

Church of the Holy Angels

MAY 10, 2015, SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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MASSSES OF OBLIGATION: SATURDAY 5:30PM

SUNDAY 8:30AM & 10:30AM

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 4:00PM-5:00PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY THRU THURSDAY 9:00AM-4:00PM

OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAYS

Rev. Andrew Stahmer, Pastor

Mary Kay Bartol, Secretary, Organist, Choir Director

Joette Foris, Director of Religious Education, Guitarist

Robert Balonis, Maintenance

Joseph Litchko, Church Care-taker

Elaine Lutz, Office Volunteer

Parish Mission Statement

We, the family of Holy Angels Parish, a diverse community of ethnic and cultural backgrounds, are united through the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Word of God to all peoples by following the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Working together in wisdom and love we commit ourselves in the following ways: protecting the unborn; fostering faith development in our youth; planting new seeds of evangelization throughout our parish family through prayer, spiritual works, education and outreach activities; ministering to the needs of our aging parishioners; promoting holiness through celebration of the sacraments, worship in liturgy, communal prayer, and our faith traditions.

Through these actions rooted in charity and mercy, we pledge to pass on our customs and beliefs to future generations, thus preserving our faith traditions for the greater glory of God and as a sign of Christ's love.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 9

8:00am Robert Nolter

5:30pm People of the Parish

Sunday, May 10

8:30am All Mothers

10:30am All Mothers

Monday, May 11

6:30pm Nellie Rogutsky

Tuesday, May 12

8:00am Daniel Wengrenovich

Wednesday, May 13

8:00am Anthony Miriello

Wednesday, May 13, Vigil Mass of the Ascension

7:00pm People of the Parish

Thursday, May 14, The Ascension of the Lord

8:00am Barbara & Louis Deromedi

7:00pm Joseph Winhofer, Jr.

Friday, May 15

8:00am Barbara Miller

Saturday, May 16

8:00am Joseph Reed

5:30pm 50th Wedding Anniversary of

Jack & Catherine Maciejewski

Sunday, May 17

8:30am Living & Deceased of the

Knights of Columbus

10:30am People of the Parish

Of Your Charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of **George F. Rick**, a member of Holy Angels Parish. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

A Dime at a Time

Current Debt (adjusted)	\$238,906.33
Dime at a Time	\$15.47
Plus 1 (+1) Contributions	\$44.00
Balance	\$238,846.86

Sacrificial Offering

Weekend of May 3, 2015

Sunday Offering Envelopes \$4,683.00

Youth Offering \$48.00

Loose Cash \$174.00

Holy Thursday \$28.00

Energy \$30.00

Easter Flowers \$15.00

Amount Budgeted \$8,333.00

Amount Contributed \$4,978.00

Weekend of May 3 -\$3,355.00

Votive Candles \$67.00

Air Conditioning Maintenance \$301.00

Improvement Fund

Previous Balance \$11,313.00

Weekend of May 3 +\$588.00

Current Balance \$11,901.00

Easter Collection

Previous Amount \$13,016.00

Weekend of May 3 \$95.00

Total to date \$13,111.00

Diocesan Collections

Catholic Home Missions \$47.00

Holy Land (Good Friday) \$20.00

Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal

Goal \$19,900.00

Amount Contributed as of May 3 \$18,473.00

Balance \$1,427.00

Vigil Lights

May 10 thru May 16

Sanctuary Light: *In loving memory of*

John Deromedi by wife, Chris

St. Anthony Vigil Light: *In thanksgiving*

68th Wedding Anniversary of Nick & Mary Kolar

St. Anne: *In loving memory of*

Anna V. Gonzales by son, Joseph

St. Casimir: *A special intention...*

St. Theresa: *In loving memory of*

Theresa Feddock by son, William Bressi

St. Kateri: *In loving memory of*

Elaine Duran by husband, Michael & Family

St. Marziale: *In loving memory of*

Anna Buchinski by Family

BINGO

Bingo will be held Tuesday, May 12, 2015. Doors open 4:30PM. Game begins 6:00PM.

Bingo Workers & Bakers

Cakes or pies are always needed for Bingo on Tuesday evenings. Drop off your baked goods at the Activity Center during the day on any Tuesday. Men are most welcome to assist with working the floor!

