

May 31, 2026

Rev. Richard J. Cirba, V.F., Pastor
Rev. Andrew Amankwaa, Senior Priest

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

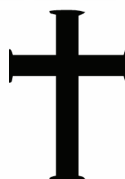
... Father ... Son ... Holy Spirit ...



SAINT ROBERT BELLARMINI PARISH

Celebrating Liturgy at St. Aloysius Church

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EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS PARISH

420 Main Road
Hanover Twp, PA 18706

Parish Information

Joining the Parish

New Parishioners are always welcome. Call your Parish Office for a Census Form.

Planning a Baptism

The birth of a child brings joy to the family. Through Baptism, that child is joined to the family enrolled in the Church.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation is administered yearly to all 8th Grade students in our Religious Education Program and students attending Catholic schools. Students wishing to receive Confirmation must be enrolled for at least two years before they are eligible to receive Confirmation.

Scheduling Weddings

Couples contemplating marriage are asked to contact the Parish Office and schedule the date before making any other plans. An appointment with the Pastor should be made at least 6 months prior to the Wedding Date. Couples must be registered parishioners and active practicing Catholics.

Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may take place at any time, especially if one is seriously ill. Please contact the office to schedule a time for a priest to visit.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

(RCIA) is the process the Catholic Church uses to welcome adult members into the faith. Anyone interested in becoming a part of this process or in obtaining more information about it, please call the Parish Office to speak with a priest.

Funeral Preparations

The loss of a loved one is a particularly difficult time for those who are bereaved. Our parish community collaborates with local funeral directors in assisting families during their time of grief.

Bequests to the Parish

Please remember your Parish with Memorial gifts at the time of death or with a bequest in your will. Make a return to the Lord for all the good He has given you.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK:

We would like to thank all who Sponsor an ad in our bulletin. We greatly appreciate your support of the weekly bulletin.

Welcome to St. Robert Bellarmine and Exaltation of the Holy Cross Parishes.

If you are new to our church or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not home to you, we invite you to become a part of our parish family. Both churches are open to anyone looking for a spiritual home. You may register at the Parish Office or call us and we'll send you a form. We are glad that you are here and hope that you will come back again for Mass or become a parishioner.

The parishes of Exaltation of the Holy Cross and Saint Robert Bellarmine hope to further explore a "mental health ministry".

Part of our spiritual community mission intends to provide a safe, supportive forum for individuals in our community who are experiencing emotional distress.

The Ministry also supports the parents, family members, and friends of those who are supporting a loved one who is experiencing emotional or psychosocial disturbance.

Please complete a survey addressing interest accessed through the QR code below (a weblink to the survey is also provided).

QR Code:



Next weekend our Senior Priest, Father Andrew Amankwaa, will be preaching at all masses. He will be talking about The Catholic Diocese of Sunyani-Ghana, where he is from.

The Catholic Diocese of Sunyani-Ghana is the Missionary our Parishes are supporting this year with the Pontifical Mission Societies in the U.S..

The **Second Collection the weekend of June 6/7** will be for the Diocese of Sunyani-Ghana. Please be as generous as possible.

Please refer to the insert in the bulletin this weekend for more information on this.

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St. Casimir Cemetery
The groundskeeper has started.
For 8 months out of the year there is a cost of **\$950/month to maintain our Cemetery.**
If you would like to make a donation to **St. Casimir Cemetery** you can do so with a check made payable to St. Casimir Cemetery.
You can put the donation in an envelope marked with the cemeteries name on the envelope and drop it in the collection basket. Remember these donations are tax deductible!

PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Phone No. _____

Please check one:

I am new in the parish & wish to register

Change of Address/Phone Number

Moving out of Parish

Please drop Membership Form into the Offertory Basket or mail to the Parish Office.

St. Robert Bellarmine Parish

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Phone Number: (570)823-3791

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Weekend & Daily Masses in: St. Aloysius Church
June 1-7, 2026

Mon.	8:00am	No Mass	
Tues.	8:00am	Kathy Brady	Dad Slusser
Wed.	8:00am	Lillian Lacey	The Maloney Family
Thurs.	8:00am	No Mass	
Fri.	8:00am	No Mass	
Sat.	4:00pm	Genevieve Lehman	Christine Noyalis
Sun.	7:00am	Templeton Family	Jane & Rich Thomas
Sun.	11:00am	Murphy Family	Family


Weekly Offering		May 24, 2026	
 Thank you and God bless you for your continued support!	Sunday (online incl)	\$	4,202.00
	Loose	\$	295.73
	Dues (online incl)	\$	110.00
	Ascension	\$	43.00
	Maintenance	\$	500.00
	Charity	\$	30.00
	Perquisite	\$	350.00
	Missal	\$	10.00
	Candles	\$	95.00
	Utilities	\$	5.00
Total		\$	5,640.73


Both Tabernacle Candles
 This week are in loving memory of the living and deceased mothers of our Parish.


