

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.

March 13th, 2016

5th 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:

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Joan Miller 570-662-3594

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Health Ministry:

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Medical Equipment Loaning Program:

Dotty Welsh 570-662-2057

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Linda Kichline 570-724-4255

Mass Intentions for this Week

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

Monday, March 14

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

Mary Elizabeth Retorick by Clifford and Jean Parker

Tuesday, March 15

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

Mary Wivell by Don Wivell and Family

Wednesday, March 16

No Mass

Thursday, March 17

6:00 PM at Holy Child

Roger E. Smith by the Rutledges

Friday, March 18

6:00 PM at St. Mary's

William R. Advan by Jim and Helen Hufnagel

Saturday, March 19

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Catherine McNamara by Pat Andrews

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Peter Skiro by daughter Jan Yoder

Sunday, March 20th, Palm Sunday

9:00 AM at Holy Child

All Parishioners

11:15 AM at Holy Child

Joseph Breski by Bernie and Marie Sabol

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 13) in memory of deceased members of Holy Child Parish at St. Mary's in Blossburg and in memory of Carolyn Jaquish Bond by

Nancy and David Jaquish at Holy Child in Mansfield.



Bingo workers for March 19: Linda Brown, Connie and Sara Williammee, Jena Leiboff

Kitchen workers for March 19: PREP – White and Seely

Collection Counters:

March 13: Cathy Slusser and Anne Kaminski

March 20: Dawn Egan and Rob Minnich



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 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

Please see the insert in today's bulletin for the complete Holy Week schedule.



Yes, you! There will be a new schedule made beginning in May. **Have you considered volunteering?** We need servers mostly at St. Mary's at 6 PM and Holy Child at 4 PM and 11:15 AM. Call the office if you have any questions. Lent is a great time to pray about what talents can be utilized in the parish.

Readings

March 13

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Is 43:16-21

Psalm 126:1-6

Phil 3:8-14

John 8:1-11

March 14

Lenten Weekday [5]

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62

John 8:12-20

March 15

Lenten Weekday [5]

Nm 21:4-9

John 8:21-30

March 16

Lenten Weekday [5]

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95

John 8:31-42

March 17

Lenten Weekday [5]

St. Patrick

Gn 17:3-9

John 8:51-59

March 18

Lenten Weekday [5]

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Jer 20:10-13

John 10:31-42

March 19

ST. JOSEPH, HUSBAND

OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

MARY

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Matthew 1:16, 18-21,

24a

March 20

PALM SUNDAY OF THE

PASSION OF THE LORD

Is 50:4-7

Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-

20, 23-24

Phil 2:6-11

Luke 22:14-23:56

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 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

Monday, March 14

- ✙ 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 15

- ✙ 12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ✙ 9:00 AM Good Neighbors in HC Hall
- ✙ 7:00 PM Faith Sharing

Wednesday, March 16

- ✙ No Mass
- ✙ 9:00 AM Good Neighbors in HC Hall
- ✙ 7:00 PM Penance Service at St. Thomas in Elkland

Thursday, March 17

- ✙ 6:00 PM Mass at Holy Child
- ✙ 12:00 PM Ministerium Lenten Luncheon at First Presbyterian Church
- ✙ *Parish Council Meeting Canceled*

Friday, March 18

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

Saturday, March 19

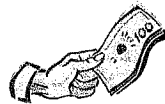
- ✙ 5:00 PM Kitchen opens at H.C. Hall
- ✙ 6:15 PM Bingo in Holy Child Hall
- ✙ 1:00 PM Youth Easter Egg Hunt in HC Hall

Sunday, March 20th, Palm Sunday

- ✙ No Religious Ed

2016 Holy Child Parish Lottery Winners

Date	Winning #	Name	Payout
2/29	545	No Winner	-
3/1	574	Patricia Stage	\$50.00
3/2	852	No Winner	-
3/3	402	No Winner	-
3/4	276	No Winner	-
3/5	939	Lori Mitchell	\$200.00
3/6	125	No Winner	-



Gifts to Your Parish

March 5 & 6

Sunday Envelopes: \$4334.05
Loose: \$ 265.00

Ash Wednesday: \$5.00.00 Easter: \$90.00
Fuel: \$13.00 Easter Flowers: \$170.00
Holy Thursday: \$20.00

Total: \$4897.05

Cemetery Maintenance: \$5.00

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 \$700.02 for the care and Education of Priests. 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:

Elsa Di Bernardo
Edwin Rosa
Ken Riseborough
Dennis Bogaczyk
Loretta Brundage
Bill Brennan
Anna Marie Mimplitsch
Joanne Wemesfelder
Joan O'Donnell
Gabe Partyka
Jeff Winder

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

Feel free to bring a friend, even if he or she isn't Catholic. Youth Group is a great way for kids to build community through faith!



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.

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.



Your Health Ministry is looking for an adult wheelchair with footrests for our lending program. If you have one to donate, please contact Dotty Welsh 662-2057. Thanks!

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.



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.

