

# Church of the Holy Angels

January 21, 2018, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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,

## MASS INTENTIONS

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| *****                 |                       |
| Saturday, January 20  |                       |
| 8:00am                | Lawrence Novak        |
| 5:30pm                | Tony Martino          |
|                       |                       |
| Sunday, January 21    |                       |
| 8:30am                | Leonard Zlocki        |
| 10:30am               | People of the Parish  |
|                       |                       |
| Monday, January 22    |                       |
| 6:30pm                | Elaine M. Duran       |
|                       |                       |
| Tuesday, January 23   |                       |
| 8:00am                | Raymond Slonena       |
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| Wednesday, January 24 |                       |
| 7:00am                | John Wagner           |
|                       |                       |
| Thursday, January 25  |                       |
| 6:30pm                | Mary Persavage        |
|                       |                       |
| Friday, January 26    |                       |
| 8:00am                | Veronica Payeski      |
|                       |                       |
| Saturday, January 27  |                       |
| 8:00am                | Theresa Daya          |
| 5:30pm                | Frank & Marion Niglio |
|                       |                       |
| Sunday, January 28    |                       |
| 8:30am                | Fr. Daniel Mahoney    |
| 10:30am               | People of the Parish  |

## Sacrificial Offering

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|------------------------------|--------------|
| *****                        |              |
| Weekend of January 14, 2018  |              |
| Sunday Offering Envelopes    | \$3,976.00   |
| Youth Offering               | \$48.00      |
| Loose                        | \$107.00     |
| Initial Offering             | \$117.00     |
| Mary, Mother of God          | \$98.00      |
|                              |              |
| Amount Budgeted              | \$8,333.00   |
| Amount Contributed           | \$4,346.00   |
| Weekend of January 14        | -\$3,987.00  |
|                              |              |
| Votive Candles               | \$146.00     |
| Air Conditioning maintenance | \$313.00     |
|                              |              |
| Improvement Fund             |              |
| Previous Balance             | \$12,117.00  |
| Weekend of January 14        | +\$253.00    |
| Balance                      | \$12,370.00  |
|                              |              |
| Christmas                    | \$21,347.00  |
| Additional Christmas         | \$365.00     |
| Total Christmas to date      | \$21,712.00  |
|                              |              |
| <b>Diocesan Collections</b>  |              |
| Central & Eastern Europe     | \$117.00     |
|                              |              |
| A Dime at a Time             |              |
| Current Debt                 | \$124,978.10 |
| Dime at a Time               | \$30.64      |
| Plus 1 (+1) Contributions    | \$41.00      |
| Debt Reduction               | \$154.00     |

*Of Your Charity*, please pray for the repose of the souls of Mary M. Dormer and Stanley Lazarski, members of Holy Angels Parish Family. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.



### 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.

### Couples Planning Marriage

For couples who are planning to marry, please check the availability of our church prior to arranging venues.

### BINGO

Bingo will be held Tuesday, January 23, 2018. Doors open 4:30PM. Game begins 6:00PM.

### 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

January 21 thru January 27

**Sanctuary Light: Special Intention**

**St. Anthony: Special Intention**

**St. Anne: In loving memory of**

*Anna Goodeluinias by Jack & Catherine Maciejewski*

**St. Casimir: Special Intention**

**St. Theresa: Special Intention**

**St. Kateri: Special Intention**

**St. Marziale: In loving memory of**  
*Elaine Duran by husband, Michael*

**Sacred Heart: In loving memory of**  
*Agnes & Anthony Bressi by son, Tony & Cynthia*



### PREP

PREP Classes will be held Sundays, January 21 & 28 at 8:30AM for students in Grades 6, 7 & 8.

PREP Classes will be held on Mondays, January 22 & 29 at 5:30PM for students in Grades 1 thru 5.

### Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 7:15PM

### Finance Council Meeting

Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 7:15PM

### Adult Choir

Practice will be held on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 for Adult Choir

### Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, January 27

5:30PM Gregory Troutman, Michael Wasilewski, Bobby Schoppy, Brooke Schoppy

Sunday, January 28

8:30AM Austin Cole, Marshall Mirarchi IV, Landon Williams

10:30AM Emma Shimko, Noah Shimko, Daniel Vincenzes, Grace Vincenzes

**New Schedules for Altar Servers are available in the church hall, all servers are asked to take one home with them.**

### Masses

### Vigil Lights/Standing Altar Candles

At this time, we are taking Mass Intentions for the year 2018. Donation is \$10/Mass.

Vigil lights are available at this time for the calendar year 2018. Donation is \$5.00 for the week for the Vigil Lights, and \$10 for the month for Standing Altar Candles. Please call or stop in the parish office to reserve your specific dates on Masses and candles.

