



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

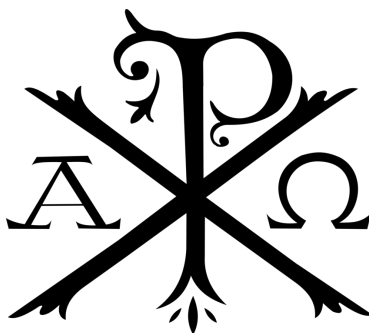


**Reverend Bryan B. Wright**  
Pastor



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

# 33RD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME November 17, 2024



**PARISH OFFICE**  
Mon, Tue, Fri: 9:30am - 2:30pm  
237 S. Main St, Mansfield, PA 16933  
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## 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.

**Holy Communion:** Those preparing to receive Holy Communion for the first time are asked to call the Parish Office.

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

**Anointing of the Sick:** For the infirm & 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 required for our religious education programs and for the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation, Confirmation, and Matrimony.

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	4:00 PM	Holy Child
Sunday	9:00 AM	Saint Mary's
Sunday	11:15 AM	Holy Child

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday	3:00 PM	Holy Child
Sunday	8:30 AM	Saint Mary's
Sunday	10:45 AM	Holy Child
Monday	11:30 AM	Saint Mary's
Tuesday	11:30 AM	Saint Mary's
Thursday	5:15 PM	Holy Child
Friday	8:00 AM	Holy Child



## DEVOTIONAL PRAYERS

Monday	12:00 PM	Saint Mary's	The Angelus
Monday	12:45 PM	Saint Mary's	Miraculous Medal
Tuesday	12:00 PM	Saint Mary's	The Angelus
Tuesday	12:45 PM	Saint Mary's	Saint Jude
Thursday	6:00 PM	Holy Child	The Angelus

## PARISH CONTACTS

- Financial Secretary: Darlene Buck 570-662-3568
- Secretary: Cara Clementi 570-662-3568
- Director of Religious Education: Darlene Buck 570-540-1332
- Good Samaritans: Parish Office, 570-662-3637
- Health Ministry & Medical Equipment Loaning:  
Dotty Welsh 570-662-2057
- Knights of Columbus:  
Scott DiMarco; [srdimarco@hotmail.com](mailto:srdimarco@hotmail.com)
- Ladies Guild: Patty Hutcheson 570-662-2034
- St. Mary's Hall: 638-2783 Holy Child Hall: 662-9996

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



**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

Saturday, November 16 **VIGIL, 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
4:00 pm, Holy Child: Parishioners

Sunday, November 17 **33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
9:00 am, St Mary's: † Gary Ruberto (by The Family)  
11:15 am, Holy Child: † Karen Kathleen Benson  
(by Betty & Joe Silvaney)

Monday, November 18 Weekday; *Basilicas of Ss. Peter & Paul*  
8:30 am, Holy Child: † Frank & Helen Dadas  
(by Marilyn & Gene Kurzejewski)

Tuesday, November 19 Weekday  
12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Gabe Partyka (by Doug & Kathy Draxler)

Wednesday, November 20 Weekday  
No Mass

Thursday, November 21 *Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
6:00 pm, Holy Child: in honor of Kirk Euson  
(by the Ostapowicz Family)

Friday, November 22 *St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr*  
8:30am, Holy Child: † Joseph Burns, Jr. (by Mercedes)

Saturday, November 23 **VIGIL, CHRIST THE KING**  
4:00 pm, Holy Child: † James Edel Hauck (by Dad)

Sunday, November 24 **CHRIST THE KING**  
9:00 am, St Mary's: † George & Cecilia Kotalik (by Terry Faber)  
11:15 am, Holy Child: † Elaine Cecere (by Andrew & Ann Kulick)



**SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS: THIS WEEK**

Holy Child: † Charles & Rita Chamberlain (by Daughters)  
Saint Mary's: † Parishioners

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



**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

SATURDAYS—2:15 PM—HOLY CHILD CHURCH  
FIRST FRIDAYS—9:00 AM—HOLY CHILD CHURCH  
FIRST SATURDAYS—10:00 AM—ST. MARY'S CHURCH  
~OR BY APPOINTMENT~

**PARISH OFFERINGS RECEIVED 11/4-11/10. THANK YOU!**

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,489.00
Loose	557.00
All Saints	5.00
Thanksgiving charity	25.00
Fuel	22.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,098.00</b>
Cemetery Maintenance	345.00
Care & Education of Priests	268.00

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL**

25% of Holy Child parishioners have made donations amounting to 65% of our goal. Please consider giving what you can to support our extended family in the Diocese of Scranton (square QR code below). To those who've already donate—thank you for your generosity!



