

Welcome!

We welcome all visitors this weekend, and hope you will enjoy being part of our parish family. We invite you to continue joining us each week at our liturgical celebrations.

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Question for the Week

1st Sunday of Advent – Year A

“What will you do during this Advent so that others can see the light of Jesus in you?”

Welcome, New Parishioners!

We are pleased to welcome the following newly registered members to our parish community:

Ruth & Jesus Bracho & Family
Maria Ramirez & Jaime Garcia & Family
Jaclyn & Stephen Gioioso & Family
Nalleli & Hector Perez & Family

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. John Church

November 27	8:00 AM	Edward J. Gebhart Jr.
	10:00 AM	Thomas Gallimore
November 28	8:00 AM	Helen & John Cheddar
November 29	8:00 AM	Alice Seaberg
November 30	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
December 1	8:00 AM	Leonard Quinn
December 2	8:00 AM	Wanda Woods Belusko
December 3	8:00 AM	Frank N. Ellwood
December 4	8:00 AM	Delores Snively
	10:00 AM	Josephine LoRicco

Holy Angels Church

November 26	5:00 PM	Joseph Tacconelli
November 27	10:30 AM	Leonard Quinn and Antionette Rago
	1:00 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias
	7:30 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias
December 3	5:00 PM	Francis J. Poniecki
December 4	10:30 AM	Sodality Members, Living & Deceased and Vivian Smith
	1:00 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias
	7:30 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias

Preview of This Week's Readings

Monday:	Isaiah 4:2-6;	Matthew 8:5-11
Tuesday:	Isaiah 11:1-10;	Luke 10:21-24
Wednesday:	Romans 10:9-18;	Matthew 4:18-22
Thursday:	Isaiah 26:1-6;	Matthew 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Isaiah 29:17-24;	Matthew 9:27-31
Saturday:	Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9:35 – 10:1, 5a, 6-8	
Sunday:	Isaiah 11:1-10; Matthew 3:1-12	Romans 15:4-9



November 27 – December 3, 2016

Sunday:	10:30 AM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM	Religious Education Liturgy of the Word – Holy Angels Church Archangels Room Religious Education – Holy Angels School Vespers – St. John Church
Monday:	7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Spanish Bible Study – Holy Angels Church Archangels Room Mary, Queen of Peace Prayer Group – Parish Center Meeting Room 3
Tuesday:	7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	R.C.I.A. Adult Inquiry – Holy Angels Church Gathering Space R.C.I.A. Children – Holy Angels Church Archangels Room R.C.I.A. Catechesis – Holy Angels Church Guardian Angels Room Religious Education Meeting – Holy Angels Athletic Building
Wednesday:	10:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Morning Prayer – Holy Angels Church Religious Education – Holy Angels School Spanish Choir Practice – Holy Angels Church Guardian Angels Room Spanish R.C.I.A. Inquiry – Parish Center Meeting Room 1
Thursday:	10:00 AM 7:00 PM	Lectio Divina – Parish Center Meeting Room 3 Charismatic Prayer Group – Parish Center Meeting Room 3
Friday:	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM 7:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration – St. John Church Spanish Prayer Group – Holy Angels Church Archangels Room
Saturday:	10:00 AM 12:30 PM 5:00 PM 6:15 PM 7:00 PM	1 st Penance Parent/Child Workshop (last names “M”-“Z”) – Fremont Hall 1 st Penance Parent/Child Workshop (last names “A”-“L”) – Fremont Hall Confirmation Enrollment at Mass - Holy Angels Church Confirmation Pizza & Fellowship – Fremont Hall Spanish Novena – Holy Angels Church

**Advent Vespers:
Our Parish’s “Best Kept Secret”**

One type of prayer that is always offered in our parish during the Advent Season is Vespers, which is part of the Liturgy of the Hours. Many parishioners have yet to experience this very moving type of prayer, making it our “best kept secret”.

