



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.

March 26, 2017

Fourth 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

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, March 25

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Maurice Copello by Family

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

All Parishioners

Sunday, March 26, 4th Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Steve Bencetic by The Good Neighbors

11:15 AM at Holy Child

Robert Gerg by the Minnich Family

Monday, March 27

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

Bobbie Dee Thompson by Anna Bogaczyk & Family

Tuesday, March 28

12:10 PM at St. Mary's

William & Kathleen Anderson by Kathleen Evans

Wednesday, March 29

No Mass

Thursday, March 30

No Mass

Friday, March 31

6:00 PM Mass at St. Mary's

Delores and Leon Owens by The Miller Family

Saturday, April 1

4:00 PM at Holy Child

Ruth Thomas by Rich and Ann Marie Vacula

6:00 PM at St. Mary of Czestochowa

Parishioners

Sunday, April 2, 5th Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Cecilia "Sis" Seiser by Holy Child Ladies Guild

11:15 AM at Holy Child

Robert Gerg by The Miller Family



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 26) for Health and Blessing for Marge Morgan at St. Mary's in Blossburg.

The Sanctuary Light at Holy Child in Mansfield is offered in memory of deceased parishioners of Holy Child Parish.

Bingo workers for April 1: Linda Brown, Connie Williammee, Linda Brodbeck, Heather Sager, Patty Hutcheson

Kitchen workers for April 1: Linda Cloos and Crew

Counters:

March 26: Tom and Mary Hohman

April 2: Dave and Cathy Slusser

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 25 & 26

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Bob Wood

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: Chris King

9:00 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Brenda Brewster

Servers: Parker and Bridger Brewster

E. Min: Ann Vayansky

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Liz Buck, Darlene Buck

Servers: Brendan Nash

E. Min: Bill Page

Ministers of the Altar

for next weekend April 1 & 2

4:00 PM Saturday at Holy Child

Readers: Erin Griess

Servers: Aubrey and Marissa Griess

E. Min: John Ranck

6:00 PM Saturday at St. Mary's

Readers: Peter Lupkowski

Servers: Nealens

E. Min: Chris King

9:00 AM at Holy Child

Readers: Connie Penner, Phil Foley

Servers: Daniel Harman, Tessa Mitchell

E. Min: Alan Parrotte

11:15 AM Sunday at Holy Child

Readers: Rita Hanson, Bob Wood

Servers: John Minnich

E. Min: Donna Brennan

Readings

March 26

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Psalm 23:1-6

Eph 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

March 27

Lenten Weekday [4]

Is 65:17-21

John 4:43-54

March 28

Lenten Weekday [4]

Ez 47:1-9, 12

John 5:1-16

March 29

Lenten Weekday [4]

Is 49:8-15

John 5:17-30

March 30

Lenten Weekday [4]

Ex 32:1-4

John 5:31-47

March 31

Lenten Weekday [4]

Wis 2:1a, 12-22

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

April 1

Lenten Weekday [4]

Jer 11:18-20

John 7:40-53

April 2

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Ez 37:12-14

Psalm 130:1-8

Rom 8:8-11

John 11:1-45

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 25, Annunciation of the Lord

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

Sunday, March 26th Sunday of Lent

- ✙ 10:00 AM Religious Ed
- ✙ 5:00 PM Youth Group in HC Hall

Monday, March 27

- ✙ 12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ✙ 12:40 PM Rosary after Mass
- ✙ 6:30 PM Bingo at St. Mary's
- ✙ 5:30 - 7 PM Confession at Holy Child

Tuesday, March 28

- ✙ 12:10 PM Mass at St. Mary's
- ✙ 12:40 PM Rosary after Mass

Wednesday, March 29

- ✙ No Mass

Thursday, March 30

- ✙ No Mass

Friday, March 31

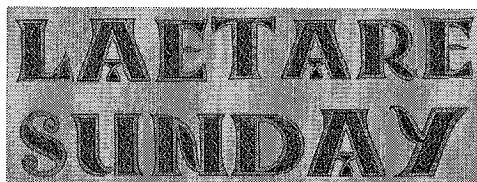
- ✙ 6:00 PM Mass and Stations of the Cross at St. Mary's
- ✙ 6:45-ish PM Meager Meal after Stations in St. Mary's Hall

Saturday, April 1

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

Sunday, April 2, 5th Sunday of Lent

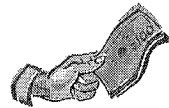
- ✙ 10:00 AM Religious Ed
- ✙ 6:30 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting



Laetare Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, takes its name from the Latin word which begins the entrance antiphon (introtit) for that day. *Laetare* means *rejoice*. On this Sunday, we look with expectation to the great Solemnity of Easter for which we have been preparing ourselves as a Church during the Lenten season. By its anticipation of the joy of Easter, Laetare Sunday is meant to give us hope and encouragement as we slowly progress towards the Paschal Feast. On Laetare Sunday, a priest may wear rose vestments. The color rose is used as a sign of the joy.

Gifts to Your Parish

March 18 & 19



Sunday Envelopes: \$3209.00
Loose: 253.07

Taxes/Ins: \$10.00 Church Dues: \$3.00
Ash Wednesday: \$15.00 Flowers: \$45.00

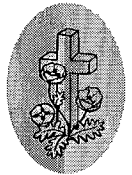
Total: \$3535.07

Cemetery Maintenance: (stays in parish): \$5.00

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:

-Karen Deming
-Marge Morgan

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.