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**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. Bless those who need special prayers:

*Judi Bonk-Guy ♦ Kirk Euson ♦ Richard Faber ♦ Bernice Frederick ♦ Catherine Gallagher ♦ Lance Hall ♦ Ann King ♦ Tony Lupkowski ♦ Tom MacBlane ♦ Jane Mahonski ♦ Christopher Mortensen ♦ Terri Nash ♦ Richard Niemczyk ♦ Sandy Parker ♦ Ethel Sandstrom ♦ Lori Sherant ♦ Kenneth Simpson ♦ Yolanda Tacka ♦ Jack Watson ♦ Ron Yanuzzi*

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



To request prayer for someone due to illness, surgery, hardship, or other reason, please contact the Parish Office. To respect 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](mailto:seifriedmaryjane@gmail.com) or 549-7550 or Dotty Welsh at [dhjrw@ptd.net](mailto:dhjrw@ptd.net) or 662-2057.

*The 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.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- Nov 17: Lectio: *Why We Worship* session 6 after 11:15 Mass
- Nov 19: Ladies Guild, 6:00pm, Holy Child Hall
- Nov 21: Finance Council starting with 6pm Mass, Holy Child
- Nov 24: Lectio: *Jewish Roots of Advent* after 11:15 Mass
- Nov 28: Thanksgiving Dinner, 12-2pm, Holy Child Hall
- Dec 1: Lectio: *Jewish Roots of Advent* after 11:15 Mass
- Dec 1: KofC Meeting, 6:30pm, Holy Child Hall
- Dec 4: Health Ministry, 10:30 am, Holy Child Hall
- Dec 5: Pastoral Council starting with 6pm Mass, Holy Child
- Dec 8: Lectio: *Jewish Roots of Advent* after 11:15 Mass
- Dec 10: Ladies Guild, 6:00pm, Holy Child Hall
- Dec 12: Dedication of Marian Ministries to OLG, 6pm Mass, Holy Child
- Dec 15: Lectio: *Jewish Roots of Advent* after 11:15 Mass
- Dec 22: Advent Penance Service, 4pm, Holy Child

*Pray the Rosary Every Day*

**PRO-LIFE RESOURCES**

*Heart of Tioga* Crisis Pregnancy  
Center: 570-948-2020



*Project Rachel* Helpline: 888-456-  
HOPE for help after abortion

[heartoftioga@gmail.com](mailto:heartoftioga@gmail.com)  
24/7 ONLINE NURSE CHAT

Abortion Pill Reversal 24/7 Hotline: 1-877-558-0333



**GOBBLE UP THE CASH RAFFLE!**

*Ticket returns due Nov 17.*

Winning tickets will be drawn on Nov. 19!



**HEALTH MINISTRY—THANK YOU**

Sincere thanks to all who supported the Veterans' Day Mass and potluck and to all who attended. Freedom is not free.

**HEALTH MINISTRY—NOTES**

Achoo! God bless you! Or as those of us with German heritage will say, Gesundheit! When did this custom of blessing someone who sneezes begin? It all started with the Black Plague or Bubonic Plague. One form of the Black Death affected the respiratory tract and was so strong (virulent) that an infected person would have 'breakfast with their family and dinner with their ancestors.' 'Ring Around The Rosie' also came from the period of the plague. Let's jump to the 21st century and talk of respiratory viruses spread through droplets when someone sneezes, talks, or laughs. These respiratory viruses include RSV, SARS, Flu and Influenza, COVID, Chickenpox, and Shingles. What to do? Avoid contact with your nose, eyes and mouth. Wash your hands frequently with warm soapy water or use a hand sanitizer when soap and water are not readily available. If ill, remain home from work and school. And remember to cover your cough or sneeze by using the crook of your elbow. Should the illness last more than three or four days or the symptoms get worse seek medical attention. Stay healthy: exercise, eat a balanced diet, and get plenty of rest.

