

AUGUST -- Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

FIRST READING (Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23) Wisdom literature focuses on the meaning and significance of everyday life, especially in those things that matter in our relationship to God and one another. The key lesson of Ecclesiastes is that life is “vanity of vanities,” transitory like vapor or breath that quickly vanishes. Those who work hard at gaining possessions and wealth will soon die and leave the possessions to one who has not worked for them. Striving for material things brings with it worry, anxiety and sleepless nights. Death makes such struggle futile and meaningless. Wisdom’s lesson is to focus on the transitory nature of life and strive for things that truly matter in life. Only attunement to God’s values and path, and not our limited and often distorted values, leads to the wisdom of heart necessary to face and work through life’s transitory nature.

Today’s text focuses in particular on the pains and difficulties of human labor. When all is said and done, what is there to show for it? The words can sound depressing, but they wisely call us to focus on the ultimate and most important (eternal) realities in life.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17) This communal lament invites us to be attentive to God’s voice, God’s way of doing things and not harden our heart in the process. Reflecting a strong wisdom focus, the psalm speaks of the transitory nature of life, along the lines of Ecclesiastes and of our need for the Lord’s guidance “to number our day’s aright, / that we may gain wisdom of heart.” “Such wisdom is acquired by petitioning God to “[f]ill us. . .with your kindness,” namely with *hesed* or covenant love which helps us focus on right relationship to God, others and all creation. In so doing, God’s gracious care will be ours and the work of our hands, aligned to God’s work, will indeed prosper.

The theme of the transitoriness of human life is clearly echoed in the first two stanzas of Psalm 90. A prayer for wisdom about the true meaning of life is voiced in the third stanza and for prosperity in the fourth. God our Creator is our Savior and Shepherd. He will lead us into his presence if we respond to his call and life by his wisdom.

SECOND READING (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11) If in Baptism we have been raised with Christ, then it must manifest itself in our manner of living and relating to God and one another. Our life is now hidden with Christ in God such that we no longer act but Christ acts in and through us. We are challenged to put away all that is “earthly,” namely all that causes our hearts to harden and not be attuned to Christ’s way of living and acting. In Baptism we have put on Christ so we must live as Christ. Since “Christ is all and in all,” we are all bonded to each other, all divisions are eliminated and nothing can ever separate us from God and one another.

Our Baptism meant dying with Christ and being raised with him in newness of life. Ours, too, is the hope of glory. We must now live accordingly. Today’s reading offers some very specific instructions on how we are to live and become the new self that we have received in Baptism, one in the image of our creator.

GOSPEL (Luke 12:13-21) Luke’s Jesus is always attuned to the obstacles that riches pose in our efforts to attune ourselves to God’s voice and way of operating. The “rich fool” parable becomes a living example of one who has not learned that “one’s life does not consist of possessions.” Ecclesiastes’ wisdom of the “vanity” of life, the worries that come with possessions and the uncertainty of inheritance upon death, are reiterated by Jesus as an important teaching lesson for all disciples. Jesus teaches us in what we are all called to become “rich in what matter to God” and not in storing “up treasures for ourselves. Only by responding to God’s covenant love offered to us in Christ, and striving to be in right relationship with all, will we ever achieve true wisdom of heart.

The situation at the beginning of today’s Gospel is sadly an all too familiar one. Jesus’ parable touches deeply into the truth regarding riches. Ultimately earthly wealth does not matter—we cannot take it with us into the next life. Let us labor, instead, for riches in what matters to God.

Readings: 18th Week of Ordinary Time

Su	8/4	Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23 • Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 • Col 3:1-5, 9-11 • Luke 12:13-21
M	8/5	Num 11:4-15 • Ps 81:12-17 • Matt 14:13-21
Tu	8/6	Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 • Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 • 2 Peter 1:16-19 • Luke 9:28-36
W	8/7	Num 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29, 34-35 • Ps 106:6-7, 13-14, 21-23 • Matt 15:21-28
Th	8/8	Num 20:1-13 • Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 • Matt 16:13-23
F	8/9	Deut 4:32-40 • Ps 77:12-16, 21 • Matt 16:24-28
Sa	8/10	2 Cor 9:6-10 • Ps 112:1-2, 5-9 • John 12:24-26

