

Parish Directory

Parish Center

82 Possum Park Road
Newark, DE 19711

Office Hours:

Weekdays: 9 AM – Noon, 1 PM – 4 PM
6 PM - 9 PM

Saturday: 9 AM – Noon

Parish Office: 731-2200

Website: www.stjohn-holyangels.com

(Note: New Web Address)

Fax: 731-2434

Administrative Assistant: Annie Adams

Parish Registration: Please stop in at the Parish Office to complete registration form.

Chaplain & Deacon Office: 731-2439

Deacon: Charles Schaubert

Chaplain for Hispanic Ministry: Rev. Alan Reyna

Business Office 731-2208

Accountant: Bill Duffy

Facilities/Maintenance 731-2212

Director: James Kline

Fremont Hall Rentals 731-2431

Director: Elaine Montoro

Hispanic Ministry 731-2436

Deacon: Heriberto Rodriguez

Administrative Assistant: Pilar Carazo

Holy Angels Athletic Association 737-2435

Director: Charles Muzzi

Holy Angels School 731-2210

Office Hours:

School Days: 8 AM - 3 PM

Principal: Denise Winterberger

Administrative Assistants: Cindy Bartosik
Zina Walsh

Liturgical Ministries 731-2219

Coordinator: Amy Press

Liturgical Music 731-2435

Director: Stephen Adams

Religious Education 731-2209

Coordinators: Mary Alberici

Theresa Mancari

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults 731-2219

Coordinators: Susan & Fred Whitcraft

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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. John Church

December 28	8:00 AM	Raymond Soehlke
December 29	8:00 AM	Robert Bergstrom
December 30	8:00 AM	Richard F. Henofer Sr.
December 31	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
January 1	8:00 AM	Sodality Members, Living & Deceased
January 2	8:00 AM	Special Intention
January 3	8:00 AM	Stella, Bernard & Ronald Concavage
	10:00 AM	Sodality Members, Living & Deceased

Holy Angels Church

December 31	5:00 PM	Virginia D'Andrea
January 2	5:00 PM	Stephen Martin
January 3	9:00 AM	Mary Alice Soehlke
	11:00 AM	Jake Gleber
	1:00 PM	Intenciones Comunitarias



December 27, 2009 – January 2, 2010

Thursday: New Year's Eve (See Mass Schedule below)
Friday: New Year's Day (See Mass Schedule below)

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Friday, January 1, is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, a Holy Day of Obligation.
New Year's Eve Mass Holy Angels 5 PM
New Year's Day Mass St. John 8 AM



Parish Center Holiday Closings

Special Office Hours for the Holidays are listed below:

Dec. 28-29-30 Closed 12 Noon – 4:00 PM
Dec. 31: Office Closes at 12 Noon
Jan. 1: Office Closed
Jan. 6: Office Closed Noon – 6:00 PM

Preview of This Week's Readings

Monday: I John 1:5 – 2:2; Matthew 2:13-18
Tuesday: I John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35
Wednesday: I John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40
Thursday: I John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God: Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21
Saturday: I John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28
Sunday: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12



Eternal rest grant unto her...

Please remember in your prayers...

Dorothy Horchler

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Election of Parish Trustees

In accordance with Diocesan policy, the election of Parish Trustees will take place on Sunday, January 3rd, immediately following the 10:00 AM Mass at St. John Church. Our current Trustees are Gene Consiglio and Mary Newcott.

Confirmation 2010

Reminder: Journals are due December 30th. There is a box on the Parish center porch labeled "Confirmation Drop Off/Pick Up"; you can put the journals in that.

January is your busy month;

Sessions January 3rd, 10th and 31st at 7:00 PM in Holy Angels Church for your and your sponsor. If your sponsor cannot attend, your parent can sub for the sponsor.

January 23rd is your retreat (Candidates Only). Starting at 9:00 AM and ending with the 5:00 PM Mass.

