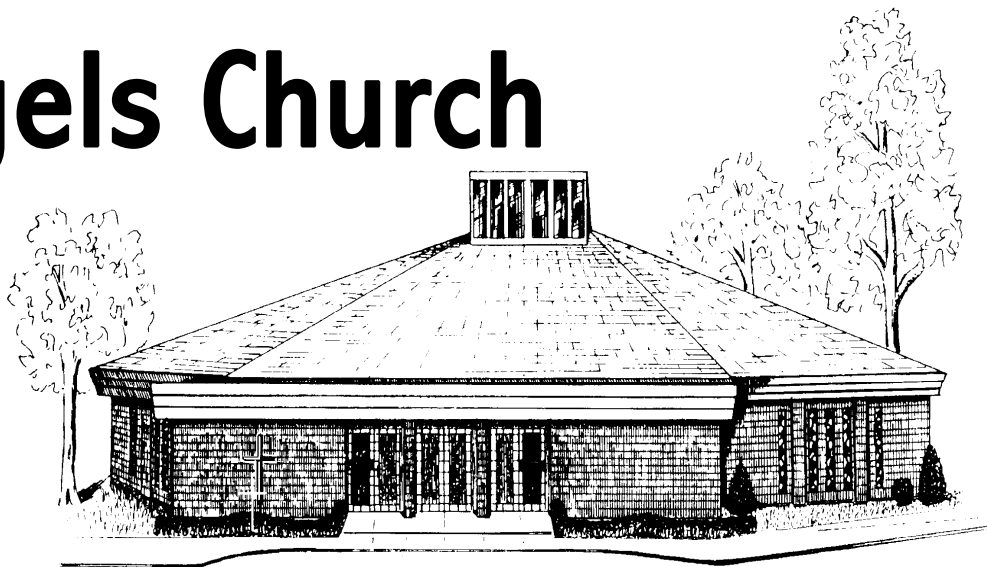


Holy Angels Church

Mission Statement:

The Church of the Holy Angels is a Roman Catholic faith community led by the words of Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Good News of Christ. We believe that human life has value from beginning to end and we are dedicated to providing a welcoming environment to a diverse community in all stages of life. Our parish is committed to enabling and inspiring all to participate in a growing relationship with God.



A Roman Catholic Community in South Meriden, Connecticut

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

MASS

Vigil 4:00 p.m. EST, 5:00 p.m. DST
Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.
First Fridays 11:00 a.m.
(September – December and March – June)
Weekdays *(in the Chapel, 915 Main St., South Meriden)*
Mon-Tue-Wed-Fri 8:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. EST
4:00 to 4:30 p.m. DST

BAPTISM

Second and fourth Sundays of each month at 12:00 noon. A pre-baptismal program for parents and godparents is required. It is held the first Tuesday of each month. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment well in advance of the desired date of the baptism.

MARRIAGE

Please call the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance to make reservations.

PRIESTHOOD



Please call the Office of Vocations at (860) 761-7456, or visit their website at www.vocationshartford.org.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office whenever a family member is confined to the home, hospital or a nursing home for communion calls or Anointing of the Sick. We would be happy to visit.

VISITORS

We extend a warm welcome and hope you will find our church family a community where your faith will be nourished. Please introduce yourself after Mass and if you are interested in joining us do call the Parish Office or ask an usher for a registration form.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Through Baptism we enter God's family. Through registration we welcome you into our Parish Family. It is requested that every family in the parish be registered and every adult receive a set of envelopes. Registration is the only means of certifying anyone as a member of our Parish Family.

OFFICE HOURS

PARISH

Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Closed 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

May, June and August

Monday through Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Thursday By Appointment

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ July 25, 2010



Saturday, July 24
 5:00 p.m. Frank Moniz
 Req. by Irene Rozzi

Sunday, July 25
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:30 a.m. Helen Fortin
 Req. by The Fortin Family
 11:00 a.m. Louise G. Potter
 Req. by The Potter and Carrozza Families

Monday, July 26
 8:30 a.m. For All Parishioners

Tuesday, July 27
 8:30 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, July 28
 8:30 a.m. Special Intentions of
 Aida da Fonte

Thursday, July 29
 No Mass

Friday, July 30
 8:30 a.m. José and Valdemar da Fonte
 Req. by Aida da Fonte

Saturday, July 31
 5:00 p.m. Anthony J. Green
 Req. by His Family

Sunday, August 1
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:30 a.m. Catherine "Kitty" Mase
 Req. by Doris Ferron
 11:00 a.m. Faye Byer
 Req. by Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Poach



REFLECTING ON THE WORD

by Msgr. Ralph Kuehner and Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

Coming to God with our wants and desires does not seem especially out of character for us, especially with God telling us to come, as this week's Gospel would suggest.

Yet we can also find ourselves wondering if praying for something really increases the likelihood of it coming about. Does praying to find a job or sell a house or make a safe journey or find a lost object help to make them happen? Well, you say, it doesn't hurt. Yes, but does it help?