### Oremus Prayer Study

Do you find it easy to pray? Is prayer an integral part of your day? Do you hear God's voice in your daily life, and know how to respond accordingly?

For many of us, the answer to these questions is, "no." We all desire an intimate relationship with God. But, since learning to "say our prayers" as children, we never moved beyond rote recitation to an authentic conversation with God.

Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer teaches you the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life. Over the course of eight weeks you will discover how to place yourself in the presence of God. Following the wisdom of the saints and the Tradition of the Church, you will learn how to express yourself to God in prayer, and how to make prayer an integral part of your daily life.

Oremus includes eight video presentations by Fr. Mark Touns, lively small-group discussions, and inspiring readings for each day. The study will start in Lent beginning Feb 18 through April 15. Please check posters and flyers in the back of the church for details. Call Kathy 570-205-4704 or Deb 570-274-5861 to register.

### Cemetery Clean Up

With the holiday season coming to an end, the Cemetery Committee is asking all parishioners with loved ones buried in our cemeteries in Kulpmont and Marion Heights to have all holiday related items removed from grave sites by January 31, 2018. We are also asking all who remove items from grave sites not to throw unwanted items or dead plants in the surrounding areas of the cemeteries. With your cooperation this will help maintain a clean and groomed area on this holy ground.

### Kulpmont Knights of Columbus Hoop Shoot

All boys and girls ages 9 through 14 are asked to compete in the 2018 K. of C. Free Throw Championship at Holy Angel's Gym, 829 Scott St., on **Sunday, February 4th at 1:00 PM**. Champions will advance to the District Shoot. Entrants to bring proof of age & may compete in only one local competition. For more info, call Dave or Jake Shinskie at 570-373-1355.

### Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School

Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School is currently looking to fill the following positions:

- Substitute cafeteria worker
- High School math/science teacher
- Long term kindergarten substitute teacher
- Long term third grade substitute teacher

Send letter of interest, resume, and letters of reference to Sister Maureen Ann Donati, IHM, Principal, Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School, 2001 Clinton Avenue, Coal Township, PA 17866 or email [smaureen@lourdes.k12.pa.us](mailto:smaureen@lourdes.k12.pa.us)

### 7th Prayer Shawl Retreat

We warmly invite women from around the Diocese to join us Saturday, February 17, 2018, at St. Catherine Laboure Parish, 4000 Derry Street, Harrisburg, for our 7th Prayer Shawl Retreat.

The Retreat, hosted by the Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, will begin with Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the Shrine Church, followed by knitting / crocheting, praying the Rosary, fellowship and lunch in Leo Hall. The Retreat will conclude at 2:00 p.m. Beginners are welcome to this day of sharing and fellowship in this special ministry.

While the program is free, advance registration is required. Please call or text Kathy Kokoski at 717-448-8899 or Deb Black at 717-514-8815, or email them at [kakoko120@comcast.net](mailto:kakoko120@comcast.net) or [mvdb01@verizon.net](mailto:mvdb01@verizon.net) to register. Please register early as space is limited. Deadline is Monday, February 5.

### Diocese of Harrisburg-Men's Conference

March 10, 2018

Doors open at 7:15 am,

Conference begins at 8:30 am

Bishop McDevitt High School

1 Crusader Way, Harrisburg, PA

"Men of Mary, Mercy and The Eucharist"

Conference includes: Keynote, Mass, 25 + Workshops, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, plus Fellowship with up to 1000 Men, The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, Principal Celebrant and Homilist, The Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer, DD, JCL Bishop of Harrisburg. Keynote Speaker -Father Chris Alar, MIC Director of the Association for Marian Helpers Nationally Known Catholic Speaker and Divine Mercy Expert

### Medjugorje Pilgrimage

April 4-15th, 2018

Join Trinity Pilgrimages on an 11 day pilgrimage to Krk Island, Croatia and Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina, the sight of the reported apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary to six visionaries since June, 1981. Trip will include transportation to/from the Newark, NJ airport, Round trip Air travel, all ground transportation, English speaking guide, 2 nights stay/retreat in Krk Island for Divine Mercy weekend with Father Zlatko Sudac, mystic and stigmatist (modern day Padre Pio), 7 nights stay in Medjugorje at the home of Visionary Mirjana, 2 - 3 meals provided daily (depending on location), visits to Medjugorje holy sites including Apparition Hill, Cross Mountain, Saint James Church, and more. Total cost is \$2999. \$500 deposit required with full payment due by February 1, 2018. For more information contact Susan Fletcher at: 570-875-8936 or [susan.marie.fletcher@gmail.com](mailto:susan.marie.fletcher@gmail.com).

