



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

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 6, 2025



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

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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
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, April 5 Lenten Weekday; *St. Vincent Ferrer*; **First Saturday**

9:30 am, St. Mary's: † Leonidas & Dolores Owens (by Theresa Delmotte)

VIGIL: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Brad Brown (by The Family)

Sunday, April 6

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am, St Mary's: Our Parishioners

11:15 am, Holy Child: † Kayleigh Diehl (by Ann & Andrew Kulick)

Monday, April 7

Lenten Weekday; *St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle, Priest*

12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Frank Kurzejewski

(by Gene & Marilyn Kurzejewski)

Tuesday, April 8

Lenten Weekday

8:00 am, Holy Child: † Jeffrey Roupp (by The Family)

Wednesday, April 9

Lenten Weekday

No Mass

Thursday, April 10

Lenten Weekday

No Mass, No Stations of the Cross

Friday, April 11

Lenten Weekday; *St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr*

8:30 am, Holy Child: † The Antoniow & Ostapowicz Families

(living and deceased) (by The Ostapowicz Family)

Saturday, April 12

VIGIL: PALM SUNDAY

4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Dolly Garvelli (by Ralph Garvelli)

Sunday, April 13

PALM SUNDAY

9:00 am, St Mary's: Our Parishioners

11:15 am, Holy Child: † Sleboda Family (by Sue & John Sleboda)



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS: THIS WEEK

Holy Child: † Brad Brown (by The Family)

St. Mary's: † Martin Mahosky (by Margaret Morgan)

The Sanctuary Candle 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: MARCH 24-30. THANK YOU!

Sunday Envelopes	\$4,380.00
Loose	256.00
Fuel	25.00
Holy Thursday	10.00
Easter	50.00
Easter flowers	25.00
Cemetery	10.00
Total:	\$4,756.00
Diocesan Care & Education of Priests	47.00
Catholic Relief Services, Rice Bowl	393.00
Good Friday	10.00

2024 Financial Statements are available from the Parish Office.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

37% of Holy Child parishioners have made gifts amounting to 82% of our goal. 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 ♦ Ardith Matreski ♦ Christopher Mortensen
♦ 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.

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**



**Eleanor Dahlgren
Mary Antoniow**

PRO-LIFE RESOURCES

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

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

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



heartoftioga@gmail.com
24/7 ONLINE NURSE CHAT

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun 4/6	Is 43:16-21 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 3:8-14 Jn 8:1-11
Mon 4/7	Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62 or 13:41c-62 Ps 23:1-6 Jn 8:12-20
Tue 4/8	Nm 21:4-9 Ps 102:2-3,16-21 Jn 8:21-30
Wed 4/9	Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95 (Ps) Dn 3:52-56 Jn 8:31-42
Thu 4/10	Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-9 Jn 8:51-59
Fri 4/11	Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-7 Jn 10:31-42
Sat 4/12	Ez 37:21-28 (Ps) Jer 31:10-13 Jn 11:45-56
Sun 4/13	Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9,17-18-20,23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Apr 6: Lectio Bible Study: *Confirmation*; after 11:15 Mass
 Apr 6: KofC Meeting; 6:30 pm, Holy Child Hall
 Apr 8: Ladies Guild, 6:00 pm, Holy Child Hall
 Apr 13: Lectio Bible Study: *Confirmation* after 11:15 Mass
 May 4: First Holy Communion, Holy Child
 May 4: Lectio Bible Study: *Confirmation* after 11:15 Mass
 May 10: Parish Yard Sale, Holy Child Hall
 May 11: Lectio Bible Study: *Confirmation* after 11:15 Mass



SPRING FOR THE CASH! ...by **TODAY!** (4/6)

Please return raffle ticket stubs & donations in the collection or to the Parish Office **by today**. All proceeds benefit our Good Samaritans ministry, supporting church maintenance, special projects, and funeral luncheons.

Reminder to submit your Easter flower donations and special intentions to be printed in the bulletin.

