



### 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, May 15, 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

May 13 thru May 19

**Sanctuary Light:** *In loving memory of Dolores Furca by Children & Families*

**St. Anthony:** *In loving memory of Antoinette Bach by Jack & Catherine*

**St. Anne:** *In loving memory of Ann Scicchitano by Jack & Catherine*

**St. Casimir:** *In loving memory of Claire Postal by husband, Robert & Sons*

**St. Theresa:** *In loving memory of Theresa Feddock by son, William*

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

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

**Sacred Heart:** *In loving memory of Stanley Lazarski by Lazarski Family*



### Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, June 7, 2018 at 7:15PM

### Finance Council Meeting

Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 7:15PM

### Picnic Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 31 at 7:15PM in the Activity Center.  
All interested parishioners are invited to attend!

### HALO Meeting

Thursday, June 7 at 6:00PM  
Annual Ice Cream Social!

### Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, May 19

5:30PM Sarah Cooper, Hannah Nolter, Jessica Whalen, Donald Whalen

Sunday, May 20

8:30PM Rosalie Mitchell, Liam Bradley, Sean Bradley, Kaden Hine

10:30PM Philip Kenenitz-Hutnick, Zachary Smith, Jeremiah Sheganoski, Jacob Zarski

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VBS 2018: Engineering a Life with God Created by God: Built for a Purpose

**God has built each of us for a purpose. We are called to use the gifts God has given to be HIS disciples and share HIS love with other so...**

### Get Your Gears in Motion

Calling all scientists, engineers, mathematicians, and artists Kindergarten-Sixth Grade...Do you like to use your imagination? Do you like to use your hands and mind to solve problems?... Then Holy Angels' VBS, Engineering a Life with God, is DESIGNED just for YOU! Our Heavenly Heroes, the Saints, will serve as our guides as we find out how to engineer a life with God. Join us for a week full of designing and building as we learn more about the life and work of a few notable saints. The life and work of each saint we study will lead to a STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art, and Math) challenge. Do you have what it takes to engineer a life with God, join us at Holy Angels' week-long VBS to find out!

VBS will take place from Monday, June 25, through Friday, June 29, from 9:00-11:00AM in the church basement. On Friday, all families are invited to attend our Saint and STREAM celebration where our budding engineers will be sharing what they created.

If you are interested in having your child attend, please complete a registration form by **Sunday, May 27**, so we can plan accordingly. Registration forms can be found in the back of the church or by contacting the parish office. If you have any question, please contact Ms. Joette Foris by phone at 570-490-0099 or Marcia Smith by phone at 570-900-5256 or by email at [marcia.smith122210@gmail.com](mailto:marcia.smith122210@gmail.com).

### Lourdes Scholarship

The Msgr. Joseph J.C. Petrovits Knights of Columbus Council 4281 is offering scholarships for students in Grades 7 thru 12 for students attending Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School. Eligibility requirements and additional information is available on application. All applications must be completed and submitted no later than May 25<sup>th</sup>. Applications are available in the back of the church or at Holy Angels Parish Office.

### Mother's Day Breakfast

Holy Angels Parish is sponsoring a complimentary Mother and Daughter Breakfast on Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in the Activity Center following the 8:30AM Mass. All mothers and daughters of the parish are invited to attend.

### Memorial Day Mass

On, Monday, May 28, Mass will be celebrated at Holy Angels Church at 8:00AM and at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cemetery at 2:00PM.

### Lourdes Senior Class Events

May Crowning, Wednesday, May 23, 9:00AM  
Senior Awards, Thursday, May 24, 9:00AM  
Baccalaureate Mass, Wednesday, May 23, 7:00PM  
Celebrant & Homilist: The Most Reverend Ronald Gainer  
Graduation, Thursday, May 24, 7:00PM  
All events take place in the school's gymnasium  
All are invited to attend!

### Diocesan Pilgrimage

As part of the events celebrating the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Diocese of Harrisburg, Bishop Gainer will lead a diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., on **Saturday, November 3, 2018**. This will be the first time Bishop Gainer will lead our diocese to Washington since he was installed in 2014.

A general schedule is available, and additional information is posted on the diocesan website at [www.hbgdiocese.org/150](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/150). The day includes Mass and plenty of time for confessions, private prayer, touring the Shrine, and visiting the spacious book & gift shops or having a bite to eat in the cafeteria

### Attention Teens (current grades 8 and above)

You are invited to join us for the Our Lady of Hope and Saint Patrick Youth Group on Sunday, May 20 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.! It will be held at the Our Lady of Hope Parish Center at 863 W. Chestnut Street, Coal Township, PA. At this gathering, we will have a hoagie dinner (please bring \$5) and watch/discuss **YOU—Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body**. This video series provides **YOU** with the Catholic Church's beautiful teaching on human sexuality while countering the negative and dangerous portrayal of human sexuality by the media. We will conclude by playing a fun outdoor game (weather permitting). Please RSVP to Sister Emily Vincent, IHM by Wednesday, May 18 at [SrEVincent@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:SrEVincent@hbgdiocese.org) or 570-648-4432. We look forward to having you join us!