Baptism Classes

Expectant parents are required to attend one Pre-Baptismal Class prior to the Baptism (preferably before the birth of their child.) Classes will be held on the second Sunday of each month at 11:45AM. Pre-register by contacting the office at 373-1221 at least 2 weeks prior to scheduled class.

Presentation of the Gifts

If a Mass is being offered for your loved one, and family members would like to present the gifts at that Mass, we ask that you please call the rectory ahead of time to let us know of your intentions. 373-1221.

The Greatest Prayer-The Mass

Please remember that the greatest prayer that our Lord has given to us is the Mass. When a loved one departs from his or her earthly home and begins a new life with our Lord, let us consider celebrating this new life with a Mass of Christian Burial.

Holy Angels Parish Pool Winner

April 28, Ann Martino
\$89.00

Eucharistic Adoration

Come to the Adoration Chapel at the St Pauline Center on Friday from noon until 10 PM and Sat from 5 AM to 7 PM. Jesus awaits you! The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed in the chapel on Fridays at 3 PM.

Finance Council

Meeting will be held on Monday,
May 11 at 7:15PM in the rectory.

Parish Council

Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 4
7:15PM in the rectory.

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

Registration

Holy Angels PREP registration for the 2015-2016 school term is now in progress. Any student in Grades 1-8 that will be participating in our program must complete a registration form yearly. Forms have been given to students already in the program. Registration forms are also available in the vestibule of the church. Students should register ASAP so materials for the upcoming school term can be ordered.

Picnic Committee

Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 7:15PM in the Activity Center. All parish members interested in the planning of our Annual Parish Picnic are welcome to attend.

Memorial Day Mass

On Monday, May 25, Memorial Day, all are invited to attend Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery. The Mass will be celebrated at 2:00PM. Please bring a lawn chair for your convenience.

Lottery Calendars

During the month of May, lottery calendars will be available in the vestibule after the weekend Masses or at the Parish Office during office hours. Donation \$5.00 per calendar. Please support this fund-raiser!

Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

Thursday, May 14 is the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses of Obligation will be celebrated at Holy Angels Wednesday, May 13 at 7:00PM and Thursday, May 14 at 8:00AM & 7:00PM. Please note that the parish office will be closed on Thursday, May 14 in observance of the Holy Day.

20th Anniversary Planning Meeting

Sunday, May 31, 2015
5:00PM in the rectory.

Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School

Senior Class Events

May Crowning- Tuesday, May 19, 9:00AM
Senior Awards- Wednesday, May 20, 9:00AM
Baccalaureate Mass- Wednesday, May 20, 7:00PM
Celebrant and homilist: Bishop Gainer
Graduation- Thursday, May 21, 7:00PM
All events take place in the school's gymnasium.
All are invited to attend!

Chinese Auction

Sunday, May 17, 2015
Ss. Peter & Paul's Church Hall
Avenue & Beech Streets, Mount Carmel
Doors open 11:30AM Auction begins 2:00PM
Great food, great prizes!
Browse & Bid 11:00AM-2:00PM on Saturday, May 16! Sponsored by Ss. Peter & Paul's Altar Rosary Society.

Volunteers Needed

The Diocesan Summer Camp for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities is seeking volunteers who would be willing to assist at its residential camp during the week of August 9-14, 2015. The camp takes place at Camp Kirchenwald in Lebanon County and serves the needs of approximately 40 adults each year. Anyone 16+ is welcome to volunteer for full-time or part-time duties. Volunteers are required to complete the Diocesan Clearance process and attend training prior to helping at camp. Experience For more information, contact Vikki Laskowski at 717-657-4804, Ext. 323, or email vlaskowski@hbgdiocese.org.

Family, Become What You Are - A Journey toward the World Meeting of Families with Bishop Ronald Gainer and Christopher West

Two programs!

Christ - True Hope of the Family, An evening of Reflection and Adoration

Four Opportunities to Attend:

June 1 at St Leo the Great Church in Lancaster
June 2 at Saint Pius X Church in Selinsgrove
June 3 at St Joseph Church in Hanover
June 24 at St Margaret Mary Church in Harrisburg
All sessions take place from 7-9 pm. Choose the session closest to you.

Family, Become What You Are!

