



**Holy Child Church**  
240 S Main St, Mansfield, PA



**Reverend Bryan B. Wright,**  
Pastor



**Saint Mary of Częstochowa Church**  
144 St Mary's St, Blossburg, PA

**WEEKEND MASSES**  
**SATURDAY 4:00 PM, SUNDAY 11:15 AM**

**WEEKEND MASS**  
**SUNDAY 9:00 AM**

# SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING November 26, 2023



**PARISH RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 9:30am - 2:30pm  
**Cemetery Business Hours: By Appointment**  
237 S. Main St, Mansfield, PA 16933  
Phone: 570-662-3568 Fax: 570-662-2113  
Email: hlychild@ptd.net

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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 Parish Office to schedule a meeting with the Pastor and to schedule the ceremony.

**Reconciliation:** Confessions are heard on:

Saturdays: 2:15-3:00 pm Holy Child Church  
First Fridays: 9:00-10:00 am Holy Child Church  
First Saturdays: 10:00-11:00 am Saint Mary's Church  
By appointment: please contact the Parish Office.

**Matrimony:** Couples should contact their Pastor at least six months before the planned wedding date.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Anointing and Holy Communion are available to the infirm and homebound. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange a visit.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to Holy Child Parish! New parishioners are asked to register by contacting the Parish Office. Registration is a requirement for admission to our religious education programs and for reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, Confirmation, and Matrimony.

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Saint Mary's:**

8:30 am Sunday

11:30 am Monday & Tuesday

**Holy Child:**

10:45 am Sunday

5:15 pm Thursday

8:00 am Friday

3:00 pm Saturday



## PARISH CONTACTS

Financial Secretary: Darlene Buck 570-662-3568  
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Director of Religious Education: Darlene Buck 570-540-1332  
catholic.dre.holychild@gmail.com  
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Health Ministry: Dotty Welsh 570-662-2057  
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Knights of Columbus, Blossburg Council:  
Jim Weiskopff 570-662-7133  
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570-549-7550 570-662-2057  
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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Parish Office 662-3568  
St. Mary's Hall: 570-638-2783; Holy Child Hall: 570-662-9996

# Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

~ prior to all Masses ~



## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

**Saturday, November 25** **VIGIL, CHRIST THE KING**  
4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Floyd & Isabelle Harzinski  
(by Patty & Kathy)

**Sunday, November 26** **CHRIST THE KING**  
9:00 am, St. Mary's: † George & Cecilia Kotalik  
(by Terry Faber)  
11:15 am, Holy Child: † Parishioners

**Monday, November 27** **Weekday**  
12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Mr. & Mrs. John J. Neclerio  
(by Matthew Neclerio)

**Tuesday, November 28** **Weekday**  
12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Edward Modrzejewski  
(by Anna Bogaczyk & Family)

**Wednesday, November 29** **Weekday**  
No Mass

**Thursday, November 30** **St. Andrew, Apostle**  
10:00 am, Holy Child: † Kayleigh Diehl  
(by Joseph & Michael Krause)

**Friday, December 1** **Weekday**  
8:30 am, Holy Child: † Daniel Kostovick  
(by The Secular Carmelites of Danville)

**Saturday, December 2** **Blessed Virgin Mary**  
9:30 am, First Saturday, St. Mary's: † Frank & Helen Dadas  
(by Marilyn & Gene Kurzejewski)

**VIGIL, FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Patrick Kennedy (by Ann Monaghan)

**Sunday, December 3** **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Jim and Glenda Bogaczyk  
(by Jane Mahonski)  
11:15 am, Holy Child: † Parishioners

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

SATURDAYS—2:15 PM—HOLY CHILD CHURCH  
FIRST FRIDAYS—9:00 AM—HOLY CHILD CHURCH  
FIRST SATURDAYS—10:00 AM—SAINT MARY'S CHURCH



*The Sanctuary Light burns to remind us of the Real Presence of Christ reserved in the tabernacle.*

### Sanctuary Light Intentions, Week of November 19–25:

Saint Mary's: † Erma & Edward Stanley (by the Family)

Holy Child: † Parishioners

*Contact the Parish Office for a Sanctuary Light intention.*

### PARISH OFFERINGS RECEIVED OCT 13 –NOV 19, 2023

Sunday Envelopes	\$2,357.00
Loose	256.00
Dues	5.00
All Saints	12.00
Fuel	384.00
Thanksgiving	121.00
Total:	3,135.00
Campaign for Human Development	425.00
Cemetery Maintenance	35.00
Care & Education of Priests	21.00

*Thank you for your ongoing 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. For those who need special prayers:

* Charles Chamberlain	* Christopher Mortensen
* Richard Faber	* Richard Niemczyk
* Bernice Frederick	* Ethel Sandstrom
* Catherine Gallagher	* Lori Sherant
* Tom MacBlane	* Kenneth Simpson
* Tony Lupkowski	* Yolanda Tacka
* Jane Mahonski	

*We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord and Savior. Amen.*



To request prayer for someone due to sudden illness, upcoming surgery, hospital stay, or those experiencing a hardship, please contact the Parish Office. 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.

