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

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 13, 2023



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9 AM – 2 PM Monday, Tuesday and Friday

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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

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

Reconciliation: 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.

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.

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



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



LITURGY SCHEDULE

(THE DAILY MASS SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.)

Saturday, August 12 Saint Jane Frances de Chantal
VIGIL: 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Cunningham
(by Linda Cloos)

Sunday, August 13 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Judy Musingo (by Tom & Marie Musingo)
11:15 am, Holy Child: † Parishioners

Monday, August 14 Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr
VIGIL: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
6:00 pm, Holy Child: † Maria Borcesco (by Altmire Family)

Tuesday, August 15
THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Daniel Kostovick (by Doug & Kathy)

Wednesday, August 16 Saint Stephen of Hungary
No Mass

Thursday, August 17 Weekday
6:00 pm, Holy Child: Intentions of Jan Stewart (Sandy Rutledge)

Friday, August 18 Weekday
10:00 am, Holy Child: † Funeral Mass for Annette "Dolly"
Garvelli

Saturday, August 19 Saint John Eudes, Priest
VIGIL: 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Monica & Dominick Leone
(by Ken & Mary Kay)

Sunday, August 20 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Parishioners
11:15 am, Holy Child: † Bob Swinsick (by Tish & Tony Fiamingo)

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 August 12 - 20, 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
Mary & William Beaderman (by Nancy & Joann).

*Call the parish office to request a Sanctuary Light intention.
The donation is \$5 per candle.*



The *Altar Flowers* in Holy Child Church for
the weekend of August 19-20th were donated
in loving memory of Monica & Dominick
Leone (by Ken & Mary Kay).



PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY... We pray, always, for deceased parish-
ioners, 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
- * Lori Sherant
- * Kenneth Simpson
- * Yolanda Tacka



To request prayer for someone due to sudden illness, up-
coming surgery, hospital stay, or those experiencing a hard-
ship, please contact the Parish Office. To respect our parish-
ioners' privacy, please ask and specify if their names are to
be put in the bulletin, added to the prayer chain, or both.

"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.
Our Lord is always listening.

Please pray for our recently deceased.

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen**

**Joan Flesch,
Annette "Dolly"
Garvelli,
James McIntosh**



MASS INTENTIONS CALENDAR 2024

The Mass intentions calendar for 2024 is
now available. Please call or stop by the
Parish Office to place your requests.



PARISH OFFERINGS RECEIVED JULY 31 - AUGUST 6, 2023

Sunday Envelopes:	\$5,260.00
Loose:	472.28
Church Dues:	31.00
Parish Charity:	40.00
Total:	<u>\$5,958.28</u>
Cemetery Maintenance:	30.00
Care of Priests:	543.00

Thank you for your continued support.



THE STORY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/assumption-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary/>

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The pope proclaimed this dogma only after a broad consultation of bishops, theologians and laity. There were few dissenting voices. What the pope solemnly declared was already a common belief in the Catholic Church.

We find homilies on the Assumption going back to the sixth century. In following centuries, the Eastern Churches held steadily to the doctrine, but some authors in the West were hesitant. However by the 13th century there was universal agreement. The feast was celebrated under various names - Commemoration, Dormition, Passing, Assumption - from at least the fifth or sixth century. Today it is celebrated as a solemnity.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's Assumption into heaven. Nevertheless, Revelation 12 speaks of a woman who is caught up in the battle between good and evil. Many see this woman as God's people. Since Mary best embodies

the people of both Old and New Testaments, her assumption can be seen as an exemplification of the woman's victory.

Furthermore, in 1 Corinthians 15:20, Paul speaks of Christ's resurrection as the first fruits of those fallen asleep.

Since Mary is closely associated with all the mysteries of Jesus' life, it is not surprising that the Holy Spirit has led the Church to believe in Mary's share in his glorification. So close was she to Jesus on earth, she must be with him body and soul in heaven.

REFLECTION

In the light of the Assumption of Mary, it is easy to pray her Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55) with new meaning. In her glory she proclaims the greatness of the Lord and finds joy in God her savior. God has done marvels to her and she leads others to recognize God's holiness. She is the lowly handmaid who deeply revered her God and has been raised to the heights. From her position of strength she will help the lowly and the poor find justice on earth, and she will challenge the rich and powerful to distrust wealth and power as a source of happiness.

