

Holy Child Church 240 S Main St, Mansfield, PA



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

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME July 23, 2023



Rectory Office Hours

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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.

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 2:15 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.

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

PARISH CONTACTS

Director of Religious Education:

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Good Neighbors: Tom Wierbowski 570-404-3028 Good Samaritans: Parish Office (570) 662-3568

Health Ministry:

Dotty Welsh 570-662-2057

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Medical Equipment Loaning Program: Dotty Welsh 570-662-2057

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RCIA: Parish Office 570-662-3568 Holy Child Hall: 570-662-9996 St. Mary's Hall: 570-638-2783 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament prior to all weekend Masses



LITURGY SCHEDULE

(THE DAILY MASS SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.)

Saturday, July 22 Saint Mary Magdalene

VIGIL: 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Parishioners

Sunday, July 23 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Dorothy Lutomski (by The Leone Family) 11:15 am, Holy Child: † Marcella Williams

(by The Nance Family)

Monday, July 24 Weekday

12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Leona Frederick

(by Mary & David Ramas)

Tuesday, July 25 Saint James, Apostle

12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Daniel Kostovick

(by The Hernandez Family)

Wednesday, July 26
No Mass
Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>July 27</u> Weekday

6:00 pm, Holy Child: † Shirley Rosypal

(by Rita Hanson & Familly)

Friday, July 28 8:30 am, Holy Child: † Robert Dalton (by The Family)

6.30 am, Hory Child. | Robert Batton (by The Family)

Saturday, July 29 Saints Martha, Mary & Lazarus VIGIL: 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Parishioners

Sunday, July 30 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Floyd & Genevieve Stachowski

(by Bernadine)

11:15 am, Holy Child: † Holy Souls in Purgatory

(by Dawn Egan)

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 July 23 - 29, 2023

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

The Sanctuary Light in Holy Child Church burns this week in memory of George Kump by Anita

Call the parish office to request a Sanctuary Light intention.

The donation is \$5 per candle.

Parish Offerings Received July 10 - 16, 2023

 Sunday Envelopes:
 \$4,965.00

 Loose:
 489.00

 Church Dues:
 398.00

 Summer Drive:
 100.00

 Total:
 \$5,952.00

Thank you for your continued support.

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:

- * Lydia Brennan
- * Richard Faber
- * Bernice Frederick
- * Catherine Gallagher
- * Tom MacBlane
- * Tony Lupkowski
- Jane Mahonski
- Christopher Mortensen
- * Howdy Moser
- Richard Niemczyk
- * Ethel Sandstrom
- k Lori Sherant
- * Kenneth Simpson
- Yolanda Tacka

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 dhjrw@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.

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.





Pray the Rosary Every Day



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

SILENCE AND REVERENCE



Mary's Hall in Blossburg on Sunday, August 27th from 11:30 am until 2:00 pm! Dinner will be \$15 for adults and \$7 for children 12 years old and younger.

Attention Volunteers!

We will have two quick meetings (10-15 minutes) to get work areas delegated. Please come to one:

1) July 23rd after the 11:15 am Mass in Holy Child Hall

2) July 30th after the 9:00 am Mass in St. Mary's Hall

The Mass schedule on Sunday, August 27th will be: 9:00 am, Holy Child Church
11:15 am, Saint Mary's Church
(Saturday's Mass will still be at 4:00 pm in Holy Child)

PARISH DINNER BASKET RAFFLE

Images of baskets will be used for prelevent basket raffle ticket sales.

Please drop off baskets at the parish office during office hours until 1:00 pm on Friday, July 28th or in the back of either Church by Sunday, July 30th.

The Basket raffle will begin shortly after July 30th and run until the day of the dinner!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR ALL YOUR HELP!

Tickets for the cash raffle are in the mail!

See you on the 27th!





4th Annual 5K Race for Heart of Tioga Pregnancy and Parenting Support

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023

9:00 AM

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Mail in registration available at www.heartoftioga.org

Registration day of event: \$30
Kids 10 and under: \$15 or \$75 - Family(same household)
Registration Opens at 7:30AM

POST RACE BREAKFAST FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS!

First 100 registrations receive a free T-shirt

Hope to See YOU there!

Dear Holy Child Catholic Parish,

Thank you for joining us in our 2023 Heart of Tioga Baby Bottle Campaign! It is such a blessing to have many faithful churches, like yours, linking with Heart of Tioga in our mission to serve women and families in our community. We are also witnessing God working and blessing in saving unborn lives through the ministry of Heart of Tioga! We believe our Annual Baby Bottle Campaign is an essential tool for keeping the ministry of Heart of Tioga before the people in our community - whether to sustain the needed support, sustain staffing and volunteers, or communicate to those in need. We hope our Baby Bottle Campaign will always be an annual event at your church.

Thank you for partnering with us in this ministry. Please continue to pray for the women and families in need, and for God to continue to provide and work through Heart of Tioga.

"In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it." John 1:4.5

Serving Christ Together, Sharon Quimby Executive Director 570-439-2514

2023 Baby Bottle Campaign Donations from Holy Child Parish: \$2,477.28!



Don't forget your food pantry donations of *non-perishable* items. Boxes are in both churches for donations.

