

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.

Our Mission Statement

The Faith Community of St. John The Baptist - Holy Angels Parish believes that we are empowered by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to celebrate God's abiding presence among us.

We believe that Sacramental Worship is the source and summit of our Christian life, and that worshipping Jesus in union with the Father and the Holy Spirit is our highest calling.

We believe that God's creation is sacred and beautiful. We accept the responsibility to be stewards of all that God has entrusted to us, especially the gift of life itself.

We believe that, as brothers and sisters of Christ, we are called to live in peace. It is our responsibility to work for peace by seeking justice for all people.

We believe that we are called to proclaim the Gospel, by word and example, to the faithful, to those who have given up active participation in the Catholic Church, to those who have no church community, and to those who are seeking full communion with the Catholic Church.

The fulfillment of this mission is challenged by the geographic distance we encompass, and our large and ever-increasing membership and the diversity of needs among us.

Through the grace of God, may we be strengthened to fulfill this mission.

Preview of This Week's Readings

Monday:	Genesis 4:1-15, 25	Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 30;	Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22;	Mark 8:22-26
Thursday:	Genesis 9:1-13;	Mark 8:27-33
Friday:	Genesis 11:1-9;	Mark 8:34-9:1
Saturday:	Hebrews 11:1-7;	Mark 9:2-13
Sunday:	Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18;	
	I Corinthians 3:16-23	Matthew 5:38-48



Eternal rest grant unto her...

Please remember in your prayers Beverly Rimmer. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Newly Baptized

February 6, 2011

Reagan Marjorie Bailey, daughter of Cynthia Ann Harvey and David Philip Bailey.

Welcome, New Parishioners

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

Maria & Del Esguerra & Family
Veronica Frascatore & Family
Lisa & Joseph Novalany

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. John Church

February 13	8:00 AM	Mary Jane Boulden Quaile
	10:00 AM	A. Elizabeth Capuano
February 14	8:00 AM	Thomas Concavage
February 15	8:00 AM	Deceased of the Lyons-Howell Family
February 16	8:00 AM	Sodality Members, Living & Deceased
February 17	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
February 18	8:00 AM	Robert Gizzi
February 19	8:00 AM	John Mazzetti
February 20	8:00 AM	James Danberg
	10:00 AM	Rusty Baiocco

Holy Angels Church

February 12	5:00 PM	Raymond Civatte
February 13	9:00 AM	Philip Toman
	11:00 AM	Ann B. Druss
	1:00 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias
February 19	5:00 PM	Roberta Harvey
February 20	9:00 AM	Anthony J. Barone
	11:00 AM	Anna & Patrick Hughes
	1:00 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias

New Vestments Available for Memorializing



We have purchased several new chasubles and dalmatics for the celebration of Eucharist at St. John and Holy Angels. If you would like to have one memorialized for your family, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

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 is available by calling the Parish Center, 731-2200.



The following radio stations will be contacted if the 8:00 AM Daily Mass or Weekend Masses are canceled. Please check to be sure there are no cancellations before you venture out in adverse weather.

WILM 1450 AM	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.



February 13 – 19, 2011

Sunday:	9:00 AM	Religious Education – Holy Angels School
	6:00 PM	1 st Communion Parent/Child Meeting – Holy Angels Church
	6:00 PM	Religious Education – Holy Angels School
	6:15 PM	“The Great Adventure” Bible Study – Holy Angels Church Conference Room
Monday:	7:00 PM	Mary, Queen of Peace, Prayer Group – Parish Center Meeting Room 3
	7:00 PM	Pastoral Council – Parish Center Meeting Room 1
	7:30 PM	40+ Singles Group – Joan Muzzi Athletic Building
Tuesday:	7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus – Joan Muzzi Athletic Building
	7:00 PM	R.C.I.A. Adult Catechesis – Holy Angels Church Conference Room
	7:00 PM	R.C.I.A. Children Catechesis – Parish Center Meeting Room 3
Wednesday:	10:00 AM	Scripture Study with Fr. Michael – June Hansell’s home
	6:00 PM	Religious Education – Holy Angels School
	6:00 PM	1 st Communion Parent/Child Meeting – Holy Angels Church
	7:00 PM	Choir Practice – Holy Angels Church Music Room
Thursday:	7:00 PM	Charismatic Prayer Group – Holy Angels Church Conference Room
Friday:	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Eucharistic Adoration – St. John Church

Volunteers of the Week

Thank you, **Mark Newcott**, for donating and installing the new speakers at St. John Church.

We also thank **Joe McKeown** for repairing the broken pews and kneelers at St. John.

Our Weekly Offertory

February 5/6, 2011

Parish Collection	\$15811
Restoration for Today/Vision for Tomorrow	910
Building & Maintenance	1910
Total.....	\$18631

February 6/7, 2010

{Blizzard Weekend – No Collection}

Help Needed!

Parish Environment Ministries

We continue to need additional help with the washing and ironing of linens, and have openings at both churches.

There are several openings on the rotation schedule for vacuuming at St. John Church. Why not make this a family project, or ask a neighbor to help you!