Spending just a little more time in prayer is a wonderful way to celebrate the Advent Season. Time spent in quiet prayer greatly sustains and enriches our own personal spiritual life. The Christians of the early Church devoted themselves to prayer at fixed times. Then, in different places, it soon became the established practice to assign special times for common prayer; for example, the final hours of the day when evening draws on and the lamp is lighted. The Church’s prayer at sundown is referred to as Vespers (or Evening Prayer). Vespers consists of hymns, psalms, prayers and Scripture, followed by a reflection. Our prayer is led by a priest, deacon, or trained lay presider. Just like the early Christians, the Church encourages us to pray at these times as a community.

Vespers will be celebrated on November 27, December 4, 11 and 18 at 6:30 PM at St. John Church. If you enjoy quiet and contemplative type prayer, please join us. This is a wonderful opportunity for each of us to slow down during this hectic, busy season and pray. Come see what the “best kept secret” is all about!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Important Dates for Sacramental Preparation

First Penance Parent/Child Workshop:

December 3 in Fremont Hall

Last Names M – Z: 10:00 AM
Last Names A – L: 12:30 PM

Celebration of 1st Penance:

December 17 in Holy Angels Church

Last Names M – Z: 10:00 AM
Last Names A – L: 12:30 PM

Confirmation 2017:

December 3 5:00 PM

Mass Holy Angels Church Enrollment
Pizza & Fellowship following in Fremont Hall

For more information, please call the Religious Education Office, 731-2209.



SCHOOL NEWS

Applications are being accepted for the 2017-2018 school year. (We also have limited openings in various grades – Pre/k3 – Grade 8) for this school year. Please call the School Office for more information, 731-2210, and check our website for updates at www.holyangelsschool.org.

Our next Open House for Prospective Parents will take place on **Tuesday, December 13, from 9:00 – 11:00 AM.**

Save the Date!

**Breakfast with Santa – December 10 – Fremont Hall
(Two Seatings: 9:00 – 10:30 AM or 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM)**
Call the School Office for reservations: 731-2210)

The Week Ahead

Monday, Nov. 28	Classes resume Band Lessons “Discover Your Palette” Art Club Future City Club
Tuesday, Nov. 29	Grade 2 Trip to Hagley Museum Italian Club “Fall into Fitness” Italian Club
Weds., Nov. 30	“Banking at School” Grades 1-5 7:30 AM Advent Morning Prayer – 10 AM Stock Market Club Drama Club Italian Club
Thursday, Dec. 1	Grade 7 Trip to Maryland Science Center Math League Practice- 3:15 PM
Friday, Dec. 2	Bell Choir “Barnes & Noble/Holy Angels Book Faire” at B&N, Christiana Mall
Saturday, Dec. 3	Diocesan High School Placement Exam

Holy Angels School Fundraisers

Modell’s Team Weeks

December 1 – 28

Please support Holy Angels School by utilizing the Modell’s Team Weeks Coupon for 15% off purchases at Modell’s Sporting Goods Store. You can obtain one on the Parish website home page (www.stjohn-holyangels.com) by clicking on Parish Fundraisers, or Holy Angels School website (www.holyangelsschool.org). Holy Angels School receives 5% of all purchases made with this coupon. For more information, contact Patti Bebbington at (302) 836-1794 or phaitsch@hotmail.com.

St. John-Holy Angels Athletics



There are no weekend scores to update since our Fall sports have ended, and the 2016-2017 Basketball season is underway with practices.

Visit our brand new online gear store at <https://holyangels.itemorder.com/sale> to get the latest and greatest SJ-HAA athletic trends! Online sales end November 30!

Please continue to visit SJ-HAA.org and like us on Facebook @stjohnholyangelsathletics for up-to-date information.

Bulletin Advertiser of the Week

Please remember to patronize the advertisers on the back of our bulletin. This week’s featured advertiser is:



Penna Orthodontics
Robert A. Penna, DMD
2710 Centerville Rd., Suite 215
Wilmington, DE 19808
(302) 998-8783 www.pennaortho.com

Silent Prayer Community

Our parish has a group of people who will earnestly pray for any needs that you might have. This is done anonymously via a telephone prayer chain. If you have a special need about which you need prayer, please call 894-0726, 731-4297, 738-3033 or 737-1333, and our members will pray for you. Please let us know when your prayer has been answered, so that we too might give thanks.