### Picnic Start-up Expenses

The Second Collection this weekend will be for Picnic Start-up Expenses. Please be generous

**Primary Election Day is May 15-** Please be a faithful citizen and exercise your right to vote. Resources to help Catholics prepare for the upcoming election can be found on the Diocesan website at: [www.hbgdiocese.org/voter-resources/](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/voter-resources/) A Voters' Guide is also available in the April 27 edition of *The Catholic Witness*.

### QUO VADIS DAYS 2018

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 Annual *Quo Vadis Days* vocation discernment retreat 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, sports, games, great food, talks and more.

*Quo Vadis Days* will be held from June 24-27, 2018 at Mount St. Mary's Seminary. There is a \$50 registration fee; all other expenses are funded by the Diocese of Harrisburg. Registration forms can be found on our website at [www.hbgdiocese.org](http://www.hbgdiocese.org). You may also contact the Office of Vocations at (717) 657-4804, ext. 282 or email [vocations@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@hbgdiocese.org) with questions or for a registration packet. Deadline for registration is June 17, 2018.

### FIAT DAYS 2018

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 Annual *Fiat Days* vocation discernment retreat to spend time with other young 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 1-3, 2018 at Mount St. Mary's University and Seminary. There is a \$50 registration fee, all other expenses funded by the Diocese of Harrisburg. Registration forms can be found on our website at [www.hbgdiocese.org](http://www.hbgdiocese.org). You may also contact the Office of Vocations at (717) 657-4804, ext. 282 or email [vocations@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@hbgdiocese.org) with questions or for a registration packet. Deadline for registration is June 24, 2018.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS OF OUR PARISH  
WHO RECEIVED FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON SUNDAY, MAY 6 AT THE 10:30AM MASS

**Gage Allen**  
**Sophia Andres-Padula**  
**KyMBER Bozza**  
**Bridget Bradley**  
**Killyun Derr**  
**Michael Higgins**



**Aubrie Hood**  
**Peyton Janoka**  
**Halley Johnson**  
**Cali Maher**  
**Preston Pultynovich**  
**Chance Swatski**

Dear Father, we approach your throne on behalf of the mothers whom you have entrusted with the care of your most precious little ones. We thank you for creating each mom with a unique combination of gifts and talents.

We thank you for the sacrifice of self each mom gives for her children. For the late nights spent rocking a colicky infant. For the hands calloused from washing, wiping, scrubbing, hugging, patting, disciplining, holding, writing, erasing, painting, and pouring.

Lord, give each mother a worshipful reverence of you, the Creator and Sustainer of life. Help each mother to rest in the knowledge that they are but stewards of your children and that only your Spirit can produce change into the hearts of each boy and girl. May each mother find rest in you.

Most of all, Lord, on this day in which we honor mothers, may we love and cherish the special women who have born us, who have nurtured us, and who have prayed for our well-being. May our hearts overflow with gratitude to you, who formed and knitted each of us in a mother's womb.

## Calendar

### Monday

May 14

St. Matthias,  
Apostle

Acts 1:15–17, 20–26

Jn 15:9–17

### Tuesday

May 15

Easter Weekday

Acts 20:17–27

Jn 17:1–11a

### Wednesday

May 16

Easter Weekday

Acts 20:28–38

Jn 17:11b–19

### Thursday

May 17

Easter Weekday

Acts 22:30; 23:6–11

Jn 17:20–26

### Friday

May 18

Easter Weekday

Acts 25:13b–21

Jn 21:15–19

### Saturday

May 19

Easter Weekday

Acts 28:16–20, 30–31

Jn 21:20–25

### Sunday

May 20

Pentecost

Acts 2:1–11

1 Cor 12:3b–7, 12–13

or

Gal 5:16–25

Jn 20:19–23 or

Jn 15:26–27; 16:12–15

# Dear Padre,

**It says in the Gospel account of the ascension that Jesus was taken up body and soul into heaven. Why would Jesus need a body in heaven?**

In the Old Testament, there was a great chasm between our bodies and heaven. We were told that no one could see the face of God and live, let alone live with God in heaven. Jesus came to bridge that gap through his body and blood.

