

# Church of the Holy Angels

April 1, 2018, Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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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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Holy Saturday, March 31

8:00am Morning Prayer

Holy Saturday, March 31, Easter Vigil

8:00pm Andrew & Helen Sabol

Easter Sunday, April 1

7:00am People of the Parish

9:00am Antoinette Bach

11:00am Mary Persavage

Monday, April 2

6:30pm Joseph & Josephine Meyer

Tuesday, April 3

8:00am Peter & Helen Daniels & son, Peter

Wednesday, April 4

7:00am Vincent Mirarchi

Thursday, April 5

6:30pm Lorraine Fallat

Friday, April 6

8:00am Walter Cook

Saturday, April 7

8:00am Deceased of the Wengrenovich  
& Kutzer Families

5:30pm Kathleen York

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8

8:30am Deceased of the Jevelle Family

10:30am People of the Parish

## Sacrificial Offering

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Weekend of March 25, 2018

Sunday Offering Envelopes \$4,473.00

Youth Offering \$98.00

Loose \$214.50

Energy \$39.00

Amount Budgeted \$8,333.00

Amount Contributed \$4,824.50

Weekend of March 25 -\$3,508.50

Votive Candles \$181.00

Air Conditioning maintenance \$336.00

Improvement Fund

Previous Balance \$14,308.00

Weekend of March 25 +\$99.00

Balance \$14,407.00

## Diocesan Collections

Catholic Home Missions \$47.00

Catholic Relief Services \$10.00

## A Dime at a Time

Current Debt \$109,948.10

Dime at a Time \$40.15

Plus 1 (+1) Contributions \$50.00

Debt Reduction \$131.00

## Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal

Goal \$19,800.00

Contributions \$14,784.00

Balance \$5,016.00

## 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.

*Of Your Charity*, please pray for the repose of the souls of **Theresa Kraynak and Clara Jamen**, 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, April 3, 2018. Doors open 4:30PM. Game begins 6:00 PM.

### 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

April 1 thru April 7

**Sanctuary Light:** In loving memory of

Elaine Duran by husband, Michael

**St. Anthony:** In loving memory of  
Salvatore Lacroce by Family

**St. Anne:** In loving memory of  
Helen Thomas by husband, Clem

**St. Casimir:** In loving memory of  
Pappy & Virginia DeSantis by Angela & Family

**St. Theresa:** In loving memory of  
Deceased of the Fodor Family by Sandy

**St. Kateri:** In loving memory of  
Ronald Procopio by wife, Cindy & Children

**St. Marziale:** In loving memory of  
Angelo D'Alexander by wife, Minnie

**Sacred Heart:** In loving memory of  
Andrew & Dolores Furca by Children & Family



### PREP

PREP Classes will be held Sundays, April 8, 15 at 8:30AM for Grades 6, 7 & 8.

PREP Classes will be held on Mondays, April 9, 16 at 5:30PM for Grades 1 thru 5.

### Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 7:15PM

### Finance Council Meeting

Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 7:15PM

### Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, April 7

5:30PM Rosalie Mitchell, Liam Bradley, Sean Bradley, Kaden Hine

Sunday, April 8

8:30AM Sarah Cooper, Hannah Nolter, Jessica Whalen, Donald Whalen

10:30AM Austin Cole, Marshall Mirarchi IV, Landon Williams

### Hersheypark Discount Ticket Offer!

Discount tickets to Hersheypark are available to the friends and families of the parish at a significant savings. Gate admission for Regular is \$67.80; our price is \$34.85 (ALL ages 3+) Add-on discount Hersheypark Meal Tickets at a savings of up to 30% off retail prices-\$11.99 each and Add-on Snack Vouchers \$3.25 each.

Orders MUST be received at the parish office by Monday, April 30, 2018. Tickets will be available by May 26. Order forms are available in the back of the church.

### Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish

Our Lady's Facility Manager/ Janitor will be retiring on June 1<sup>st</sup>. 2018. WANTED: A NEW Facility Manager/ Janitor: This is a full time position and involves caring for all the buildings: Church, School, & Rectory. Diocesan Benefits are available such as Medical and 401 K. Present your work history and recommendations to our office during office hours 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Mon. through Friday or send to: "Pastor" Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church 47 S. Market St. Mount Carmel, Pa. 17851. An application & job description will be provided. You must get Diocesan Mandated Clearances and take the Pa. State Youth Protection Program on line.

### HALO Meeting

Thursday, April 5 at 6:00PM in the Activity Center. We will be nominating and voting on officers and discussing upcoming projects. Remember, ALL ladies of Holy Angels are welcome and needed!

### 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

*Were you married in 1968? In honor of your 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 8, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will be the celebrant. To receive an invitation, please contact the parish office.*

### Mahoney Brothers

The Mahoney Brothers present-The "World's Greatest Musical Impersonation Show" on Saturday, April 7 at 7:00PM at the Mount Carmel Area High School. They will honor all area school districts and honor all of our Vietnam War Veterans. Tickets can be purchased at Academy Sports in Mount Carmel and the Subway at Walmart. Call Joe 570-373-3561.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR! HOLY ANGELS PARISH PICNIC AUGUST 3 & 4, 2018!

Picnic Committee Meeting  
Thursday, April 26 at 7:15PM in the Activity Center.

### **Rite of Sending**

On Sunday, April 8 at the 10:30AM Mass, the Rite of Sending will take place for the Students of our Confirmation Class. Confirmandi are reminded to wear their Confirmation robes. Students will be confirmed on Saturday, April 15, 2018 at 10:30AM at Our Lady of Hope Church, Coal Township, PA. Practice for confirmation will be held at Our Lady of Hope on Thursday, April 12 at 6:30PM. Students and sponsors are to attend. We, as a parish, pray for our students who are preparing for this very special day.

### **Chinese Auction**

Holy Angels Ladies Organization (HALO) will be sponsoring a Chinese Auction to be held on April 22 in the Activity Center. Doors will open after 10:30AM Mass and auction will start at 2:00PM. Please help again in making this a huge success as it was last year. We are asking for either a NEW item to be auctioned or a monetary donation. NO clothing of any type please. Please call Ann at 570-373-5741, Millie at 570-875-9799 or Catherine at 570-373-5752. Together we can make this another huge success!

### **Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal**

A very sincere "thank you" to all who have responded to the Lenten Appeal. To date we have raised \$13,349.00 toward our goal of \$19,800.00. If you have not made your return, do so as soon as possible.

### **93rd HDCCW CONVENTION**

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (HDCCW) cordially invites all women of the Diocese to attend the 93rd Annual Convention, Monday, April 16, 2018 from 9 A. M. – 4 P. M. at the Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg, PA. The theme is "Joined in Christ". Bishop Ronald W. Gainer is the principle celebrant and homilist at Mass, celebrating with many Priests and Deacons of the Diocese.

Keynote Speaker, Rose Folsom, will talk about "**Cultivating the Garden of Your Soul**". She is the Founder of Virtue Connection, she is a lay member of the Dominican Order, Conductor of workshops for religious education classes, Women's Conferences and for the First National Symposium on Family Peace. She has written over 100 articles on her [virtueconnection.com](http://virtueconnection.com) blog and launched a Virtue Connection Facebook page.

There are four afternoon workshops: "Women Disciples: Sharing our Gifts with Others", "Living as Catholic Women in a Secular Society", "Love Notes from God to Recovering Women", "Service Project for the Homeless – Supplies will be provided".

There will be a meditation room, exhibits, religious and Fair Trade items for purchase. COST: \$25 includes continental breakfast and lunch. You may register with your Parish CCW or contact Linda at 717-939-3629 or [linda.hartzell@comcast.net](mailto:linda.hartzell@comcast.net) to register **BY MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2018**. Cancellations must be received by April 9, 2018.

