



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

**FIRST SUNDAY
OF ADVENT**

November 30, 2025



PARISH OFFICE

Mon, Tue, Fri: 9:30am - 2:30pm

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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, November 29 VIGIL—FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
4:00 pm, Holy Child: The Rebecca & Kyle Chamberlain Family
(by Scott & Theresa Delmotte)

Sunday, November 30 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Our Living & Deceased Parishioners
11:15 am, Holy Child: † David J. Strick (by Elaine A. Strick)

Monday, December 1 Advent Weekday
12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Frank & Helen Dadas
(by Gene & Marilyn Kurzejewski)

Tuesday, December 2 Advent Weekday
12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † Ardith Matreski (by Joe & Cecelia Tokarz)

Wednesday, December 3 **St. Francis Xavier, Priest**
No Mass

Thursday, December 4 Advent Weekday; *St. John Damascene*
6:00 pm, Holy Child: † William & Jacqueline Gitchell
(by The Family)

Friday, December 5 Advent Weekday; First Friday
8:30 am, Holy Child: † John M. Grishka (by Denise Grishka)

Saturday, December 6 Advent Weekday; First Saturday
9:30 am, St. Mary's: The Chamberlain & Nance Families
(by Mary Nance)
VIGIL—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Jack & Joan Miller (by Mary Nance)

Sunday, December 7 **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
9:00 am, St. Mary's: † Our Living & Deceased Parishioners
11:15 am, Holy Child: † Carolyn Jaquish Bond & David Jaquish
(by Nancy Jaquish)



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Holy Child: Rhonda Karmbor (by Denise Grishka)
St. Mary's: Rebecca Chamberlain & Family
(by Scott & Theresa Delmotte)

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



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday—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: NOV 17-30
WILL BE REPORTED NEXT WEEKEND. THANK YOU!

OUR DIOCESAN CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (2025)
25% of Holy Child parishioners have made gifts amounting to 70% of our goal. If you've already made a gift... *thank you!*



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Pray the Rosary Every Day

PRAYER LIST

Please pray... for deceased parishioners, family, & friends. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. For troops & first responders: Lord, hold them 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, Linda Cloos, Richard Faber, Bernice Frederick, Catherine Gallagher, Lance Hall, Ann King, Patrick Lindquist, Tony Lupkowski, Tom MacBlane, Christopher Mortensen, Richard Niemczyk, Sandy Parker, Lori Sherant, Yolanda Tacka, Jack Watson

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



To request prayer for someone, please contact the Parish Office. To respect privacy, please 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).

The Lord is always listening.

VISITS TO THE HOMEBOUND

For Communion or a Pastoral visit, 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. Mary can be reached at (717) 203-9090.



PRO-LIFE RESOURCES

Natural Family Planning (NFP)

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

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

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

heartbeatinternational.org/worldwide-directory

gabrielproject.org elizabethministry.org respectlife.org

usccb.org/prolife/diocesan-pro-life-offices

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun 11/30	Is 2:1-5 Ps 122:1-9 Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44
Mon 12/1	Is 4:2-6 Ps 122:1-9 Mt 8:5-11
Tu 12/2	Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17 Lk 10:21-24
Wed 12/3	Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-6 Mt 15:29-37
Thu 12/4	Is 26:1-6 Ps 118:1,8-9,19-21,25-27a Mt 7:21,24-37
Fri 12/5	Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1,4,13-14 Mt 9:27-31
Sat 12/6	Is 30:19-21,23-26 Ps 147:1-6 Mt 9:35—10:1,5a,6-8
Sun 12/7	Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17 Rom 1:4-9 Mt 3:1-12

Mark Your Calendar

Dec 3: Health Ministry Meeting, 10:30 am, Holy Child Hall
 Dec 7: Knights MU Council, 6:30 pm, Holy Child Hall
 Dec 11: Marian Ministries OLG Celebration, 7pm, Holy Child
 Dec 16: Ladies Guild Dinner, 5 pm, Corey Creek Golf Club
 Dec 18: Pastoral Council starting w/ 6pm Mass, Holy Child

Williamsport Deanery,
Women's Retreat
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13TH
11:00AM through 5:00PM Mass
ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER, WILLIAMSPORT

THE DAY WILL INCLUDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONFESSION, EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP. LUNCH WILL BE SERVED



MELANIE OWENS
 Keynote Speaker
 Co-Founder of Joyful Ever After
 with talks focusing on Leisure & Self-Care

Registration Open
tinyurl.com/womens-advent-retreat
 Early Bird Pricing Through November 1st

 \$30 Adults (\$40 after 11/1)
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 Our Lady of Champion PA Retreats

DIocese of SCRANTON Office for Parish Life
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January 30-February 1, 2026

For more information, call (570) 207-2213 x1100

 Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center
 1000 Seminary Rd, Dalton, PA 18414

Register at dioceseofscranton.org

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
 through DECEMBER 5TH!!!

Registration closes January 16, 2026




The Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Tabernacle.
 Thank you for helping to maintain:
SILENCE AND REVERENCE

MARIAN MINISTRIES

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING Our Lady of Guadalupe -Mother of America-



On **Thursday, December 11th**—the eve of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe—Marian Ministries will renew their consecration to Our Lady of Guadalupe at the 6pm Mass at Holy Child. In celebration, a social will follow in Holy Child Hall. All are welcome to join Marian Ministries for a cup of homemade chili, dessert, and conversation.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY

EVERY CAN COUNTS



OUR LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES ARE EXPERIENCING AN INCREASE IN NEED

PARISHIONERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING AT LEAST ONE NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEM TO MASS TO BE DONATED.

IF EVERYONE PARTICIPATES, WE'LL MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS!

POSSIBLE SUGGESTIONS:

PEANUT BUTTER	CEREAL	GRANOLA BARS
JELLY	PANCAKE MIX	TUNA
PASTA	MAC & CHEESE	CANNED PASTA
PASTA SAUCE	APPLESAUCE	CANNED CHICKEN
CANNED VEGGIES	BOTTLED JUICE	OATMEAL
CONDENSED SOUP	RICE	BOXED MASHED POTATOES

FROM SEEDS OF HOPE:

Our Hope Room is filled with lots of practical items that provide hope and support for local families in need! Currently, we are running low on cleaning supplies:



laundry detergent toilet paper Kleenex
all-purpose cleaners paper towels men's deodorant

If you are looking for a way to support families in our community, please consider donating some of these supplies. Donations can be dropped off in the designated collection bin in the vestibule at Holy Child Church. Monetary donations to purchase supplies can be sent to: 1873 Shumway Hill Road, Wellsboro, PA 16901. Thank you for your generosity!

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\$20 per month
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570-662-3568

Book Recommendation
from Father Bryan...
The Exorcist Files
By Father Carlos Martins

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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.



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The local food pantries need our donations of nonperishable items.
Collection bins are in both churches.
Thank you for your support!

Health Ministry—Available Medical Equipment:
Basket for walker, Blood pressure monitor, Canes, Crutches, Emesis Basin, First Alert System, 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