

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.

Welcome, New Parishioners!

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

Jeanne Cadmus
Janet & Edgar Castillo & Family
Letitia & Patrick Kanar
Cathleen Rossi-McLaughlin

Mass Intentions for the Week St. John Church

December 8	8:00 AM	Patrick Teta
	10:00 AM	Stella, Bernard & Ronald Concavage
December 9	8:00 AM	Sodality Members, Living & Deceased
December 10	8:00 AM	Verna Dvorscak
December 11	8:00 AM	Sodality Members, Living & Deceased
December 12	8:00 AM	Sodality Members, Living & Deceased
December 13	8:00 AM	John Sporay
December 14	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
December 15	8:00 AM	Joan Logue
	10:00 AM	Mary Boas

Holy Angels Church

December 7	5:00 PM	Mary Duggan
December 8	9:00 AM	Michael Kerrigan
	11:00 AM	Anne & Bernard Janansky
	1:00 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias
December 14	5:00 PM	The Lyons-Howell Family
December 15	9:00 AM	Michael Kerrigan
	11:00 AM	Anna & Patrick Hughes
	1:00 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias

Preview of This Week's Readings

Monday:	Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12;	Luke 1:26-38
Tuesday:	Isaiah 40:1-11;	Matthew 18:12-14
Wednesday:	Isaiah 40:25-31;	Matthew 11:28-30
Thursday:	Zechariah 2:14-17 or Revelation 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab;	Luke 1:39-47
Friday:	Isaiah 48:17-19;	Matthew 11:16-19
Saturday:	Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11;	Matthew 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday:	Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10; Matthew 11:2-11	James 5:7-10;

Question for the Week

Second Sunday of Advent – Year A

“What could you do so that others will see in you what it means to follow Jesus?”

Immaculate Conception of Mary Holy Day

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary is celebrated this year on Monday, December 9th. The reason for this transferral is that December 8th falls on a Sunday, the Second Sunday of Advent.



The Sunday Mass has precedence and though the Solemnity is transferred to December 9th, the obligation to attend Mass is NOT transferred. That is to say, December 9th, the Solemnity of the

Immaculate Conception, IS NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION THIS YEAR.

Admittedly this is somewhat confusing, but it is followed by the Universal Church when any such Solemnity falls on a Sunday.

Eternal rest grant unto them...

Please remember in your prayers Robert M. Cammock, Jeanne D. Gallo and Elizabeth D. Hughes. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



Nativity Night

*Come celebrate the season with a display of Nativities followed by Vespers
A fun family evening*

Holy Angels Church
Sunday, December 8, 2013
Starting at 6 pm

*Enjoy some great treats from
the youth group bakesale*

Holy Angels Church
52 Poyssun Park Drive
Newark, DE 19711
302-731-2200



December 8– 14, 2013

Sunday:	9:00 AM	Religious Education Classes – Holy Angels School
	6:00 PM	Nativity Night – Holy Angels Church Gathering Space
	6:00 PM	Religious Education Classes – Holy Angels School
	6:30 PM	Advent Vespers – Holy Angels Church
	7:00 PM	Novena for Our Lady of Guadalupe – Fremont Hall
Monday:	10:00 AM	School Mass – Holy Angels Church
	7:00 PM	Mary, Queen of Peace, Prayer Group – Parish Center Meeting Room 3
	7:00 PM	Pastoral Council – Parish Center Meeting Room 1
	7:00 PM	Gospel of John Bible Study – Holy Angels Church Archangels Room
	7:00 PM	Novena for Our Lady of Guadalupe – Fremont Hall
Tuesday:	7:00 PM	Novena for Our Lady of Guadalupe – Fremont Hall
	7:00 PM	R.C.I.A. Catechesis – Holy Angels Church Archangels Room
	8:00 PM	Athletic Association Meeting – Joan Muzzi Athletic Building
Wednesday:	6:00 PM	Religious Education Classes – Holy Angels School
	6:00 PM	Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality Christmas Dinner – Parish Center Meeting Room 1
	6:30 PM	R.C.I.A. for Children – Parish Center Youth Room
	7:00 PM	Lectio Divina – Parish Center Meeting Room 3
	7:00 PM	Choir Practice – Holy Angels Church Music Room
	9:00 PM - Midnight	Mañanitas – Holy Angels Church
Thursday:	9:30 AM	Eucharistic Bread Baking – Fremont Hall Kitchen
	7:00 PM	Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe – Holy Angels Church
Friday:	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Eucharistic Adoration – St. John Church
	7:00 PM	Spanish Choir Practice – Holy Angels Church
	7:00 PM	Spanish Prayer Group – Holy Angels Church Archangels Room
Saturday:	7:30 AM	Men’s Bible Study – Parish Center Meeting Room 1
	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Breakfast with Santa – Fremont Hall

Have an Extra Turkey?