### Bus Trip to Mohegan Sun Casino

Divine Redeemer Parish is sponsoring a "Mardi Gras" Bus Trip to Mohegan Sun Casino, Wilkes-Barre, PA, on Tuesday, February 13, 2018. Cost of the trip is \$22.00. There is a \$25.00 rebate plus a \$5.00 food coupon. Reservations can be made by calling *Janice Kozlowski* at 570-339-2579. Payment is due by Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> to *Janice Kozlowski* or *Divine Redeemer Parish Office*. *Bus Trip Reservation Money is non-refundable*. The bus will pick up at 8:30 AM at the BB&T Bank in Kulpmont; 8:45 AM at the Atlas Legion; 9:00 AM at Divine Redeemer Church, 300 West Avenue, Mt. Carmel; 9:10 AM at Fifth & Market Sts., (old Moose Bldg.) Mt. Carmel; 9:15 AM at Mt. Carmel Apts., 315 S. Hickory St., Mt. Carmel; and will depart from Mohegan Sun at 5:00 PM. *Any questions, contact Janice Kozlowski* at 570-339-2579. Proceeds will benefit Divine Redeemer Parish

### 9 Days for Life: January 18-26, 2018

The U.S. bishops invite us to pray for the protection of all human life. A special novena called 9 Days for Life will take place from January 18th through the 26<sup>th</sup> and is a "digital pilgrimage" of prayer and action focused on cherishing the gift of every person's life. A multi-faceted novena highlighting a different intention each day provides reflections, bonus information, and suggested actions. You can sign up to receive daily intentions on your phone or online at [9daysforlife.com](http://9daysforlife.com)

9 Days for Life is an opportunity to:

- PRAY for the respect and protection of each person's life;
- GATHER together in prayer, action, and fellowship with others;
- SHARE your stories online!

#9DaysforLife #OurPrayersMatter

### Holy Name Society Potato Cake Batter Sale

\$5.00/quart

Order forms are available in the back of the church. Please include payment with order. All orders due by February 4<sup>th</sup>. Pick-up will be Saturday, February 10. 11:30AM-1:00PM in the Activity Center.

Any questions, call the parish office at 570-373-1221



### Facebook

Our Parish now has a FACEBOOK page Church of the Holy Angels, Kulpmont PA containing basic general info, Mass intentions for the week, quick access to weekly church bulletin, some photos, video, reminders of upcoming events, managed by Jim Nolan.

Call or text Jim at 570-205-1202, with any questions, suggestions, or to submit any photos with description.

### Our Lady of Hope's Crab Cake Dinner

Friday, February 16, 2018

4:00-6:00PM

Parish Hall-Oak & Chestnut Streets

Donation-\$9.00/Adult \$4.00/Child

Dinner includes: Two Crab Cakes, Mac & Cheese with Stewed Tomatoes, Dinner Roll and Dessert.

Eat-in or Take-out. Tickets are available at Our Lady of Hope Church office or at the door the day of the dinner.



## Calendar

Monday  
January 22

Day of Prayer for the  
Legal Protection of  
Unborn Children  
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10  
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday  
January 23  
Weekday

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19  
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday  
January 24

St. Francis de Sales,  
Bishop and Doctor  
of the Church  
2 Sm 7:4-17  
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday  
January 25

Conversion of St. Paul,  
Apostle  
Acts 22:3-16 or  
Acts 9:1-22  
Mk 16:15-18

Friday  
January 26

Sts. Timothy and Titus,  
Bishops  
2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5  
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday  
January 27  
Weekday

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17  
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday  
January 28

Fourth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Dt 18:15-20  
1 Cor 7:32-35  
Mk 1:21-28

# Dear Padre,

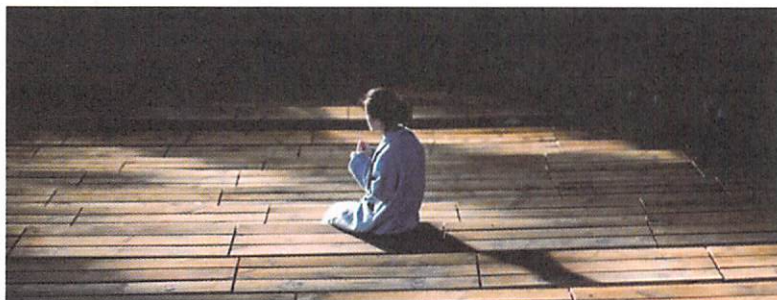
**Whenever I try to pray, I'm plagued with a thousand distractions. How can I learn to control my mind better?**

Maybe you're trying too hard. You've heard how some baseball hitters press when they're trying to come out of a slump. Their very effort to overcome their problem makes them tighten up more. They are so worried about the mechanics of their swing, stance, or grip that they can't hit the ball. That's why their coach might advise them to stay loose in the batter's box. We could use the same advice in our approach to prayer. Do your best to pray well, but don't be too upset if your prayer is not "perfect."

