

Holy Child

HOLY CHILD CATHOLIC PARISH

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Rectory Office Hours: 9 AM – 4:00 PM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
Office closed on Wednesday

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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.

February 19, 2017

Seventh 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
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 Weiskopf 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, February 18

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Ralph Messura by DiMarco Family

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

BettyAnn Lupkowski, 25th Anniversary of Death by Grandchildren

Sunday, February 19, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM at Holy Child

All Parishioners

11:15 AM at Holy Child

Peg Padden by Winnie Fairbanks

Monday, February 20

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

Irene Frey by Anna Bogaczyk & Family

Tuesday, February 21

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

Miguel Alicea, Sr. by Thomas and Elsa DiBernardo

Wednesday, February 22

No Mass

Thursday, February 23

6:00 PM at Holy Child

Chester and Roger Losinger by Family

Friday, February 24

8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child

Cecelia & Joseph Swinsick by Karen, Mary and Families

Saturday, February 25

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Dee Borden by John, Cassandra & Betty

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Frank and Helen Dadas by Gene and Marilyn Kurzewski

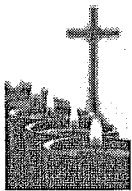
Sunday, February 26, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Adeline Cunningham by Linda Cloos

11:15 AM at Holy Child

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 (February 19) in memory of Miguel Alicea, Sr by Thomas and Elsa DiBernardo at St.

Mary's in Blossburg.

The Sanctuary Light at Holy Child in Mansfield is offered in memory of living and deceased members of Holy Child Parish.

Bingo workers for February 25: Linda Brown, Connie Williammee, Linda Brodbeck, Heather Sager

Kitchen workers for February 25: Knights of Columbus

Counters:

February 19: Jim and Joann Weiskopff

February 26: Anna Marie Mimplitsch and Dawn Egan

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 February 18 & 19

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Ron Becker

Servers: Amanda Rutledge

E. Min: Phil Foley

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Chris King

Servers: Thomas King

E. Min: Peter Lupkowski

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Readers: Connie Penner, Jim Weiskopff

Servers: Daniel and Michael Harman

E. Min: Alan Parrotte

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Suzanne Case, Christina Jenkins

Servers: Roch Minnich

E. Min: Bill Page

Ministers of the Altar

for next weekend February 25 & 26

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Phil Foley

Servers: Addison & Madalyn Farrer

E. Min: Scott DiMarco

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Jan Yoder

Servers: Bridgette and Benjamin

E. Min: Peter Lupkowski

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Maryjane and Anna Marie

Servers: Tessa Mitchell and Isabella Hazelton

E. Min: Ann Vayansky

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Rita Hanson, Kayla Nash

Servers: Brendan Nash

E. Min: Donna Brennan

Readings

February 19

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18

Psalms 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13

1 Cor 3:16-23

Matthew 5:38-48

February 20

Weekday [7]

Sir 1:1-10

Mark 9:14-29

February 21

Weekday [7]

St. Peter Damian

Sir 2:1-11

Mark 9:30-37

February 22

THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER

THE APOSTLE

1 Pt 5:1-4

Matthew 16:13-19

February 23

St. Polycarp

Sir 5:1-8

Mark 9:41-50

February 24

Weekday [7]

Sir 6:5-17

Mark 10:1-12

February 25

Weekday [7]

Sir 17:1-15

Mark 10:13-16

February 26

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Is 49:14-15

Psalms 62:2-3, 6-9

1 Cor 4:1-5

Matthew 6:24-34

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, February 18

- ✙ 5:00 PM Kitchen opens at H.C. Hall
- ✙ 6:15 PM Bingo in Holy Child Hall

Sunday, February 19, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✙ 10:00 AM Religious Ed

Monday, February 20

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

Tuesday, February 21

- ✙ 12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's

Wednesday, February 22

- ✙ No Mass

Thursday, February 23

- ✙ 6:00 PM Mass at Holy Child followed by Parish Pastoral Council

Friday, February 24

- ✙ 8:30 AM Mass at Holy Child

Saturday, February 25

- ✙ 5:00 PM Kitchen opens at H.C. Hall
- ✙ 6:15 PM Bingo in Holy Child Hall

Sunday, February 26, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✙ 10:00 AM Religious Ed
- ✙ 2:00 PM Youth Group Snow Tubing

From today's Gospel reading:

Jesus said:

"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you that you may be children of your heavenly Father for he makes his sun to rise on the bad and the good...."