### **Pork Chop Dinner**

Mt. Carmel Knights of Columbus, The Christopher Club, will hold a breaded pork chop dinner, Sunday, April 8, 2018, from 11:30 AM to 1:30PM. Donation is \$10.00. Advance sale ticket is required. Tickets are available from members of the K of C or at the club. The public is invited. Take outs will also be available.

### **Divine Mercy Sunday**

**April 8**

On Sunday, April 8, The Second Sunday of Easter, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. Holy Angels Parish Family is invited to share in the mercy of our Risen Lord by attending a Holy Hour at 3:00PM. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed. Please take the time on April 8 to spend in adoration with our Risen Lord.

**Easter is a feast which gives us hope and encouragement.** In this world of pain, sorrows and tears, Easter reminds us that life is worth living. It is our belief in the Real Presence of the Risen Jesus in our souls, in His Church, in the Blessed Sacrament and in Heaven that gives meaning to our personal, as well as to our common, prayers. Our trust in the all-pervading presence of the Risen Lord gives us strength to fight against temptations and freedom from unnecessary worries and fears. The prayer of St. Patrick, the Apostle of Ireland, reads: "Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ within me, never to part."

### **Easter Greetings**

The custom of greeting each other with appropriate greetings is very popular Easter. In the early centuries, Christians embraced each other with the words "Surrexit Dominus vere" (Christ is truly risen), to which the answer was "Deo gratias" (Thanks be to God). Among Greeks, the Easter greeting is "Christos aneste" (Christ is risen), the answer given is "Alethos aneste", (He is truly risen). This greeting is also used by our Ruthenian and Ukrainian brothers, who use the Slavonic language "Christos voskre" (Christ is risen), the response of which is "Voistunu voskres" (He is truly risen).

In Russia, the Easter kiss was bestowed during Matins before the night Mass, people would embrace each other in the church. All through Easter week the mutual kiss and embrace were repeated; not only in the homes but also on the streets, even with strangers. Slovaks greet each other at Easter with the greeting "Vesele Vel'konocne sviatly" (A joyous celebration of the great night) while the Poles greet each other with the wish "Wesołego, Alleluja" (A joyful alleluia to you).

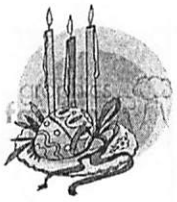
In medieval times, when the bishop celebrated Easter Mass in his cathedral and the clergy received Communion from his hand, the priests and ministers would kiss him on the cheek after Communion, according to the regulations.

### **Principal Openings**

The Diocese of Harrisburg Catholic Schools Department has announced six Principal Openings for the 2018 – 2019 school year: St. Joseph, York ([www.sjy.org](http://www.sjy.org)); Our Mother of Perpetual Help School, Ephrata ([www.omph.org](http://www.omph.org)); St. Margaret Mary School, Harrisburg ([www.stmmparishschool.org](http://www.stmmparishschool.org)); Seven Sorrows B.V.M. School, Middletown ([www.ssbvm.org](http://www.ssbvm.org)); Lebanon Catholic School, Lebanon ([www.lebanoncatholicschool.org](http://www.lebanoncatholicschool.org)); Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School, Coal Twp ([www.lourdes.k12.pa.us](http://www.lourdes.k12.pa.us)). Information on these positions is available at [www.hbgdiocese.org/jobs](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/jobs)

Minimum qualifications: Practicing, knowledgeable Catholic; Thorough understanding of Catholic School Philosophy; Commitment to modeling the values of Catholic Educational Leadership; PA Administrators Certificate (or in process); Catechetical Certification (or in process) and 5 years teaching experience. For more information see the Employment listings on the Diocese of Harrisburg website: [www.hbgdiocese.org](http://www.hbgdiocese.org). Send resume and letter of interest by March 31, 2018 to: Livia Riley, Superintendent of Schools; Diocese of Harrisburg; 4800 Union Deposit Road; Harrisburg, PA 17111-3710 or by email: [lriley@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:lriley@hbgdiocese.org).

