

Church of the Holy Angels

August 13, 2017, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**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

FINANCIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Charles Kaminsky, Chairman, Mary Ann Daya,
 Kathy Nolan, Frank Mirarchi, Peter Avellino

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.

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

James Nolan, Chairman, Joseph Meyer, Vice-Chairman, Jeanne Avellino, Pat Bingaman, Sherry Bozza, Maria Foris, Teresa McCabe, Juliann Wanzie, Kathy Pupo, Jeff Kruleski, Alex Clayberger, Lena Leaveck

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 12	
8:00am	Ronald Roble
5:30pm	Angelo D'Alexander
Sunday, August 13	
8:30am	Julia Staniszewski
10:30am	People of the Parish
Monday, August 14	
8:00am	Anna Petruskevich
Vigil Mass of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
7:00pm	People of the Parish
Tuesday, August 15, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
8:00am	Patricia Szoke
7:00pm	Henry Sgro
Wednesday, August 16	
8:00am	Irene Olbrish
Thursday, August 17	
6:30pm	Robert Stellar
Friday, August 18	
8:00am	Andrew Szoke
Saturday, August 19	
8:00am	Martha Litwin
5:30pm	Nicholas Kolar
Sunday, August 20	
8:30am	Florence Repella
10:30am	People of the Parish

Sacrificial Offering

Weekend of August 6, 2017	
Sunday Offering Envelopes	\$4,134.00
Youth Offering	\$32.00
Loose	\$230.34
Energy	\$45.00
Amount Budgeted	\$8,333.00
Amount Contributed	\$4,441.34
Weekend of August 6	-\$3,891.66
Votive Candles	\$92.00
Air Conditioning Maintenance	\$401.00
Improvement Fund	
Previous Balance	\$8,892.00
Weekend of August 6	+388.00
Balance	\$9,280.00
Diocesan Collections	
Missionary Cooperative	\$11.00
A Dime at a Time	
Current Debt	\$134,478.75
Dime at a Time	\$68.40
Plus 1 (+1) Contributions	\$40.00
Debt Reduction	\$6.00
Balance	\$134,364.35



Welcome to All!

This church is our heavenly Father's house, a place of solace and grace, so feel at home here. Enter reverently, pray quietly, sing joyfully, listen attentively, give cheerfully and come back gladly. Remain in the church after Mass for some personal quiet time with the Lord and come early before Mass to pray the Rosary with others. If you ever feel unwelcome-let the pastor know!

Active Parishioner Status

We receive many requests for parishioners to be godparents or sponsors for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation and to rightfully enjoy the number of services offered at Holy Angels Parish. Part of the request is to be able to verify that a person is an "active member"

An "Active Member" is:

1. Properly registered on the parish rolls.
 2. Faithfully attends Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
 3. Participates in parish activities/ministries when possible.
 4. Uses the parish envelope system for donations.
- These are the main factors that will be considered in making the determination that someone is an "active member. Other criteria are also taken into consideration when requesting a sponsor certificate.*

BINGO

Bingo will be held Tuesday, August 22, 2017. Doors open 4:30PM. Game begins 6:00PM. Please note there will not be on August 15 as this is a Holy Day of obligation.

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

Vigil Lights

August 13 thru August 19

Sanctuary Light: Special Intention of Komara Family

St. Anthony: In loving memory of Theresa Feddock by Trish Olszewskie & Family

St. Anne: In loving memory of Pat Cilluffo by Aunt Mary Ann

St. Casimir: In loving memory of Charles Zlocki, Sr. by Family

St. Theresa: In loving memory of Barbara Weikel by Louise Motyka

St. Kateri: Special Intention

St. Marziale: In loving memory of Aaron Ziegler by Michael, Steven, Damian Ziegler & Mary Rosalie Gushen

Sacred Heart: In loving memory of Elaine Duran by husband, Michael

*Holy Angels Pool Winner
No drawing August 1*

Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, September 7, 2017 at 7:15PM

Finance Council Meeting
Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 7:15PM

Altar Server Schedule

Monday, August 14, Vigil of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00PM Rosalie Mitchell, Liam Bradley,
Sean Bradley, Kaden Hine

Tuesday, August 15, Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00AM Adult Servers

7:00PM Philip Kenenitz-Hutnick, Zachary Smith,
Jeremiah Sheganoski, Jacob Zarski

Saturday, August 19

5:30PM Angel Barwicki, Emily Olszewski,

Sunday, August 20

8:30AM Bailey Little, Austin Cole, Marshall
Mirarchi IV

10:30AM Mary Frances Komara, Brighton

Scicchitano, Dominic Tamborelli, Brianna
Tamborelli

Diocesan Women's Conference – October 14, 2017

Women of the Diocese of Harrisburg, please mark your calendar for the 3rd Annual Diocesan Women's Conference, Saturday, October 14, 2017, at Bishop McDevitt High School. Theme: "Lead All Souls to Heaven": *Mary's Message to Us from Fatima*. Keynote Speaker: Award winning Catholic author and noted speaker, Susan Brinkmann.

