

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 6th Sunday of Easter – Year A

What difficulties have you overcome because of your belief in the Power of the Holy Spirit?



Daily Mass will be live-streamed every morning at 9:00 AM on Facebook. Sunday Mass will also be live-streamed on Sundays at 10:00 AM (English) and 12:00 Noon (Spanish). Daily reflections and meditations are posted periodically. Go to <https://facebook.com/stjohnholyangels>.



St. John Church

May 17 – 23
The Wilkinson-Tusio Family
Mary E. Paul
60th Wedding Anniversary of
Gene & Eileen Fogarty
John & Nancy Harkins
Ida M. Didion
Mary Pupo
Helen, John & Joseph Cheddar
People of the Parish

Holy Angels Church

May 17 – 23
Intenciones Comunitarias
Anna & Patrick Hughes
Herbert C. Buckalew

Preview of This Week's Readings

Monday:	Acts 16:11-15;	John 15:26 – 16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34;	John 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 – 18:1;	John 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 18:1-8;	John 16:16-20
Friday:	Acts 18:9-18;	John 16:20-23
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28;	John 16:23b-29
Sunday:	Acts 1:1-11; Matthew 28:16-20	Ephesians 1:17-23;



Looking Ahead:

What to Expect When We're Back in Our Churches

Whenever the current restrictions are eased and we are able to gather for Mass again, it is important for all of us to understand that things will not immediately “go back to normal.”

Both Governor Carney of Delaware and Governor Hogan of Maryland have announced the development of multi-phased guidelines with the goal of easing restrictions in the coming weeks and months.

We know the desire to participate in the liturgy and receive the Eucharist is incredibly strong and we are exploring ways to address this concern, while continuing our care and concern for the physical and spiritual health of all. We ask everyone to please continue to be patient and charitable as we work through these difficult times.

While specific details of “when” and “how” public Masses will resume are still being determined, the following things will be important for parishioners to consider:

- **The general dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation will remain in place.** Regardless of when restrictions are lifted in Delaware or Maryland, there will understandably be people, especially people in vulnerable or at-risk groups, who will feel it is safer to stay home than attend Mass. Potential limits on crowd sizes that are allowed in parishes will also play a part. The faithful are encouraged to keep the Lord’s Day holy by participating in a parish livestream Mass.
- **When our churches begin to reopen, physical distancing will likely still be in place.** The six feet separation restriction will likely still be required. You may be asked to wear a face covering, as recommended by the CDC. If you are in a vulnerable category (i.e., older adult, 65 years and older; person who is immunocompromised), you may continue to be encouraged to remain home. Anyone who is ill, or suspects he or she is ill, should refrain from participation in public activities, including Mass. In addition, in light of CDC monitoring recommendations, anyone who arrives at the church and is exhibiting symptoms may be asked not to attend Mass out of an abundance of care and caution for others. Parishes may have procedures for receiving communion that maintains this distancing.

- **Attendance at Mass and church spaces may continue to be limited.** It is expected that restrictions for any large gatherings will remain in place. Only a certain number of pews or chairs may be available for use. Hymnals may be removed, and paper worship aids utilized.
- **Liturgical changes will likely remain in effect.** For those able to attend Mass, similar practices like those in March will likely remain in place, e.g., distribution of Holy Communion under one species, no exchanging of the sign of peace, no holy water fonts, etc.

In time, each parish will be asked to assemble a parish plan for reopening based on CDC recommendations that addresses the parish’s local circumstances in each phase set forth by the governors.

Even though parishes will take all reasonable precautions, and sanitize as best they can after each liturgical celebration, including the restrooms, there will still exist the risk of infection for anyone who attends a public Mass as we move through the various phases of easing restrictions. No one should expect that they will be safer in church than in any other public space.

Safety concerns, in addition to the virus itself, will determine the timeline. During Mass on Tuesday, April 28, 2020, Pope Francis prayed for prudence as communities begin lifting their lockdowns. The Holy Father said, “At this time, when we are beginning to receive instructions for coming out of quarantine, we pray that the Lord would give his people – all of us – the grace of prudence and obedience to the instructions so that the pandemic does not return.” As this process unfolds, there will certainly be challenges, but the safety of our communities will remain the benchmark. As the Diocese moves forward, we request that parishioners stay informed and stay flexible to any updates.