## *Standing Altar Candles for the Month of April*



In Loving Memory of	Given by
Teresina & Antonio Mirarchi, Ralph Mallozzi .....	Annina
Fred J. Procopio, Justin Greco, Marshall A. Procopio .....	Annina
John Voloshin .....	wife, Anna Marie & Family
Theresa Chesney .....	Husband & Children
Fred Procopio .....	Deborah, Vincent & Michael Procopio
Mary Dormer .....	Alex Laskoski
Frank Pupo .....	Anna Pupo
A Special Intention	



The Pulpit Candles will burn the Month of April  
 In Loving Memory of The Deceased of the John Pelchar Family by Joseph Pelchar  
 A Special Intention by Barbara Procopio

### FEBRUARY 2018 REVENUE

#### OPERATING INCOME

	Current Month	Year-to-Date
Ordinary Income	\$21,238.00	\$209,632.34
General Fund Raising Activities	\$1,828.33	\$76,470.65
Extraordinary Income	\$2,886.41	\$51,963.13
Total Operating Income	\$25,952.74	\$338,066.12
Non-Operating Income	\$1,432.00	\$52,731.25
Total Income	\$27,384.74	\$390,803.37

Non-operating income refers to debt reduction campaign, capital fund income and withdrawal from savings.

### EXPENSES

#### OPERATING EXPENDITURES

Salaries	\$10,012.06	\$85,179.95
Employee Benefits	\$4,642.55	\$40,468.69
Purchased Services	\$19,403.23	\$146,732.39
Other Expenses	\$390.01	\$6,756.71
Total Operating Expenses	\$34,447.85	\$279,137.74
Non-Operating Expenses	\$2,551.00	\$110,278.60
Total Expenditures	\$36,998.85	\$389,416.34
Excess of Income over Expenditures	(\$9,614.11)	\$1,387.03

Non-operating expenditures relates to deposit to savings, payment on debt, capital expenditures (building) and transfer to perpetual care. These funds are not used to pay "ordinary" expenses.



## Calendar

### Monday

April 2

Octave of Easter

Acts 2:14, 22–33

Mt 28:8–15

### Tuesday

April 3

Octave of Easter

Acts 2:36–41

Jn 20:11–18

### Wednesday

April 4

Octave of Easter

Acts 3:1–10

Lk 24:13–35

### Thursday

April 5

Octave of Easter

Acts 3:11–26

Lk 24:35–48

### Friday

April 6

Octave of Easter

Acts 4:1–12

Jn 21:1–14

### Saturday

April 7

Octave of Easter

Acts 4:13–21

Mk 16:9–15

### Sunday

April 8

Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts 4:32–35

1 Jn 5:1–6

Jn 20:19–31

# Dear Padre,

**I've just returned from a visit to the Holy Land. When we visited the tomb of Jesus, we saw a simple marble slab in a small chapel. Is our faith based on an empty tomb?**

I am happy to answer your question on this highest truth of our faith—the resurrection of Jesus. Our faith in the resurrection is not based on an empty tomb or a little marble slab. There are many explanations for an empty tomb, most which would not contribute to the belief in Jesus' resurrection.

Our faith in the resurrection rests not only on the physical reality of the empty tomb but, more importantly, on the eyewitness accounts of those who saw Jesus, talked to him, and walked with him after his resurrection.

There are many reports in the Gospels and the Acts of the Apostles that chronicle the appearance of Jesus after the resurrection. Details vary, but one

constant is found in all the accounts: Those who saw the risen Lord had such a powerful experience that they couldn't keep it to themselves. They had to run and tell somebody.

Think of this as a Christian "big bang

theory." Jesus' followers had such a tremendous initial experience of the risen Lord that they could not hold it in. They told their friends, neighbors—anyone who would listen. Excitement spread to neighboring villages and hamlets, then to surrounding countries and cultures. Eventually, Christianity expanded, sometimes under great persecution, throughout the world. Could such endurance and dynamism result from only an empty tomb? No. Only an experience of the risen Jesus could bring this about.

Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

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## A Word From Pope Francis

*We Christians are all called to communicate this message of resurrection to those we meet, especially to those who suffer, to those who are alone, to those who find themselves in precarious conditions, to the sick, to refugees, to the marginalized.*

—Regina Caeli, April 10, 2016



# Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 1, 2018

Easter (B)

Acts 10:34a, 37–43

Col 3:1–4 or 1 Cor 5:6b–8

Jn 20:1–9 or Mk 16:1–7

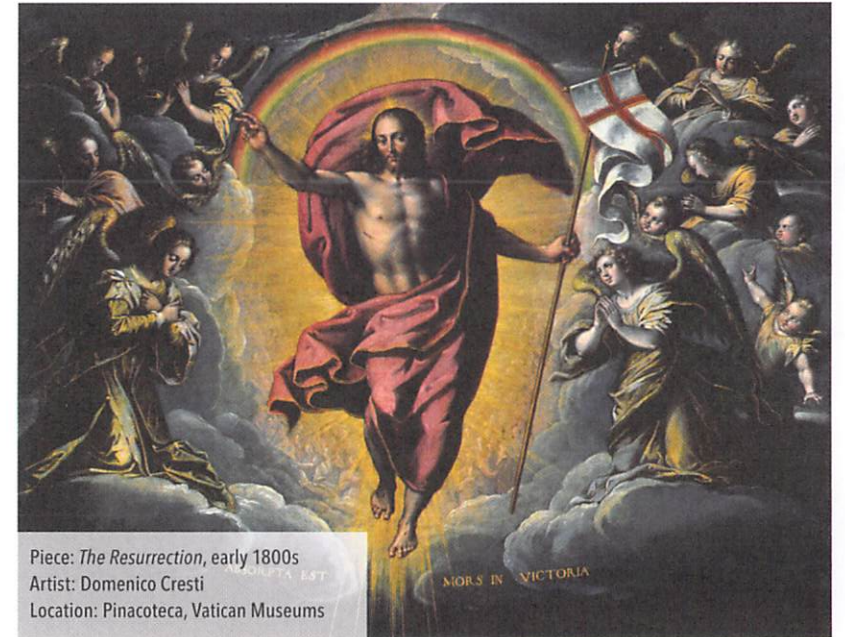
## Victory!

Fr. Lorenzo Ricci, SJ, placed this painting in the chapel commemorating the spot outside Rome where Ignatius had a vision confirming his desire to ask the pope to found the Jesuit order. It's significant because Fr. Lorenzo enthroned this painting as a symbolic act just before the order was suppressed throughout the Portuguese and Spanish Empires. It was one of their darkest hours.

We all have dark moments in our histories. It seems death will swallow us; that God has abandoned us, and there is no solution. The darkness in the painting suggests just that—the world of darkness and despair without the light of Christ. The soldiers sleep, the cold world waits below, and a once-strong trunk is dry and sapped of vigor.

Above, the beautiful Christ figure is surrounded in light, while he hoists the victory standard: the blood-red cross of martyrdom set upon the pure white of resurrection. He, like a new Moses, is leading them into the promised land of eternal life.

These contrasting scenes of darkness and light are the message of the painting and of the resurrection itself. Peter, John, and Mary Magdalene had locked themselves at home, engulfed in darkness, fear, and sadness. The next morning they arrive to the tomb only to find it open and the body of their beloved



Piece: *The Resurrection*, early 1800s  
Artist: Domenico Cresti  
Location: Pinacoteca, Vatican Museums

Savior gone. Victory was being won even as they slept.

Entrust your ways to the Lord and he will act. God is at work winning your salvation! Do not let hope be vanquished! Hold on. Trust in him. Victory is right around the corner!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

## For Reflection

*Do I trust in Christ's power, which I cannot see, more than the problems that I can see?*

*Do I believe God is a good Father and only permits that which leads to greater glory for both of us?*

*Think of what is above, not what is on earth.*

*Colossians 3:2*