If you can help with either of these important ministries, please contact Patti Walters, Environment Coordinator, at 593-5795 (cell) or email waltersp@comcast.net.



SCHOOL NEWS

Registration Information Packets....

...for 2011-2012 are now available online at

www.holyangelsschool.org.

New in 2011-2012 – Pre/K 3 yr. old program

Appointments for School Tours

Prospective parents can make an appointment to tour the School by calling the School Office at 731-2210.

Scrip Cards are available every Wednesday and Friday from 2:15 – 2:45 PM in the Gym.

Box Tops/Labels for Education are accepted at the School Office. Proceeds benefit educational materials.

Congratulations to the following students who participated in the “Spartan Speech Contest” at St. Mark’s High School on February 5th!

Victoria Crisona Grade 6

Kyle Johnson Grade 7

Leighton Trimarco Grade 7

(Leighton placed 2nd in declamation category!)

Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality

Please note that our meeting for Wednesday, February 16th, has been cancelled. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, March 16th, at 7:00 PM in Holy Angels Church Conference Room. For more information, please call Bernice Farabaugh, 731-5791.



The Sports Box

Softball, Baseball & Track Coaches Needed for Spring

Send resume to Lyn Wolfe at wolfelyn@comcast.net if you are interested.

Registration for Spring Sports: Feb. 1 – March 3

Late fees apply March 4th. Register online at

www.eteamz.com/holyangels.

Baseball: 7th & 8th grade

Softball: 4th – 8th grade

Track: K – 8th grade

Questions, contact Lyn Wolfe at wolfelyn@comcast.net

Holy Angels Athletic Association Meeting is on Tuesday, March 8, at 8 PM in the Athletic Building. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Basketball Scores

Varsity C Girls, 30 vs. Immaculate Heart of Mary, 20

Varsity Y Girls, 22 vs. St. Paul's, 18

Varsity O Girls, 20 vs. St. Mary's, 20

JV Girls (St. E's League), 31 vs. St. Mary's, 23

JV Girls C, 28 vs. Ursuline, 16

Varsity C1 Boys, 40 vs. St. Matthew's, 30

Varsity C2 Boys, 36 vs. PJP, 28

Varsity Y Boys, 20 vs. **St. Joe's, 24**

JV C Boys, 36, vs. St. Catherine's, 26

JV Y Boys, 25 vs. St. Mary Magdalen, 18

Congratulations to the JV Girls St. Elizabeth League Team for finishing 2nd in the St. John the Beloved Tournament.

Special congratulations to Kendra Schweizer, Hannah Garbowski and Alyssa Simmens for making the St. John Tournament Team.

Upcoming Games

Saturday, February 19th

JV Girls C vs. St. Catherine's, 10 AM at St. Catherine's

JV Girls (St. Elizabeth League) vs. St. Mary Magdalen,
10:45 AM

JV Boys C vs. St. Mary Magdalen, 3 PM at St. Catherine's

Varsity Girls O vs. Christ The Teacher, 3:15 PM at Holy Angels

JV Boys Y vs. Immaculate Heart of Mary, 3:45 PM at
St. Anthony's



Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

March 12th Fremont Hall

Holy Angels Knights of Columbus will host a St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 12th, from 6:30 PM

– 10:30 PM in Fremont Hall. This fun event features traditional Irish food (corned beef/cabbage and salmon) and a performance by dancers from the McAleer School of Irish Dance. Tickets are \$30 per adult, \$15 per child (under age 15) and \$200 for a table of 8 people. Dinner, beer, wine, soda, DJ dancing and door prizes are all included. Please contact Bob Genau ((302) 774-1468, Paul Keely (302) 540-6648, or Bob Sassa (302) 234-2368 for tickets or more information. Tickets will also be available after Mass on February 26/27 and March 5/6. Get your tickets early because seating is limited!

Lenten Prayer Sampler Workshop

How is your prayer life? Is it all it could be? Do you feel you might be called to a deeper prayer experience? Are your present practices feeling a little dry?

On March 15, from 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM, we will be offering a Lenten Retreat to explore a few of the prayer practices offered regularly here in the parish. We will focus on Lectio Divina (praying with Sacred Scriptures), Centering Prayer (praying with silence), and Charismatic Prayer (praying with the Spirit). There will be time for learning about, as well as participating in, these prayer forms. The day will conclude with the source and summit of our prayer life, Eucharistic Liturgy.

All are welcome. Please bring your Bible, a notebook, and your lunch. There is no charge for the day, but a free will basket will be available for Lenten almsgiving to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Please pre-register by calling Mary (453-9613).

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, or 369-3330, and our members will pray for you. Please let us know when your prayer has been answered, so we too may give thanks.

Prevention Health Screenings

Monday, February 21

St. John-Holy Angels Parish Center

Did you know...

2 of 3 stroke victims have no prior symptoms or warnings!

-- and -- Your doctor cannot order an ultrasound test unless you do have symptoms.

Prevention Health Screenings has been coming to our parish for the last 7 years. They offer 7 painless, non-invasive prevention screenings that could save your life. Test results are mailed to you, and you follow up with your own doctor.