Please keep in mind, we will all experience challenges and frustration as we navigate through these weeks and months ahead. Each parish, based on their local circumstances, may implement guidance from the Diocese differently.

Let us continue to keep those sick and afflicted with the COVID-19; those on the front-lines (medical professionals) caring for the sick; those who have died as a result of the virus; and all of our fellow parishioners and parishes in our prayers in these days ahead.

Diocese of Wilmington

For more resources please visit: www.cdow.org/coronavirus

Parish Office Hours

Although the Parish Office is closed to the public, the Office can still be reached by phone at (302) 731-2200 or email aahar@holyangels.net from 9:00 AM – 12 Noon, and 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM Monday thru Thursday. Please visit our website regularly for the most up to date parish information, links and other helpful resources. www.stjohn-holyangels.com.



Holy Angels School is closed until further notice due to Covid-19 protocol. Teachers and staff members have been working diligently preparing distance learning sessions for all students along with work packet information. We are most grateful for the availability of online conferencing opportunities to keep us connected during these challenging times.

Our prayers go out to so many at this time for continued good health and safety.

We are accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Please email gtullier@holyangelschool.org for more information.

Also check our website at www.holyangelschool.org for updates.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



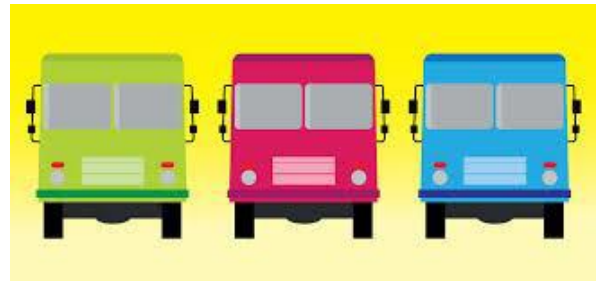
Religious Education 2020/2021 registration has begun. Registration forms are available on the Parish's webpage (www.stjohn-holyangels.com) and on the Parish Center front porch. These can be returned via US mail, email, or left in the box on the Parish Center front porch (HARE@holyangels.net).

Communion & Confirmation Celebrations:

It is Bishop Malooly's decision not to celebrate Confirmations as long as schools remain closed and at least until May 15th and the guidance on limited gathering and social distancing is lifted. This applies to the celebration of 1st Communion on May 2, 3 & 16.

When the decision has been made for rescheduling the celebrations, you will be informed.

Parents, during this time away from the public celebration of Mass, use the opportunity to teach your children what a gift the Eucharist is, and what it means to miss it. Keep reviewing the 1st Communion lessons in the blue folder, practice how to receive communion, and pray together as a family.



Food Trucks to the Rescue! One Truck At A Time

This Parish Fundraiser began 2 weeks ago. A different food truck is scheduled on a rotating basis at Holy Angels Parking Lot. Food trucks include The Wandering Chef, Gotta Lotta Gelata, Crazy Rick's, I Don't Give A Fork, Mojo Loco, Scission and La Mixteca Poblana.

A weekly food truck schedule is provided on the St. John-Holy Angels Food Truck Festival Facebook page. Menus for each truck are posted the evening before. Click on the discussion link: www.facebook.com/events/181273496309537/.

The rules are simple:

1. Text the truck to order your take-out order, or order at the truck window.
2. Please stay in your car while you wait for your order.
3. Please maintain Delaware Social Distancing regulations.

Eternal rest grant unto her...

Please remember in your prayers Doris J. Duffy. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.



2020 Annual Catholic Appeal



In today's Gospel, Jesus says to His disciples, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments".

Scripture teaches us that serving Christ is a fundamental part of our Catholic faith and that serving the Lord means serving others. When we give or ourselves on behalf of others the Holy Spirit works through us and Jesus is served.

In these continuing difficult times, it becomes clearer that our role as Church is more critical than ever in helping those in need. Bearing witness to poverty, illness and injustice, and responding in the spirit of Christ are the hallmarks of the many ministries supported by the Annual Catholic Appeal.

For those of you who have given to this year's Appeal, thank you for your generosity. For those who have not, please prayerfully consider supporting this important effort.

To learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal, visit www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal. Be sure to view the brief video offering moving testimony from recipients of featured Appeal supported ministries. A direct link to the video can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=80qz5V5aH8&t=2s>.

Weekly Rosary

Join our [Knights of Columbus \(12104\)](#) in praying the Rosary on Tuesdays from 7:30 PM – 8:00 PM via Zoom. For more information on how you can participate, check out their webpage at www.kofc12104.weebly.com/events.html or email kc12014@gmail.com.



Do You Shop at Amazon.com?

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.



Parish Giving

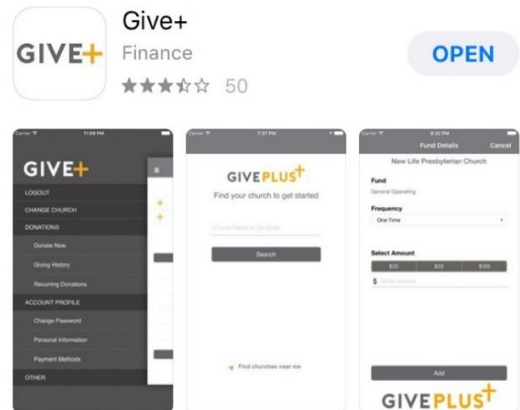
—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—

Our parish still needs your support, even though public Masses have been cancelled due to Coronavirus. Consider scheduling a recurring electronic contribution today. It's easy! You will no longer need to write out checks and prepare envelopes every week. Even when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, your electronic contributions will continue to be received on an uninterrupted basis. To sign-up for online contributions, go to the parish website homepage, www.stjohn-holyangels.com, and click on the link to online giving.

GIVEPLUS+

Our New Church Giving App

Our online giving program now has a convenient mobile app you can use to send your gifts to our Parish. With GivePlus, you can quickly and easily give to your church using your smartphone. Enjoy the convenience of making credit or debit card donations as a guest user, or create an account to set up recurring donations and view your giving history. Either way, GivePlus offers a safe, secure way to make one-time or recurring contributions to your church. GivePlus is free to use and available for download at the App Store. If you have questions or would like to learn more, search our FAQs and check out our user guides below.



St. John-Holy Angels Church Offertory Collections – Actual vs. Budget FY 19-20 April

	Actual	Budget
Basket	20,249	39,615
Online Giving	19,700	10,154
Holy Days	5,100	3,788
Maintenance	809	2,385
Mortgage Reduction	1,199	1,808
Hispanic	-	9,788
April Total	47,057	67,538
Over/ (Under) Budget – This Month		\$ (20,481)
Fiscal Year to Date Total	\$ 676,748	\$ 741,194
Over/ (Under) Budget – FISCAL YEAR to Date		\$ (64,446)



Please be aware of a scam involving our Parish!

Some of you are receiving emails from scammers who claim to be our Pastor needing assistance. The scammer will try to get you to purchase gift cards or money orders and send the account information to the 'Pastor' (scammer). Please do NOT respond. This is a scam. If you have received this, or other scam emails or phone calls, please file a report with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357) or TTY 1-866-653-4261. For more information visit: ftc.gov/complaint.

Go to the App Store or Google Play on your mobile device and search for "GivePlus" to download the app for free.

- Enter your church's name or ZIP code and click Search.
- Select your church and click Give Now
- Enter your donation amount and click Add.
- Scan or enter your credit/debit card or bank account information.
- Review and click Complete Donation

Please note: If you wish to drop off your offertory envelope, there is a mail slot in the front door at the Parish Center.

BOLENTÍN INFORMATIVO DE LA IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE SAN JUAN - SANTOS ÁNGELES

La Comunidad de Fe de la Parroquia San Juan - Santos Ángeles cree que el Espíritu Santo nos faculta para proclamar el Evangelio de Jesucristo y celebrar la presencia permanente de Dios entre nosotros.

Rev. Stanislao Esposito, Pastor

Rev. Carlos Ochoa, Pastor Asociado

Santa Misa en español los

domingos: 8:00 am, 1:00 pm, 7:30 pm

Sacramento de Reconciliación los domingos

antes y después de misa.

Explicación del tercer secreto de Fátima

Como respuesta a las malinterpretaciones del tercer secreto de Fátima y su asociación con un "caos apocalíptico", el entonces Cardenal Joseph Ratzinger, ahora Papa Emérito Benedicto XVI, explicó el sentido del texto y cómo puede servir para comprender y vivir mejor el Evangelio.