Jesus' glorified body is in heaven to show that we, too, will be glorified like him, showing that, as part of God's creation, our bodies are inherently good and worthy of heavenly life. Jesus' ascension will be followed by our ascension into heaven. Our bodies will become like Jesus' glorified body. Our life with God will become like Jesus' life with God. We see in Jesus our own future. Our lives and our loves will not be snuffed out like a candle. Rather, we will carry them in our spiritual and glorified self, leaving behind pain, death, and human inadequacies.

Christianity is a flesh-and-blood religion. We can't bypass the physical to reach the spiritual. Jesus ascended into heaven, body and soul. We do not reach higher spiritual truths by rejecting the material world. Heaven won't contain disembodied spiritual beings, but will be full of glorified human bodies without the inadequacies we suffer now. Saint Paul, in 1 Corinthians 15:35–40, tries to explain this to the people of Corinth. He tells them that the splendor of the heavenly body is of one kind and the splendor of the earthly body is another.

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## A Word From Pope Francis

*[God] asks us to be missionary disciples, men and women who radiate the truth, beauty and life-changing power of the Gospel; men and women who are channels of God's grace, who enable his mercy, kindness, and truth to become the building blocks of*

*a house that stands firm.*

—Homily, November 26, 2015

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

May 13, 2018

Seventh Sunday of Easter (B)  
Ascension of the Lord

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

## Sent to be Missionaries

The beginning of the Book of Acts presents a summary of the life of Christ and how he called and taught the apostles in the Holy Spirit. After his resurrection, Christ kept the apostles in Jerusalem, where they prayed together with the Virgin and awaited the coming of the Holy Spirit which would give them power to witness to him beyond the city and into the outlying countries and regions, just as the Gospel reading commands.

This Spirit given to them by Christ is a spirit of mission and witness. When Jesus was finished speaking, when his revelation had finished, he was taken to heaven. And the apostles were left standing there, looking up after him.

That looking up can be interpreted as a longing for Jesus' presence that was no longer in human form. Things had radically changed. Jesus' mission had finished, and now theirs was beginning. Their situation is the same as ours. We are sent on a mission!

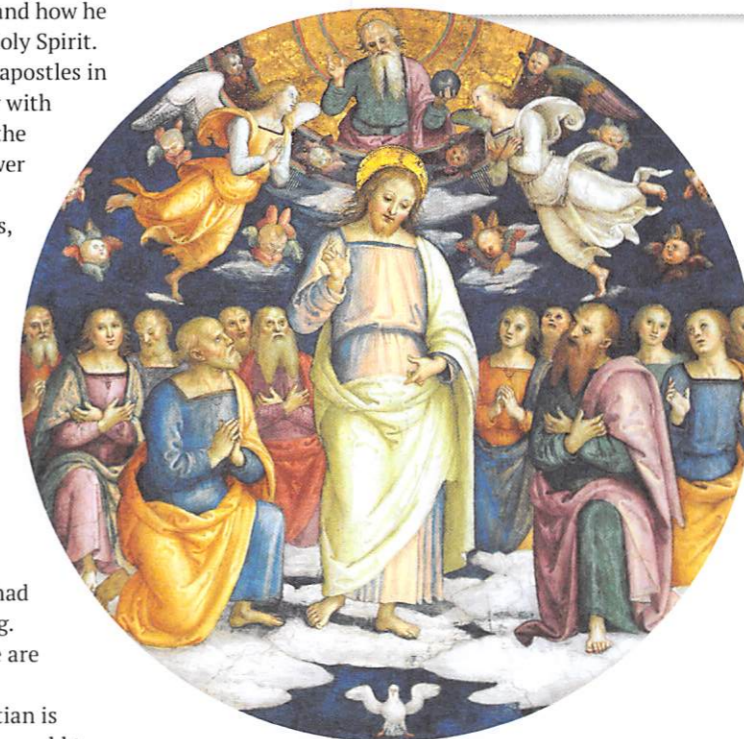
An essential element of being Christian is to understand that we are sent into the world to build Christ's kingdom. We are his missionaries, his representatives. He counts on us to go into the world and bring his message to all his beloved children just as he did—with preaching, testimony, and love. Jesus doesn't send us to be comfortable, professionally successful, and wealthy. He sends us to be missionaries!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Piece: *The Holy Trinity and the Apostles*, 1507-1508

Artist: Pietro Perugino

Location: Vatican Museums



## For Reflection

*Do I live as if I am Christ's presence on earth, aware that I am his missionary?*

*If Jesus were in my family, social, and professional situations, what would he do?*

*When he had said this, as they were looking on,  
he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight.*

Acts 1:9