Reflection:

When evil is done us we not only don't retaliate, we act positively towards the offender. Maybe that's what keeps us from being passive doormats. We take the initiative to return good for evil. It is possible that our non-retaliatory behavior will have a healing effect on the aggressor. It certainly will reflect the kind of love God has for the "bad and the good."

So we ask ourselves:

- How do I typically respond when I feel taken advantage of?
 - What other way might I respond to the same situation?
- (Preacher's Exchange)



Gifts to Your Parish

February 11 & 12

Sunday Envelopes: \$4053.50
Loose: 292.35

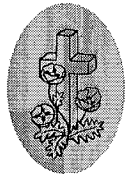
Fuel: \$30.00 Ash Wednesday: \$15.00

Total: \$4390.85

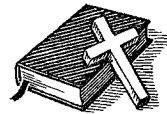
Thank you! Your stewardship and generosity to your parish are needed and greatly appreciated. \$4890.38 is the amount needed for our weekly collections to meet budgeted expenses.

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:

- Catherine & Ronald Atkinson
- Elsa DiBernardo
- Dick Musser (address: Mr. Richard Musser, 114 8th Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15229)
- Bob Wood

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.

BE A MAN: "Mary's Call to BATTLE"

THIRD ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

May 6th, 2017

King's College, Scranton
(We will have a bus!)

St. Peter's Parish in Wellsboro has kindly arranged for a bus; if you are going to attend, please be sure to let the office know so we can put your name on the list. Register on line at: www.beamanconference.com or mail a completed conference application found in the vestibule with your check to Attn: Men's Conference, Office for Parish Life, 330 Wyoming Ave, Scranton, PA. 18503.

Registration Open for UNC's Camp Kelly (Formerly Camp St. Andrew)

Registration is now open for 2017 summer camp programs at United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA's Camp Kelly (formerly Camp St. Andrew). Week-long Girls Resident, Girls Basketball, Boys Resident, and Boys Basketball camps are all available, as well as a Father/Son Weekend and Women's Weekend. For more information, or to register online, visit www.uncnepa.org/campkelly or call 570-346-0759.



Goodies for our Troops!!!

Over the years, "Goodies" has provided much needed supplies to our troops overseas; things we may take for granted because we can get them anytime we want like snacks, wet wipes, hand sanitizer, hand warmers etc. There is a box in the back of the church for donations. Or, you may wish to help pack boxes on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9 - 12:30 at 87 Main at Crafton Street in Wellsboro. Call 570-662-5601 for more information. February and March Items: eye drops, wet wipes or snacks.

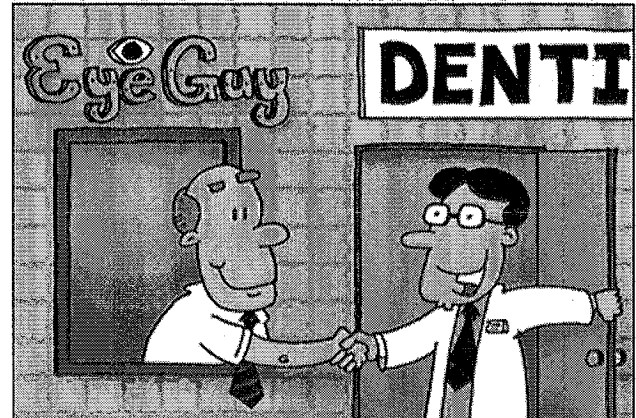
Limited copies of **LITTLE BOOK FOR LENT are available in the church vestibule on the small desk at Holy Child or little table at St. Mary's. These are provided by your Health Ministry.**



Ash Wednesday Retreat...

The Office for Parish Life will offer a Retreat on Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton. The day will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m.