Thank you for your continue support of

CATHEDRAL PILGRIMAGE, AUGUST 5TH

Plans are being made for a pilgrimage to Saint Peter's Cathedral in Scranton on Saturday, August 5th. The group will leave Wellsboro at 7:45 am and arrive in Scranton at about 10:30 am for an hour of prayer and Confessions, followed by a guided tour of the cathedral. We'll have lunch at Cooper's Seafood House and then enjoy free time at Heaven & Earth Book Store or the Steamtown Mall, both within walking distance of the cathedral. The pilgrimage will conclude with evening Mass at 5:30 pm at the cathedral. *Please note this change in time. The group will return to Wellsboro at about 9:00 pm.

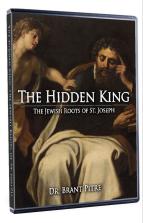
The Teen Center van is not available this year, so we'll form a carpool for those who are interested. To participate, call or text Linda Sampson at (570) 404-2180 or email marian ministries@outlook.com. Please let me know if you are willing to drive. Registration will close on Sunday, July 23rd.



THE HIDDEN KING: THE JEWISH ROOTS OF ST. JOSEPH

What is your image of St. Joseph? A poor, humble carpenter, or the hidden King of the Jews? An elderly widower, or a man in his prime, the chaste spouse of Mary? The mere legal guardian of the child Jesus, or the earthly shadow of the heavenly Father?

In this series, Dr. Brant Pitre takes the popular figure of Saint Joseph and open up the mysteries of his hidden identity, his relationship with Mary, and his role as the earthly foster-father of Jesus. In it, you will learn about:



- How Joseph was the Hidden King of the Jews
- Why Joseph was a threat to the Fake King Herod
- Why Herod Murdered his own Wife, three Sons, and the Infants in Bethlehem
- Why Joseph Accepted Mary's Jewish Vow of Virginity
- How Joseph Hid the Virgin Birth from Satan
- Joseph's Relation to the "Brothers" of Jesus
- Apocryphal Legend of the Elderly Joseph
- The Biblical Age of Saint Joseph
- The Persecution of Joseph's Family
- How Joseph is the earthly Shadow of Jesus' heavenly Father

Many books on Saint Joseph focus on apocryphal legends and private revelations. In this Bible Study, Dr. Pitre focuses on what we can learn about Saint Joseph from the Bible, ancient Jewish and Roman history, and the living Tradition of the Church. As you will discover, although Joseph is silent in pages of the New Testament, when looked at through ancient Jewish eyes, he stands with Jesus and Mary at the very center of salvation history.

So, if you already have a devotion to Joseph, or if you just want to understand what the Bible really teaches about the man who was closest to Jesus, then this Bible Study is for you.

This Study will meet in Holy Child Hall following the 11:15 am Mass beginning on Sunday, July 30th. Due to the Parish Picnic, Parish Dinner and Labor Day, the study will not meet on August 13th, 27th or September 3.



News from the Knights

PARISH PICNIC Join us on Sunday, August 13th, following the 11:15 am Mass in

Holy Child Church. We will provide the main course, so please bring a dish to pass, your favorite picnic side-dish or dessert, and enjoy some hospitality, fellowship, and good food!





ROSARY DURING ADORATION

We have instituted a Rosary ministry! When there is a fifth Sunday in a month, the Knights of Columbus will lead the rosary during Adoration before all weekend Masses. The next one will be on Sunday, July 30th.

Why July is dedicated to the PRECIOUS BLOOD CHRIST

Philip Kosloski - published on 07/01/19 https://aleteia.org/2019/07/01/heres-why-july-is-dedicated-to-theprecious-blood-of-jesus-christ/

When the pope was in exile, he turned to the Blood of Christ for strength.

One particular devotion in the Catholic Church connected to the Passion of Jesus Christ is the honoring of his Precious Blood. It is a recognition of Jesus' sacrifice and how he spilled his blood for the salvation of humanity. Furthermore, this blood is made present through the gift of the Eucharist and is something we can consume at Mass, along with the body of Christ, under the appearance of bread and wine.

Over time the Church developed various feasts of the Precious Blood, but it wasn't until the 19th century when a universal feast was established.

During the First Italian War for Independence in 1849, Pope Pius IX went into exile to Gaeta. He went there with Don Giovanni Merlini, third superior general of the Fathers of the Most Precious Blood.

While the war was still raging, Merlini suggested to Pope Pius IX that he create a universal feast to the Precious Blood to beg God's heavenly aid to end the war and bring peace to Rome. Pius IX subsequently made a statement on June 30, 1849 that he intended to create a feast in honor of the Precious Blood. The war soon ended and he returned to Rome shortly thereafter.

On August 10 he made it official and proclaimed that the 1st Sunday in July will be dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. Later, Pope Pius X assigned July 1 as the fixed date of this celebration.

After Vatican II the feast was removed from the calendar, but a votive Mass in honor of the Precious Blood was established and can be celebrated in the month of July (as well as most other months of the year).