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



Lent – Discover God’s Mercy

Pope Francis points out that sacred Scripture will help us to “rediscover the merciful face of the Father.” Start by reading the Gospel of Luke, the Evangelist of Mercy, who reveals God’s mercy in the words and actions of Jesus. As you read, pause to contemplate the powerful examples of mercy in the stories of the prodigal son, the lost sheep, the Good Samaritan, the feeding of the multitudes, and the healing of people who are sick. Pope Francis also recommends reading the Gospel of Matthew and the prophets Micah and Isaiah. (Our Sunday Visitor)

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 live display, 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.

Need to find a Parish and Mass times in the Diocese of Scranton? Go to www.dioceseofscranton.org and point to “Parish Life and Mass Times” tab and choose “Find a Parish and Mass Time” from the drop-down menu.



Just a reminder that there will be a Penance Service here at Holy Child Church this Sunday, March 13th at 2:00 PM.

PREPARATION FOR CONFESSION

Before going to confession, take some time to prepare. Begin with prayer, and reflect on your life since your last confession. How have you—in your thoughts, words, and actions— neglected to live Christ’s commands to “love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind,” and to “love your neighbor as yourself” (Mt 22:37, 39)? As a help with this “examination of conscience,” you might review the Ten Commandments or the Beatitudes (Ex 20:2-17; Dt 5:6-21; Mt 5:3-10; or Lk 6:20-26).

**DON'T BE AFRAID
TO GO TO THE
SACRAMENT OF
CONFESSION,
WHERE YOU
WILL MEET
JESUS WHO
FORGIVES YOU.**
Pope Francis



The Ladies Guild of Holy Child Parish is both a social and service organization. We provide funeral luncheons at Holy Child Church and help with the needs of the church by donating money where needed from our raffle fund raiser in December.

We meet every second Tuesday of the month sharing coffee and cake to go over any upcoming events and needs of the church. We do not meet in the summer months. All women of the parish are welcome to join The Ladies Guild. Dues are \$5.00.

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, 3/13, 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

Schedule Change

Easter Sunday, March 27th

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



Holy Child Parish Holy Week Schedule

(Please let me know ASAP if any of these dates do not work for you)

Palm Sunday Weekend March 19 & 20

4:00 PM at Holy Child:

Reader (1st reading, Petitions, Narrator) – *Bob Wood*
Reader (2nd reading, announcements, Voice) – *Phil Foley*
Altar Servers: *Tristan Templeman*
E.M. – *John Ranck*

6:30 PM at St. Mary's:

Reader (1st reading, Petitions, Narrator) – *Ray Brundage*
Reader (2nd reading, announcements, Voice) – *Jan Yoder*
Altar Servers: *Bridgette and Benjamin*
E.M. – *Tony Lupkowski*

9:00 AM at Holy Child:

Reader (1st reading, Petitions, Narrator) – *Sue Nowak*
Reader (2nd reading, announcements, Voice) – *Connie Penner*
Altar Servers: *Isabella Hazelton*
E.M. – *Ann Vayansky*

11:15 AM at Holy Child:

Reader (1st reading, Petitions, Narrator) – *Suzanne Case*
Reader (2nd reading, announcements, Voice) – *Kayla Nash*
Altar Servers: *Brendan Nash*
E.M. – *Bill Page*

Holy Thursday March 24

7:00 PM at Holy Child

Reader: (1st and 2nd Reading) – *Ron Becker*
Reader: (Petitions and Presentation of the Oils) – *Brenda B.*
Altar Servers (don't forget practice at 6:30 PM): *Parker, Bridger, Patricia, John, Roch*
E.M. – *Courtney Hull*

Good Friday March 25

2:00 PM at St. Mary's

Reader: (1st reading & Narrator) – *Peter Lupkowski*
Reader: (2nd reading & Voice) – *Chris King*
Altar Servers (don't forget practice at 1:30 PM) – *Bill Lupkowski, Jack and Kathryn Nealen*
E.M. – *Tony Lupkowski*

Easter Vigil March 26

8:00 PM at Holy Child

Reader: (1st and 2nd) – *Suzanne Case*
Reader: (3rd and 4th) – *Maryjane Seifried*
Reader: (5th and 6th) – *Linda Brown*
Reader: (7th and Epistle) – *Bob Wood*
Altar Servers (don't forget practice at 12:30 PM) – *Isabella Hazelton, Will Brennan, Jon Baker, Tristan Templeman*
E.M. – *Alan Parrotte*

Easter Sunday March 27

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Reader (No Announcements) : *Connie Penner, Sue Nowak*
Altar Server: *Grace and Sophia Scouten*
E.M. – *Bill Page*

11:15 AM at St. Mary's

Reader (No Announcements): *Ray Brundage*
Altar Server: *Thomas King*
E.M. – *Chris King*

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The Ladies Guild would be asking for your help in collecting new items for newborns and their mothers at Soldiers and Sailors Hospital. They will be collecting through March and April and dispersing your donations in May. There will be a box in the vestibule of both churches.

Girl Scout Troop 40802 will be taking all the soda tabs to the Ronald McDonald House next weekend so please bring in all the tabs you have by Friday March 18th.

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(See John 8:1-11)

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IT HAS THE SAME PROPERTIES AS STONE
BUT TECHNICALLY IT'S A MINERAL ... OK
TO CAST?