Some scrupulous Catholics will repeat a prayer if their mind wanders the first time through, but this isn't advisable. I suggest that you make a good intention, say your prayer and, even if your mind wanders, don't repeat it. Remember that distractions are as natural as breathing, and even the saints couldn't pray without them. When a distraction comes, treat it as you would a fly buzzing around your head. Occasionally shoo it away, but don't spend all your time and concentration on it. The good Lord can read your heart. He loves you just as you are, distracted mind and all.

Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

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## A Word From Pope Francis

For every Christian, the proclamation and witnessing of the Gospel is never an isolated act. This is important...No evangelizer acts, as Paul VI recalled, "in virtue of a...personal inspiration, but in union with the mission of the Church and in her name."

—Address to International Union of Superiors General,  
May 8, 2013

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 21, 2018

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)  
Jon 3:1-5, 10  
1 Cor 7:29-31  
Mk 1:14-20

## God's Patient Call

This painting of Jonah in the Sistine Chapel is directly above *The Last Judgment*. Michelangelo chooses to depict Jonah for his theological connection to Jesus, who said, "Just as Jonah was in the belly of the whale three days and three nights, so will the Son of Man be in the heart of the earth three days and three nights" (Matthew 18:40).

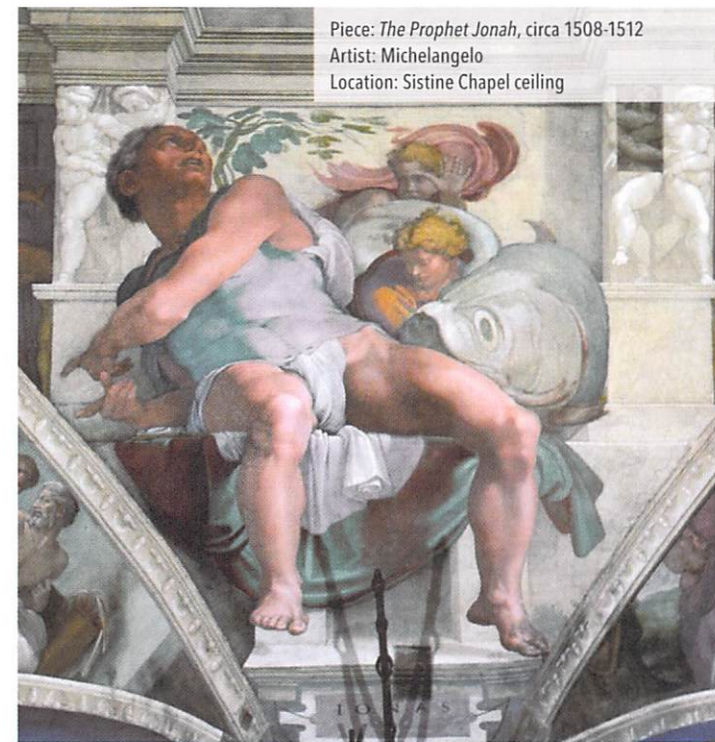
Unlike Jesus, Jonah initially balks at God's call until he grudgingly accepts and preaches to the city of Nineveh. In his rebellion, he gets in a boat and goes the opposite direction from where God was calling. Eventually he was thrown overboard and swallowed by the fish, seen painted at his side. After a three-night stomachache, the fish spewed Jonah up on the shore, back where he had started.

Jonah looks up to heaven with a weary longing, which might denote his melancholy personality. The fig tree further reinforces his weakness because it recalls the episode when Jonah lay under the fig tree in depression and lethargy.

Like Peter and Andrew, James and John, God entered Jonah's life and called him. Unlike the apostles, it took him a while to say yes. We can also be slow to respond to the invitation of God in our soul, whether in big or small things. Perhaps the attraction of the world or fear of sacrifice keeps us from saying yes. Yet his voice is constant and persistent.

Michelangelo paints Jonah dangling above *The Last Judgment* as if to subtly say, you are cordially invited to say yes to God's patient callings...while you still have time.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *The Prophet Jonah*, circa 1508-1512  
Artist: Michelangelo  
Location: Sistine Chapel ceiling

## For Reflection

Do I understand that putting off the voice of God is also putting off all the good, joy, and peace he wants to bring about by what he is asking?

Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."  
Then they abandoned their nets and followed him.  
(Mark 1:17-18)