The Newark Area Needy Family Fund will again be collecting turkeys for Christmas Baskets for the less fortunate in our community. The turkeys should be brought to Mass with you on the weekend of December 14/15. Vehicles will be parked at both churches to receive your turkeys as you arrive at Mass.



Please fill out the "Turkey Pledge Slip" below and return it in the Parish Office. This will give us an idea of how many turkeys to expect, so we can plan for vehicles to pick up the turkeys on December 14/15. Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you!

Pledge a Turkey!

Newark Needy Family Fund for Christmas 2013

I will drop off a turkey when I arrive for Mass on Saturday, December 14 or Sunday, December 15.

Name _____

Phone _____

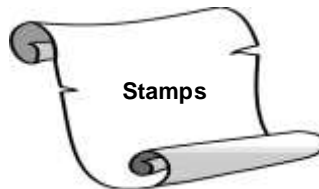
Last Chance to Sign-Up for First Communion/First Penance

December 15 6:15 PM Holy Angels Church

In order to make the Sacrament of First Penance, your child must be baptized, in at least 2nd grade, and have been in a Religious Education program this past year. First Penance will be celebrated on Saturday, January 25.

To receive the Sacrament of First Communion, your child must have been baptized, received First Penance, and have been in a Religious Education program last school year.

A Parent must attend this class in order for your child to receive 1st Communion and 1st Penance this Spring 2014.



Wish List!

We are in need of stamps for the Parish Center. If you can help us, we would be most grateful.

Your donation is tax deductible!



SCHOOL NEWS

Applications are being accepted for both the current and upcoming school year. Information may be found on the School website at www.holyangelsschool.org. Also call the School Office at 731-2210 for more information and an appointment for a school tour and meeting with the principal.

Scrip Cards will be sold each day in the School Office. (available: gas cards, retail, restaurant, etc.)

Kudos to the Girl Scouts!

On Saturday, Nov. 23, Holy Angels Girl Scout Troop 449 teamed up with Cub Scout Pack 603 to serve a free hot lunch to the needy within their community. A warm weather clothing collection was added to provide those less fortunate with the items they needed to get through the bitter cold months to come. Close to 90 people were served. The Scouts lived up to a portion of their promise, which is to help people at all times. Wonderful work!



Welcome to the following students who joined the Holy Angels School Community this past week: Jack Feldmann, Grade 5 and Tobi Banjo – Grade 6!

Breakfast with Santa – Tickets available – call the School Office, 731-2210.

- Monday, Dec. 9** Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception School Mass – 10:00 AM
- Tuesday, Dec. 10** Open House for prospective parents 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
- Wednesday, Dec. 11** Toys for Tots project – Middle School students
- Thursday, Dec. 12** Math League Practice 3:00 PM
December Birthday Treat Day
- Saturday, Dec. 14** Breakfast with Santa
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM Fremont Hall

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 until December 26. 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 Patti Bebbington at (302) 836-1794 or phaitsch@hotmail.com.



December 8:

Youth Mass 11:00 AM at Holy Angels Church
Please arrive at 10:30 AM as we sing and attend Mass together.

Nativity Night 5:00 – 6:30 PM at Holy Angels Church
Come help the Youth Group set up the Nativity Night and earn service hours. (Please contact Mike Calvetti, (302) 545-4502, if interested.)

Vespers 6:30 – 7:15 PM at Holy Angels Church
Come join us as we attend evening Vespers as a group

December 13:

Caroling at Millcroft Nursing Home 7:00 – 8:00 PM
Let's go caroling at the Millcroft Nursing Home. Join us as we walk through the halls of the Nursing Home spreading Christmas Joy! (Service hours available)

December 28:

Ice Skating at the U of D Rust
(Time TBD – watch the bulletin for an update)

January 25-26:

LOCK IN – mark your calendars for this great event

Congratulations!

The following students from St. John-Holy Angels were on the Honor Roll for the 1st quarter at Padua Academy. Keep up the good work!

First Honors

Nicole Bonacquisti	Anne Lynch
Madelyn Guidash	Darby Maxwell
Christine Lewis	Madeline Tullier
Kelsey Wallace	

First Honors

Brittany Conner	Alyssa Mathews
McKenzie Conner	Kylee Maxwell
Victoria Crisona	Courtney Patterson
Ashley Curran	Brianna Serafin
Jennifer Frazier	Mackenzie Scully
Sophia Giannetta	Jenna Sierocinski
Emily Hayes	Bridgette Tullier
Victoria Leone	Madeline Waegele
Kayla Marasiak	Laura Whitmarsh
Nicole Marasiak	Sarah Yanacek

"I was hungry and you fed me." Matthew 25:35

During Thanksgiving week, we did make the Outreach Food Boxes overflow. Thank you for that generous outpouring. This week, continue donating "holiday dinner" food items, e.g. fresh oranges and apples, juices, canned fruits, etc. Any questions, call Marie Ruskay, 547-8521.