On the one hand the fruitfulness of such prayer is attested to by numerous accounts as well as by the scriptures of this weekend. On the other hand folks have vigorously quoted other scriptures that assure us that God knows our needs, even before we ask and demonstrate the foolhardiness of thinking we will win a hearing by the sheer multiplication of words. Not every basketball free throw preceded by a sign of the cross swishes through.

This Sunday's Gospel, however, adds an interesting note. After lengthy encouragement to look to God to hear and answer our prayers, Jesus concludes, "If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" (Luke 11:13). Suddenly it becomes a quest for the Holy Spirit. We had come looking for health or needed funds or good grades or a new job, and the promise becomes God's Spirit.

- Consider/ Discuss:**
- What sort of expectations do you bring to your prayer? Why do you pray?
 - At what point in your life did how you pray, change? Why?

Financial Support of our Tithing Parish

Offering for Sunday, July 18th

Sunday Offertory	\$ 4,437.00
Monthly Collection	\$ 238.00
Donations	\$ 153.45
Total	\$ 4,828.45

Needed Per Week \$ 6,037.00

Thank You for your generosity!



Monthly Collection Envelopes



In September of 2005, for the convenience of our parishioners, a monthly collection was instituted to replace the Annual Collection. Since then many positive comments were made such as how painless it is to give a minimum of \$8.00 a month instead of a lump sum at holiday time and the Monthly Collection envelopes included in the quarterly packets make it easy to remember. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

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Announcements

- **Bereavement Support Group** meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 5:30 p.m. at the Chapel at MidState Medical Center, 435 Lewis Avenue, Meriden. Please contact Chaplain Doreen Bottone at (203) 694-8369. Presented by MidState Medical Center & Hartford Hospital VNA and Hospice

- **Credo Catholic Singles** On Sunday, August 8th, celebrate Sunday Mass with your Credo friends and host, Rose, at the beautiful outdoor Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel in Litchfield for the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Afterwards we'll picnic together. Enjoy walking paths, a gift shop and outdoor Stations of the Cross. Pack a lunch or purchase food there.

- **The 15th Annual Franciscan Golf Classic**, sponsored in-part by Webster Bank, will be held on Monday, August 23, 2010, at Tunxis Plantation Golf Club, Farmington, CT. Join them for a day of fine golf, delicious food and great prizes. Cost to play is \$195.00 Proceeds benefit the mission of the Franciscan Life Center and Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care. For information, reservations or sponsorship opportunities call 203-237-8084 or visit www.flcenter.org.

- **New Day Seminar** is a ten week session for the initially bereaved. Specific schedules are listed at the Family Life Office at www.hartfordflo.org. There will be a session beginning on Thursday, August 26th at 7:00 pm at St. Anthony Parish, 4 Union City Road, Prospect. To register please call (860) 628-6751, (203) 758-5292 or (203) 758-5421.

- **Leadership Training Development Program**, sponsored by the National Council of Catholic Women, is offered to any member of the Council who is interested in learning leadership skills in a fun dynamic program. Everyone who has attended one of these sessions has nothing but praise for the day and for the results. They all absolutely loved it. The Program will be offered on Saturday, October 2, 2010 at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield. The cost is \$20. To register send your check, payable to CCCW, to Maribeth Stewart, 24 Candee Avenue, West Haven, CT 06516. Please

include your name, address, phone number and e-mail address and mark your check LTD program.

- **Health Care to the Homeless and Near Homeless** is available in Meriden on Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Shelter NOW, 43 St. Casimir Drive.

- **WJMJ – FM**, the radio station of the Archdiocese of Hartford, invites you to join well-known Hartford-area personality, Bruce Stevens weekday mornings from 5:00 to 10:00. Bruce presents a great blend of adult music, news, humor and more. In an era when good music is harder to find, listeners say WJMJ is an oasis on the radio dial. In addition, Bruce keeps listeners informed about the many events taking place throughout the area. Make Bruce a part of your morning and find out why more people are making WJMJ their favorite station. Most areas of the Archdiocese of Hartford can receive WJMJ at 88.9 FM, in New Haven at 107.1 FM, and in Hamden at 93.1 FM. WJMJ, Catholic Radio; Where Faith Meets Life!



Ask and it will be given you...



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- **Free Rosary Repair Service.** They have lots of parts. Send your broken rosaries in a padded envelope to: Betty and Dick Holden, (May – October) 7 Crane Place, Simsbury, CT 06070 (and November to April) 7930 Estero Blvd. #502, Fort Myers Beach, FL

33931. The rosaries will be repaired and returned to you within a week of receipt. Donations of old and broken rosaries are also accepted. They will be repaired and sent to the missions. Please include a note indicating repair and return to me or that this is a donation. For additional information call (CT) 860-658-6330 and (FL) 239-463-3993 or email HoldenBnD@comcast.net.

