

Catholic Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

March 21 – 31, 2017, \$3,794.00 per person including air from Harrisburg. Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Daily. Mass daily at the Holy Sites. For a Flyer or more detailed information please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

BUY YOUR GIFT CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS AT LOURDES!

Did you know that you can buy all your gift cards for the holidays at Lourdes and help a student/family with their tuition? We have gift cards/certificates for almost every local and national store. No more running to the mall! Remember there is no "out of pocket cost" to you. When you purchase certificates/gift cards, you receive "dollar for dollar" exchange. Example: If you purchase a \$50 gift card from Weis you receive \$50 face value to be used any time you shop at Weis. If you do not use the full value of the card on one shopping trip, the balance remains on the card for future purchases. The Lourdes student/family will receive 3% toward their tuition payment. If you do not know a current student/family, we have needy families who could really use your help! It's a WIN-WIN! A complete list of participating businesses can be obtained from the Tuition Sense Office, or see it online at www.lourdes.k12.pa.us. If you have any questions call the Tuition Sense Office at (570) 644-0375 Extension 116. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR TUITION SENSE PROGRAM!

St. Pauline House Charity Raffle

1136 Chestnut Street

Friday, December 2, 12:00PM -6:00PM

Bake Sale & Pierogie Sale

Saturday, December 3, 2:00-8:00PM

Food, soda and wine slushies available for sale

Tickets are \$10.00 per sheet of 26 sheets (over 50 items)

\$20.00 per sheet of 26 tickets for premium items.

Winning tickets will be pulled at 8:00PM on

Saturday. Need not be present to win.

First 100 people get a free gift!

Parking in rear, handicap accessible.

Check out the new catering venue for small parties and gatherings. Holds up to 70 people.

Parish Council & Finance Council

Special Gathering, Friday, December 16 at 7:00PM in the rectory.

Christmas Open House

Mt. Carmel Knights of Columbus will have a "Christmas Open House" on Saturday, December 3, 2016 from 7:00-9:00PM. Fr. Frank, Faithful Friar-4th Degree, will bless the manger, Christmas carols will be sung and a visit by St. Nick is anticipated. Parishioners and area residents are invited to join in the celebration, enjoy the beautiful decorations and snack on holiday treats

Retrouvaille

You Can Help Your Marriage - 25% of surveyed couples say they are "Happily Married". For everyone else there is Retrouvaille. Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue.....or have just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it make it even worse? Retrouvaille helps couples rebuild their marriages. For information or to register for the Harrisburg program beginning with a weekend on January 13-15, 2017, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Hershey Bears Tickets-Everyone is invited to join our Catholic Schools at The Tenth Annual Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg Night with the Hershey Bears Hockey Team, Saturday, February 4, 2017 at 7 p.m. Tickets are discounted to \$14.50 for all ages over 2. Regular admission is \$20. The evening will begin with the Bishop McDevitt Choir singing the National Anthem prior to game start time. Ticket order forms are available at the Parish Office for those interested in ordering. **DEADLINE TO ORDER** is Monday, January 30, 2017. For more information, contact Janet Dise at jdise@HersheyPA.com

Christmas Wafers (Oplatki)

Christmas Wafers are available in the back of the church. Donation \$3.00/pack of 6 wafers.

Standing Altar Candles for the Month of December

In Loving Memory of

Raffaele Varano daughter, Barbara Procopio
Justin Greco, Alfredo Scicchitano, Deceased of the Mannello Family

..... Annina
Vincenzo & Saverina Procopio, Andrew M. Procopio, Marietta Procopio Lyai

..... Annina
Salvatore Lacroce Wife, Children & Grandchildren

John Voloshin wife, Anna Marie & Family

Carmen & Margie Altmire Mary Ann & Michael Katchick

Joanne & Robert Thomas Family

Ronald Zsido wife, Flo

*The Pulpit Candles will burn the Month of December
in loving memory of*

Ronald Procopio by wife, Cindy, Children & Grandchildren
Deceased of the Gard & Barletta Families Nick & Shirley Gard



BINGO

Bingo will be held Tuesday, November 29
2016. 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 and women are most welcome to assist with working the floor!

Adoration at St. Pauline Center

Eucharistic Adoration is held at the St. Pauline Center Fridays from noon until 10:00PM and Saturdays from 5:00AM to 7:00PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed in the chapel on Fridays at 3:00PM

Holy Angels Pool Winner

November 15, 2016

Jackie Butler \$72.00

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, December 3

5:30PM Mary Frances Komara, Brighton Scicchitano, Dominick Tamborelli, Brianna Tamborelli, Philip Kenenitz-Hutnick

Sunday, December 4

8:30AM Angel Barwicki, Emily Olszewski, Tanner Greco

10:30AM Bailey Little, Austin Cole, Marshall Mirarchi IV

Adult Choir

Choir practice will be held on Wednesday, November 30 at 7:00PM.

Bernardine Associate Meeting

Sunday, November 27, 2016 at 2:30PM in the Rectory.