Eucharistic Bread & Wine
 blessed at all our weekend masses are in loving memory of John Anstett requested by Barbara Flora


 Congratulations and God's Blessings on the Marriage of Kaylee Sterling & Austin Gately which was celebrated in St. Aloysius Church Saturday, May 23, 2026


2026 Flea Market
PRE-SALE is Saturday, July 25th from 8:00am to 12:00pm in the church auditorium. Then it will be open during the Bazaar hours, July 30, 31 & August 1.
Drop offs can begin Monday, June 15th at 9am and continue Monday through Friday from 9am to 11:30am.
 PLEASE remember we **DO NOT** accept DVDs, CDs, electronics, clothes, shoes, medical equipment or supplies, college textbooks, and/or broken, not working items.
WE DO ACCEPT new or clean, gently used kitchenware and household items, home décor, children's toys, puzzles, outdoor items, crafts and collectibles.
 If you are interested in setting up and working the flea market please contact Sandy at 570-262-4261.


Summer Office Hours
 St. Robert Bellarmine Parish Summer Office Hours are Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm.

St. Robert Bellarmine Parish Raffle is a one (1) month Raffle based on the evening Lottery Number. It will take place in September.

To win all you must do is match the evening Lottery Number-Straight ONLY-Double Draw Not Valid.

There are 30 chances to WIN cash prizes from \$50.00 to \$2,500.00

for **September 2026**. Please fill out the bottom portion & return it to the Parish Office for 1 or more tickets or pick them up after any Mass!


Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

I would like _____ Raffle Tickets at \$25.00 each.

Enclosed please find payment of \$_____ for _____ tickets.


2026 Bazaar
July 30 - 31 & August 1
for the month of May
we are collecting gift cards and lottery tickets of any denomination.

Please put any gift card or lottery donations in an envelope with your name on outside of envelope.

You can place your envelope in the collection basket. Your donations will be used as prizes during the bazaar.

Thank You for the recent donations!

1-\$10 Gift Card McDonalds - John Sickler
1-\$10 Gift Card Subway - John Sickler

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

PEROGIE MAKING 2026

ALL ARE WELCOME!
COME LEARN AN AGE-OLD TRADITION!

SUNDAY, JUNE 14th, 9am-2pm
CUTTING POTATOS

MONDAY, JUNE 15th, 9am-2pm
Making Potato Balls and PINCHING PEROGIES

TUESDAY, JUNE 16th & WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17th
9am-2pm
PINCHING PEROGIES & FINISHING UP

Exaltation of the Holy Cross Parish

Website: www.exhc.org

e-mail: exhc@aol.com www.facebook.com/holycross420

Phone Number: (570) 823-6242

June 1 - 7, 2026

Mon.	8:00AM	Kathy Dudish	Tony & Susan Pointek
Tues.		No Mass	
Wed.		No Mass	
Thurs.	9:00 - 10:30AM	Adoration	
Fri.	8:00AM	Walter Wrazen	Tony & Susan Pointek
Sat.	5:30PM	Benjamin Dalessandro	Gabe & Gloria
Sun.	9:30AM	Ted & Marian Cromack	Steve & Jackie



*May 24th
Thank You &
God bless you
for your
Contributions!*

Sunday	\$ 2,315.15
Dues	\$ 164.00
Loose	\$ 126.00
Children	\$ 93.00
Ascension	\$ 64.00
Candles	\$ 62.00
Donation	\$ 31.00
Perquisites	\$ 20.00
TOTAL	\$2,875.15
St. Vincent dePaul Social Concerns	\$ 67.00



Bread & Wine
for this weekend are offered:
In Memory of Christine "Tina" Kempinski
by Husband, George.

Candles are lit for 1 week beginning May 31st:

Sanctuary Candle: In Memory of Kathy Dudish by Exaltation of the Holy Cross Youth Ministry.

Blessed Mother Candle: In Memory of Mary Ell by Michele Kotchick.

Infant of Prague Candle 1: Health & Blessings for Dorothy Dubick by Walt & Jean.

Infant of Prague Candle 2: Health & Blessings for Evelyn Maceiko by Tony & Rosemary Gawat.



Youth Family Mass Sunday, June 7 at 9:30AM

Youth choir will sing.
Review in the choir loft at 9:00AM.
All are welcome to participate!



