



### 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

## 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 15, 2026



Remember that  
you are dust, and to  
dust you shall return.  
*Ecclesiastes 3:20*

### PARISH OFFICE

237 S. Main St, Mansfield, PA 16933

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

Phone: 570-662-3568

[hlychild@ptd.net](mailto:hlychild@ptd.net)

[holychildparish.com](http://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

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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, February 14 **VIGIL—6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

4:00 pm, Holy Child: Our Parishioners

Sunday, February 15 **6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am, St. Mary's: † James Makovitch

(by Cousins, Nancy & Bernadine)

11:15 am, Holy Child: † Patrick Kump (by Anita Kump)

Monday, February 16 **Weekday**

**10:00 am, Holy Child:** † Dotty Welsh (by Ladies Guild)

Tuesday, February 17 **Weekday; Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order**

12:10 pm, St. Mary's: † George Manikowski (by The Family)

Wednesday, February 18 **Ash Wednesday**

**12:10 pm, St. Mary's:** † Bill Montague (by The Family)

**6:00 pm, Holy Child:** † Dotty Welsh (by Connie Parnick)

Thursday, February 19 **Thursday after Ash Wednesday**

6:00 pm, Holy Child: † The Antoniow & Ostapowicz Families  
(Living and Deceased) (by The Ostapowicz Family)

Friday, February 20 **Friday after Ash Wednesday**

8:30 am, Holy Child: † Rosemaria Recchia (by Cara Clementi)

Saturday, February 21 **VIGIL—1ST SUNDAY OF LENT**

4:00 pm, Holy Child: † Carol Dalton (by Robert Dalton)

Sunday, February 22 **1ST SUNDAY OF LENT**

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

11:15 am, Holy Child: † Ted Tilly (by Cathy & Dave Slusser)



### SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Holy Child: Andrew Snyder (by Scott & Dawn Egan)

St. Mary's: † Richard Morley & Family (by Barb Stoudt)

*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 FOR FEBRUARY 2-8. THANK YOU!

Sunday envelopes \$2,442.00

Loose 572.00

Dues 55.00

Initial Offering 3.00

Christmas 25.00

Holy Days 5.00

**Total \$3,102.00**

Diocesan—Care & Education of Priests 25.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

*For a 2025 Financial Statement, please notify the Parish Office.*

### 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, Ann Clark, 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; 570-549-7550).

*The Lord is always listening.*

### Visiting the Sick and Homebound

For Communion or a Pastoral visit, please contact the Parish Office (570-662-3568).

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 our Parish Ministries, Mary Hohman (717-203-9090) and Matt Neclerio (808-551-8845) visit local residences & care homes, to spend time with people who seek company. To arrange, please call Mary or Matt.

### PRO-LIFE RESOURCES

#### Natural Family Planning (NFP)

dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/community/marriage/natural-family-planning/



[heartoftioga@gmail.com](mailto: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

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

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun 2/15	Sir 15:15-20 Ps 119:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34 1 Cor 2:6-10 Mt 5:17-37
Mon 2/16	Jas 1:1-11 Ps 119:67-68,71-71,75-76 Mk 8:11-13
Tue 2/17	Jas 1:12-18 Ps 94:12-15,18-19 Mk 8:14-21
Wed 2/18	Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-6b,12-14,17 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6,16-18
Thu 2/19	Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-4,6 Lk 9:22-25
Fri 2/20	Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-6b,18-19 Mt 9:14-15
Sat 2/21	Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-6 Lk 5:27-32
Sun 2/22	Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Ps 51:3-6,12-13,17 Rom 5:12-19 Mt 4:1-11



# LENT at Our Parish

## ASH WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 18)

Masses: 12:10 PM at St. Mary's, 6:00 PM at Holy Child

## FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

- \* **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence (from eating meat).
- \* **Fridays during Lent** are obligatory days of abstinence (from eating meat).
- \* Abstinence from eating meat is obligatory for all Roman Catholics beginning at age 14 years.
- \* Fasting is obligatory for all Roman Catholics ages 18-59 years; a person is permitted to eat one full meal, and two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.



## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION



- \* *The Light is On for You!*  
Mondays, 5:30-7:00 PM at Holy Child.
- \* Saturdays, 2:15-3:00 PM at Holy Child.
- \* First Fridays & First Saturdays (see Mass schedules) during Adoration.

### \* Penance Services:

- Mar. 15, 4:00 PM, St. Peter's Church, Wellsboro
- Apr. 1, 7:00 PM, St. Boniface Church, Williamsport
- \* By appointment (call the Holy Child Parish Office).