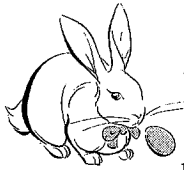
If you have a loved one who has passed away or is sick, please contact the office so that we can remember you in our prayers.

Holy Child 2017 Lottery Winners

Date	#	Name	Amount
3/13	197	No Winner	-
3/14	705	No Winner	-
3/15	663	No Winner	-
3/16	032	Clem & Jane Lisitski	\$50.00
3/17	745	No Winner	-
3/18	093	No Winner	-
3/19	747	No Winner	-



- March 26** Catholic Social Teaching
5 PM in Holy Child Hall
- Apr. 2** Help with Family Catechesis,
10 AM (Parish Hall)
- Apr. 30** Religious Ed Hot Dog Social,
12 PM (Parish Hall)



Good Neighbor Easter Eggs

.....still only **60 cents each** or

\$6.00/doz

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 is April 2; none accepted after that date. Unless other arrangements are made, eggs will be ready to be picked up on Palm Sunday weekend.

FATHER KAMINSKI'S 40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – Holy Spirit Parish cordially invites you to attend the **40th Anniversary of the Ordination to the Priesthood of Father Louis T. Kaminski on Sunday, May 7, 2017**. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be held at 1:00 PM at Holy Spirit Parish, St. Adalbert Church, 31 S. Market Street, Glen Lyon followed by a reception at 3:30 PM at Knights of Columbus Hall, 59 Parry Street, Luzerne. Cost is \$20 per person and reservation deadline is April 23. The completed attached form must accompany payment. Please send a self-addressed stamped envelope with your reservation form and payment (checks made payable to Holy Spirit Parish St. Martha Men's Club) to: Marion Hilday, PO Box 24, Huntington Mills, PA 18622 and your tickets will be mailed to you.

FATHER KAMINSKI'S 40th ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD RECEPTION RESERVATION FORM

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

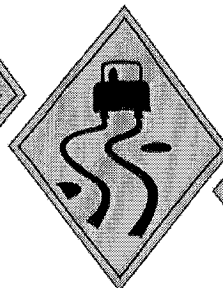
Number Attending _____

Payment _____

Signs of Spring



POTHOLES



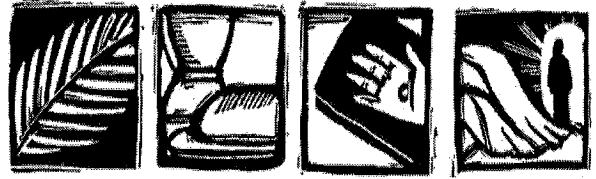
DODGING POTHOLES



FILLING POTHOLES



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Mass, Stations of the Cross and Meager Meal on Fridays @ 6 PM:

3/31 - St. Mary's Church

4/7 - St. Mary's Church

Ministerium Lenten Luncheons

Every Thursday during Lent at the Presbyterian Church in Mansfield. Bring your own bagged lunch; dessert and drink provided.

The Light is on for You

Mondays in Lent from 5:30 - 7:00 PM there will be Confession at Holy Child Church

Palm Sunday, April 9:

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

Chrism Mass:

Tuesday, April 11 @ 4 PM at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton

Holy Thursday, April 13:

- Practice for Altar Servers @ 6:15 PM
- 7 PM Mass at Holy Child Church

Good Friday, April 14:

- 12:30 PM Practice for Altar Servers
- 1 PM service at Holy Child
- 3:30 PM Stations of the Cross at St. Mary's

Holy Saturday

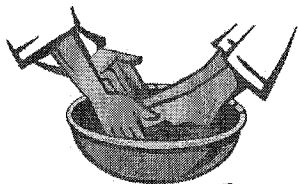
- Blessing of the Baskets at St. Mary's, 10:30 AM
- Practice for Altar Servers at 1:00 PM
- Easter Vigil Mass at Holy Child Church, 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday

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

If you would like to receive Communion at Mass but have difficulty walking, please alert Father Bryan or an usher before Mass so that Communion can be brought to your pew.

All the faithful of the Diocese are invited to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton, on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 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.



Foot Washing feet washed at Holy Thursday Mass, please sign up in the back of either church.

If you would like to volunteer to have your

The Samaritan House in Wellsboro is looking for volunteers to help serve people nearing the end of life. If this is something you may have a calling to do, please call Laurie Coffee at 570-549-2210.



Goodies for our Troops!!!

Over the years, "Goodies" has provided much needed supplies to our troops overseas; like snacks, wet wipes, hand sanitizer, hand warmers etc. There is a box in the back of the church for donations if you would like to contribute. 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.**

In today's Gospel, the blind man's story replays our own. We made the same journey he did. We were led to a pool of water, washed there and words were spoken over us, "I baptize you...." This began the journey guided by the sight we received in those waters. In baptism, we were given a clearer sight with which to look at our world. What do we see as a result of that washing at the pool? Has the sight we received in the washing affected our priorities and life choices?

Because our eyes have been opened we see that people of other races and nations (even those some name as enemies) are our sisters and brothers. We see that having all we ever wanted can leave us dissatisfied and poor in God's sight. We see that even in sickness and old age there is great value and beauty. We see that God is not someone on high to fear, but someone up close who walks our life with us in loving companionship. We see the people we value are not always the ones others call "important." Like the blind man the waters have opened our eyes and we see with the eyes of Jesus, who is light for a dark world.

(Preacher's Exchange)

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 Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

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."

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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.