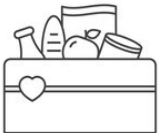


LECTIO BIBLE STUDY: *CONFIRMATION* Sundays following 11:15am Mass

Too often the sacrament of Confirmation is misunderstood, and faulty understandings of this sacrament obscure the beauty of the grace it confers. Dr. Brant Pitre's in-depth study will strengthen your understanding of the graces Christ gives us in Confirmation and how we might live from them more fully, taking up our crosses and bearing witness to Christ in word and deed. Please join us! Light refreshments.

WORKS OF MERCY—OPPORTUNITIES IN OUR PARISH

Holy Child Parish provides opportunities to perform charitable services for those in need and to share time and talents with others. As you prepare to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter, please consider giving to the following groups; there are drop-off bins in our churches:



Food Pantry

Provides food for the hungry. Distributes food & other necessities to the community to help keep food on the table and keep people healthy.

Seeds of Hope

Provides basic needs to families in crisis: clothing, furniture, bedding, and other items to those in need.



Home of the free,
because of the brave



Goodies for Our Troops

In its 20th year of supporting our troops by sending care items, kind thoughts, and prayers. Letters of thanks come from many Sergeants of Religious Affairs and Chaplains. Please help spread joy & improve soldiers' lives & spirits during deployment overseas.

Tioga County Homeless Initiative

Provides a place to stay for people without homes. Christ encourages us to "Shelter the homeless". (Matthew 25)



Heart of Tioga

Supports men, women, & families during pregnancies, providing clothing & other necessities following childbirth. **The Baby Bottle Campaign has begun! Fill a bottle with your donations of spare change or check, and return to church vestibules / office by Easter.**



SEEKING VOLUNTEERS! FOR HOLY THURSDAY MASS

The Washing of the Feet—Please contact the Parish Office if you are willing to have your feet washed during Holy Thursday Mass.

Adoration at the Altar of Repose—Please contact the Office if you are willing to spend an hour in Adoration at the Altar of Repose

LENT

Create in me a clean heart, O God

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

- *The Light is On for You!*
 - * Mondays during Lent, 5:30-7:00 pm, Holy Child Church.
- Saturdays, 2:15-3:00 pm, Holy Child Church.
- Reconciliation Services:
 - * April 6—2:00 PM, St. Luke Church, Jersey Shore, PA
 - * April 16—7:00 PM, St. Boniface Church, Williamsport, PA
- By appointment (contact Father or the Holy Child Parish Office).

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

- Daily—schedule on the bulletin cover.
- *The Light is On for You!* (see above).
- *Road to Resurrection*: 7PM Holy Hour, and light reception:
 - * April 9—Immaculate Conception Church, 5973 Jacks Hollow Rd, Williamsport (Bastress), PA 17702

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

- Fridays at 4:00 PM:
 - * April 11—Holy Child Church, followed by a Meager Meal
 - * April 18 (Good Friday)—St. Mary's Church (no meal)

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE:

- Fasting: Obligatory for Roman Catholics from ages 18-59 years on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.
- Abstinence: Abstaining from eating meat is obligatory for Roman Catholics ages 14 years and older on Fridays in Lent.

BAPTISM

We give thanks to God for these children, who were recently received into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Claire Renee Loudenslager
baptized February 2nd

Alayah Maeleigh Boyce
baptized February 22nd

Benjamin Robert Youmans
baptized March 30th



CONFIRMATION

Two parishioners, **Gwen** and **Maggie**, will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, April 24th. **We invite parishioners to leave them a card or gift** in the designated box in the vestibule or Parish Office.

Thank you!

Please pray for them, and congratulate their families!



HOLY WEEK

SCHEDULE

APRIL 17—HOLY THURSDAY

7:00 pm, Mass of the Lord's Supper, Holy Child Church

APRIL 18—GOOD FRIDAY

The Passion of The Lord

1:00 pm Solemn Services, Holy Child Church

3:00 pm Stations of The Cross & Divine Mercy Novena,
St. Mary's Church (no Meager Meal)

APRIL 19—HOLY SATURDAY

10:30 am Blessing of Baskets & Divine Mercy Novena, St. Mary's

8:00 pm Solemn Easter Vigil Mass, Holy Child Church



APRIL 20—EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 am Mass, St. Mary's Church

11:15 am Mass & Divine Mercy Novena, Holy Child Church

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2025 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1st, 2025. The event includes a 2:30 PM mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter followed by a light reception.