MARIAN MINISTRIES PAST EVENTS

LAST WEEKEND: PILGRIMAGE TO ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL

Our St. Peter's Cathedral pilgrimage included an hour of prayer and Confessions and the Vigil Mass of the Transfiguration. Pilgrims enjoyed a 5-star lunch at Cooper's, a relaxing trolley ride, a jazz concert at Steamtown, and ice cream at Hillside on the way home - a perfect day in Scranton! Special thanks to Msgr. Dale Rupert for the Cathedral tour, Fr. Jeff Tudgay for his warm welcome, Tom Sampson, our driver, and our good friend, Carl Linscott, for the Teen Center van.



HEALTH MINISTRY NOTES

Lions and tigers and bears! Oh my! As Dorothy, the Scarecrow and Tin Man were preparing for a disaster while walking through the forest following the yellow brick road we should also be prepared for a disaster. No one knows when a disaster may strike. So let's talk about the one disaster that everyone fears the most but hopes will never happen. FIRE! Do you have a fire escape plan? Do you and anyone in your house know where to meet outside the home? Do your children know how to call 911 and give your address? With only minutes to leave your home what would you take with you? In an area easily reached you should have a backpack or tote with at least three days worth of medication, a change of clothing and footwear for all the family, a first aid kit, a flashlight with extra batteries, an extra set of car keys, an extra pair of prescription eye glasses, special items for infants or disabled family members, and money. Don't forget to grab the family Bible too. Once the plan is in place don't forget about it. Practice it with your family at least twice a year about the same time you check your smoke alarm batteries. Check the emergency bag to be sure things inside are current. Remind everyone that under no circumstances are they to re-enter the house no matter what! Stuff can be replaced but a life cannot.



* * * * * PLEASE NOTE! * * * * *

CHANGE TO WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE, 8/26-8/27 TO ACCOMMODATE PARISH DINNER

Saturday, August 26th

4:00 pm, Holy Child Church (regular time)

Sunday, August 27th

9:00 am, Holy Child Church

11:15 am, Saint Mary's Church

Thank you for your understanding and for supporting our Parish Dinner! See you there!

The regular Mass schedule will resume after the Dinner.

COUNTRY STYLE HAM AND TURKEY DINNER

Immaculate Conception Parish Center, 5973 Jacks Hollow Road, Williamsport, PA 17702. Labor Day, Monday, September 4, 2023. Noon-6pm. Ham and turkey dinner, french-fries, funnel cakes, sausage sandwiches, soda, and ice cream. Small games of chance and bingo. Homemade jams, jellies, fudge for sale in the Summer Kitchen. Tickets: Adults \$12.00; Children 4-12 \$5.00; Children 3&under Free. Take-outs \$12.00 available after 12:30pm. Questions 570-560-5115



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EVENT FEE through Online Registration: \$25

Online Registration Ends August 17, 2023

Kids 10 and under: \$12 or \$60- Family(same household)
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Registration day of event: \$30

Kids 10 and under: \$15 or \$75 - Family(same household)

Registration Opens at 7:30AM

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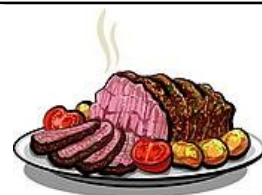
First 100 registrations receive a free T-shirt

Hope to See YOU there!

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 Dinner



ANNUAL HOLY CHILD PARISH DINNER

St. Mary's Hall (Blossburg)

Sunday, August 27th, 11:30 am - 2:00 pm

\$15 for adults, \$7 for children 12 years old and younger

*** SUNDAY 8/27 MASS SCHEDULE ***

9:00 am, Holy Child Church

11:15 am, Saint Mary's Church

(Saturday 4:00 pm, Holy Child Church)

PARISH DINNER CASH RAFFLE



Return cash raffle tickets in parish collection by next weekend or turn in at the dinner 8/27. Checks payable to: Holy Child Parish.

PARISH DINNER BASKET RAFFLE TICKETS



Ticket Pre-sales: after Masses Aug 12-13, 19-20: St. Mary's- lower parking lot entrance (see Joan). Holy Child- back of the church, and at the Picnic. Images of the baskets will be displayed. During the dinner, baskets will be displayed and ticket sales will continue.

THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR ALL YOUR HELP!

