



Holy Child

HOLY CHILD CATHOLIC PARISH

Rev. Bryan Wright, Pastor

Rita Hanson, Financial Secretary
Jen Minnich, Parish Secretary
Sarah Hazelton, DRE

Rectory Office Hours: 9 AM – 4:00 PM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
Office closed on Wednesday

Cemetery Business Hours:
By Appointment

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.

January 8, 2017

The Epiphany 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 Council:

Nick Musshafen 570-537-6620

Knights of Columbus, Blossburg Council:

Jim Weiskopff 570-662-7133

Ladies Guild:

Patty Hutcheson 570-662-2346

Medical Equipment Loaning Program:

Dotty Welsh 570-662-2057

RCIA: Parish Office

Youth Ministry:

Sarah Hazelton 570-549-8174

Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday, January 7

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Maurice Copello by Brad and Linda Brown

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

All Parishioners

Sunday, January 8th, The Epiphany of the Lord

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Albert Musingo by Tom and Marie Musingo

11:15 AM at Holy Child

Adeline Lisitski by Rita Hanson and Family

Monday, January 9

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

Nicholas Derkash by John and Agnes Worden

Tuesday, January 10

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

Theresa Carlson and Joe and Martin Mahosky by

Lenny and Rose Mahosky

Wednesday, January 11

No Mass

Thursday, January 12

6:00 PM at Holy Child

Chester and Roger Losinger by Family

Friday, January 13

8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child

Catherine Dalton by Family

Saturday, January 14

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Enrico Serine by James Cecere Family

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

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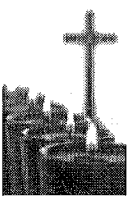
Sunday, January 15th, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Carol Dalton by Family

11:15 AM at Holy Child

Hugh Cunningham by Linda Cloos



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 8) in memory of Deceased members of Holy Child Parish at St. Mary's

in Blossburg.

The Sanctuary Light at Holy Child in Mansfield is in memory of Adeline Lisitski by Rita Hanson Family.

Bingo workers for January 14: Connie Williammee, Sophia Brown, Sara Williammee, Jean Leiboff

Kitchen workers for January 14: Patty and Terri

Collection Counters:

January 8: Anne Kaminski and Delores Kostovick

January 15: John and Eileen Ranck

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 7 & 8

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Bob Wood

Servers: Addison and Madalyn Farrer

E. Min: Ron Becker

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Jan Yoder

Servers: Bridgette & Benjamin

E. Min: Chris King

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Readers: Anne Kaminski, Connie Penner

Servers: Grace and Sophia Scouten

E. Min: Ann Vayansky

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Liz Buck, Darlene Buck

Servers: Roch Minnich

E. Min: Donna Brennan

Ministers of the Altar

for next weekend January 14 & 15

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Joe Maresco

Servers: Tristan Templeman

E. Min: Maryann Maresco

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Peter Lupkowski

Servers: Nealens

E. Min: Chris King

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: 7th Grade

Servers: Parker Brewster, Tessa Mitchell

E. Min: Alan Parrotte

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Liz and Darlene Buck

Servers: John Minnich

E. Min: Bill Page

Readings

January 8

The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6

Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

January 9

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 42:1-4, 6-7

Matthew 3:13-17

January 10

Weekday (Week 1 in Ordinary Time)

Heb 2:5-12

Mark 1:21-28

January 11

Weekday [1]

Heb 2:14-18

Mark 1:29-39

January 12

Weekday [1]

Heb 3:7-14

Mark 1:40-45

January 13

Weekday [1]

St. Hilary,

Heb 4:1-5, 11

Mark 2:1-12

January 14

Weekday [1]

Heb 4:12-16

Mark 2:13-17

January 15

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 49:3, 5-6

Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-10

1 Cor 1:1-3

John 1:29-34

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 7, First Saturday

- ✙ 9:30 AM Mass at St. Mary's
- ✙ 5:00 PM Kitchen opens at H.C. Hall
- ✙ 6:15 PM Bingo in Holy Child Hall

Sunday, January 8th, The Epiphany of the Lord

- ✙ 10:00 AM Religious Ed

Monday, January 9

- ✙ 12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ✙ 6:30 PM Bingo at St. Mary's

Tuesday, January 10

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

Wednesday, January 11

- ✙ No Mass

Thursday, January 12

- ✙ 6:00 PM Mass at Holy Child

Friday, January 13

- ✙ 8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child

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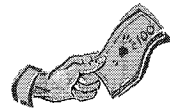
Sunday, January 15th, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✙ 9:00 AM 7th Grade Involvement in the Liturgy
- ✙ 10:00 AM Religious Ed

Please Note: The Good Samaritan meeting scheduled for January 11, 2017 has been cancelled.

