

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.

Farewell to Deacon Perez

The Bishop has transferred Deacon Joe Perez to Holy Rosary Parish in Claymont. We thank him for his ministry at St. John-Holy Angels and our prayers accompany him in his new assignment.



Newly Baptized

December 6, 2014

Sofia Savannah Fonseca, daughter of Stephanie Judith Fonseca and Paul Charles Deputy.

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. John Church

December 14	8:00 AM	Timothy Greenwood
	10:00 AM	Thomas Concavage
December 15	8:00 AM	Lyons-Howell Family
December 16	8:00 AM	Debbie Arena
December 17	8:00 AM	Robert Cawley
December 18	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
December 19	8:00 AM	Donald Eastburn
December 20	8:00 AM	Debbie Arena
December 21	8:00 AM	Betty Hughes
	10:00 AM	Frances Payne

Holy Angels Church

December 13	5:00 PM	John Sporay
December 14	9:00 AM	Stephen Orsulak
	11:00 AM	Antoinette Rago
	1:00 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias
December 20	5:00 PM	The Buckalew Family
December 21	9:00 AM	John Rago
	11:00 AM	Anna & Patrick Hughes
	1:00 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias

Preview of This Week's Readings

Monday:	Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a;	Matthew 21:23-27
Tuesday:	Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13;	Matthew 21:28-32
Wednesday:	Genesis 49:2, 8-10;	Matthew 1:1-17
Thursday:	Jeremiah 23:5-8;	Matthew 1:18-25
Friday:	Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a;;	Luke 1:5-25
Saturday:	Isaiah 7:10-14;	Luke 1:26-38
Sunday:	II Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16;	Romans 16:25-27;
		Luke 1:26-38

Question for the Week

Third Sunday of Advent – Year B

“What could you do for someone this week to bring them joy?”

Christmas Mass Preview

Christmas Eve

Holy Angels	St. John
4:00 PM	5:00 PM
7:30 PM (Spanish)	7:00 PM
10:00 PM	

Christmas Day

Holy Angels	St. John
11:00 AM	8:00 AM
	10:00 AM



Thank you to all who have responded to the *Sustaining Hope for the Future* Campaign. We are very grateful for all the responses we received this past weekend. To date, 369 responses have been received.

Diocesan Goal \$ 512,400

Parish Goal \$ 341,600

- ◆ St. John Church refurbishment
- ◆ Holy Angels School windows
- ◆ St. Michael Chapel in Holy Angels Church
- ◆ Athletic Building renovation

Total St. John-Holy Angels Parish Goal \$ 854,000

Gifts & Pledges to Date: - 692,810

Still needed to fulfill our parish projects \$ 161,190

As you can see, we have fulfilled our commitment to the Bishop. In order for us to complete our parish goal, we still need \$161,190. If you have not yet pledged, please consider a sacrifice of \$5/day, \$3/day or \$1/day, for the 3 year pledge period. Pledge cards can be turned in at the parish office or in the collection basket. Thank you, once again, to every one who has been a part of this campaign!



December 14 – 20, 2014

Sunday:	9:00 AM	Religious Education Classes – Holy Angels Church
	6:00 PM	Religious Education Classes – Holy Angels Church
	6:15 PM	First Communion/Penance Parent Registration Meeting – Holy Angels Church
	6:30 PM	Vespers – St. John Church
Monday:	9:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Advent Quiet Day – Holy Angels Church
	7:00 PM	Mary, Queen of Peace, Prayer Group – Parish Center Meeting Room 3
	7:00 PM	Confirmation 2015 Registration Meeting – Holy Angels Church
	7:00 PM	Finance Council – Parish Center
	7:00 PM	Baptismal Preparation Class – Holy Angels Church Guardian Angels Room
Tuesday:	7:00 PM	Advent Penance Service – Holy Angels Church
Wednesday:	10:30 AM	Lectio Divina – Parish Center Meeting Room 3
	6:00 PM	Religious Education Classes – Holy Angels School
	6:30 PM	Cantor/Organist Practice – Holy Angels Church Music Room
	7:00 PM	Cub Pack 205 – Fremont Hall
	7:00 PM	Choir Practice – Holy Angels Church Music Room
	7:00 PM	Spanish Pastoral Committee – Parish Center Meeting Room 1
Thursday:	7:00 PM	Christian Formation Committee – Parish Center Meeting Room 1
	7:00 PM	Charismatic Prayer Group – Holy Angels Church Archangels Room
	7:00 PM	Spanish RCIA – Holy Angels Church Guardian Angels Room
Friday:	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Eucharistic Adoration – St. John Church
	7:00 PM	Spanish Prayer Group – Holy Angels Church Archangels Room

