

Holy Child Church 240 S Main St, Mansfield, PA

HOLY CHILD CATHOLIC PARISH

Rev. Bryan Wright, Pastor Rita Hanson, Financial Secretary Cathy Asbury, Parish Secretary Rectory Office Hours: 9 AM – 2 PM Monday, Tuesday and Friday Cemetery Business Hours: By Appointment

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Saint Mary of Czestochowa Church 144 St Mary's St, Blossburg, PA



SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD JANUARY 1, 2023

Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Holy Child: 3:00 pm Saturday

10:45 am Sunday 5:15 pm Thursday 8:00 am Friday

Saint Mary's: 8:30 am Sunday

11:30 am Monday & Tuesday

Parish Contacts:

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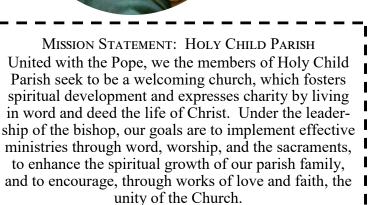
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Sacraments:

<u>Baptism</u>: Please call the church office to make arrangements to meet with the pastor and schedule the time and date of the ceremony.

<u>Reconciliation</u>: Confessions are heard on Saturday from 2:30 to 3:00 pm in Holy Child Church, on First Friday from 9 to 10 am in Holy Child Church, and on First Saturday from 10 to 11 am in Saint Mary of Czestochowa Church. For other times, call the office to make an appointment.

<u>Matrimony</u>: Couples planning to marry should contact their Pastor at least 6 months before the planned wedding date.

<u>Anointing of the Sick</u>: 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.

Adoration of the **Blessed Sacrament** prior to all weekend Masses.



LITURGY SCHEDULE

(The daily Mass schedule is subject to change.)

Saturday, December 31 7th day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

VIGIL: SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD 4:00 pm, Holy Child: † John & Veronica Manikowski

(by Family)

Sun, Jan 1 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God 9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Ann Dorsey (by a Friend)

11:15 am, Holy Child: † Parishioners

Monday, Jan 2 Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops, Doctors of the Church

12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Andrew Bogaczyk

(by Anna Bogaczyk & Family)

Tuesday, January 3 Christmas Weekday 12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † David Pinciotti (by The Rider Family)

Wednesday, January 4 Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious No Mass

Thursday, January 5 Saint John Neumann, Bishop 6:00 pm, Holy Child: † Mason Elijah Abel

(by Mr. & Mrs. David Colegrove)

First Friday, January 6 Christmas Weekday 8:30 am, Holy Child: † Jerome Jerry Kostovick (by The Family)

First Saturday, January 7 Christmas Weekday 9:30 am, St. Mary's: † Florence Venarchick

(by The Charles Brennan Family)

VIGIL: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Jean Mitchell (by Harold & Pat Andrews)

Sunday, January 8 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Bob Kucharski (by The Good Samaritans) 11:15 am, Holy Child: † Parishioners

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE IN HOLY CHILD CHURCH AT 2:30 PM ON SATURDAYS.

The Sanctuary Light burns to remind us of the real presence of Christ reserved in the tabernacle. Week of January 1 - 7, 2023

> The Sanctuary Light in Saint Mary's Church burns this week for living and deceased members of Holy Child Parish. The Sanctuary Light in Holy Child Church

> burns this week for Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI, that God may ease his sufferings and comfort him in his time of illness.



The Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Tabernacle. Please be mindful of this and try to keep a

PRAYER LIST

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 Gallagher
- Richard Faber
- Bernice Frederick
- Tom MacBlane
- Rose Mahosky
- Christopher Mortensen
- Howdy Moser
- Richard Niemczyk
- Ethel Sandstrom
- Lori Sherant
- Kenneth Simpson
- Yolanda Tacka
- Nancy Winslow

Please contact the parish office to add names of those who are in need of prayer due to sudden illness, upcoming surgery, hospital stay or those experiencing a hardship.

To respect our parishioners' privacy, please ask and specify if their names are to be put in the bulletin, added to the prayer chain, or both.