The registration deadline for this event is May 11, 2025. To register, please go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org> or contact Bridget Guarnieri (570-207-2213 x 1133) or familylife@dioceseofscranton.org.



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Sunday, June 1st, 2025

2:30pm

Cathedral of St. Peter

315 Wyoming Ave, Scranton PA 18503

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St. Peter's

Parish Center
50 Central Ave
Wellsboro

CHICKEN & BISCUIT DINNER

Friday

April 25, 2025

4:30 - 6:30 PM

Dine In or Take Out



**Chicken, Biscuits
and Gravy**

**Mashed
Potatoes**

Glazed Carrots

Desserts

\$13.00 -ADULT

\$5.00 - 12 & UNDER

Free - 3 & UNDER

Women's Brunch

**Our Lady of Guadalupe:
The Message & The Mystery**
Guest Speaker: Cathy Asbury

Saturday, May 17, 2025

10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

St. Peter's Parish Center

Cost: \$30.00

To register: Send payment to:

St. Peter's Church

47 Central Avenue

Wellsboro PA 16901

Register by Friday, May 2, 2025

Your payment confirms your registration.

Brunch catered by: Timmy B's Catering





FIAT DAYS

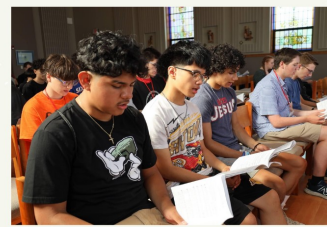
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 16TH

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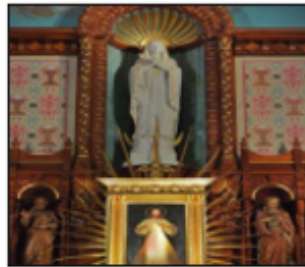


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Divine Mercy Pilgrimage National Shrine of Divine Mercy Tour Stockbridge, MA



**September 23-24,
2025**

**Price: \$571.00 per person (single occupancy)
\$402.00 per person (double occupancy)**

PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 1 Night accommodations at Red Lion Inn
- 1 Breakfast including taxes and gratuity
- Tour of the National Shrine of Divine Mercy
- \$100.00 group donation to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy Taxes, meal motorcoach gratuities for driver
- Roundtrip Motorcoach transportation

DEPARTURE LOCATIONS:

- AAA, South Williamsport 5:00AM
- Wellsboro 6:00AM

NOT INCLUDED:

- Items of a personal nature
- Meals not mentioned
- Baggage Handling
- Travel Insurance
- AAA Host

Reservation & Cancellations

A \$120.00 deposit, per person, is required at the time of making your reservation. \$20.00 of the deposit is non refundable. Final payment is due June 5, 2025. If cancellation is necessary after final payment no refund will be due. Cancellation Insurance is strongly recommended. Ask your travel agent for details.

All prices are based on a minimum number of passengers. If the number falls below that number, the tour may be canceled, or additional costs may apply. Additional fuel surcharges may be imposed at any time by the tour operator, up to and including time of departure that will be the responsibility of the client.

For more information call Terrie Thomas (570-418-3881) or Karen Emery with AAA of Wellsboro, (570-724-4134, ext 175). This tour is organized by Marian Ministries and AAA.

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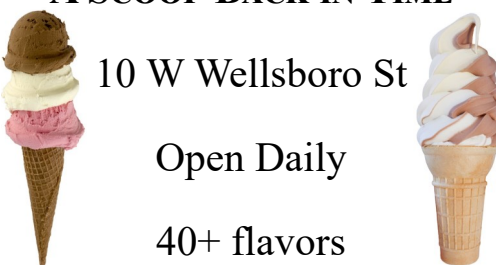
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Shower Chair, Transfer Bench, Transfer Board,
Tub Handle, Tubing, Walkers, Walker with Seat,
Wash Basin, Wheelchair, Wheelchair Cushion,
Baby Items at the Welsh's: Bath Tub, Booster
Seat, Bed Rails, Safety Gate

**Your Ad
Here!**
**Please contact the
Parish Office.**

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

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.*