PREP Classes

Sunday, December 4, 11, 18, 2016

for Grades 6, 7, 8 at 9:00AM

Monday, December 5, 12, 19, 2016

for Grades 1-5 at 5:30PM

Childrens' Christmas Party

Holy Angels Parish will host a Christmas Party for the children of our parish, age 8 & under on Sunday, December 11, 2016 from 1:00-3:00PM in the Activity Center. A sign up sheet is available in the vestibule for those planning on attending. Also on the sign up sheet, we ask that you write in a few gift suggestions for your child.

Our Lady of Lourdes Pot-of-Gold

Envelopes containing 5 chance tickets for Our Lady of Lourdes Pot of Gold drawing are available in the back of the church. The chances are \$2.00 each. You are welcome to take as many envelopes as you'd like and sell to friends, family and co-workers. The drawing will be held on Sunday, December 11, 2016 after the Elementary Christmas Show. Please make all returns to Holy Angels either thru the collection or drop off at the Parish Office by Monday, December 5.

Wellness Presentation & Screening

Wednesday, November 30, 2016, 3:00-4:30PM

GHP will be offering a Wellness Presentation at St. Pauline House 1136 Chestnut Street, Kulpmont. Weight gained over the holidays tends to stay on throughout the rest of the year. Join us to discuss information to help you stay healthy through the holidays! Blood pressure and BMI(height/weight) screenings will be available after the presentation.

Please contact GHP Wellness Department with any questions or to register 866-415-7138

A Retreat For COLLEGE AGED YOUNG

ADULTS and RECENT GRADUATES

Saturday, March 25, 2017

9:30 am until 4:00 pm

CARDINAL KEELER CENTER

4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111

For more information contact your Catholic Campus Ministry/Newman Club or the Diocesan Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry at: oyyam@hbgdiocese.org or call 717-657-4804 ext. 327. www.hbgdiocese.org /Youngchurch

Pierogie Orders

For those who ordered Pierogie, you may pick up your order on Tuesday, December 13, 4:00-5:30PM in the Activity Center.

It's that time again... "SNACK Sacks for Sisters" 2016

For the upcoming holiday season, Holy Angels Parish will be collecting "SNACK" Sacks for the retired Bernardine Sisters in Reading. Once again, we will be sending Sacks of "GOODIES" to the Sisters. There are fliers in the church vestibule with suggestions. Please place the filled goodie bags in the "Sacks for Sisters" box in church by November 29. (Tentative delivery date to the retirees is Dec. 2 in time for St. Nick's Day.) The Sisters are always delighted with your snack surprises. Thanks for your help.

Memorial Donations

were given to Holy Angels Boosters Association in Loving Memory of

Dominick Louis Scicchitano by Mr. & Mrs. William Altimire, Jackie Blase, Tony Varano, Teresa Hasuga.



5th Annual Murphy Jewelers Bingo

Sunday, December 4th, St. Nicholas Hall, Primrose

Doors open 11:00AM; bingo starts 1:00PM

Admission \$25.00...includes 16 regular games & 4 specials. Advance ticket holders eligible for special drawing! Call 570-527-0899 or 570-544-2800

tickets also available at the door

Proceeds benefit St. Nicholas School

Attention College Students!

The Mother Maria Kaupas Center is sponsoring a holiday service program for college students in good academic standing to complete 10 days of community service in the Mount Carmel-Kulpmont area over the December 2016-January 2017 semester break. Service includes up to four days working in the home parish and the remaining days at community sites assigned by the Center. Students will be paid \$30 for each service day worked. Participants must be members of Divine Redeemer, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Holy Angels or SS Peter and Paul Parishes. Application forms are available at the parish office or in the back of the church. Contact Jake Betz at kaupascenterdrc@ptd.net or 570-339-3450 (option 5) for an electronic version. Application deadline is Monday, November 28.

Church of the Holy Angels

NOVEMBER 27, 2016, FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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EMAIL: oneangel@ptd.net

WEBSITE: www.HolyAngelsKulpmont.org

MASSES 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

Deacon Thomas Conlin

Mary Kay Bartol, Secretary, Organist, Choir Director

Joette Foris, Director of Religious Education, Guitarist

Robert Balonis, Maintenance

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

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Saturday, November 26

8:00am **Mary Vezo**

5:30pm **Marie Marchetti**

Sunday, November 27

8:30am **Mr. & Mrs. Robert D. Hunter**

10:30am **People of the Parish**

Monday, November 28

6:30pm **Shirley Knerr**

Tuesday, November 29

8:00am **Robert V. Miller**

Wednesday, November 30

7:00am **Vern Casalino**

Thursday, December 1

6:30pm **Frances Fesniak**

Friday, December 2

8:00am **Anthony J. Bressi**

Saturday, December 3

8:00am **Larry Cinnella**

5:30pm **Bill Roberts**

Sunday, December 4

8:30am **People of the Parish**

10:30am Living & Deceased of the Golden Angels

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| A Dime at a Time | |
| Current Debt (adjusted) | \$168,939.11 |
| Dime at a Time | \$30.18 |
| Plus 1 (+1) Contributions | \$41.00 |
| Debt Reduction | \$296.00 |
| Balance | \$168,571.93 |

