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240 S Main St, Mansfield, PA



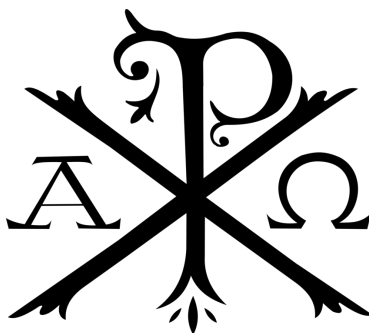
Reverend Bryan B. Wright
Pastor



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

CHRIST THE KING

November 24, 2024



PARISH OFFICE
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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
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- Director of Religious Education: Darlene Buck 570-540-1332
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- 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 23 **VIGIL, CHRIST THE KING**
4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Parishioners

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)

Monday, November 25 Weekday, *S. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr*
11:00 am, St. Mary's: Funeral Mass for † Jane Mahonski

Tuesday, November 26 Weekday
8:30 am, Holy Child: † John Manikowski (by The Bogaczyk Family)

Wednesday, November 27 Weekday
12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Gabe Partyka (by The Bogaczyk Family)

Thursday, November 28—Thanksgiving Weekday
10:00 am, Holy Child: † Mary Anne B. Cunningham
(by Katey Pacific)

Friday, November 29 Weekday
Father Away: † Bill, Pat, & Ted Muldowney
(by The Muldowney Cousins)

Saturday, November 30 **VIGIL, FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Floyd & Isabelle Harzinski (by Pat Andrews)

Sunday, December 1 **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
9:00 am, St Mary's: † Parishioners
11:15 am, Holy Child: † Costy, Elaine, & Doug Sr. Kurzejewski
(by Denny, Ginger, & Jeff Kurzejewski)



SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS: THIS WEEK

Holy Child: † Karen Silvaney Benson (by The Family)
Saint Mary's: † Charles & Rita Chamberlain (by Daughters)
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 11/11-11/17. THANK YOU!

Sunday Envelopes	\$2,216.00
Loose	572.00
Fuel	533.00
<u>Thanksgiving charity</u>	<u>15.00</u>
Total:	\$3,336.00
Cemetery Maintenance	40.00
Catholic Campaign for Human Development	455.00

Thank you for your generosity!

DIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

26% of Holy Child parishioners have made gifts amounting to 66% of our goal. Please consider giving what you can to support our extended family in the Diocese of Scranton (QR code below). If you've already made a gift, thank you!



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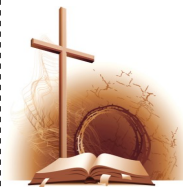


PRAYER LIST

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 or 549-7550 or Dotty Welsh at 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.

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**



Jane Mahonski
**Funeral: Monday,
Nov. 25, 11AM,
Saint Mary's, Blossburg**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 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**

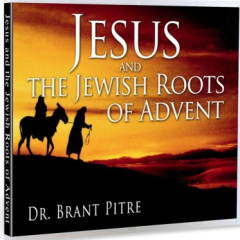


HOLY CHILD PARISH—LADIES GUILD
GOBBLE UP THE CASH RAFFLE!
Congratulations to our winners!

1st Prize	\$500.00	Samantha Lienhard
2nd Prize	\$200.00	Denny Kurzejewski
3rd Prize	\$100.00	Connie Penner
4th Prize	\$100.00	Steve Boyce
5th Prize	\$50.00	Mary Wagner
6th Prize	\$50.00	Mary Salvitti



Pray the Rosary Every Day



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.



HEALTH MINISTRY—NOTES

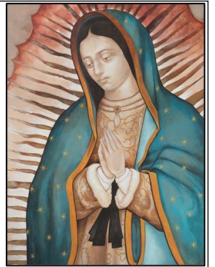
Happy Thanksgiving! As the weather becomes colder and darkness comes sooner, turning lights on at four o'clock in the afternoon still feels odd, we tend to find food as a comfort for the gloom. Of course, the holidays don't always help either. The biggest one being Thanksgiving. But one way to avoid the winter layer of insulation that comes from overeating and being less active is to add more fiber to your diet. Roughage, fiber used to be known as this, has been found to reduce cholesterol, cut down on weight gain and feed your gut's microbiome. So how to add more fiber to that wonderful Thanksgiving meal? First off have more vegetable options. Sliced fresh vegetables with a hummus dip, made from ground chickpeas, is a great appetizer to your turkey dinner. Try sweet potatoes, or yams, instead of mashed potatoes as they are loaded with fiber and vitamins. Sneak a little fiber in your pie desert by adding flaxseed to the crust or into your cake batter. Also that pumpkin and apple pie add additional fiber to the dessert. So enjoy the time with your family and friends and remember to sneak in the roughage.

DECEMBER 7TH, 8TH
SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION
 Retirement Fund for Religious
<https://retiredreligious.org/>

MARIAN MINISTRIES

Dedication to Our Lady of Guadalupe

On Thursday, December 12, 2024, Marian Ministries will be dedicated to the Patronage of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Mass will be celebrated at 6pm at Holy Child Church in Mansfield. A light reception will follow in the Hall. All are welcome!



Pope John Paul II's Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Mother of Mercy, teacher of hidden and silent sacrifice, to you who come to meet us sinners, we consecrate on this day all our being and all our love. We also consecrate to you our life, our work, our joys, our infirmities, and our sorrows. Grant peace, justice, and prosperity to our peoples, for we entrust to your care all that we have and all that we are, our Lady and Mother. We wish to be entirely yours and to walk with you along the way of complete faithfulness to Jesus Christ in His church. Hold us always in your loving hand.

Paint & Pray

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel!" Twenty-one women, a beautiful baby, and one brave priest ushered in the holiday season with prayers and paint brushes last Saturday. Artist, Sandi Spencer, led the group one brushstroke at a time, teaching participants how to create their own unique masterpieces. It was an afternoon full of laughter, joy, and friendship. Thanks to all who joined us from near and far, and special thanks to Fr. Bryan - a real trooper - and our beloved artist, Sandi. Stay tuned for our next Paint & Pray!



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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, worker
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 an-
swered (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