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



- \* Daily; see schedule on the bulletin cover.
- \* First Friday & First Saturday, after Mass.
- \* *The Light is On for You!* (see above)
- \* Lenten Holy Hour with Bishop Bambera  
Feb. 25 at 7:00 PM; St. Ann Church,  
1220 Northway Rd, Williamsport

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS



- \* Thursdays at 7 PM at Holy Child.
- \* Fridays at 4 PM:
  - Feb. 20, Feb. 27, & Mar. 6 at St. Mary's
  - Mar. 13, Mar. 20, & Mar. 27 at Holy Child
  - Apr. 3 (Good Friday) at St. Mary's

## MEAGER MEALS



- \* Soup, sandwiches, and fellowship
- \* St. Mary's Hall / Holy Child Hall
- \* Fridays following Stations of the Cross (except Good Friday)  
(see 'Stations' schedule above)

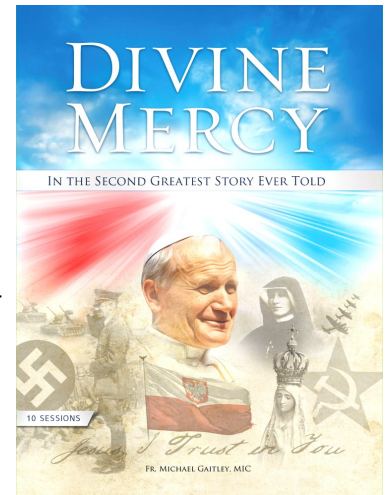
## LECTIO BIBLE STUDY: *Divine Mercy* *The Second Greatest Story Ever Told*

**Sundays during Lent**  
in Holy Child Hall.

Refreshments &  
Fellowship @ 12:15 PM.  
Lectio @ 12:45 PM.

All are welcome.

*"Experience a breathtaking  
film journey that combines  
history, Scripture,  
prophecy, and personal  
sacrifice to show God's  
merciful desire for you."*



### Sunday, February 22:

- Episode 1 (17 min) - **God's School of Trust** (Old Testament)
- Episode 2 (23 min) - **Behold, This Heart** (New Testament; The Church)

### Sunday, March 1:

- Episode 3 (16 min) - **Suffering Servant** (Nation of Poland)
- Episode 4 (30 min) - **Faustina** (Message of Mercy; World War II)

### Sunday, March 8:

- Episode 5 (33 min) - **Proclaim This Message** (Pope John Paul II)

### Sunday, March 15:

- Episode 6 (20 min) - **Fatima** (A World at War)
- Episode 7 (26 min) - **Secret of Divine Mercy** (Triumph Over Evil)

### Sunday, March 22:

- Episode 8 (23 min) - **God's Master Plan** (Triumph Over Communism)
- Episode 9 (25 min) - **Mary's Knight** (Maximilian Kolbe)

### Sunday, April 12 (Divine Mercy Sunday):

- Episode 10 (25 min) - **The Final Question** (How to Enter into Mercy)

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

# LENTEN HOLY HOUR

with Bishop Bambera

**Wednesday, February 25  
7:00 p.m.**

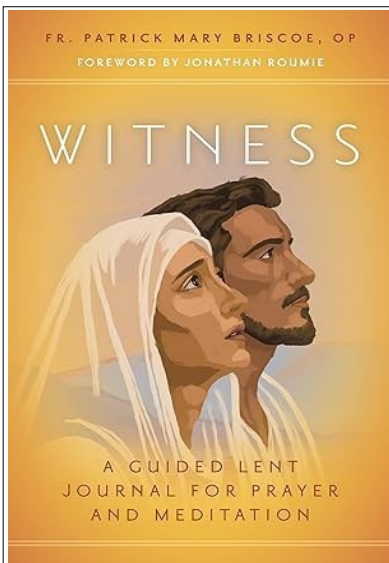
**Saint Ann Parish  
1220 Northway Road, Williamsport, PA 17701**

2026 Theme: "Finding Peace in Challenging Times"

**SECOND COLLECTION—ASH WEDNESDAY**  
**THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE**  
[www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee)

## Mark Your Calendar

Feb 19: Pastoral Council starting with 6PM Mass, Holy Child  
Mar 1: Knights MU Council, 6:30 PM, Holy Child Hall  
Mar 4: Health Ministry Meeting, 10:30 AM, Holy Child Hall



## MARIAN MINISTRIES

### Lenten Book Study

This coming Lent, join Marian Ministries for a special book study. This study will be through email. Sharing is encouraged. We will be using the book Witness (Ave Maria Press). Contact Linda Sampson or Chris Troncone. Cost is \$10 per book. We begin on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18.