Sacrificial Offering

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Weekend of November 20, 2016

Sunday Offering Envelopes \$4,518.00

Youth Offering \$58.00

Loose Cash \$133.00

Energy \$150.00

All Saints \$19.00

Forty Hours \$10.00

Amount Budgeted \$8,333.00

Amount Contributed \$4,888.00

Weekend of November 20 -\$3,445.00

Votive Candles \$102.00

Catholic Education \$15.00

Air Conditioning Maintenance \$261.00

Improvement Fund

Previous Balance \$9,278.00

Weekend of November 20 +182.00

Current Balance \$9,460.00

Diocesan Collections

World Mission Sunday \$15.00

United States Military Services \$37.00

Matthew 25 \$466.00

Vigil Lights

November 27 thru December 3

Sanctuary Light: In loving memory of

Elaine Duran by husband, Michael

St. Anthony: In loving memory of

Theresa Molesevich Bergonia by Frank & Betty Anne

St. Anne: In loving memory of

Mary Ann McCoy by Dolly Motyka

St. Casimir: In loving memory of

Barry Brown by Parents

St. Theresa: In loving memory of

Bernard Cupsta, Jr. by brother, Robert

St. Kateri: In loving memory of

Elaine Bressi by Stephen & John Maciejewski

St. Marziale: In loving memory of

Mary Varano Sgro by Mary Lou, Hope & Grace

Sacred Heart: In loving memory of

Helen Thomas by husband, Clem

Calendar

Monday

November 28
Advent Weekday
Is 4:2–6
Mt 8:5–11

Tuesday

November 29
Advent Weekday
Is 11:1–10
Lk 10:21–24

Wednesday

November 30
St. Andrew,
Apostle
Rom 10:9–18
Mt 4:18–22

Thursday

December 1
Advent Weekday
Is 26:1–6
Mt 7:21, 24–27

Friday

December 2
Advent Weekday
Is 29:17–24
Mt 9:27–31

Saturday

December 3
St. Francis Xavier,
Priest
Is 30:19–21, 25–26
Mt 9:35–10:1, 5a, 6–8

Sunday

December 4
Second Sunday
of Advent
Is 11:1–10
Rom 15:4–9
Mt 3:1–12

Dear Padre,

I want my son to be confirmed this year, but he won't go to confirmation classes or select a sponsor. What should I do?

When your son was baptized, you promised to raise him in the faith. Going to Mass and making faith part of your home life has been part of his upbringing, but forcing him to be confirmed can result in resentment and drive him further from you and his Catholic faith. Try these three things: First, have a heartfelt and personal discussion (or several) with him, sharing what your Catholic faith means to you.

Second, speak with the confirmation teacher or DRE. He or she has dealt with this before and can work with you both to understand his refusal.

Third, engage him in discovering God at work in his life through the people and movements he's attracted to. Young people are often idealistic and can become disenchanted with the Church and other authority figures. The sooner they know you're willing to let them examine and understand what being Catholic means, the less inclined they will be to reject the Church.

What he needs is the steady, meaningful message that he is loved and important to you, God, and the Church. Trust that God's will comes to fruition. Confirmation should occur when a person manifests a true desire and has undergone necessary preparation. These suggestions aren't easy but reflect the faith you want to pass on.

From *Liguorian*, July-August 2011
sundaybulletin@liguori.org



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A Word From Pope Francis

"We always need to begin again, to get up again, to rediscover the meaning of the goal of our lives."

—Angelus, December 1, 2013

Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 27, 2016

First Sunday of Advent (A)

Is 2:1–5

Rom 13:11–14

Mt 24:37–44

Piece: *Sleeping Servant*
Artist unknown; 1st century AD
Location: Vatican, Santa Rosa



Welcome!

My name is Fr. Mark Haydu, LC, and I am happy to accompany you at Mass over the next three liturgical years. I grew up in Akron, Ohio, and was ordained in 2007 as a priest of the Legionaries of Christ.

As head of the Patrons of the Arts in the Vatican Museums in Rome, I travel frequently to the United

States to promote the collection. Sacred art has always been an essential element of prayer and liturgy, so it is a fitting enhancement to our Sunday celebrations.

Staying awake is a frequent and important Advent theme. Jesus mentions being awake in today's Gospel and again in Matthew 25:13 and 26:38. We are to ready ourselves to encounter him at our personal judgment and again in the Final Judgment. Like a watchman who stands over the city or a guard who protects the entry gate, we are to be vigilant, "For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."

In ancient times, it was common to have a servant posted at the door to

protect you through the night and to watch over the house in your absence. Today's sculpture, which is part of an ancient tombstone, depicts such a servant—albeit one who dozed off.

For Reflection

What can I do to prepare myself and my family for Christ's coming on Christmas, in the Eucharist, and at any other time in our lives?

Begin your Advent preparations by receiving Christ in the Eucharist, "For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed" (Romans 13:11). Jesus is not far away but very near. He enters our hearts in the form of bread and wine. Are you ready, or will he catch you by surprise?

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

"And do this because you know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed" (Romans 13:11).