To make a request on our "Spare a Prayer" prayer chain, contact: Maryjane Seifried at seifriedmaryjane@gmail.com or 549-7550 or Dotty Welsh at dhirw@ptd.net or 662-2057 To add a name to the bulletin Prayer list, contact the parish office by phone, email or regular mail.

Our Lord is always listening.

Please join us for the STAND FOR LIFE on Friday, Grary 20 from 1 - 2 pm. There will be 3. January 20 from 1 - 2 pm. There will be Mass at noon and then we will go outside, weather permitting.



25.00

If you or someone you know cannot get to Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion or a pastoral visit, please contact the parish office.



Parish Offerings Received December 19 - 25, 2022

Sunday Envelopes: \$2,041.00 Christmas Loose: 575.00 Fuel: 10.00 Christmas: 3,611.00 Initial Offering: 49.00 Total: \$6,286.00

Care & Education of Priests:

Thank you for your continued support.

Daily Mass Schedule (subject to change) Mon & Tues, 12:10 pm, Saint Mary's Thurs, 6:00 pm, Holy Child Fri, 8:30 am, Holy Child

January 2023

1st Friday: 8:00 am Adoration, 8:30 am Mass, 8:30 am Mass, Holy Child Church, Saint Mary's Church, followed by followed by 1 hour of Adoration 1 hour of Adoration. Confessions with Confessions available.

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Wed	Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Religious	11	Saint Anthony Abbot	THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE	
Tues	3	10 Health Ministry 10:30 am Holy Child Hall	17	Saint Francis de Sales Bishop Doctor of the Church	Saint John Bosco
Mon	Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen Bishops	Baptism ord	16	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children January 22	30
Sun	Sofemnity of Mary Mother of God	3:00 pm, District #51 Knights of Columbus St. Peter's Parish Hall Wellsboro	15 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	22 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	29 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

New Year's Resolutions That Inspire

Contact Linda Sampson at 570-404-2180 or email marian -ministries@outlook.com to discuss any of these programs.

BIBLE IN A YEAR PODCAST

In **The Bible in a Year** podcast, Fr. Mike Schmitz walks you through the entire Bible in 365 episodes, providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. With this podcast, you won't just read the Bible in a year. You will finally understand how all the pieces of the Bible fit together to tell an amazing story that continues in your life today. According to Ascension Press, *The Bible in a Year* hit 142 million downloads and 3.3 billion minutes of listening worldwide. It gets 464,000 daily downloads. For more information visit https://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration

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- A guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in his Word
- An explanation from Fr. Mike Schmitz about the reading

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 - * An explanation from Fr. Mike Schmitz about the reading

My One Word

My One Word is simple: lose the long list of changes you want to make this year and instead pick ONE WORD. Just one word that centers on your character and creates a vision for your future. Choose one of the Catholic virtues highlighted in Mary's Mantle, words like trust, surrender, kindness, courage, gratitude, whatever word will help you focus and grow in faith and service to God. Visit: https://myoneword.org/ Personal Testimony: I've practiced this for about 10 years and testify that it really works!

LIVING ROSARY EVALUATION

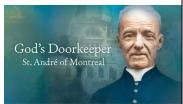
As we approach the New Year, it is my hope that the Living Rosary will continue in our parishes. The devotion has been a source of grace and peace to the participants and a beautiful offering to our Blessed Mother. We need at least 20 participants to continue the devotion. Please be in touch if you wish to take a break or pray a different decade for the new year. If you haven't been a participant but would like to pray one decade with the group beginning in January, let me know and I will add your name to our email group.



WEEK OF JANUARY 1, 2023

GOD'S DOORKEEPER: St. ANDRÉ OF MONTREAL

This week, we celebrate the memorial of a humble door-keeper, St. André of Montreal. Learn how this man became a great saint through his small acts of love!



How to Pray

Whether you are a veteran in the spiritual life or are just beginning, start this year off right by recommitting yourself to prayer! Join Drs. Tim Gray and Elizabeth Klein as they discuss ways to kickstart your prayer life this year!



MARY OF NAZARETH

What would it have been like to have known the Mother of God? Watch this beautiful film portraying the life of Mary in order to contemplate Mary's profound faith and the mysteries of her life.