La [tercera parte del secreto de Fátima](#) fue revelada el 13 de julio de 1917 a los tres pastorcitos en Cova da Iria y transcrito por Sor Lucía el 3 de enero de 1944. Fue hecho público por el entonces Secretario de Estado del Vaticano, Cardenal Angelo Sodano, el 13 de mayo del 2000.

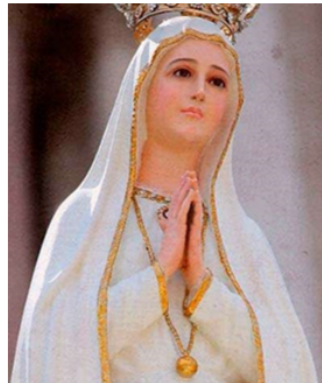
Los mensajes transmitidos en este secreto invitan al arrepentimiento, conversión, oración y penitencia como medios de reparación por los pecados.

Según el Cardenal Ratzinger, cuando era Prefecto de la Congregación para la Doctrina de la Fe, el llamado a la penitencia es una exhortación a comprender los signos de los tiempos y a la conversión. También es la respuesta a un momento histórico determinado que se caracteriza por grandes dificultades.

El secreto habla sobre un "ángel con la espada de fuego", elemento que para el Cardenal no es fantasía: se refiere a las armas de fuego, que el hombre mismo ha inventado.

Otra cosa de la visión es la fuerza que se

opone a la destrucción: el esplendor de la Virgen, que proviene de la penitencia. Esto quiere decir, que la penitencia y la oración tienen el poder de cambiar las predicciones hacia el bien.



El mejor ejemplo, afirma, es que el Papa Juan Pablo II sobrevivió al atentado del 13 de mayo de 1981 en la Plaza de San Pedro, pese a que el secreto predecía su muerte.

Por otro lado, respecto a los tres elementos que aparecen en el secreto (una montaña escarpada, una gran ciudad medio en ruinas, y una gran cruz de troncos rústicos), Ratzinger señala que la montaña es el costoso camino que el hombre debe atravesar y la ciudad en ruinas representa las desgracias que el propio hombre ocasionó con las guerras.

Sobre la montaña está la cruz, el objetivo final, donde la destrucción se transforma en salvación. Por ello, estos símbolos tienen un sentido de esperanza.

El Obispo de blanco (el Papa), tendrá que subir por esa montaña y atravesar la ciudad en ruinas. El Papa precede a los demás, cuyo camino también pasa en medio de los cadáveres. Benedicto indica que la travesía del Papa simboliza el camino de la Iglesia en medio de la violencia, las destrucciones y las persecuciones.

"En la visión podemos reconocer el siglo pasado como siglo de los mártires, como siglo de los sufrimientos y de las persecuciones contra la Iglesia, como el siglo de las guerras mundiales y de muchas guerras locales que han llenado toda su segunda mitad y han hecho experimentar nuevas formas de crueldad. En el 'espejo' de esta visión vemos pasar a los testigos de la fe de decenios", indicó.

Esta parte del secreto concluye con una señal de esperanza: Que ningún sufrimiento es en vano. Porque la sangre de los mártires purifica y renueva. De ahí se levantará una Iglesia triunfante. También, la sangre derramada sobre la cruz representa la vivencia actual del sufrimiento de Cristo y la promesa de salvación.

Papa emérito Benedicto XVI

A veces podemos estar tentados de dejarnos vencer por la pereza o peor, por el desaliento, sobre todo de frente a las fatigas y a las pruebas de la vida. En estos casos, no perdamos el ánimo, invoquemos al Espíritu Santo para que, con el don de la Fortaleza, pueda aliviar nuestro corazón y comunicar nueva fuerza y entusiasmo a nuestra vida y a nuestro seguimiento de Jesús.

“La insistente invitación de María Santísima a la penitencia no es más que la manifestación de su preocupación maternal por el destino de la familia humana, necesitada de conversión y perdón”

Mandamiento del Señor Jesús:

“Amaos los unos a los otros como yo os amé”

Mandamiento de María:

“Haced lo que Él os diga”