Tests offered are:

1. Heart Disease Risk Screen
2. Stroke/Carotid Artery Screen
3. Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screen
4. Thyroid Screen
5. Peripheral Arterial Disease
6. Atrial Fibrillation Heart Rhythm Screen
7. Pulmonary Function Screen

Pre-registration is required, by calling Prevention Health Screenings at 1-800-446-0930. Different cost packages are available, and cash, major credit cards and checks are accepted.

Hearing Devices

Devices for assistive listening are available at Holy Angels Church. Please stop in the Sacristy before Mass if you would like to use one of these.

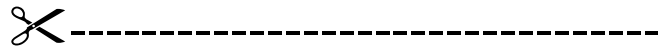
Parish Safety Concern

Over the past few weeks we have noticed a number of parishioners falling due to chair kneelers being left in the "down" position while going to receive communion or when leaving Mass. **For safety reasons, we are asking that anytime you leave your seat to receive communion or when leaving after Mass, please have consideration for other parishioners by placing all kneelers (chairs and pews) in the "up/raised" position.** This will prevent anyone exiting from or returning to their seat from tripping over the kneeler. Your help would be greatly appreciated and may save someone from being seriously hurt.

"Stepping Stones"

The Office for Family Life is offering in two locations a program series called "Stepping Stones." This is a six-week program for people who have experienced separation or divorce, assisting them in finding ways to build their lives again with a positive and systematic approach. One series will meet at Catholic Charities, 2601 W. 4th St. and Greenhill Avenue, Wilmington, DE, 19805 on Wednesday evenings, 6:00 – 8:00 PM, beginning March 16th and ending April 20th. The other series will meet at St. Joseph Parish, located at 371 E. Main St., Middletown, DE, 19709 on Saturday evenings, 6:00 – 8:00 PM, beginning March 19th and ending April 30th. Please note, each program needs a minimum of 4 participants, so please respond as quickly as possible. **Please make your reservation by Friday, March 11th.**

The registration fee for Stepping Stones is \$50. For more information, contact Linda Jackson (302)295-0657, or send an email to ljackson@cdow.org.



Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Street Address: _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone # _____

- Wednesday Evenings in Wilmington, DE
- Saturday Evenings in Middletown, DE
- Enclosed \$50 Check payable to **Diocese of Wilmington**

Mail to: The Office for Family Life, Stepping Stones, 1626 N. Union Street, Wilmington, DE 19806

Make The Day Saturday, February 26

Salesianum School
11th Annual S.A.C.R.E.D.

Salesian Adult Christian Religious Education Day

For program information and registration, visit us at

<http://www.salesianum.org/about/events/sacred/index.php>



**"Theology & Current
Understanding of
Baptism & Places
Reserved for Baptism"**

A note from your Director of Liturgy & Music

***"Why do we need a large font?
The bowl seems to work pretty well."***

Traditionally, we inherit one kind of baptismal font or another. On occasion, we are given the great opportunity for renovation and new construction. When we are given such opportunities, we are to follow the Church's most recent documents on such matters. Therefore, when the new Holy Angels Church was constructed and dedicated in 2004, new guidelines and regulations were in place for the building of worship spaces. The guidelines in place during construction were from *Built of Living Stones (BLS)*, a 2000 document on art and architecture in the worship space. BLS clearly states that each newly constructed or renovated church is to have a baptismal font that (1) is large enough to hold water to baptize both adults and children; (2) allows for immersion, even if it only occurs on occasion; (3) visually symbolizes the relationship of baptism as entrance into the Church and its importance towards our journey towards the Eucharist; and (4) allows the whole community to participate in baptism since it is a sacrament which makes us a whole Church—this is why we recommend and enjoy baptism during Mass at our parish.

Clearly, the authors of BLS wanted us to remember the theology behind the Sacrament of Baptism. For it is in baptism, the first of the sacraments of initiation, that we are given entrance into a eucharistic community. Because the rites of initiation begin with baptism and eventually lead to the reception of the Eucharist at the altar, one must journey *through* the waters of baptism to the altar. If a bowl on a pedestal was enough for us to baptize with, then one should probably use the same logic and use a small wooden table to consecrate the Eucharist on. We know using such for the Eucharistic sacrifice would be irreverent and profane, so why shouldn't we liken it to the place where we celebrate the first sacrament? If we continued to use a large bowl on a short pedestal, we would be violating the theology of the sacrament and the spirit of the space we built with our promise to complete this building.

Since baptism is the first of the sacraments, it is of utmost importance and value that we take the responsibility to make a prominent, noble, and reverent place for its celebration. For one cannot claim themselves as a member of the Church, Christ's body, without being baptized; likewise, we, too, cannot enter Holy Angels without being reminded of our own baptism and the power of the sacrament that makes us all one in Christ.

It is our duty and our call as Christians to welcome all of those who come to our door. Should we welcome them with a tiny sprinkle over the head from a cold, dark, breakable bowl with no running water? Or should we offer them fresh water—the "living" water—of baptism where they will share in the one faith and one baptism that makes us united as one? I know which one I'd like to be welcomed with. How about you?