**HOLY CHILD PARISH**

**ANNUAL COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER**

Volunteers are needed for this special event. If you would like to help in any way please fill out the volunteer form below and drop it in the collection basket or call the office.

**JOIN US FOR DINNER!**

Please fill out the reservation form below and drop it in the collection basket or call the office if you would like to eat with us from 12-2 pm or prefer to pick-up your meal. Delivery is available to the homebound in the Mansfield, Covington and Blossburg areas.

RESERVATIONS DUE BY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST.

**YES! I/we would like to volunteer for Thanksgiving dinner.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ make a dessert (please bring to hall by 9 AM Thanksgiving morning. Door will be unlocked during business hours on Wednesday as well.)

\_\_\_ prepare for dinner \_\_\_ (8-10 AM) \_\_\_ (10-12 AM)

\_\_\_ deliver meals (arrive by 10:30 AM)

\_\_\_ serve (12-2 PM)

\_\_\_ clean-up (starting at 2 PM)

**YES! I/we would like to join you for Thanksgiving dinner.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

# in party: \_\_\_\_\_

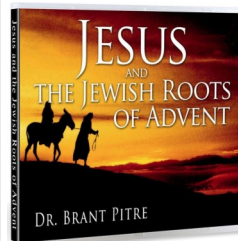
\_\_\_ dine-in

\_\_\_ pick-up (11 - 11:30)

\_\_\_ delivery

Delivery address: \_\_\_\_\_

**LECTIO BIBLE STUDY: JESUS & THE JEWISH ROOTS OF ADVENT**



**Sundays after 11:15 Mass, 11/24-12/29**

Dr. Brant Pitre shows how the ancient Jewish prophecies of the Messiah can help unlock the hidden meanings of Advent. In this study of readings from the Advent lectionary, you will learn about:

- The Second Advent at the End of Time
- The Jewish Prophecies of the Messiah
- John the Baptist
- The Jesse Tree
- The City of Bethlehem
- The Virgin Birth

*Please join us! Light refreshments provided.*

**MARIAN MINISTRIES**

**Encountering Emmanuel**

Books have been ordered for registered participants. Contact Chris Troncone (570-404-7278) or Laurie Coffee (703-470-2975).

**Dedication to Our Lady of Guadalupe**

On **Thursday, December 12th**, Marian Ministries will be dedicated to the Patronage of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Mass will be celebrated at 6pm at Holy Child, followed by a light reception in the hall. All are welcome!



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**Reminder for Funerals...**  
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.*

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

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored,  
glorified, loved, and preserved throughout  
the world, now and forever. St. Jude, work-  
er of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of  
the homeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9  
times a day, by the 8th day your prayers  
will be answered (if it be God's will).  
It has never been known to fail.  
Thank you, St. Jude. Amen.

**The Blessed  
Sacrament is  
reserved in the  
Tabernacle.**  
*Please help to  
maintain a prayerful*



**SILENCE AND REVERENCE**

**Health Ministry—Available Medical Equipment:**  
Basket for walker, Canes, Crutches, Emesis Basin,  
Foot Bath, Hospital Bed, Hoyer Lift, Ice Therapy  
Machine, Knee Crutch, Knee Scooter, Toilet  
Chairs, Raised Toilet Seats, Toilet Handles, Rising  
Frame for Chair, Rollator Walker, Shower Bench,  
Shower Chair, Transfer Bench, Transfer Board,  
Tub Handle, Tubing, Walkers, Walker with Seat,  
Wash Basin, Wheelchair, Wheelchair Cushion,  
Baby Items at the Welsh's: Bath Tub, Booster  
Seat, Bed Rails, Safety Gate