A Diocesan Conference with Bishop Gainer, Christopher West and Jason Clark
Saturday, July 11, 2015, from 9 am to 5 pm
Bishop McDevitt High School in Harrisburg
Registration Fee: \$15, with lunch provided.

Join us as we spend the day learning about the meaning and importance of marriage and family, and how to find true hope and healing for the wounds inflicting family life today. The conference will end with Sunday Vigil Mass celebrated by Bishop Gainer. For more information or to register visit www.hbgdiocese.org/journey, call 717-657-4804, Ext. 323, or email familyministries@hbgdiocese.org

20TH Anniversary of Holy Angels Parish

On Sunday, June 28, 2015, we will celebrate our 20th year as Holy Angels Parish and also celebrate Father Andrew's 10th Anniversary of Ordination. Mass will be celebrated at 2:00PM. A buffet dinner and entertainment will follow at the Brady Fire Company Hall. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and are now available by calling Catherine at 570-373-5752 Ann at 570-373-5741 or Dave at 570-373-1355. Tickets are also available at the parish office. A limited number of tickets will be sold and no tickets will be available at the door.

As ye do unto the least of these" (Matt 25:40)

Help is needed for the Geisinger Hospital Catholic Chaplain: 1) clerks to do paper work for patient files; 2) Extraordinary Ministers to bring Holy Communion to patients. Time required: about one to two hours/week plus travel time; pay: see Matt 25:40; experience and qualifications: minimal. Please phone Fr. Fidelis, Maria Joseph Manor (570-275-4221) or Bob Kurland (570-275-5454) for more information.

Marriage Annulments

The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving a presentation in our area concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to Church teaching. This presentation will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and any others who may have a vested interest because of family or friends. This session will be held on May 13, at 7:00PM at St. Joseph Parish, Danville, in the parish hall. No prior registration is required. For further information, please call 717-657-4804, ext. 304, or email:tribunal@hbgdiocese.org.

Breakfast for Veterans

All Veterans are invited to Holy Angels Activity Center on Sunday, May 24 for a breakfast to show our appreciation for all you have done for our country. The breakfast will be held at 9:30AM and will be free of charge. We ask that if you plan on attending to sign up on the sheet available in the back of the church. Sheets are also available at the American Legion and at the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Attention all Catholic young women ages 15-25. Our Lord Jesus Christ has a great plan and mission for you! You are invited to attend the Diocese of Harrisburg's 7th Annual Fiat Days vocation discernment retreat to spend time with other women your age as you listen to the Lord's call in your life while having fun. Activities include - Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, sports, games, great food, talks and more.

Fiat Days will be held July 5-7, 2015 at Mount St. Mary's University and Seminary. No cost due to the generosity of anonymous donors. Please contact the Office of Vocations at (717) 657-4804, ext. 282 with questions or for a registration packet.

Cemetery Clean-up

Since the warm weather is approaching, please take the time to visit the graves of your loved ones and remove any old flowers which may be left from the winter. We ask that you please DO NOT discard any rubbish in the wooded areas surrounding the cemeteries. Barrels are available for their disposal if you are unable to take them home with you. The barrels are to be used strictly for cemetery clean up only, so please respect this request.

American Legion

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 231, Kulpmont, will be asking for donations for poppies made by disabled veterans the weekend of May 23 & 24 before all the Masses. Please support this good cause.

Special Collection for Nepal

Parishes in the Diocese of Harrisburg will take up a special collection for the relief efforts taking place in Nepal. The collection will be taken up during all services the weekend of May 16 and 17.

These funds will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Relief Services (CRS) as it responds to the immediate emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter and medical care as well as the long-term needs to rebuild the communities in the regions affected after widespread destruction. CRS is the official humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. For additional information on the work of CRS, go to www.crs.org.

On April 25 this year a 7.8-magnitude earthquake struck Nepal toppling buildings and homes, causing widespread panic, and claiming thousands of lives. Our Church mourns the terrible suffering of the many thousands affected by this extraordinary natural disaster. Bishop Gainer is urging all Catholics in the 15 counties of South Central Pennsylvania that comprise the Diocese of Harrisburg to join with the Catholic community across our country in responding to those in desperate need.

All are asked to support the victims of this disaster through this special collection and their continued prayers. For those who may want to contribute by check, please have checks made payable to the local parish with NEPAL RELIEF in the memo line.