Anniversaries Aug 4th – 10th

8/9 Donald & Sally Orr, Steven & Carol Smith

Birthdays Aug 4th – 10th

8/4 Pete Hinkel, Caden Meador, Alan “Omar” Ramirez
 8/5 Maria Bocanegra Medina, Jake Ebelhar, Alma Mercedes Rubio
 8/7 Ken Alley, Martha Ayala, Bryan Frank
 8/8 Christina Cooper
 8/9 Bradley Gerling, Diego Morales
 8/10 Michelle Grissom, Candi Harrington, Julian Rubio

FOOD DRIVE for Matthew 25:40

Help fill Matthew’s Food Pantry!!!

Place donations in the grocery buggy located in the foyer.

SHARE WHAT YOU CAN

Pope Francis’ Monthly Prayer Intention

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month. Only one intention is offered per month, whether universal or related to evangelization.

August

Evangelization -- Families

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly “schools of true human growth”.

Funerals

When planning a funeral for a loved one, please call the pastor before making any arrangements with the funeral home regarding the date and time of visitation, the funeral Mass or service at the funeral home.

Hospitality Committee

Holy Angels will provide a funeral luncheon if the family of the deceased requests one. The Hospitality Committee consists of several women from the parish who volunteer to host the luncheons. Someone from the committee will be calling on you for food and help when the need arises.

HOLY ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Patrick Hirtz

AUGUST

Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

—Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17



August 4, 2019 — 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

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Office Hours >>>

NEW OFFICE HOURS

M – F 9:00am – 4:00pm
 Closed 12 noon – 1:00pm for lunch

Parish Staff >>>

Pastor
 Rev. Patrick Hirtz
 Email: revhirtz@cableone.net

Deacon
 Rev. Mr. William Winston (Deacon Bill)
 Coordinator of Social Ministries

Office Manager
 Pete Hinkel

Administrative Assistant
 Cathi Cychol Shea

Music Director
 Sarah Jean

Nursery
 Therese Cohen

Maintenance
 Richard Spence

Parish Religious Education (PRE)
 Carrie Beld, Director (cell: 731-882-9151)
 Email: nanacbeld@yahoo.com
 Office Hours: Sunday 8:45am - 10:45am

Youth Group Minister
 Sarah Alley

Mission Statement

Holy Angels is a Catholic community of faith joining past, present, and future members on a journey with Christ to the Father. Through worship, stewardship, evangelization, and works of charity, we strive to more perfectly image God, who is love.

Mass Schedule

Sat Vigil: 5:00pm

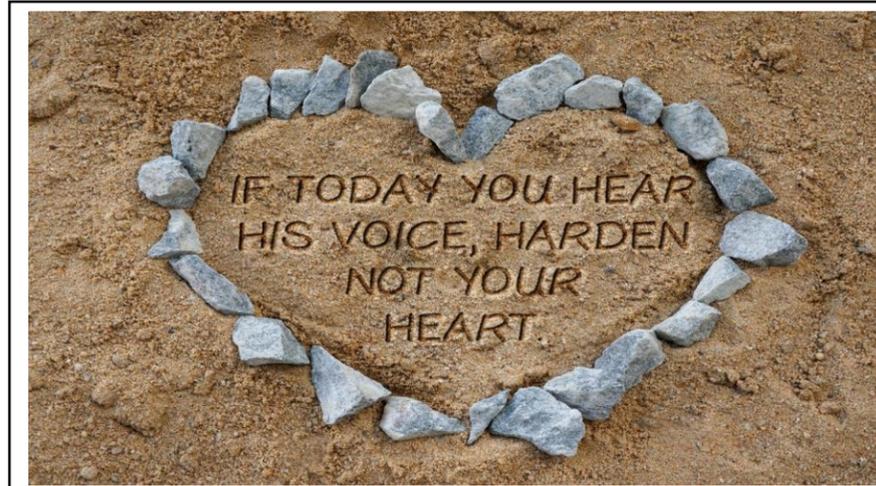
Sun: 8:00am & 10:45am

Daily Mass: M, W, F at 12 noon; Th at 9:00am

First Saturday ONLY is at 8:00am

(Holydays: See special announcement in bulletin)

Penance - Sat: 4:00-4:30pm; Sun: between Masses or by appointment



We welcome any visitors, including those who may not be of our Catholic faith. We pray that our celebration of the sacred liturgy today was a meaningful one for you. If you are a new member in the parish, complete a census form and return it to the church office. Census forms can be found in the foyer. To date we have 226 families and 664 members.