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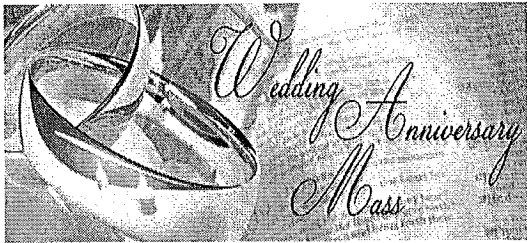
(See Leviticus 24:20)

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IT'S A DEAL THEN ... AN EYE FOR A
TOOTH AND A TOOTH FOR AN EYE

The Scranton Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will conduct a Lenten Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, April 1, 2017 at the Diocese of Scranton Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA. The retreat will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end with mass at St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:10 p.m. The speaker will be Megan Murphy (www.meganmurphyministries.com). Megan is a dynamic woman of faith who will talk about the inestimable value of confession, prayer and suffering. All Catholic women are invited to attend. A full breakfast will be served. The cost is \$20. Please send your reservation with payment to: Helen Oravec, 814 Theresa Street, Peckville, PA 18452. The reservation deadline is Friday - March 24th. Contact Judith Poltanis at 570-470-1536, Mary Lloyd at 570-578-6720 or Nancy Addley at 570-536-4466 if additional information is required.

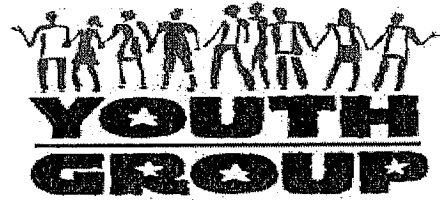
Meager Meals during Lent: We will need volunteers to host Meager Meals after Stations of the Cross during Lent. The hosts provide a meager meal of soups and breads and a bev. Fridays available at Holy Child: March 3, 17, and 24. If you are interested, please call the office.



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.

Holy Child 2017 Lottery Winners

Date	#	Name	Amount
2/6	785	No Winner	-
2/7	010	Paul McCarthy	\$50.00
2/8	025	No Winner	-
2/9	451	John & Agnes Warden	\$50.00
2/10	584	No Winner	-
2/11	482	No Winner	-
2/12	912	No Winner	-

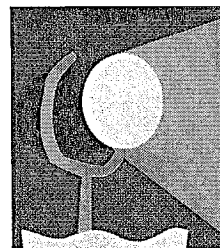


Feb. 26 – Snow Tubing, Meet at church parking lot @ 2 pm
Ski Saw Mill, Morris
 You will need to bring a signed waiver which can be found at:
<http://skisawmill.com/tube-slide/>
Cost is \$12.00 for 2 hours
There is a snack bar available to purchase food

March 10 – Station of the Cross/Meager Meal

March 26 – Catholic Social Teaching 5 PM in Holy Child Hall

Bring a friend to any or all of our exciting events!!!



Confirmation Candidate Spotlight

Name: Aubrey Griess
Grade: 8th

Favorite Saint: St. Agnes
Best Service Project: Goodie Bags for the Homeless
Favorite Holiday: Christmas
Hobbies: Dance, Running
Best Vacation Spot: Beach
Favorite Food: Ice Cream
Future Goals: Work in the Empire State Building



When School is canceled or there is a delay on Mondays and Tuesdays, Mass at St. Mary's will be canceled.

St. Peter's in Wellsboro is having an all-you-can-eat Polish Dinner

Friday, Feb. 24, 4-7 pm
 Adults: \$10
 Kids under 12 - \$5
 Kids under 3 eat free

Homemade Pierogies, Homemade Kielbasa, Stuffed Cabbage, baked Haddock, Sauerkraut, bev, desserts and more!
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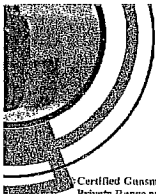
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**"Love your enemies
and pray for those
who persecute you."**

~ Jesus



February 23 – St. Polycarp (156) Bishop of Smyrna, Asia-Minor, Polycarp was a disciple of the apostle St. John and a friend of St. Ignatius of Antioch. He faithfully cared for his flock despite being surrounded by pagans and a government opposed to his religion. Before he was martyred, he thanked God for making him worthy of a martyr's death.

GET INVOLVED

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.