*"This Lent, walk the road to Calvary with those who witnessed the Passion firsthand. Dominican friar and popular Godspaining podcaster Fr. Patrick Mary Briscoe, OP, is your guide on that journey in this daily Lenten devotional. Witness brings you face-to-face with the people of the Bible who encountered Christ in his Passion—saints and sinners, friends and enemies, the faithful and the afraid. From the Good Thief to Pontius Pilate, Martha to Barabbas, these figures reveal the depths of the human heart—flawed, fearful, hopeful, and deeply loved."*

*Pray the Rosary Every Day*

## HOLY CHILD HEALTH MINISTRY

*New members needed; all are welcome!*



As we age many of us become aware of those moments where we've walked into a room and can't remember why we are there or what we came after and begin worrying if we are suffering from dementia. One of the proven best ways to prevent or delay the progression of dementia is to have regular physical movement. Staying active in mid-life (45-64) and late life (65-88) can cut your dementia risk by more than 40% when compared to those less active. So as has been often written, you need to get moving to preserve your mental and physical health. You do not need to train like you are preparing to run a marathon but you do need to get up and move. There are many exercises that can be performed from a chair. One easy one I found was batting a balloon back and forth with my granddaughter. The stretching and laughing was some of the best activity for a cold and blustery winter day. It not only lifted my spirits but it gave my granddaughter a memory of fun with her grandmother. So go have fun, share memories or make new ones and enjoy life.

**2025 CHOICE AWARDS WINNER**

# WINTER OPEN HOUSE

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26**  
**6:00 pm - 7:00 PM**  
<https://tinyurl.com/NDHSWinterOpenHouse26>

**TEACH US TO PRAY**  
How can I communicate with God?  
What gets in the way?

## Lenten Men's Retreat

**March 13-14, 2026**  
Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center  
1000 Seminary Rd, Dalton, PA

**Includes Mass, Adoration, and Reconciliation**  
\$85 meals and accommodations, \$60 commuters, \$50 students  
Register online at [www.beacatholicman.com](http://www.beacatholicman.com)  
Questions? Call Joe Adcroft at 570-380-5070

## 1ST ANNUAL LYCOMING COUNTY REGIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S RETREAT

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# EZRA 10:4

A RETREAT FOR MEN DISCERNING THE  
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Rev. Alex Roche



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**MARCH 6-7, 2026**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026

THE CAPUCHIN SISTERS OF NAZARETH INVITE  
WOMEN AGES 15-27 TO A

## Come and See Retreat Weekend



Friday, April 17- Sunday, April 19  
3:00 PM Friday- 11:30 AM Sunday

Mother of the Eucharist Convent,  
6100 Jacks Hollow Road,  
Williamsport, PA 17702

"Love Him totally, who gave Himself totally for your love."  
Saint Clare of Assisi

Please call Sister Christina  
(570) 745-3334  
Reservations Required.

Calls are received  
Monday-Thursdays, Saturday  
9-11:30am 1-4:30pm 7-8:15pm



### SCAM ALERT

If you receive a text message, email, or phone call from an unknown number or email claiming to be Father Bryan, possibly asking for help... *please disregard. If Father needs you, he will speak with you directly.*



### BULLETIN ADVERTISING

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### A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

Please consider including a gift to Holy Child Parish in your will or living trust. Known as a *charitable bequest*, all that is needed are a few sentences; share this sample language with your estate planner:

"I, [name], or [city, state, zip], give, devise, and bequeath to [name of parish, city, state] [dollar amount or percentage of the estate or description of property] for its unrestricted use and purpose."



### Build Hope,

### One Brick at a Time



Help make Casa de Maria Maternity Home a brighter place for mothers and children. Scan to purchase your brick today.

or visit [www.brickrus.com/donorsite/ppcscranton](http://www.brickrus.com/donorsite/ppcscranton) to leave your mark!

Your brick helps fund Phase 2 renovations at Casa de Maria, including upgrades to the common living spaces, and will be placed in the garden path, creating a lasting legacy of hope and care.



[www.ppcscranton.org](http://www.ppcscranton.org)

### NAZARETH GROUP (with the Capuchin Sisters of Nazareth)

**11:00 AM-4:30 PM: Mar. 21, Jun. 6**

For young women, grades 9-12, who desire to learn more about the faith, to make wholesome friendships, and to grow in their love for Christ through prayer and hearing inspirational talks. Reservations required. Two locations:



Mother of God Convent,  
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*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 answered if it be God's will.  
It has never been known to fail.  
Thank you, St. Jude. Amen.*

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

**SILENCE AND REVERENCE**



**Food**  
**Pantry**

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, Walk-  
ers, Walker with Seat, Wash Basin, Wheelchair, Wheelchair Cushion; Baby  
Items: Bath Tub, Booster Seat, Bed Rails, Safety Gate