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 29 bulletin: Information in by Noon on Weds., December 18

January 5 bulletin: Information in by Noon on Monday, December 23

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 or large poinsettias, at the cost of \$12 or \$32 each. Acknowledgments will appear in the Dec. 22nd bulletin. **Order deadline is Wednesday, December 11th.** 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'

Small or Large (circle one): \$12 enclosed \$32 enclosed

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 December 1st and 8th at 6:30 PM at Holy Angels Church; and on December 15th and 22nd 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!

Christmas Mass Preview

Christmas Eve

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

Christmas Day

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

Do You Shop at Amazon.com or Staples?



Help support the Parish each time you make a purchase through the Parish link to the Amazon.com website. To make qualifying purchases, go to the Parish website (www.stjohn-holyangels.com) and click on the Amazon.com banner. A portion of all purchases made through this link will be returned to the Parish to support the general fund.



You can help our parish save money! When you make a purchase at Staples Office Supply Store, please give the cashier the Parish Center phone number, (302) 731-2200. Your purchases will count toward reward certificates for the parish that we can use to purchase office supplies and save money!

Calendar Lottery Fundraiser – Winter 2014



Looking for Christmas gifts for neighbors, teachers, etc.? St. John-Holy Angels Lottery Calendars are \$20 each, with 90 chances to win between \$50 and \$250. Only 1000 calendars will be sold! Sales Run through December 31. Winning numbers are based on the Delaware State Lottery's Play 3 Night Drawing, from January 1 to March 31. Contact the Parish Office at 82 Possum Park Road, apress@holyangels.net or (302) 731-2219.

Oficina del Ministerio Hispano

Asistente: María del Pilar Carazo (302) 731-2436

Horario Oficina:

Lunes, Martes, Jueves: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Miércoles: 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Viernes: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

COORDINADORES DEL MINISTERIO HISPANO

Representante Consejo Parroquial: Rubén Lara

Representante Consejo Diocesano: Víctor Lorzo

Ministros de Eucaristía:

Coordinador: Víctor Lorzo

Sub-coordinador: Víctor Cárdenas

Lectores:

Coordinadora: Martha Just

Monaguillos:

Coordinadora: Alicia Gómez

Hospitalidad: Joel & María Lara

Coros coordinador: Milton Santiago

Liturgia de los niños: Leticia Lomeli

Pláticas de bautismo & Charlas

Prematrimoniales:

Roberto Hernández & Georgina Flores

Quinceañeras: Martha Just

Grupo de Oración. Irma Lemus

Sacristía: Javier Lomeli & Héctor Quiñones

Tienda: Rubén Lara

SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Lecturas: Bar 5,1-9; Sal 125; Flp 1,4-6,8-11; Lc 3,1-6

La figura de Juan Bautista reclama un aspecto vital de la Iglesia y, por tanto, de todos sus miembros, la de ser precursor. Preparar el camino a recorrer, anunciar la novedad presente, señalar la ruta a acoger... comportamientos y acciones que debe adoptar todo creyente en su actitud ante el prójimo con la humildad y sencillez del Precursor.

ACTIVIDADES PARROQUIALES

Bautismos: Charlas, domingo de cada mes después de misa. 2:30-PM: Padrinos deben ser casados por la iglesia. Todos traer biblias católica, obligatoriamente y no biblias protestante. No habrá cuidado de niños, busque con tiempo quien se los cuide. Próxima charla: Enero 26, 2014.

Grupo de Oración:

todos los viernes, 7:00 PM. En el salón de conferencia de la iglesia.

El Comité Pastoral Hispano: Tendremos un pequeño convivio navideño el miércoles 18 de Diciembre o a las 7:00 PM en la oficina parroquial. Traer un platillo para compartir.

Las celebraciones de bodas tienen que ser con un año de anticipación los arreglos en la iglesia. La charla será 15 a las 11:00 AM en la oficina parroquial.

Para anotar misas de difuntos y presentaciones, llegar a la oficina. quinceañeras, bodas, aniversarios, etc, etc.

Todas las familias que tiene quinceañeras para el próximo año. Registrar con tiempo a sus hijas. Solamente habrán dos grupos para preparación. Próxima reunión Diciembre 30. 7:00 PM. Oficina.

Si usted tiene comida de latas en su despensa, arroz, frijoles, papel de baño, pasta dental, etc, etc. Por favor necesitamos su ayuda. Traerlos a la iglesia.

EVENTOS DEL MES DE DICIEMBRE

El novenario de la Virgen de Guadalupe Empezará el martes 3 de Diciembre a las 7:00 PM en el Fremont Hall.

Todas las personas que deseen cantarle a la virgen el 11 de Diciembre anotarse con Víctor Pérez, solamente las que se hayan anotado podrán participar.

Estamos pidiendo la colaboración para los días 11 y 12 de Diciembre para el convivio y la venta de comida para estas fechas, hablar con Alicia Lara.

Las posadas empezarán el 16 de Diciembre. Se les avisará con tiempo los lugares. El 21 será en la parroquia.