**First Communion/First Penance 2015
Final Parent/Youth Registration Meeting
December 14 6:15 PM Holy Angels Church**

In order to make the Sacraments of First Communion and First Penance, your child must be baptized, in at least 2nd Grade, and have been in a Religious Education program or Catholic School this past year. For more information, call the Office of Religious Education, 731-2209.

**Confirmation 2015
Final Parent/Child Registration Meeting
December 15 7:00 PM Holy Angels Church**

Students who entered 8th Grade this Fall and who meet the eligibility requirements (have been in a Religious Education program or Catholic School for the past 2 years, received Baptism and First Communion), must attend a registration meeting with a parent. For more information, call the Office of Religious Education, 731-2209.

Wish Tree

Thanks to all of you who participated in the Wish Tree program this year by purchasing gifts, gift cards or by helping sort and deliver gifts after Mass. Thanks to all of you, numerous families, children and residents in local nursing homes and shelters will be able to enjoy at least one gift or other much needed item this Christmas. God's blessings to all of you in the coming year!

**Advent Penance Celebration
Tuesday, December 16
7:00 PM Holy Angels Church**



Advent is a time that directs our hearts and minds to prepare for the Second Coming of Jesus Christ on Earth. In order to do so, we need to acknowledge our sinfulness and ask God for his mercy and forgiveness through Jesus Christ. The Church gives us the Rite of Penance (Reconciliation) to do so. This year, we will join parishioners from Holy Family Church and St. Thomas More Oratory for our shared Advent Penance Service. We hope you can join us as we prepare to have Jesus enter into our hearts on Christmas morning.

Early Bulletin Deadlines

Due to the Christmas Holidays, the following bulletins have early deadlines for publication. Please submit all bulletin items to the Parish Office as noted below. If you have questions, please call Annie at 731-2200.

- December 28 bulletin:** Information in by Noon on Weds., December 17
- January 4 bulletin:** Information in by Noon on Friday, December 19



SCHOOL NEWS

Applications are being accepted for the current school year and the 2015-2016 school year. Please call the School Office for details and information – 731-2210. You may also email Cindy Bartosik at cbartosik@holyangelsschool.org.

Modell's Team Weeks

Please support Holy Angels School by utilizing the Modell's Team Weeks Coupon for 15% off purchases at Modell's Sports Store. The coupon is good from November 28 – December 25, 2014. You can obtain one on the Parish website home page (www.stjohn-holyangels.com) by clicking on Parish Fundraisers, or pick up a coupon from the back of Church.

Holy Angels School receives 5% of all purchases made with this coupon. For more information, contact Patt Bebbington at (302) 836-1794 or phaitsch@hotmail.com.



Many of you have discovered the substantial savings that can be found through the Amazon shopping network. Do you know that if you access Amazon through the link on our website you can also benefit the Parish at **no additional cost to you?** Simply click on the Amazon link on our website, use Amazon the way you normally do, and Amazon will provide us a percentage of every purchase. This is a great and painless way to help support the Parish during this Christmas shopping season or when making other purchases through the entire year!

Snow Cancellations

Cancellations of parish activities due to poor weather and driving conditions can be on the parish website, www.stjohn-holyangels.com, and also are available by calling the Parish Center, 731-2200.

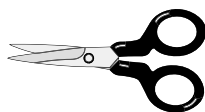


The following radio stations will be contacted if Weekend Masses are canceled.
WSTW 93.7 FM WDEL 1150 AM WJBR 99.5 FM

Please note: Parish Offices follow the School Closing Policy. If the Diocesan Catholic Schools are closed for inclement weather, the Parish Offices will be closed that day also.

