



Holy Child Church

240 S Main St, Mansfield, PA



Reverend Bryan B. Wright

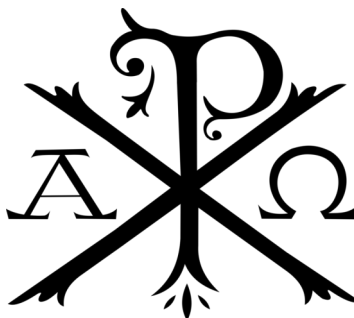
Pastor



Saint Mary of Częstochowa Church

144 St Mary's St, Blossburg, PA

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 7, 2025



PARISH OFFICE

Mon, Tue, Fri: 9:30am - 2:30pm
237 S. Main St, Mansfield, PA 16933
Phone: 570-662-3568
hlychild@ptd.net
holychildparish.com

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, please 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
Good Samaritans: 570-662-3568
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: 570-638-2783 Holy Child Hall: 662-9996

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
~ prior to all Masses ~



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 6 First Saturday

9:30 am, St. Mary's: † Fr. Vincent Capodanno (by Zack Buck)

VIGIL—23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm, Holy Child: † George A. Silvaney (by Betty Silvaney & Family)

Sunday, September 7 **23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Parishioners

11:15 am, Holy Child: † Douglas Besselman (by Joseph & JoAnn Stello)

Monday, September 8 **The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † John H. Miller Jr. (by Theresa & Scott Delmotte)

Tuesday, September 9 **St. Peter Claver, Priest**

12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Mary Antoniwi (by Anna Bogaczyk)

Wednesday, September 10 Weekday

No Mass

Thursday, September 11 Weekday

6:00 pm, Holy Child: † The Dead

(by The Scranton Diocese Society for the Propagation of the Faith)

Friday, September 12 Weekday; *The Most Holy Name of Mary*

8:30 am, Holy Child: † Crystal Webster (by The Family)

Saturday, September 13 **VIGIL—EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Bob Swinsick (by Helen & Jacqueline)

Sunday, September 14 **EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Our Living and Deceased Parishioners

11:15 am, Holy Child: † George Silvaney (by The Family)



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Holy Child: † George A. Silvaney (by Betty Silvaney)

St. Mary's: Private Intention (by Dar Buck)

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—9:15 am—Holy Child Church

First Saturdays—10:15 am—St. Mary's Church

~Or By Appointment~

PARISH OFFERINGS: AUGUST 25-31. THANK YOU!

Sunday envelopes \$2,626.00

Loose 541.50

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Total \$3,197.50

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PRAYER LIST

Please pray... for deceased parishioners, family, & friends. 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, Patrick Lindquist, Tony Lupkowski, Tom MacBlane, Christopher Mortensen, Richard Niemczyk, Sandy Parker, Mary Ann Salvitti, Lori Sherant, Yolanda Tacka, Jack Watson

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 (seifriedmaryjane@gmail.com or 570-549-7550) or Dotty (dhjrw@ptd.net or 570-662-2057).

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.



PRO-LIFE RESOURCES

Natural Family Planning (NFP)

[dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/
community/marriage/natural-
family-planning/](http://dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/community/marriage/natural-family-planning/)



heartoftioga@gmail.com
24/7 ONLINE NURSE CHAT

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

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

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun 9/7	Wis 9:13-18b Ps 90:3-6,12-17 Phlm 9-10,12-17 Lk 14:25-33
Mon 9/8	Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 Ps 13:6abc Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:8-23
Tue 9/10	Col 2:6-15 Ps 145:1b-2,8-11 Lk 6:12-19
Wed 9/11	Col 3:1-11 Ps 145:2-3,10-13b Lk 6:20-26
Thu 9/12	Col 3:12-17 Ps 150:1b-6 Lk 6:27-38
Fri 9/13	1 Tm 1:1-2,12-14 Ps 16:1b-2a,5,7-8,11 Lk 6:39-42
Sat 9/14	1 Tm 1:15-17 Ps 113:1b-7 Lk 6: 43-49
Sun 9/15	Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1b-2,34-38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

Mark Your Calendar

Sep 7: NO Knights MU Council Meeting
 Sep 9: Ladies Guild, 6:00 pm, Holy Child Hall
Sep 21: Parish Picnic, after 11:15 am Mass, Holy Child
 Sep 21: Knights MU Council, following Parish Picnic
 Oct 1: Health Ministry Meeting, 10:30 am, Holy Child Hall

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

All men of our Parish are invited to join the Knights of Columbus. Meetings are the First Sunday of every month at 6:30 pm at Holy Child.