The Women's Conference includes 36 workshops from a blue-ribbon list of speakers, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with the Rosary and Benediction, opportunity for Confession available, beautiful music, good food, a wide variety of exhibitors, and celebration of Mass by Bishop Ronald W. Gainer. Conference information, including Online Registration, is currently available at www.hbgdiocese.org/women Registration brochures for paper registration are also available at parishes and online. Last year we had more than 800 women attend this conference. This year we are hoping for 1,000+ women. Thank you



Holy Angels Soup and More Sale

Holy Angels Parish will be holding a Soup and More Sale on Saturday, September 16, 2017. Order forms are available in the back of the church and due with payment by Sunday, September 10. Soups which will be available to order are: Vegetable Beef, Wedding Soup, Chili, Clam Chowder. Stuffed Cabbage and Meatballs will also be available to order. Order forms can be dropped off at the parish office or thru the Sunday collection. Pick up orders at the Activity Center on Saturday, September 16 from 9:00 to 11:00AM.

Attention! Parents of Children Preparing to Receive First Eucharist

In order to receive First Penance and Eucharist, the child must attend either catholic school OR the parish religious education program for two years. Registration forms for our Parish Religious Ed Program are in the vestibule of the church. If your child is in first grade in public school, be sure they are registered and attend our PREP program in order to receive Communion in the second grade.

Confirmation Students mark your calendars

Confirmation retreat, mandatory for all Confirmation Candidates in Grade 8, will take place September 23, 2017 from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Also, students are expected to complete their service hours by helping at the parish picnic. Watch the bulletin for these dates. If there are any 8th grade OLOL students from Holy Angels that will be receiving Confirmation, please contact the rectory.

Life After Loss

Coping with the loss of a loved one is never easy...that's why Hospice of Evangelical and community Health and Wellness are offering a six-week bereavement group called "Life After Loss" Wednesdays, September 20-October 25, 2017 1:00-3:00PM, Hospice of Evangelical, 235 Hospital Drive, Lewisburg. Fee \$20.00-non-refundable (scholarships available upon request). Program Facilitator: Christine Gessner, MSW Anyone age 18 or older who has experienced the loss of a loved one is invited to attend. It is recommended that your loss be longer than six months. Learning coping techniques to deal with grief and loss through the following sessions:

Introduction and loss history

The normal grief process

Depression and anger

Guilt and forgiveness

Letting go and saying goodbye

Taking care of yourself: new beginnings

Registration is required by September 15, 2017. To register, call Hospice of Evangelical at 570-522-2157.

Chicken & Halupki Dinner

sponsored by St. Nicholas Church

Sunday, August 20, 2017, 11:00AM-1:00PM

St. Nicholas Hall, Primrose

includes....chicken, halupki, mashed potatoes, filling, vegetable & roll. \$10.00/platter...Eat-in or Take-out.

Advance Tickets only...call 570-544-4581

CONGRATULATIONS to the Top Dog of our Pet Contest, JERRY KARWACKI! Jerry is a rescue dog owned by the Rev. Frank Karwacki of Our Lady's Parish. The runner-up and top dog of Holy Angels Parish was Indy Pupo. Indy is the Golden Retriever owned by Kathy Pupo. Coming in third was handsome Rusty, the Golden Retriever owned by the Coroniti family. A great big hurrah to all who entered animals in the Pet Contest. Thanks to all who voted. Indeed, each pet is a beauty and a winner! Approximately \$600.00 was netted from this project. The winner's photo will be in the bulletin ASAP.

Winner of Soupies: Levi Reigle

To the Parish Family of Holy Angels...

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all those who supported Holy Angels Parish Picnic. The picnic was a huge success, and would not have been so without the endless hours of work put in by dedicated parishioners.

To Mayor Bernie Novakoski, Kulpmont Borough Council, Kulpmont Police Department, Kulpmont Fire Department for their help and cooperation throughout the picnic....

To the various businesses and organizations who sponsored advertising, ticket printing, baskets, food items, and monetary gifts...

To those students of our Confirmation Class who assisted in set-up and clean-up...

To all our patrons, from near and far, who enjoyed a good time...

And last but not least, to Dave Shinskic, Picnic Committee Chairman, and to all the members of the Picnic Committee for the giving of their time prior to the picnic, and for their continuous support throughout the picnic....

THANK YOU AND MAY GOD BLESS EACH OF YOU!

Praise Concert

The Lift Your Spirits Performing Arts Group will have a free admission "Praise Concert" in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 47 South Market Street, Mount Carmel on Sunday, August 13th at 4:00 pm. Everyone is invited.

"Jonah"

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Our Lady of Victory #588 is holding a bus trip to *Sight & Sound* in Lancaster to see "Jonah" on Monday, Oct. 9th. The cost of the trip is \$110. This includes the bus, show ticket and dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord. Call Mary Snyder at 570-339-0420 to register

CASH DRAWING WINNERS

\$1,000.00	Nancy Ciccarelli
\$500.00	Dick Murphy
\$250.00	Sherry Shustack
\$250.00	Luke
\$100.00	Eva Socha
\$100.00	Amy Searfoss
\$100.00	Sherri Markus Josef
\$100.00	Happy Birthday Nana
\$100.00	Starego's
\$100.00	Paula Amarose
\$100.00	Fr. John Daya
\$100.00	Don Whalen
\$100.00	Dave Menko
\$100.00	Kruskie Family



Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, August 15, we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses of Obligation will be celebrated as follows:

Vigil Mass: Monday, August 14 at 7:00PM

Tuesday, August 15 at 8:00AM & 7:00PM.