Bulletin Advertiser of the Week

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



Code Purple

Since we don't have the space for Code Purple, our parishioners are asked to volunteer at Holy Family Church's facility. It's still fall, and Nov. 18 was already a Code Purple night. It's going to be a long winter. We need your help.

Code Purple is an emergency sanctuary provided by a rotation of Newark-area churches on especially cold nights (generally 20 degrees and/or snowing). If you'd like to join the Code Purple team, contact Kelley Bielewicz at kmsb42@hotmail.com.

There is a set-up shift (3PM-6PM), check-in and hospitality shift (5PM-9PM), three overnight vigil shifts (9PM-midnight, midnight-3AM, 3AM-6AM), and clean-up shift beginning around 5:30AM. Dinner is served as soon as people arrive around 5PM, lights out at 9PM, breakfast at 5AM, and guests leave at 6AM. We need at least one man and one woman for each vigil shift.

Someone is needed to take the bags of blankets to Village Laundromat and retrieve them after they are washed. This can be done on a more flexible schedule than the other shifts.

Holy Family provides our guests with a hot dinner, a hearty breakfast, and a go-bag for lunch. "Go Bags" consist of the following in gallon-size zipper bags and can be donated ahead of time: Protein source such as a pasta meal, single serving soup/stew, or tuna lunch in pop-top cans, granola bar, crackers with cheese or peanut butter, applesauce or individual fruit cup, spoon, napkin.

New air mattresses are desperately needed, or the money to purchase them. Also needed are gloves, hats, scarves, new socks, cough drops, gum, razors, deodorant, lip balm, soap, hand lotion, tissues, word-puzzle books, magazines, paperbacks, AA batteries and hand/foot warmers. You can drop them off anytime at Holy Family's collection bin.

If you have any questions or problems, please contact Marie Ruskay, 547-8521. Whenever we're called upon to help, we do. Let's not falter now. Thank you.

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".



Vespers will be celebrated on December 14 and 21 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!

Oficina del Ministerio Hispano
Asistente: María del Pilar Carazo (302) 731-2436
Horario Oficina: Lunes- Cerrada
Martes y Jueves: 9:00 AM-12:00 Medio día
1:00 PM-4:00 PM
Miércoles: 11:00-12:00 Medio día
1:00 PM- 7:00 PM
Viernes: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM

“ TERCER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO”



Santa María de Guadalupe, ruega por nosotros pecadores. Te pedimos humildemente tu intercesion amorosa por nuestros países que están bajo la violencia, el crimen, las drogas y mucha corrupcion.

“Oh, María sin pecado concebida, ruega por nosotros que recurrimos a tí”. Amén.

Bautismos: Charlas, domingo después de misa. Padrinos deben ser casados por la iglesia., SISON PAREJA. Pueden ser padrinos solteros que no estén conviviendo con otra persona. Debe de tener todos los sacramentos de iniciación, BAUTISMO, PRIMERA COMUNION Y CONFIRMACION. Todos traer biblias católica, obligatoriamente. No habrá cuidado de niños, busque con tiempo quien se los cuide. Próxima charla: Enero 11, 2015 (Diciembre no habrá charla).

Hoy es última reunión para padres de los niños que recibirán la primera comunión en la iglesia a las 6:00 PM. Recuerden que las charlas son obligatorias, es un requisito indispensable para que sus hijos reciban la primera comunión.

Visite nuestra tiendita, ya tenemos biblias, libros de crecimiento espiritual, rosarios, imágenes coronas de Adviento y mucho más, estamos después de cada misa en la entrada de la iglesia.

Mañana 8 de diciembre día de La Inmaculada Concepción nuestra celebración de la santa misa será en la iglesia San Juan Bautista en la Main Street. El 11 de diciembre las mañitas empezarán a las 7:00 de la noche, la procesión como siempre saldrá de Wendy's a las 7:30 pm, se rezará el rosario en la procesión, hasta llegar a la iglesia en donde otro grupo estará también rezando el rosario, tendremos celebración de la santa misa. El día 12, la misa será a las 8:00 pm, y a continuación habrá un convivio en el Fremont Hall. Los esperamos para celebrar con devoción este evento.

¿Quién causa tanta alegría? La Concepción de María.