- **YourDonationPlace.com to remain in place!** You can now make one-time donations via a credit or debit card to Holy Angels Church at www>YourDonationPlace.com. Simply visit www>YourDonationPlace.com and follow the onscreen instructions. Secure donation services on the site are provided by Vanco Services, the same company that processes electronic donations for Holy Angels Church and more than 10,000 other churches and non-profit organizations.

Holy Angels Happenings

✚ **Sanctuary Lamps** If you would like to request that the Sanctuary Lamp burn in memory of, or for the special intention of a relative or friend, please contact the Parish Office at (203) 235-3822. Each candle lasts approximately one week. We will be happy to include the name of the person for whom the candle is burning that week in the weekly bulletin. The offering for either the Church or Chapel candle is \$5.00.



✚ **Stewardship by the Book** Jesus is describing God's immeasurable generosity when He says in today's Gospel, "Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks, is admitted." But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards – those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others.

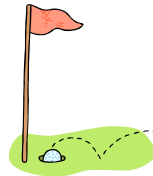
✚ **A Family Perspective** Loving parents don't give children everything they request. We strive to provide what they need. This is the lesson of today's gospel. As our children trust us, so we must trust Our Father. Just as trust gives security to our children, so our trust in God, Our Father, will give security to us as well.

Parents are the window through which children see "Our Father." As we "forgive them their trespasses" and nurture them with the "daily bread" of food and affection, they will see God as loving and forgiving.

Children are the key to understanding today's gospel. Telling us to address God as "Our Father," Jesus teaches God is our parent and reveals the awesome vocation of parenting: WE MIRROR GOD to our children. Who is the God they see reflected in you?

Telling us to address God as "Our Father," Jesus teaches God is like a dad. This places a heavy responsibility on all dads for your children learn what "Father" means through you. What is the image of God you are teaching your children? ~ by Bud Ozar

✚ **2010 Golf Tournament** The 10th Annual Holy Angels Parish Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, September 24th at Meriden's Hunter Memorial Golf Course. Registration will be at 11:30 a.m. with a Tee-Off at 1:00 p.m. We're hoping for a Shotgun Start this year. Start getting your foursomes ready. Signup sheets, as well as Sponsorship Donation forms, are available in the Church's vestibule, the Parish office and on our website, www.holyangelschurch.org. Those who wish to enjoy the dinner only may signup using the Golf Registration form. **This is our parish's major fundraiser.** For your convenience there is a special "Parish Golf Tournament Fundraiser" envelope in this quarter's packet of envelopes. One does not have to be a golfer to make this year's efforts our best yet. Call the Parish Office to ask how you can help.



✚ **Tips for Parents of Children in Church** ♥ First of all, children are WELCOME at Holy Angels ♥ Begin by making sure everyone has enough rest the night before; avoiding late commitments on Saturday night can be helpful ♥ Fix a substantial satisfying breakfast and say grace, asking God's blessing for this family time on the Sabbath Day ♥ Bring a book, preferably something about the Mass or saints, etc. ♥ If necessary bring a bottle of water; food is discouraged ♥ Take time to talk to them about the Mass before and after; discuss (on their level) the readings and parts of the Mass on the way home ♥ Don't set your expectations too high; remember the average 2-year-old cannot sit with hands folded for an hour – and no one expects them to ♥ Bring the child to the vestibule only when warranted, and return to your seat when appropriate.

Calendar

Sunday, July 25

Monday, July 26

Tuesday, July 27

3:00 p.m. Legion of Mary, Room 3, Center

Wednesday, July 28

6:30 p.m. Cantor Rehearsal, Center

Thursday, July 29

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Informational Meeting, Center

Friday, July 30

Volunteer at the Meriden Soup Kitchen

Saturday, July 31

4:00 p.m. Confessions



All Service Personnel, Wini Alix, Ken Anton, Esther Bartis, Terri Bartis, Bernie Beaudoin, Eunice Beaudry, Jared Berube, William Bossidy, Robert Burbank, Laurie Busa, Mary Byczynski, Michele Byczynski, Batiste Carabetta, Jr., Dennis Carabetta, Marjorie Carabetta, Margaret Cox, Eleanor Dinnan, Gerald Ferraro, Jon Ferry, David Finley, Beth Fontaine, Gerald Fortin, Barbara Foster, Donna Frederick, Mary Godburn, William Godburn, Cindy Guerrera Daviss, Mary Harrison, Andrew Imperatore, Veronica Jellen, Robert Kearney, Barbara Keegan, Peter Kogut, Maria Kyriakis, Ted Maguder, Winifred Mason, Karen Mazurek, Gloria Meggison, Sylvio Milliard, Shannon O'Byrne, Denise Pastore, Deanette Pease, Mary Piera, Priscilla Rancourt, Carolyn Roberts, Michael Ruocco, Maureen Schappert, Jane Skolnick, Nancy V. Stewart, Mary Wasdo, Jo-Ann Wojtunik



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