be forgivers. We obtain new insight into the words of the Prayer of St. Francis: "It is in pardoning that we are pardoned."



Ascension of our Lord God and Savior, Jesus Christ Ukrainian Catholic Church in Sayre, PA invites you to come and visit the Vatican Authorized Replica of the Shroud of Turin. The Shroud will be in their parish until Sunday, March 13th. For more information, please call their office at 607-797-6293.

St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Elkland is sending out information about taking a pilgrimage to St. Peters Basilica, Scranton on September 24, 2016 for the *Jubilee Year of Mercy*. Pope Francis is granting the faithful an indulgence for walking through the Holy Door. If you are interested in joining us, please call Valerie Smith no later than April 1st, at 814-258-5032. Payment needed with reservations.

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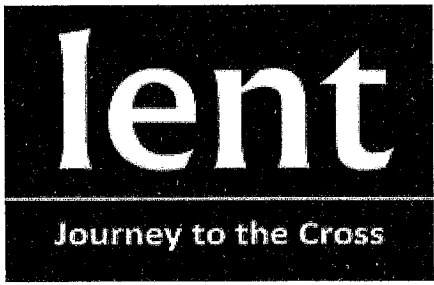


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Need Spiritual Reading for Lent??? The Evangelization Committee would like to remind you there are many books available in the back of Holy Child Church to borrow: *The Church of Mercy, The Cube and the Cathedral, Christ Among Us, The Heart Aflame, St. John Paul the Great – His Five Loves, The Kitchen Sink Prayer Book*



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

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.

For more information, please contact: Glenn Yanik, at gmyanik@epix.net or 570-362-0417; Michael Kilmer, who can be reached at michaelkilmer71@gmail.com or 570-746-0100;