

September – Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

FIRST READING (Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29) Sirach, a Wisdom literature book, reflects on life experience and exhorts people on how to live well and in harmony with others and with God. This brief passage counsels the practice of humility so as to be admired by others. It also insists that the higher a person's status, the more one should practice humility, thus finding favor with God. Humility involves knowing one's limitations and living within them, while learning and being attentive to the wisdom of sages and wise ones, most especially the wisdom revealed to us by God. The final bit of advice suggests that as water quenches fire, so alms to the poor atone for sins. Such exhortation to humility and concern for the poor finds resonance in Jesus, the Wisdom of God present among us.

We might think of today's readings as consisting of several independent sayings. The first is concerned with humility (verses 17-78). Sirach's wisdom is rooted in life experience: no one likes to be around an arrogant person who is into self-exaltation. Verse 20 has to do with knowing one's place in the larger scheme of things and coming to a sense of awe, mystery and humble reverence. Verse 27 encourages an active search for wisdom with the help of sages and proverbs. Verse 29 makes an interesting parallel between water putting out a fire and almsgiving atoning for sin.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 68:4-4, 6-7, 10-11) The psalm refrain captures well Sirach's exhortation to humility and concern for the poor. God's covenant love for all, especially the poor, results in providential care and shelter for them. We thank and praise God, who though highly exalted, stoops down to be "the father of orphans and the defender of widows," giving a home to the forsaken and leading prisoners to prosperity. God's goodness or covenant love reaches out to all, providing for the needy and caring for creation.

Today's antiphon with its focus on the poor picks up on the last line of the First Reading (alms). Psalm 68 is a hymn of praise (see the first stanza of today's response). The second stanza focuses on God's providential care for the poor. The "needy" of the last stanza refers to all God's people ("your flock").

SECOND READING (Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a) The selection from the Letter to the Hebrews compares the reaction of the people to the covenant on Mt. Sinai with the end time fulfillment of God's covenant relationship with all humanity. Even though the Sinai covenant was one of mutual love and relationship, the way it was delivered and experienced, (fire, darkness, storm, trumpet), brought fear and trembling upon the people that they wanted the experience to end. The end-time fulfillment of that covenant will involve all humanity in a festive gathering on Zion, God's holy mountain. There, all the just and those who have gone before us will be present, with God as judge of all and with Jesus as the mediator of the fulfilled covenant, accomplished through the sprinkling of his blood that spoke more eloquently than the innocent spilling of the blood of Abel. Such a festive gathering awaits all God's people.

Today's text from Hebrews contrasts Israel's experience of God on Mount Sinai with our experience of God on Mount Zion in the heavenly Jerusalem (now). The reading invites us to think about when and how we approach the heavenly Mount Zion. Take note of all those gathered there with God and Jesus.

GOSPEL (Luke 14:1, 7-14) Jesus uses meal scenes to teach important lessons to all who would be disciples. Observing the jockeying for places of honor at table, Jesus' parable counsels humility and the choice of a lower place lest embarrassment ensue when your host asks you to move because someone more honorable has arrived. In this fashion, you will be honored by the host and by our God, one who loves reversal of human patterns and thoughts. Jesus' second parable instructs hosts to invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, people who cannot repay the favor. Honor and God's reward is yours for choosing to abide by God's way of doing things and not ours. God exalts all who humble themselves, while humbling all those who exalt themselves. As disciples, we are called to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable. Jesus would heartily agree.