MASS INTENTIONS: Week of Aug 4th – 10th

Sanctuary Candle -- †In memory of Joan Cychol (†5 yr anniv 8/9/2014)

Flowers

8/4	Su	8:00am 10:45am 1:00pm	Repose of the souls of Sharon & Roy Campbell by Andres & Ciria Martinez People of Holy Angels, living and deceased
8/5	M	12 Noon	In honor of Ken Alley by Dot Alley (Bday)
8/7	W	12 Noon	Repose of the soul of Richard Johnson by Barbara Johnson (Bday)
8/8	Th	9:00am	Repose of the souls of Joe & Evelyn Walden by Dot Alley (Wedding Anniv)
8/9	F	12 Noon	Repose of the soul of Marilyn Arvin by Carmel Freidhof
8/10	Sa	5:00pm	Repose of the soul of Mary Harrell by Joan Fisher

MEETINGS & SCHEDULED EVENTS:

8/11	Su	9:30-10:15am	RCIA (Adult Faith Formation) Inquiry Session
8/14	W	7:30-8:30pm	Exposition ending w/ OLPH Novena & Benediction
8/18	Su	9:30-10:15am	RCIA (Adult Faith Formation) Inquiry Session

AUGUST – MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary takes place on the day after the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, usually in June, but in this month when we celebrate Mary's Assumption (August 15) and her Coronation or Queenship (August 22), we also give honor to her Immaculate Heart. There are many prayers to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Here is one short enough to memorize and pray every day during this special month: "O Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, obtain for me from Jesus a pure and humble heart."

Aug 6th – The Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

reminds us about the depth of mystery that surrounded Jesus Christ—mystery in the sense that we can never exhaust who he really is or categorize him in any way. Fully human, he may indeed have needed a tent or a place to camp on the mountain, like Peter asked. But just when the Apostles may have been getting really comfortable with their understanding of Jesus as a friend and teacher, they catch a glimpse of his heavenly glory, challenging them to remain open to Christ communicating to them who he is as Son of God. We have moments like the Apostles each time we encounter and grapple with a new and challenging image of God in Scriptures. Remaining humble and open to the revelatory action of God's Word and Spirit is a way to enter ever more deeply into the mystery of who God is for us in Jesus Christ.

Today we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration, when Jesus took Peter, James, and John upon the mountain and was transfigured in glory before them. By this feast, Jesus reveals his glory, prefiguring the coming glory of his Resurrection. Moses and Elijah appear to represent the Law and the Prophets, a prophecy which Jesus fulfills. The Father's voice speaks from the heavens with one command: listen to his beloved Son.

Holyday of Obligation

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday, August 14th – Vigil Mass at 6:00pm
Thursday, August 15th – Masses at 8:00am, 12 noon and 6:00pm Spanish Mass

The Parish Office will be closed
(There is a special collection envelope for this Mass)

Collection Report for 07/28/19		
Reg Coll		\$1,419.50
Online donations		\$330.00
Total Reg Collection		\$1,749.50
Budget	\$3,516.00	-\$1,766.50
Reg Disbursements		\$12,786.88
Votive Candle		\$81.00
PRE Tuition		\$90.00
B/M Collection		\$0.00
B/M Disbursements		\$142.16

2nd Collection for August

8/4 Building Maintenance

Special Collection for August

8/15 Assumption of Mary Offering

Attendance

(226 families / 664 parishioners)

7/28 43-66-88 197

PRE Attendance – Begins 8/11/2019

Present:

Absent: (excused; non-excused)

REMEMBER -- you must call or email your excuse into CARRIE BELD, DRE

cell: 731-882-9151

Email: nanacbeld@yahoo.com

Alb Care Volunteers

July – Etilica Hendrickson

Aug – Christi Boone

Altar Linen Care Volunteers

July – VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Aug – Charlotte Haslett

Men of Holy Angels...