First meeting of the new year—after our Annual Parish Picnic

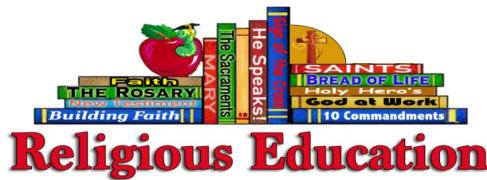
Parish Picnic

Sunday, Sept. 21st, following 11:15 Mass at Holy Child

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Chips, & Drinks provided.

We invite you to bring a favorite side dish / dessert!

~ Please join us! ~



Begins on Sunday,
 September 21st at
 10am in Holy Child
 Hall. To register, call
 570-662-3568.

"The family that prays together, stays together."

PARISH LADIES GUILD

We invite all women in our parish to join the Holy Child Parish Ladies Guild. Our primary ministry is to raise funds in support of Holy Child Parish, its parishioners, & Pastor. Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6pm.

First meeting of the new year:

Tuesday, September 9th at 6:00 pm in Holy Child Hall

Annual Membership: September through August.

Annual Dues: \$5.00.

Return this form & dues payment in the collection basket or mail to: Kathy Draxler, Guild Treasurer, 1482 Route 549, Mansfield, PA 16933.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Ladies Guild

SPONSORED BY MARIAN MINISTRIES

Marian Day of Reflection

Holy Child Church
Saturday, October 11th
10:30 am—4:00 pm

Theme: "Enkindle Hope: The Flame from Mary's Heart to Yours"

Featured Speaker: Jill Metz

\$25/person; \$40/couple



The Church celebrates Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7, and the entire month is dedicated to the Holy Rosary.

The "Year of Hope 2025" refers to the Jubilee Year 2025, proclaimed by Pope Francis, with the theme "Pilgrims of Hope." The Jubilee serves as an opportunity for spiritual renewal, reconciliation, and renewed hope for the world.

In honor of Our Blessed Mother and the "Year of Hope," men, women, and families are invited to this Marian Day of Reflection: two presentations by Jill Metz, Lunch, Adoration, Confession, Benediction, and Mass.

To Register: Mail your registration fee to St. Peter's Church, 47 Central Avenue, Wellsboro, PA, or drop it in your collection basket. **Registration Deadline: September 25th.**

Jill Metz is a Catholic convert, sacred artist, and the U.S. National Director of the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Movement. She lives in Fort Wayne, Indiana, with her husband, Ken of 26 years. Together, they have two young adult children and have joyfully served the Church in youth ministry, RCIA, pro-life work, Eucharistic ministry, diocesan fundraising, and as members of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem.



Jill entered the Catholic Church in 2010 and quickly found herself drawn to deeper union with Jesus through Marian Consecration. Her faith came alive through the healing love of Mary, especially during a life-changing pilgrimage to Medjugorje, where she gave her wholehearted "yes" to Our Lady's cause of saving souls. *"Spreading the Flame of Love isn't a role—it's a response to grace! It's the driving force behind everything... to bring souls to Mary, with love, so that she can ignite the Flame. The Flame is ignited heart to heart, we all need to respond!"*

She began her work with the Flame of Love IHM Movement in 2019 as Communications Director and was appointed National Coordinator in 2023. Jill brings contagious joy and unwavering passion to her mission, living a life dedicated to helping hearts encounter the love of Jesus through Mary and spreading the fire of her Flame of Love across the nation.



Paint and Pray

Holy Child Hall
Saturday, November 8th
11:00 am—2:00 pm
Theme: "Giving Thanks"

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MARCH FOR LIFE

PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY



New members are needed! All are welcome.

Meetings are the first Wednesday of every month at 10:30 am.

Medical Equipment available through Health Ministry:

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, Foldable Transport Ramp, Tubing, Walkers, Walker with Seat, Wash Basin, Wheelchair, Wheelchair Cushion, Baby Items: Bath Tub, Booster Seat, Bed Rails, Safety Gate; **Newly Available:** Freedom Alert Personal Emergency Responder, Adult Diapers size Large

NOTE: Fraud and scams are on the rise! You might receive calls, emails, or text messages that appear to be from your banking institution or from someone you know. These messages often appear urgent, stating that you have been compromised in some way. They often ask you to click on a link to a website or to reply with personal information. **NEVER** click on these links and never give out personal account information. Instead, HANG UP and call your bank to ask if they are requesting information. Another way that is used to scam you is sending you a check and requesting that you cash it and forward the proceeds to them. Remember, if it seems too good to be true, it is probably a scam! Real banking institutions will gladly help verify the validity of the check and keep you and your accounts safe. Don't become a statistic. Have a safe and worry-free Fall.