Readings: 22nd Week of Ordinary Time

Su	9/1	Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 • Ps 68:4-7, 10-11 • Heb 12:18-19, 22-24 • Luke 14:1, 7-14
M	9/2	1 Thess 4:13-18 • Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13 • Luke 4:16-30
Tu	9/3	1 Thess 5:1-6, 9-11 • Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 • Luke 4:31-37
W	9/4	Col 1:1-8 • Ps 52:10-11 • Luke 4:38-44
Th	9/5	Col 1:9-14 • Ps 98:2-6 • Luke 5:1-11
F	9/6	Col 1:15-20 • Ps 100:1-5 • Luke 5:33-39
Sa	9/7	Col 1:21-23 • Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8 • Luke 6:1-5

Anniversaries Sept 1st – 7th

9/1	Kathy & Dr. George Yarbrow
9/2	Terry & Michelle Piskorski
9/3	Rad & Lee Ann Hunsley

Birthdays Sept 1st – 7th

9/1	Kathy Yarbrow
9/2	Justine Betonio, Brian Maddox
9/3	Jessica Luckenbaugh
9/4	Marilyn Luckenbaugh, Alma Santos, Dr. George Yarbrow
9/5	Juan Carlos Garcia Ponce, Hector Vasquez, Jr., Jacqueline Vasquez
9/6	Kenneth Price, Damion Unland

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.

September**Universal – Politicians, Scientists & Economists**

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

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***SEPTEMBER
Month of Our Lady of Sorrows**

*"God, in your goodness, you have made [a home,] a home for the poor."
–Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11*

**September 1, 2019 — 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

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Office Hours >>>

NEW OFFICE HOURS as of 8/1/19

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

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am; 10:45am & Spanish Mass at 1:00pm

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)

CONFESSION - Saturday: 4:00-4:30pm;

Sunday: between Masses or by appointment



Anyone who has ever planned a wedding or another big celebration knows the important role seating arrangements can take on. The head-table and other seats of honor indicate who the most distinguished people are at the banquet. Playing with this metaphor, Jesus teaches us a great lesson in the kingdom of God, the humble, the poor and the needy are the ones who hold these honored places. Through his life, Death and Resurrection, Christ invites us to the great heavenly banquet table and in doing so, calls each of us to humility. A humble person recognizes his or her limitations, weakness and poverty before God. Humility, though, is far from despair: along with a sense of finitude comes the recognition of God's grace in our lives abundantly meeting our needs. To assume the place of honor is to miss the opportunity of letting God's Spirit animate our lives and lead us well beyond our selfish ambitions.

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 Sept 1st – 7th

Sanctuary Candle
Bread & Wine
Flowers

9/1	Su	8:00am 10:45am 1:00pm	Repose of the soul of Bernard Carner Repose of the soul of Katherine Schumacher Spanish Mass People of Holy Angels, living and deceased
9/2	M	9:00am	Labor Day – Office Closed Health Intentions of Nancy Moore by Donna Emery
9/4	W	12 Noon	Repose of the soul of Louise Parkhill by Donna Emery
9/5	Th	9:00am	Repose of the soul of Deacon Fred Hirtz
9/6	F	12 Noon	First Friday Health Intentions of Joan Fisher by Dee Davis
9/7	Sa	8:00am 5:00pm	First Saturday Health Intentions of Dot Alley by Dee Davis Repose of the soul of Theresa Fisher by Joan Fisher

MEETINGS & SCHEDULED EVENTS:

9/4	W	6:00-7:30pm	Youth Group in the Parish Hall
9/6	F	12 Noon	First Friday Mass/Devotion
9/7	Sa	8:00am 9:00-2:00pm	First Saturday Mass/Devotion Youth Group Soup Kitchen at Salvation Army

FAITH Lift

Attention Holy Angels Catholic Women and Friends!

Please join us on Thursday, September 12th at 6:00pm for our quarterly FAITH LIFT EVENT!

Lisa Hord will be our spiritual guest speaker. She is from Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Memphis.

Ashley Cavasos, LMT, of Mountain Spirit Massage will also be with us discussing the benefits of massage.

*** A light dinner will be served ***

THURSDAY, September 12th, 2019 at 6:00pm

Holy Angels Catholic Church Parish Hall

JOIN US!

*** RSVP to church office 287-8000

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Classes will meet weekly 6:30-8:00pm, beginning Monday, September 16th. Babysitting will be available. Be sure to complete the RCIA information packet which can be found on the bookcase shelves in the foyer/office hallway and on the website.