The Mass Intention Calendar for 2017 is now available.

Since we have only 3 weekend Mass intentions, families will be limited to 5 weekend intentions per calendar year with no limit on daily Masses.



Gifts to Your Parish

December 31 & January 1

Sunday Envelopes: \$4033.00
Loose: 498.10

Church Dues: \$20.00 Christmas \$385.00
Holy Days: \$836.00 Charity: \$10.00
Advent: \$10.00 Ash Wednesday: \$5.00
Initial Offering: \$188.00 Flowers: \$20.00

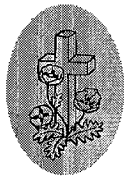
Total: \$6045.10

Thank you! Your stewardship and generosity to your parish are needed and greatly appreciated. \$4890.38 is the amount needed for our weekly collections to meet budgeted expenses.

In addition, we received \$600.65 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 DiBernardo
-Dick Musser

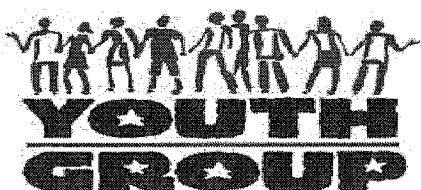
Please call the office to add names of those who are in need of prayer due to sudden illness, upcoming surgery, hospital stay or those who are experiencing a hardship. We would like to keep the names on our prayer list for a few weeks so that parishioners can pray for those individuals especially.

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.



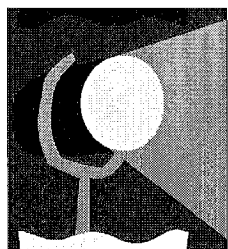
If you have a loved one who has passed away or is sick, please contact the office so that we can remember you in our prayers.

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2017 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 11. The event includes a 2:30 PM mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through the parish office before March 13.



Jan. 20 - Mass/Rosary for Life, 6 pm Holy Child Church

Jan. 29 - Catholic Trivia, 4 pm Holy Child Hall



Confirmation **Candidate Spotlight**

Name: Katherine Nealen
Grade: 8th
Favorite Saint: St. Francis

of Assisi

Best Service Project: Altar Serving

Favorite Holiday: Independence Day

Hobbies: Reading, Playing Frisbee

Best Vacation Spot: Outer Banks, NC

Favorite Food: Pizza

Future Goals: To have a successful job

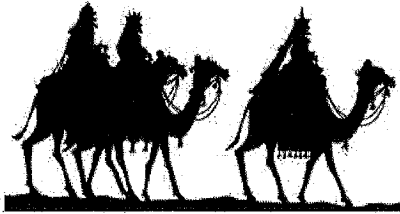
Donations to the parish received beginning this Sunday are credited to 2017. If you would like a report of your donations to Holy Child Parish in 2016 please write "send report" on the FRONT of your collection envelope or call or e-mail the parish office.

Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator, Joseph DeVizia at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

Did you know? Bingo is the major fundraiser in our parish, raising over \$70,000 per year. If our Saturday game is to continue, we need parishioners to volunteer to work once a month or every 6 weeks. **Many of those who volunteer now have been involved for ten, fifteen, FORTY years; can you spare one evening per month or every six weeks to offer some relief to our current volunteers?** Please call the office and offer to help. *If not you, then who???*



Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. This is the great observance of God's all-inclusive love. At Christmas, Jesus came to the chosen people. At Epiphany, we celebrate Christ's first manifestation to non-Jews: to the Magi, foreigners. The lesson is that by God's grace, we all have become God's chosen people. Epiphany means "to make known." Each of us is called by this solemnity to be bearers of the light of Christ and to make known his Good News to our world.