For these reasons the entire month of July is traditionally dedicated to the Precious Blood, and Catholics are encouraged to meditate on the profound sacrifice of Jesus and the pouring out of his blood for humanity.

Below is the opening prayer of the votive Mass, as well as an additional prayer that can be used as our own personal meditation or prayer during July.

O God, who by the Precious Blood of your only Begotten Son have redeemed the whole world,

preserve in us the work of your mercy,

so that, ever honoring the mystery of our salvation,

we may merit to obtain its fruits.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Admitted to your sacred table, O Lord, we have with joy drawn water from the fountains of the Savior: O may His blood, we beseech thee, become within us a fountain of water springing up to eternal life. Amen.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- July 23: Lectio: Mary: The Bible and the Mother of God with Dr. Brant Pitre
- July 28-30: Drop off Dinner Raffle Baskets in both churches or in the parish office
- July 30: Knights of Columbus lead Rosary during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass
- July 30: The Hidden King: The Jewish Roots of St. Joseph with Dr. Brant Pitre
- August The Health Ministry and Ladies' Guild will NOT meet during August. See you in September!
- Aug 3: Finance Council meeting beginning with 6:00 pm Mass in Holy Child Church



WEEK OF JULY 23 - 29, 2023

SAINTS. JOACHIM AND ANNE | SACRED ART

In this episode on FORMED Now, Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp discuss the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this famous painting "Joachim and Anne Meeting at the Golden Gate."



THE WAY OF SAINT JAMES

This documentary follows the journey of several pilgrims who differ in culture and religious faith but are united in their journey across the Camino de Santiago. Each of them is traveling toward the shrine of St.



James the Apostle, whose feast day we celebrate this week.

CATHOLIC PARENTING TIPS W/ CATHOLIC SPROUTS FORMED Now

Join Taylor Kemp and Nancy Bandzuch, who founded Catholic Sprouts alongside her husband Bill, for tips for raising Catholic children!



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ADORATION IN HOLY CHILD PARISH

Holy Child Parish offers Adoration before all Masses and for an hour following Mass on First Friday and First Saturday. During these times we can silently...



- Adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.
- Pray a Rosary, Chaplet, or other prayer(s).
- Read Sacred Scripture.
- Pray the Liturgy of the Hours.

Because there are always other people present during Adoration in Holy Child Parish, please remain silent. If necessary, whisper a few words. For a conversation, leave the Sanctuary and wait for the door to fully close before quietly saying what you need to say. Remember that the narthex/vestibule is open to the choir loft, which is open to the Sanctuary. Maintaining silence in the Sanctuary shows reverence to the Blessed Sacrament respect for the prayer time of others.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday, July 23: Wis 12:13, 16-19 Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 Rom 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43

Monday, July 24: Ex 14:5-18 (Ps) Ex 15:1b-6 Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday, July 25: 2 Cor 4:7-15 Ps 126:1b-6 Matthew 20:20-28

Wednesday, July 26: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 Ps 78:18-19, 23-28 Matthew 13:1-9

Thurs July 27: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b (Ps) Dn 3:52-56 Matthew 13:10-17

> Friday, July 28: Ex 20:1-17 Ps 19:8-11 Matthew 13:18-23

Saturday, July 29: Ex 24:3-8 Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15

John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42

Sunday, July 30: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130 Rom 8:28-30 Rom 8:26-27 Matthew 13:44-52

LECTIO: MARY: THE BIBLE AND THE MOTHER OF GOD

WITH DR. BRANT PITRE

This Sunday, July 23rd, is the final week of this Study.

Why is Mary so important to Catholics, and why have so many people been devoted to her over the centuries? In this 8-part



series, Dr. Brant Pitre examines what the Old and New Testaments, the life of Christ, and the early Church fathers reveal about the life and identity of Mary.

Father Bryan is leading this study in Holy Child Hall following the 11:15 am Sunday Mass.

Light refreshments served.

View the trailer here: https://watch.formed.org/lectiomary-with-dr-brant-pitre/videos/lectio-mary-trailer-1

HEALTH MINISTRY NOTES

Smoke on the water, fire in the sky! Okay, maybe not that dramatic here but with the smoky haze from the Canadian wildfires our air quality has definitely changed this summer. The National Weather Service has issued air quality advisories for much of the East Coast many days this summer. When the levels are RED (really bad) or ORANGE (bad) people are advised to stay indoors and avoid outdoor activities. People with respiratory illnesses such as asthma, COPD, or allergies are especially advised to stay indoors. Using air conditioners and fans will keep you cool and make breathing easier. Air conditioner filters need to be checked and replaced more often as the smoke and fine ash particles will clog the filtering system. Gee, now we sort of know how Los Angeles residents feel with their smog. Remember to go out and smell the fresh air after a good rain as all the smoke and ash will have been washed away. It may be fun to try singing and dancing in the rain too!



The River Valley Regional YMCA, Tioga County Branch Summer Day Camp will be held in Holy Child Hall June 12th through August 18th Monday - Friday, 6:00 am - 6:30 pm each day.

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