Oct 27th – The 2019 FATHER SON PROGRAM

for 12 to 15 year old boys will be on Sunday, October 27th at Holy Rosary Catholic Church from 2pm to 5pm. Fathers, Grandfathers, Godfathers, Uncles, Father Figures, and even Mother's, please bring the young men in your life to this excellent program where we will discuss God's gift of human sexuality, fertility, and the virtue of chastity as well as His plan for growing up and becoming men of integrity! This program will be presented by some of the most exceptional men throughout our diocese. Plus, we will have PIZZA and refreshments! Please register by Monday, October 21st at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-father-son-program-tickets-67566363813>. Tickets are \$25/family. Please contact Sierra Kallaher by email at sierrastamey88@gmail.com or by phone at (901)378-6828 for any questions.

Collection Report for 8/25/19 will be published in next week's bulletin. Pete Hinkel is on vacation.

2nd Collections for September

- 9/1 Building Maintenance
- 9/8 Catholic University of America
- 9/15 Holy Angels Scholarship Fund

Special Collection for September anytime in September -- \$25 for Religious Educ Program

Attendance

(226 families / 664 parishioners)
8/25 36-74-109-52 271

PRE Attendance – 8/25/2019

Present: 86 out of 102 (84%)
Absent: 16 (8 excused; 8 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

Aug – VOLUNTEER NEEDED
Sept – Cheryl Spence

Altar Linen Care Volunteers

Aug – Charlotte Haslett
Sept – Volunteer Needed

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, September 29th at 6:00pm in the Conference Room

ATTENTION: All Eucharistic Ministers — The General Instruction of the Roman Missal states — “The sacred vessels are purified by the priest, the deacon, or an instituted acolyte after Communion or after Mass, insofar as possible at the credence table. The purification of the chalice is done with water alone or with wine and Water, which is then drunk by whoever does the purification. The paten is usually wiped clean with the purificator.

Care must be taken that whatever may remain of the Blood of Christ after the distribution of Communion is consumed immediately and completely at the altar.”

YOUTH SURVEY

Hello everyone! Please take time to take the survey even if you are off to college or you are a parent or guardian of a youth in our Church. We are collecting data to improve our youth group. We all know that our faith is in the hands of our youth. -- Sarah Alley, Holy Angels Youth Minister Survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2F66VHR>

Sept 7th – Youth Group Salvation Army Soup Kitchen To all kids in Youth Group - Come help us cook and serve lunch at Salvation Army on Saturday, September 7th from 9:00 – 2:00pm. Volunteer and give back to your community!

PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 15th

(after the 1:00 Spanish Mass)

celebrating anniversary of “Grito de Dolores”
food will be served at 3:00pm
lots of games for all ages and maybe a concert
sign-up sheets for volunteers will be coming soon

Sept 16th – Grito de Dolores, (“Cry of Dolores”) The Grito de Dolores is a historical event that occurred in Dolores, Mexico, in the early morning of September 16, 1810. Roman Catholic priest Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla rang the bell of his church and gave the pronunciamiento that triggered the Mexican War of Independence from Spain. Although many mistakenly attribute the Cinco de Mayo holiday as the celebration of Mexican independence, September 16th was the day the enthusiastic Indian and mestizo congregation of Hidalgo's small Dolores parish church took up arms and began their fight for freedom against Spain.

Jan 23-25, 2020 – 47th Annual March for Life Join us on the trip to Washington, DC, there is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. We will depart Memphis to Reagan International Airport -- Hotel, Vigil Mass for Life, Youth Rally & Mass and National March for Life.

The March for Life Rally will take place at 12 noon on the National Mall and then march up Constitution Avenue to the Supreme Court and Capitol Building at approximately 1:00pm

The Youth Rally & Mass for Life occurs in conjunction with the annual National March for Life held on/or near the anniversary date of the 1973 Roe vs. Wade court decision making abortion legal in the U.S. The rally strives to encourage the youth participating in the march in their witness as disciples of Christ and promoters of the Gospel of Life.

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.