Proclamation: 2017

We have just experienced, dear friends, the joy with which we celebrated, by the favor of a merciful God, the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. In that same joy, we now proclaim his new birth, the resurrection of that same Lord and Savior, and our reliving of it throughout the Year of Our Lord, 2017.

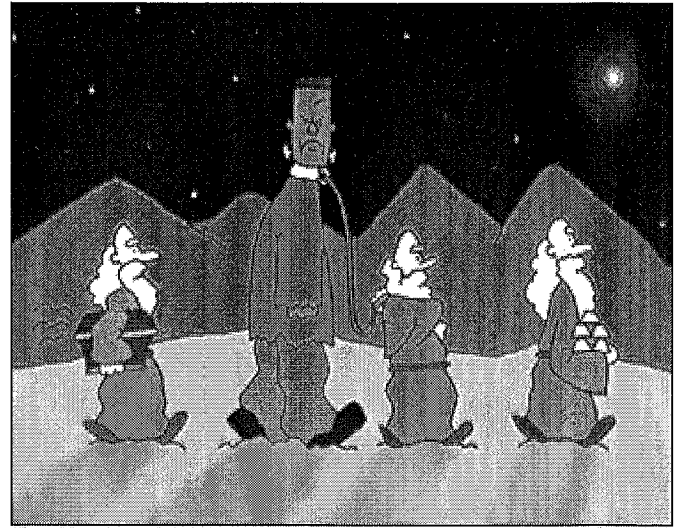
The first day of March
will be Ash Wednesday. This will
mark the beginning of the Lenten Season.

On the sixteenth day of April,
we will exult in the full celebration of
the resurrection of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

The twenty-fifth day of May
will be the Ascension of Our Lord,
Jesus Christ.

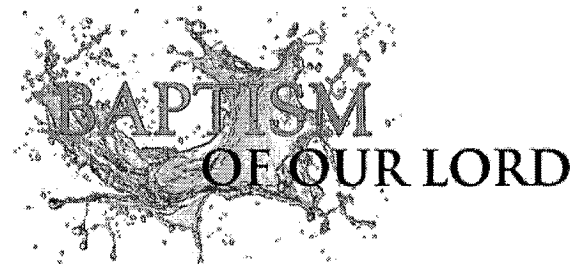
On the fourth day of June
we will celebrate the Solemnity of
Pentecost.

The third day of December
will be the First Sunday of Advent
when we shall look forward again to
the coming of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



(See Matthew 2:1-12)

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On Monday, January 9th, we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. At first glance, the Baptism of the Lord might seem an odd feast. Since the Catholic Church teaches that the Sacrament of Baptism is necessary for the remission of sins, particularly Original Sin, why was Christ baptized? After all, He was born without Original Sin, and He lived His entire life without sinning. Therefore, He had no need of the sacrament, as we do.

In submitting Himself humbly to the baptism of St. John the Baptist, however, Christ provided the example for the rest of us. If even He should be baptized, though He had no need of it, how much more should the rest of us be thankful for this sacrament, which frees us from the darkness of sin and incorporates us into the Church, the life of Christ on earth! His Baptism, therefore, was necessary--not for Him, but for us.

(Scott Richert)

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Please remember to include Holy Child Parish when you are preparing your will. Your generous bequests will enable Holy Child Parish to continue sharing its many ministries with our parishioners and those in our communities.

"I wish to endow Holy Child Parish, Mansfield PA, \$_____ (or a certain percentage of my estate) that it may continue to live and spread the Good News of the Gospel."

If you have borrowed anything from the Health Ministry's medical equipment and are no longer in need of it, kindly return it soon or call Dotty at 662-2057.

Good Neighbors Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 10th in Holy Child Hall.

There are boxes of collection envelopes for children in the back of the church. There are no names on the boxes. Be sure to write the child's name on the front of the envelope for the first few weeks they are used to ensure that your family receives credit for your donation.



STAND FOR LIFE STAND UP and BE COUNTED!

There will be a **STAND FOR LIFE** January 27th 2017 at Holy Child Gather at 2:15 . Signs are provided. Brave the weather. Declare for LIFE!