Have you thought about becoming a brother in the Knights of Columbus? Want to learn more about the Knights? Visit our web page www.holyangelscc.com and learn more. You can even join online!

Why wait... Do it today!!!



MEETING

Sunday, August 25th at 6:00pm in the Conference Room

Iglesia Católica de los Santos Ángeles

Educación Religiosa comenzará el Domingo, 11 de Agosto
Class de Religión de 9:30am a 10:30am

Misa de 8:00am y 10:45am (Inglés)
Misa en Español Inicio 4 de Agosto 1:00pm

Nos vemos en clase el 11 de Agosto!

PRE begins

Sunday, August 11, 2019
9:30 – 10:30am

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

Do you know anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic, perhaps a friend, or even a spouse?

Are you a baptized Catholic, but never received the sacraments of Confirmation or Eucharist?

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith?

If you can answer "yes" to any of these questions, come to the RCIA inquiry sessions on **August 11th and 18th from 9:30—10:15am (between the Sunday morning Masses)** in the Parish Hall. At the inquiry sessions, you will have the opportunity to ask questions and talk with Fr. Patrick Hirtz about the RCIA process.

For those interested in participating in RCIA, the classes will meet weekly 6:30-8:00pm, beginning in September. The day of the week is yet to be determined. Babysitting will be available. Meetings include witness stories, instruction, discussion and fellowship.

The RCIA information packet can be found on the bookcase shelves in the foyer and on the website.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT PRE MEETINGS !!!

MANDATORY 1st Penance Parents' Meeting The 1st Penance Registration & Information Meeting is Sunday, August 18th at 9:30am in the Parish Hall. Sacramental Registration Forms and information will be distributed at this meeting. It is **MANDATORY** that each 1st Penance student and at least one of his/her parents attend this preparation meeting if you wish to register your child for 1st Penance. Attendance will be taken. Regular PRE class will resume after the meeting.

MANDATORY Confirmation Parents' Meeting The 7th & 8th grade Works of Mercy (service hours) and Confirmation Meeting is Sunday, August 25th at 9:30am in the classrooms located in the basement. Sacramental Registration Forms, Confirmation information and Works of Mercy information will be distributed at this meeting. It is **MANDATORY** that each 7th and 8th grade students and at least one of his/her parents attend this preparation meeting if you wish to register your child for Confirmation. Attendance will be taken. Regular PRE class will resume after the meeting.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism - A preparation class is required of the parents requesting Baptism for their first child. Parents and godparents are encouraged to attend the class before the baby's birth.

Confirmation is celebrated in the spring with students who are at least in the 8th grade and have completed the requirements for the preparation process in our PRE program.

Matrimony - Couples planning to marry should contact the Pastor at least 5 months prior to the proposed date so all parish and diocesan requirements may be completed.

Holy Orders - If you feel called to a vocation in the priesthood or religious life, please contact the pastor.

Anointing of the Sick - If you wish to receive this sacrament, contact the pastor. If there is an emergency situation, an immediate family member should contact the pastor.

Nursery

The nursery is located in the classroom next to the kitchen in the parish hall. The nursery is open to children birth to 4 years.

Notify the Parish of a Seriously Ill Family Member

If a family member has been admitted to the hospital or is ill at home, please contact the parish office and let us know.

Bulletin Announcement Deadline

Announcements for the bulletin must be received in writing by 12 noon on Monday to be printed in the following Sunday's bulletin.

The Catholic Diocese of Memphis in Tennessee encourages all victims, or parents of minors who are victims of sexual abuse by a bishop, priest, deacon or diocesan employee or agent, to report such abuse by phoning any of the following numbers:

Tennessee Child Abuse Hotline
1-877-237-0004

Victim Assistance Coordinator
901-652-4066

Dir. of Child and Youth Protection
901-359-2027

All reports will be treated in a confidential manner. The Diocese of Memphis offers a program of psychological and spiritual assistance to abused victims in need.

(2/14/2019)

FORMED – To sign up FREE of charge as a parishioner of Holy Angels Church, go to www.holyangelscc.formed.org, click on the "REGISTER NOW" button and establish an account. After doing so, you'll have access to a wealth of material to grow in your faith. Please take advantage of this opportunity to benefit yourselves and others.