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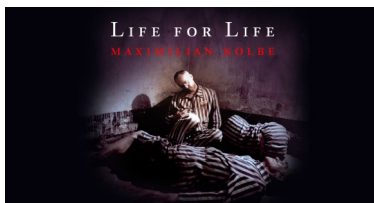
- August - The Health Ministry and Ladies' Guild will NOT meet during August. See you in September!
- Aug 13: Parish Picnic following 11:15 am Mass
- Aug 13: Bible Study will NOT meet
- Aug 17: Knights of Columbus 4th degree following 6 pm Mass in Holy Child hall
- Aug 20: Bible Study: *the Jewish Roots of St. Joseph*
- Aug 27: Parish Dinner, Basket Raffle, Cash Raffle @ St. Mary's Hall, 11:30am - 2:00pm; No Bible Study
- Sep 3: Bible Study does NOT meet
- Sep 4: Labor Day, Parish Office CLOSED
- Sep 7: Parish Finance Council Meeting
- Sep 10: Bible Study: *the Jewish Roots of St. Joseph*
- Sep 12: Ladies Guild meeting, Holy Child Hall 7pm
- Sep 17: Bible Study: *the Jewish Roots of St. Joseph*
- Sep 24: Bible Study: *the Jewish Roots of St. Joseph*



WEEK OF AUGUST 13 - 20, 2023

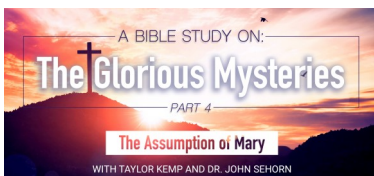
LIFE FOR LIFE: MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

After escaping from Auschwitz, a man hears the tragic news about ten random inmates sentenced by the Nazi to death as a punishment for his escape—one of whom is Fr. Maximilian Kolbe.



BIBLE STUDY ON THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES: ASSUMPTION

(Part 4 of 5) What do you know about the Assumption? Join Dr. John Sehorn and Taylor Kemp as they discuss the theology behind this dogma of the faith.



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SUMMERTIME DRESS

Visitors to St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, or the Vatican Museums are required to abide by the official dress code, which requires that men wear long pants and shirts with at least short sleeves (no sleeveless shirts, no shorts.) Women in these locations may wear trousers, capri pants, skirts and dresses, however they cannot be shorter than knee length and shoulders must be covered. Bare shoulders and short skirts are not permitted. See www.papalaudience.org/dress-code. If this is the dress code at St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel, it seems reasonable to abide by the same standards in our own church during Divine worship. By doing so, we show our respect for God as well as one another.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun 8/13	1 Kgs 19:9a,11-13a Ps 85:9-14 Rom 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33
Mon 8/14	Dt 10:12-22 Ps 147:12-15,19-20 Matthew 17:22-27
Tue 8/15	Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab Ps 45:10-12,16 1 Cor 15:20-27 Luke 1:39-56
Wed 8/16	Dt 34:1-12 Ps 66:1-3a,5,8,16-17 Matthew 18:15-20
Thu 8/17	Jos 3:7-10a,11,13-17 Ps 114:1-6 Matthew 18:21-19:1
Fri 8/18	Jos 24:1-13 Ps 136:1-3,16-18,21-22,24 Matthew 19:3-12
Sat 8/19	Jos 24:14-29 Ps 16:1-2,5,7-8,11 Matthew 19:13-15
Sun 8/20	Is 56:1,6-7 Ps 67:2-3,5-6,8 Rom 11:13-15,29-32 Matthew 15:21-28



Religious Education

Registration is now open for the 2023-2024 Religious Education program! Registration Forms are in both churches. If you have questions, contact Dar Buck, Director of Religious Education by phone at 570-540-1332 or by email at catholic.dre.holychild@gmail.com

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

August 15, 2023 is the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which is a *Holy Day of Obligation*. The Mass Schedule will be:

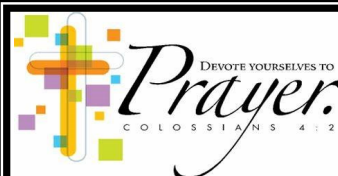
Monday, August 14th

6:00 pm Vigil Mass
Holy Child Church

Tuesday, August 15th

12:10 pm Mass
St. Mary's Church

There will NOT be a 12:10 Mass in St. Mary's on Monday, August 14th.



The Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Tabernacle. Please be mindful of this

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