Holy Angels School Open Houses

Tuesday, January 5 9 – 11 AM
Friday, January 15 9 – 11 AM
Tuesday, January 19 9 – 11 AM
Tuesday, February 2 5 – 7 PM



These Open Houses are for prospective parents of children entering Kindergarten through 6th grade. The School-Day Open Houses provide an excellent way to a typical school day at Holy Angels.

Good News! PreK4 Opening September 2010! New Student Applications

PreK4 - Kindergarten – due January 29th
Grades 1-6 – due February 26th

Information and applications are available either online at www.holyangelsschool.org or from the School Office, 731-2210.

Students entering kindergarten must be 5 years of age by August 31, 2010. PreK4 must be 4 years of age by August 31, 2010.

Applications must include:

- Birth Certificate
Baptismal Certificate
2-page Application Form
Recent Report Card/Testing
Non-refundable check of \$100.00

New Jackpot Rules \$26,500 in Jackpot Prizes to be given away! in 4 jackpot Drawings

Mondays, January 11 – 18 – 25 and February 1

Each drawing will have 4 winners, for prizes of \$3000, \$2000, \$1000 and \$500. The fourth and final drawing will have an additional \$500 winner.

Tickets go on sale after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday, January 2, and will be available after all weekend Masses until January 31, as well as at the Parish Office.

Ticket price remains the same, \$1 per ticket, or 6 for \$5. These Jackpot Drawings are cumulative; tickets remain in the Jackpot Barrel for all four drawings, except for the winning tickets. There is no prize to the sellers of winning tickets.

Thank You!

We wish to thank Patti Walters and the many people who assisted her in decorating our churches for the Christmas Season. Our deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for the numerous hours of time you give in order to make and keep our churches beautiful throughout the year, especially at Christmas!

“SaveAround Delaware 2010”

The Delaware edition of SaveAround Delaware is now available at the Parish and School Offices. This book contains over 350 “Buy One-Get One Free” coupons, to be used at IHOP, Royal Farms, Soffritto, Burger King, Dunkin Donuts, Kentucky Fried Chicken, McDonald’s, Subway, Seasons Pizza, and many, many more!

Great value for \$20! Great gift idea for neighbors, coaches, co-workers, bus drivers, teachers!

For more information, please contact Amy, 731-2219 (apress@holyangels.net). All proceeds benefit St. John-Holy Angels Parish.

Snow Cancellations

In the event of poor weather and dangerous driving conditions during the winter season, sometimes we find it necessary to cancel parish activities, meetings, and liturgies.



Weather-related information will be on the parish website, www.stjohn-holyangels.com. The following radio stations will be contacted if the 8:00 AM Daily Mass, Weekend Masses, and parish activities are canceled. Please listen to the cancellations before you venture out in adverse weather.

WILM 1450 AM WSTW 93.7 FM
WDEL 1150 AM WJBR 99.5 FM

Beef & Beer

Holy Angels Athletic Association

**Saturday, January 16 7:00 PM – Midnight
Fremont Hall**

Tickets are \$25 per person, and include dinner, dessert, beer, soda, DJ, dancing and door prizes. Also available are 50/50’s and a silent auction.

For tickets, contact Lyn Wolfe, wolfelyn@comcast.net (phone 420-8659) or Erin Tobin at etobin@cqainc.com.

March for Life Events

January 2010

Wilmington, DE & Washington, D.C.

Delaware Right to Life will again sponsor a Wilmington March for Life, then take two busses to the 2010 National March for Life in Washington.

On **Friday, January 15th**, 2010, DRTL will host a local March for Life in Wilmington from 12 – 1 PM. We will begin in front of the statue in Rodney Square and process through the city to Planned Parenthood at 7th & Shipley Streets. This is a peaceful, prayerful march. Signs will be provided. Visit www.derighttolife.org for details. Please come out and show your support for life!