Urgent Request



Thanks to the generosity of parishioners of St. John-Holy Angels and Holy Family, Outreach was able to provide food to 21 families for the week of November 1 – 4. Holy Family tells us, “We appreciate the support, but the shelves still are understocked and we could use more help.” Please, add a few items to your shopping list for the food collection boxes at both churches.

Hunger never takes a break.

Wish List!

Thank you to all of you who donated Stamps and Copy Paper this past week! With the Advent and Christmas Seasons fast approaching, we could still use some additional supplies. Remember, your donation is tax deductible!



Christmas Memorial Flowers

Be a part of our Christmas decorating this year, and contribute toward our decorating fund in memory of a loved one, living or deceased. Available this year are small, medium or large poinsettias, at the cost of \$12, \$20 or \$32 each. Acknowledgments will appear in the Dec. 25th bulletin.



Order deadline is Wednesday, December 14th. Please place the form below in your flower envelope with your donation, and return it to the Parish Center. For more information, please call Annie at 731-2200.

In Memory Of _____

From _____

Daytime Phone Number _____

Which Church (circle one): St. John's Holy Angels'

Circle one: Small Medium Large Poinsettia
 \$12 enclosed \$20 enclosed \$32 enclosed

Calendar Lottery Fundraiser—Winter 2017 \$20.00 each

90 chances to win!

**Only 1000 calendars will
 be sold!
 No duplicate numbers!**

Don't forget to stop by the Parish Center to get your Lottery Calendars before the Thanksgiving Holiday. Calendars make wonderful gifts for those hosting your Thanksgiving Feast!

Calendars will also be sold after each Mass every weekend in October, November & December.

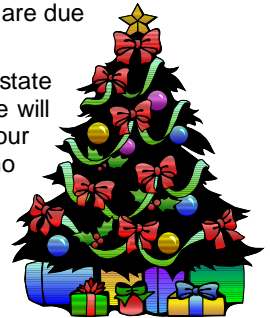
- Calendars will be sold through December 31.
- The lottery begins January 1, 2017.
- Calendars may **not** be purchased in the name of a minor.
- Calendar purchases are **non-refundable**.
- Not everyone will win; some will win more than once!
- If all 1000 calendars are sold there will be a **guaranteed** winner every day!
- Winning numbers are based on the Delaware State Play 3 **night** drawing; which is drawn **daily at 7:57 p.m.** Winning numbers can be viewed at: http://lottery.state.de.us/games_winningNumbers.asp
- Straight numbers win; **not boxed** numbers.
- Winners will be notified and prizes mailed on Wednesday of each week.
- All proceeds benefit the Parish.

To sign up to help sell them after Mass or for more information about this new fundraiser, contact apress@holyangels.net or (302) 731-2219.

Wish Tree

Please remember that our Wish Tree gifts are due back to the Churches on **December 4.**

Tags on the tree support various state organizations and the local homeless. We will also accept any items that you or your children have at home that are **new** and no longer needed. These items can be filtered into the program to be used as gifts.



Our outreach always welcomes gift cards for groceries, gas and other merchants. For more information about the Wish Tree, please contact Diane Fisher at 737-6864.

Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality Advent Candle Sale

Members of our Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality will be selling Advent Candles (set of 4) and Wreaths after Masses the weekends of November 12/13, 19/20 and 26/27. Proceeds from our sale are returned to our parish in many ways. Thank you for your support!



Candle Sets:
 \$7 for set/4 candles
Wreaths: \$7 each

A Vocation Reflection 1st Sunday of Advent

In today's second reading, St. Paul reminds us that we are called to "throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light." Some are called to "put on the Lord Jesus Christ" in a way that serves the rest of the Body of Christ: as priests, deacons, religious sisters or religious brothers. Could God be calling you to one of these vocations? If you'd like to pursue that possibility, please call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations at (302) 573-3113 or vocations@cdow.org. Be sure to visit our website, www.cdow.org/vocations!

Visitors for Christ

Visitors for Christ are men and women commissioned by the parish to serve and minister to the sick, the convalescing, the elderly and the homebound of our parish family.