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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 wellbeing. 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).

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- January 2: Parish Office CLOSED
- January 8: 3:00 pm, District #51 Knights of Columbus, St. Peter's Parish Hall, Wellsboro. See article below.



- January 11: 10:30 am, Health Ministry, Holy Child Church
- January 12: Parish Pastoral Council, starting with 6 pm Mass in Holy Child

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DISTRICT #51

Tom Socha, District #51, Knights of Columbus invites all Tioga County Knights to meet with him at 3:00 pm on Sunday, January 8th in St. Peter's Parish Hall, Wellsboro to introduce the new District #51 ceremonial team, establish a county-wide Knights of Columbus calendar, and to relay information from the Mid-Year Pennsylvania State District Deputies' meeting and the Supreme office. A social will follow. Please RSVP by email to tmsoch@gmail.com by January 5.



THE NEW WEBSITE IS LIVE!

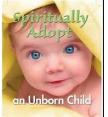
Many thanks to the donor who sponsored the building of our beautiful new website! Check it out at https://holychildparish.com/ The new site is easy to navigate and

provides greater access to information about our parish and faith formation resources. If you get an error that the page cannot be found, click on the parish logo in the

top left corner of the screen.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

Month Five - Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over one pound now. His mother can feel him moving now. Before he was too small for her to feel. Although he swam with ease in his watery world, he needed to be big and strong enough to kick hard against the outside uterine wall and



dent it-the inside wall of the uterus has no feeling. We are mid-way through the pregnancy now. Your prayers have helped your baby's mother continue with her pregnancy and seek the help she needs.

Dear Lord, You formed my inmost being; you knit me in my mother's womb. I praise you, because I am wonderfully made; wonderful are your works.



Don't forget your food pantry donations of non-perishable items. Consider volunteering

to help feed the hungry! Boxes are in both churches for nonperishable donations.



Visit www.annualappeal.org to make your gift and view the Diocesan Annual Appeal videos, which highlight the wonderful work your gifts support.

As of December 12th we are at 77% of our \$28,000 parish goal! \$21,562 has been donated or pledged thus far!

Thank you for your continued support. We couldn't do it without you!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Saturday, December 31: 1 Jn 2:18-21 Ps 96:1-2, 11-13 John 1:1-18

Sunday, January 1: Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 Gal 4:4-7 Luke 2:16-21

Monday, January 2: 1 Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98:1-4 John 1:19-28

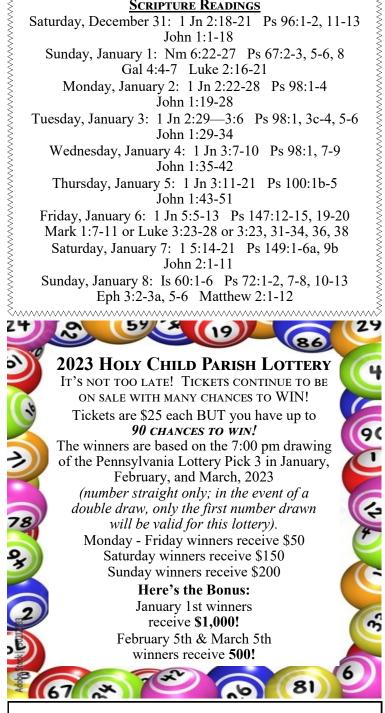
Tuesday, January 3: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6 Ps 98:1, 3c-4, 5-6 John 1:29-34

Wednesday, January 4: 1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1, 7-9 John 1:35-42

Thursday, January 5: 1 Jn 3:11-21 Ps 100:1b-5 John 1:43-51

Friday, January 6: 1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 Mark 1:7-11 or Luke 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38 Saturday, January 7: 15:14-21 Ps 149:1-6a, 9b John 2:1-11

Sunday, January 8: Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

If the local schools are delayed or closed, for the safety of our parishioners, daily Mass will be said by Father in Holy Child Church during that day. Office hours may also be affected.

NEEDED FOR SEEDS OF HOPE

Please put in box in Church vestibule.

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