The 37th Annual March for Life in Washington will take place on **Friday, January 22nd**. DRTL will sponsor two busses. Reservations are open to the public. Tickets are \$25/person and \$50/family. Busses will depart from the Christiana Mall bus depot at 10 AM, and depart from Washington at 6 PM, arriving back to the Mall around 8 PM. This is an amazing opportunity to stand in solidarity with hundreds of thousands of other pro-lifers from across the nation! Please contact Betty at betty@derighttolife.org or 453-8846 to reserve your seat!

Christmas Proclamation

In religious communities, great Cathedrals, and small chapels around the world, the Proclamation of Christmas below was joyfully sung or read on Christmas Eve or Christmas morning. From ancient times, this has been the way the Church begins its celebration of this glorious day.

Whether read, sung or simply used for our own private reading, the words of the Proclamation offer us a sense of the place in history that the birth of our Savior has and invites us to rejoice.

Today, the twenty-fifth day of December,

Unknown ages from the time when God created the heavens and the Earth and then formed man and woman in his own image.

Several thousand years after the flood, when God made the rainbow shine forth as a sign of the covenant.

Twenty-one centuries from the time of Abraham and Sarah; thirteen centuries after Moses led the people of Israel out of Egypt.

Eleven hundred years from the time of Ruth and the Judges; one thousand years from the anointing of David as king; in the sixty-fifth week according to the prophecy of Daniel.

In the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad; The seven hundred and fifty-second year from the foundation of the city of Rome. the forty-second year of the reign of Octavian Augustus; the whole world being at peace, Jesus Christ, eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to sanctify the world by his most merciful coming, being conceived by the Holy Spirit, and nine months having passed since his conception, was born in Bethlehem of Judea of the Virgin Mary.

Today is the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

Amen.

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.

Parish Maintenance

Since July 1, 2009, we have collected from you generous donations over \$13,000 which was given towards our restoration and expansion fund and have been used for the maintenance and upkeep of our parish grounds and facilities.

First, thank you for your generous support. This collection helps us continue to maintain our building and grounds to look refreshed and renewed. We continue to look into cost cutting measures to keep the budget down and all of your continued monthly contributions are greatly appreciated.

Secondly, in addition to all of the general maintenance and upkeep here is a list of some of the repairs and projects that we have completed over the past six months to help our parish grounds continue to thrive.



Parish Center

- removed and trimmed trees
- renovated outdoor gathering space
- updated the furniture on the front porch
- replaced front door lock
- updated lighting, painting and carpeting in some offices
- reassigned some office space
- renovated one office into a waiting area
- cleaned out the food closet
- cleaned out the basement and restored basement walls
- designated records room and other storage space in basement
- power washed the Parish Center
- replaced entrance porch lighting and installed a lock box
- repainted the old chapel space, re-wired the air conditioning and installed new lighting



Bulletin Coupons

Please remember to patronize the advertisers on the back of our bulletin. Enjoy 10% off of your purchase at The Cereal Bowl when you present the coupon from the back of the bulletin! Rudy's Pizzeria has Buy One-Get One Free Entrees. Sugar Rush Café has \$1 off coupons. Brandywine Chrysler Jeep & Dodge donate \$100 back to our Church if you purchase your vehicle there. Check the back pages frequently for new ads and specials!

School

- installed ceiling projectors
- deep scrubbed classrooms and halls
- waxed floors

Gym

- rekeyed the gym

Holy Angels Church

- rebuffed and waxed floors

St. John Church

- upgraded lights
- cupola work

Rectory

- removed hedges
- painted the fence
- removed and trimmed trees

Cemetery

- removed and trimmed trees

Stop by any of the above locations and take a look at all the work that's been done! Keep an eye out on our website. We hope to have some pictures up soon.

Thirdly, if you are interested in becoming a volunteer with our Parish Maintenance Ministry to help continue these and other future improvements please contact the Parish Office at 731-2200 or turn in the form below.

Maintenance Ministry



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

My Skills Are: _____

Visitors for Christ

Visitors for Christ are men and women commissioned by the Office Of Worship at St. John-Holy Angels Church 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.