We make short visits to homes, hospitals, and nursing homes bringing the prayers of the Parish and the Eucharist when requested. We also offer the opportunity to pray the rosary with you for your personal intentions and the needs of our community.

If you or someone you know would like a visit from the Visitors For Christ, please call the Parish Center, 731-2200, or June, 366-0711.



Prepare ye the way of the Lord

Day of Reflection at Jesus House Tuesday, Dec. 6 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM “Living the Simple Life”

Jesus House Prayer & Renewal Center, 2501 Milltown Road, welcomes all to this one day Advent Retreat. Bernadette DeAngelis challenges us to live more simply. Spend a day discussing how to go deep into ourselves to discover our true self, and in so doing touch the Spirit we long for. What better way to prepare for this Holy Season than to reflect upon these things! Cost is \$40, which includes lunch. Please visit the website (www.jesushousecenter.org) or call 995-6859 for more information or to register.

Donate Your Used Glasses!

The Newark Lions Club has an ongoing collection for used eye glasses. There is a box for these items at the entrance to church. Thank you for your support!

Thank You from Cecil County Pregnancy Center

The following letter was received this past week:

Dear St. John-Holy Angels Parishioners,

Thank you so very much for your huge donation of baby items that was delivered to us on Monday, November 7. Our Boutique was becoming so empty and we prayed to God for a Baby Shower to come our way. You have been the answer to our prayers for her past 15 years! The Lord never fails to provide for this ministry.

Our ministry keeps on growing. We have two satellite centers now. One is at North East United Methodist Church and the other is in Rising Sun at Janes United Methodist. We are reaching out to those who cannot come to us. We do the educational parenting classes individually with all the young moms and dads at our Elkton Office. This way, our clients earn the new things that you give us for our Boutique. These young parents love shopping for their needy babies.

We have other services as well, like the free pregnancy tests. And if they are abortion-minded, we get them back for an appointment to do the free ultrasound. Many times the father is present, and once the tiny heart beat is found, that baby is claimed and abortion is out of mind.

So many good things happen at our center when it comes to promoting life. Thank you again for being such a big part of our great work for the Lord.

Sincerely,
Dan Mohler
Director

Oficina del Ministerio Hispano
Asistente: María del Pilar Carazo (302) 731-2436
Horario de oficina:
Lunes –Jueves: 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM
1:00-PM- 4:00 PM
Viernes: Cerrada

PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO 27 de noviembre 2016.

Primer Domingo del Año Litúrgico

Primer domingo de Adviento se observó el 27 de Noviembre de 2016. En el catolicismo, el primer domingo de Adviento que marca el comienzo del año litúrgico tiene lugar el domingo siguiente al de la solemnidad de Cristo Rey. La duración del Adviento varía entre veintidós y veintiocho días, dado que abarca los cuatro domingos previos a la solemnidad de la Navidad

El Adviento es el primer período del año litúrgico cristiano, que consiste en un tiempo de preparación espiritual para la celebración del nacimiento de Cristo. Su duración suele ser de 22 a 28 días, dado que lo integran necesariamente los cuatro domingos más próximos a la festividad de la Natividad pero, en el caso de la Iglesia ortodoxa, el Adviento se extiende por 40 días, desde el 28 de noviembre hasta el 6 de enero. Los fieles cristianos consideran al Adviento como un tiempo de oración y de reflexión caracterizado por la espera vigilante, es decir, tiempo de esperanza y de vigilia, de arrepentimiento, de perdón y de alegría.

Una tradición cristiana católica es la corona de Adviento, que simboliza el transcurso de las cuatro semanas del Adviento. Consiste en una corona de ramas con cuatro velas.

Comenzando el primer domingo de Adviento, el encendido de una vela puede acompañarse de la lectura de la Biblia y oraciones. Durante las siguientes tres semanas se encienden el resto de las velas hasta que, en la semana anterior a la Navidad, las cuatro velas están encendidas. Algunas coronas de Adviento incluyen una quinta vela, llamada "vela de Cristo", que se enciende en la Navidad.