### "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.*

### VISITS TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you or someone you know would like to receive Holy Communion, a pastoral visit, or a mailed bulletin, please contact the Parish Office.



Would you or someone you know enjoy a friendly visit, a partner to play cards or games with, someone to read to them, or simply keep company? As an outreach of Marian Ministries, Mary Hohman has offered to visit local residents and nursing homes, to spend time with people who may feel alone. Contact Mary at (717) 203-9090.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

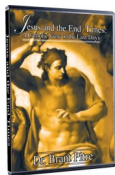
Sun 11/26	Eze 34:11-12,15-17 1 Cor 15:20-26,28	Ps 23:1-3,5-6 Mt 25:31-46
Mon 11/27	Dan 1:1-6, 8-20	Dan 3:52-56 Lk 21:1-4
Tue 11/28	Dan 2:31-45	Dan 3:57-61 Lk 21:5-11
Wed 11/29	Sir 44:1,10-15	Ps 24:1-6 Mk 10:17-21
Thu 11/30	Rom 10:9-18	Ps 19:8-11 Mt 4:18-22
Fri 12/1	Dan 7:2-14	Dan 3:75-81 Lk 21:29-33
Sat 12/2	Dan 7:15-27	Dan 3:82-87 Lk 21:34-36
Sun 12/3	Is 63:16-17,19; 64:2-7 1 Cor 1:3-9	Ps 80:2-3,15-16,18-19 Mk 13:33-37



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



- Dec 3: Family Advent Wreath-Making, 10am, Holy Child Hall
- Dec 3: Bible Study: *End Times* (part 8/8), 12:30 HC Hall
- Dec 3: Knights of Columbus, 6:30 pm, Holy Child Hall
- Dec 6: Health Ministry, 10:30 am, Holy Child Hall
- Dec 10: Special Lectio: Our Lady of Guadalupe, by Cathy Asbury, 12:30 pm, Holy Child Hall
- Dec 12: Ladies Guild Dinner, 6:00 pm, Lambs Creek Inn
- Dec 21: Knights of Columbus, 6:00 pm, Holy Child
- Jan 3: Health Ministry, 10:30 am, Holy Child Hall



### BIBLE STUDY: *JESUS & THE END TIMES;* *A CATHOLIC VIEW OF THE LAST DAYS*

Join us next Sunday, December 3rd following the **11:15am Mass** for refreshments and the final episode of Brant Pitre's *Jesus and the End Times*.

### SPECIAL PRESENTATION: LA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE



If you've never heard (or don't recall) the amazing story of Our Lady of Guadalupe, you might've seen her incredible image. The details behind this apparition by Our Lady are even more beautiful and miraculous. Please join us for refreshments and a special presentation by Cathy Asbury on Sunday, **December 10th, following the 11:15 Mass**. You will gain a new appreciation and love for Our Lady and her gifts to us at Guadalupe... just in time for her Feast Day!



*Giving Trees will be placed in both of our churches. Return dates for unwrapped gifts will be on the tags. Thank you for your generosity to local families in need.*



The **Ladies Guild Christmas Dinner** is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13th

at 6:00 pm at Lambs Creek. Call Patty at 570-662-2034 if you are interested in going.



## MUSIC • MEDITATION • PRAYER

LOCATION: QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES PARISH  
715 HAWTHORNE STREET, AVOCA, PA

DATE: NOVEMBER 26 TIME: 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
BEGINS AFTER 10 AM MASS

CONTACT: RECTORY #570-457-3412



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**Four** lucky winners will each receive **\$500** cash!

Tickets are fifty dollars (\$50.00) each, available after all Masses and in the Parish Office through December.

**Only two hundred (200) tickets will be sold!**

**GET YOURS BEFORE THEY'RE GONE!**

*Thank you for supporting this fun, important fundraiser.*

*It will generate \$5,000 for our Parish!*

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### ADVENT BEGINS NEXT WEEKEND (DEC 2-3)

*Maranatha!  
Come, Lord Jesus!*



Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight, a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered... and also a time when hearts and minds look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time...

Isaiah 40:

A voice cries:

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,  
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.  
Every valley shall be lifted up,  
And every mountain and hill be made low;  
The uneven ground shall become level,  
And the rough places a plain.  
And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,  
And all the flesh shall see it together,  
For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

Mark 1:

John the Baptizer appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins [...] saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

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Eulogies are permitted during:

- ♦Funeral home vigil services
- ♦Graveside committal services
- ♦Luncheons after Funeral Masses

*Eulogies are not permitted during  
Funeral Masses (CCC1688). Thank you.*


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**Sacrament is**  
**reserved in the**  
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**SILENCE AND REVERENCE**

**Book Recommendation**  
**from Father Bryan...**  
**A Church in Crisis:**  
**Pathways Forward**  
**By Ralph Martin**

*May the Sacred  
Heart of Jesus be  
praised, adored, and  
glorified throughout  
the whole world, now  
and forever. Amen.*