THIS WEEK ON
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WEEK OF AUGUST 24, 2025

THE BOY FROM MILAN

You may have heard of him, the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving "gamer saint" of our time. But beyond the headlines and hashtags, the real story of Carlo is something deeper, something the world desperately needs to hear. Known for his deep love of God, devotion to the Eucharist, and quiet acts of charity, Carlo's life was a testament to everyday holiness.



ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM | CATHOLIC SAINTS

From Antioch, the political center of the fifth-century world, arose a golden-tongued preacher and bishop: St. John Chrysostom. Listen to Dr. Carl Vennerstrom and Mary McGeehan discuss the life and preaching of this great doctor of the Church who gave us countless powerful prayers and homilies.



CARLO ACUTIS: GOD'S INFLUENCER

A beautifully animated film that brings to life the inspiring story of Carlo Acutis, a modern teenager who used his passion for technology to share the Catholic faith with the world.



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St. Peter's

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POLISH DINNER

Friday
September 26, 2025

4:30 - 6:30 PM

Dine In or Take Out

Pierogies
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Hot Dogs
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(Stuffed Cabbage)
Sauerkraut
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CHRIST IS KING

One hundred years ago, Pope Pius XI instituted the Feast of Christ the King in response to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempts to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would have disastrous consequences. Today, as our Catholic faith becomes increasingly marginalized by society, we publicly acclaim that Jesus Christ is King of our hearts, our homes, our work, and our public actions.



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Saturday, OCT. 4, 2025

8 AM - 3:00 PM Holy Redeemer High School
159 South Penna. Ave., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701



Mike Aquilina, originally from Kingston, Pa., is a Catholic author of more than 70 books, has hosted 11 television series on EWTN, and is co-founder of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology in Steubenville, Ohio. He has co-written songs performed by many headliners. He and his wife Terri have 6 children.



Bishop Joseph Bambera



David Bereit founded 40 Days for Life, a movement responsible for 14,643 lives saved, 177 abortion employees quitting, and 96 abortion centers closing. Today he directs the Life Leadership Conference, a National coalition which seeks to maximize the impact of the Pro-Life Movement. David is a husband and father.



Fr. Charles Connor, a Scranton Diocesan priest, is an expert in Church history. He is the host of several television series on EWTN including Historic Catholic Converts. He has authored many books including Defenders of the Faith in Word and Deed and Classic Catholic Converts.

Contact: Mike Kilmer 570-721-0872 • mkilmer@hbkilmergroup.com
\$40 (Early Bird \$30 until 9/15/25), Student \$15, Priest/Deacon FREE Morning coffee & box lunch included

Information & Online Registration: **BeACatholicMan.com**

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OCTOBER 24-25, 2025

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PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created,
and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful,
by the light of the Holy Spirit,
grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise
and ever rejoice in his consolation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HOLY CHILD PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass Intentions Calendar for 2025 is full.

A few Sanctuary Candle Intentions remain available.

The Calendar for 2026 will be opened later this year.

In the meantime, please note the following options:

- Association of Marian Helpers, Marians of the Immaculate Conception, Stockbridge, MA; marian.org
- Association of the Miraculous Medal, Perryville, MO; amm.org; 1-800-264-MARY
- Seraphic Mass Association, Pittsburgh, PA; myMassRequest.org; 1-877-737-9050
- Society of the Little Flower, Darien, IL; littleflower.org; 800-621-2806
- The Blue Army, U.S.A. World Apostolate of Fatima, Washington, NJ; bluearmy.com; 908-689-1700
- Sisters of Saint Joseph Guild, Flourtown, PA; 215-248-7838
- Dominican Nuns, Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary, Summit, NJ; summitdominicans.org
- Carmel of JMJ Fairfield, 327 Water St., Fairfield, PA; fairfieldcarmelites.org/masscards-3



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Saturday 10:30am-4pm

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from Father Bryan...

The Exorcist Files

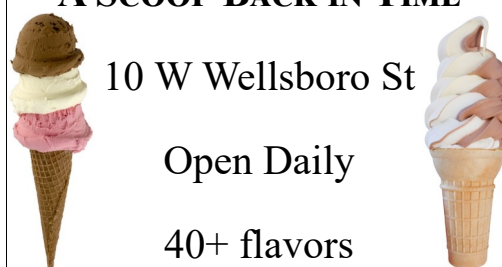
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Reminder for Funerals...

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.