Yard Sale Leftovers

There are a few items which we did not sell during the Picnic Yard Sale. If you would be interested in these items, help yourself after Mass. A basket is available for your donation. You will be on the "honor system".



Calendar

Monday

August 14
St. Maximilian Kolbe,
Priest and Martyr
Dt 10:12–22
Mt 17:22–27

Tuesday

August 15
Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
Rv 11:19a; 12:1–6a, 10ab
1 Cor 15:20–27
Lk 1:39–56

Wednesday

August 16
Weekday
Dt 34:1–12
Mt 18:15–20

Thursday

August 17
Weekday
Jos 3:7–10a, 11, 13–17
Mt 18:21–19:1

Friday

August 18
Weekday
Jos 24:1–13
Mt 19:3–12

Saturday

August 19
Weekday
Jos 24:14–29
Mt 19:13–15

Sunday

August 20
Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Is 56:1, 6–7
Rom 11:13–15, 29–32
Mt 15:21–28

Dear Padre,

I look at what's going on in our world today and I start to lose faith. How can I keep my faith strong in a time that seems faithless?

Evil isn't a new phenomenon. The Book of Judges, for example, presents a faithless time that may rival what's happening in our world today. Judges' twenty-one chapters are so filled with vandalism and war, murder and assassination, fratricide and suicide, that it makes a grim statement on the worst of humanity. Judges reminds us of humanity's need for salvation. "Left to itself, humanity degenerates into a frightful caricature of what we ought to be. We see such lessons repeated in recent history....In the Book of Judges, we see our need for God" (Oscar Lukefahr, *A Catholic Guide to the Bible*, Liguori Publications, 1998).



LOVE THE WIND/SHUTTERSTOCK

It's easy to lose faith when our focus is on how bad the world is rather than on how we can do our part to make it holy. Pope St. John Paul II wrote: "Awareness of our own sinfulness, including that which is inherited, is the first condition for salvation; the next is the confession of this sin before God, who desires only to receive this confession so that He can save man. To save means to embrace and lift up with redemptive love, with love that is always greater than any sin" (*Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, 58, Knopf, 1994). Don't lose Christian hope! While Christ already triumphed over sin and death, the reality of evil remains until God's kingdom is fully realized on earth as it is in heaven (1 John 5:18–20).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSr
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A Word From Pope Francis

"We all know that when water stands still it stagnates. There's a saying in Spanish that says: 'Standing water is the first to go bad.' Do not stand still. We all have to walk, to take a step every day, with the Lord's help. God is Father, he is mercy, he always loves us....He welcomes us and forgives us....He never tires of forgiving....He makes us rise and fully restores our dignity. God has a memory, He is not forgetful. God does not forget us, He always remembers."

—Address to detainees in a penitentiary in Isernia, Italy, July 5, 2014

Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 13, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11–13a

Rom 9:1–5

Mt 14:22–33

Walk in Faith

Lanfranco's *Christ Saves Peter From Sinking in the Water* is placed in a rather hidden place in the Vatican—on purpose. When a newly elected pope walks out of the Sistine Chapel, he processes across the Sala Regia (royal hall) and into the Loggia della Benedizione (blessing hall) to step out onto the façade of St. Peter's and greet the world for the first time. Along the way he passes this painting of Peter sinking in the water. It speaks to that sinking feeling he probably experiences at that time!

This Gospel passage holds a great lesson for us all, even the pope. When Jesus comes walking on the water, he scares the disciples; they think he is a ghost. Sometimes Jesus scares us by what he asks, by how he wants to bless and shape us if we say "yes." Jesus tells us not to be afraid, but Peter says, "Lord if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." That the ghostly figure responds doesn't prove it is Jesus; it just proves whoever it is has heard Peter and answered.

To really know if it is Jesus, Peter has to get out of the boat. He has to walk in faith and take a risk. Only once he steps out on the water, can he do the impossible? Even then, his faith falters and he notices the waves. Such is our experience. Even when we trust, step out, and Jesus does great things, we are still weak! But no need

Piece: *Christ Saves Peter From Sinking in the Water*, 1626–28

Artist: Giovanni Lanfranco

Location: Pinacoteca, Vatican Museums



For Reflection

When have you felt Jesus' presence most strongly in your life?
Did it coincide with a difficult task or time of trouble?
Which winds distract you from Jesus?

to worry: Jesus loves our effort and will always reach out and grab us. In the end, that is what we want, isn't it? To touch Jesus, to know it is him.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

"At once [Jesus] spoke to them, 'Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter said to him in reply, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water'" (Matthew 14:27–28).