Quo Vadis Days 2015 Attention all Catholic young men ages 15-25. Our Lord Jesus Christ has a great plan and mission for you! You are invited to attend the Diocese of Harrisburg's tenth Annual Quo Vadis Days vocation camp to spend time with other young men your age as you listen to the Lord's call in your life while having fun. Activities include - Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, hiking, sports, games, great food, talks and more. QVD is staffed by the Diocese of Harrisburg's priests and seminarians. QVD will be held from June 21- 25; 2015 at Mount St. Mary's Seminary. Cost: no charge, due to generous donors. Registration forms can be found on our website at www.hbgdiocese.org. You may also contact the Office of Vocations at (717) 657-4804, ext. 282 with questions or for a registration packet.

Holy Angels Parish Family extends our congratulations to the following students who received

First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 3, 2015

Makayla Adams
Lindsey Marie Allen
Luke Blessing
Ava Carnuccio
Angelina Rose Fariello

Madison Kimsal
Michael Kimsal
Mikayla Kimsal
Alexa Michele Maher



Emily Nicole Morris
Stephen Motyka
Logan Peipher
Brandon Pellowski
Donald Whalen



May 10, 2015

dear Padre

**Monday
May 11**

Easter Weekday
Acts 16:11–15
Jn 15:26—16:4a

**Tuesday
May 12**

Easter Weekday
Acts 16:22–34
Jn 16:5–11

**Wednesday
May 13**

Easter Weekday
Acts 17:15,
22—18:1
Jn 16:12–15

**Thursday
May 14**

St. Matthias, Apostle
Acts 1:15–17,
20–26
Jn 15:9–17

**Friday
May 15**

Easter Weekday
Acts 18:9–18
Jn 16:20–23

**Saturday
May 16**

Easter Weekday
Acts 18:23–28
Jn 16:23b–28

**Sunday
May 17**

*Ascension
of the Lord*
Acts 1:1–11
Eph 1:17–23 or
Eph 4:1–13 or
4:1–7, 11–13
Mk 16:15–20
or
*Seventh Sunday
of Easter*
Acts 1:15–17,
20a, 20c–26
1 Jn 4:11–16
Jn 17:11b–19

Should lectors read historical notes with the readings?



P My parish lectors have started reading historical notes before each of the first two readings. I was taught that the readings are supposed to speak to us in the here and now. What is correct?

When I enter a large discount store and see a greeter who can give me direction, I feel more secure. A little bit of information saves me a lot of time and walking.

The Preamble of the *General Introduction to the Lectionary* from the Sacred Congregation for the Sacraments and Divine Worship allows brief introductions before the readings (chapter II, paragraph 15). A brief commentary can put the readings into historical context

and connect them with present-day situations. They can help us understand better what the Lord was trying to communicate in the first place and what we need to perceive today.

Of course, if your lectors are putting ideology or personal opinion into it, the purpose of the introduction is defeated. Therefore, if you feel someone is pushing a personal agenda, talk about it privately with your pastor.

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Easter

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) ♦ May 10, 2015

Jt's not often we're caught in our prejudices. My moment of reckoning came with the birth of my second daughter. My hospital roommate was a teenager giving birth to her third child. My husband and I were having trouble making ends meet, and even with insurance we'd still have hospital bills.

I resented the free care my roommate was receiving. *Why can't you be more responsible?* I thought. *Because of people like you, my hospital bills are higher.*

Reflecting back, I'm ashamed of my attitude. I held the unconscious assumption that I had a "right" to this fine hospital because I was working, could pay bills, and had insurance. Would I deny my roommate's child the level of care I wanted for my own?

The early Church wrestled with that type of question. Could Gentiles be admitted to the Christian community? They were considered unclean, and any Jew who touched or ate with them would be made unclean.

In the encounter with Cornelius, Peter comes to realize that there is no clean or unclean when it comes to people. God shows no partiality. The Holy Spirit makes a convincing argument to the believers by falling on the Gentiles even before they're baptized.

We often decide, consciously or subconsciously, who is worthy of our care or God's. But Jesus commanded us to love one another and to dwell in love, because God is love.

It's *our* prejudice that gets in the way.

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Today's Readings

Acts 10:25–26,
34–35, 44–48
1 Jn 4:7–10
Jn 15:9–17