*Last weekend, the flowers at the Altar were given
by Larry and Rosemary Bator in celebration of
their 50th Wedding Anniversary! Congratulations!*

Bazaar Planning Meeting

There will be a Bazaar planning meeting on Tuesday, June 10 at 7:00PM in the church hall. Chairperson's should attend.
All others are welcome.



PIEROGI PROJECT

All are welcome to come and join the fun as we make our homemade Pierogi for our Big Tent Bazaar 2026!

Come for whatever time your schedule allows.
Food will be provided daily.

Friday, June 5, 8AM Start - Peel, cut, & mash potatoes/Roll cheese balls.

Saturday, June 6, 8AM Start - Roll Potato balls/ Pinch & cook pierogi.

Sunday, June 7, 8AM Start - Pinch & cook pierogi.

*Never participated before? We will teach you!!
All are welcome!*



Wine Down Wednesday

Wednesday, June 17 at 6:30PM.

Appetizers, wine/beer, soda/water, Guest Speaker.
RSVP by completing the online form at www.exhc.org
or call Georgette at 570-824-5941.

All are Welcome! - Invite family/friends!
Sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Committee



Food Collection for Ashley Food Pantry at St. Leo's
June food collection: Ravioli or Spaghetti O's .
Thank you for your generosity!

Bazaar Needs

Sponsor prizes for a game stand.

If interested, contact the parish office at 570-823-6242 Option 2.

Volunteers Needed

There are jobs in every area for you to help. It's never too early to sign-up. **Sign-up sheets** are located in the vestibule or you can complete an online form at www.exhc.org.
Please indicate the dates/times you are available and which area you would like to work.

Bazaar Game Stands Donations are needed

- Scratch-off Lottery Tickets
- Gas & Grocery Gift Cards (any denomination)

Simply put the items in the collection basket or the rectory mail slot. Please put your name on it.



Order your FREE Bazaar T-Shirt

All orders are due by Sunday, June 21.

The first t-shirt per person is FREE. Additional t-shirts are \$20. Complete the form in the Bazaar mailing, in the vestibule of the church, or the online form at www.exhc.org.

Upcoming Events

6/5-6/7 - Bazaar Prep, Pierogi making - Starts: 8:00AM.

6/10 - Bazaar Meeting at 7:00PM.

6/17 - Wine Down Wednesday at 6:30PM.

6/22 - Prayer Shawl Gathering at 5:30PM.

6/22 - Bazaar Prep, Piggies Onions - Start 6:00PM.

6/23-6/24 - Butter & Onions for Haluski & Pierogi - 6:00PM

6/27-6/28 - Assemble Piggies(Meat/Cabbage/etc)- 8:00AM

7/6-7/9 - Set-up Grounds for Bazaar - Start at 6:00PM.





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A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS, HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly, Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

“Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you... Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the holy ones greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.”

How frequently each day we express our belief in the mystery of the Holy Trinity. Just think - I bless myself as I begin to pray. I reach for the blessed holy water, as I enter church. The priest begins our worship with both the sign of the cross and offers a greeting reflecting the Trinity. Throughout the mass the same sign is used, and when we are sent and depart we receive a Trinitarian blessing.

I know my God as He reveals Himself to me. He is a creating Father, who made me because He knew and loved me from all eternity. He is a saving Redeemer, who came to rescue me, and shed His love in His Passion, death and resurrection. He is the abiding Spirit, who dwells in me, empowering me to live a holy life.

I love the question when asked: ‘When you pray to whom do you address your prayer?’

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First Reading:

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9

The Lord appears to Moses on Mount Sinai and proclaims to him that he Lord is a “merciful God... slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity.”

Second Reading:

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul exhorts the Corinthians to live in peace and harmony, and for the first time, invokes the Blessed Trinity.

Gospel: John 3:16-18

In this beautiful passage, Jesus tells Nicodemus that God loved his people so much that he “gave his only son.” Jesus reveals to Nicodemus that anyone who believes in him will not die but will enjoy life with him for all eternity.

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God loved
the world...



and sent us Jesus

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Gospel Today | The Most Holy Trinity | John 3:16-18

“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son”.

When we believe in Jesus, and live in His light, our spirits will enjoy eternal life.

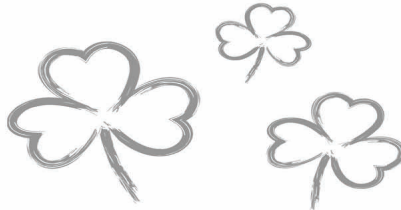
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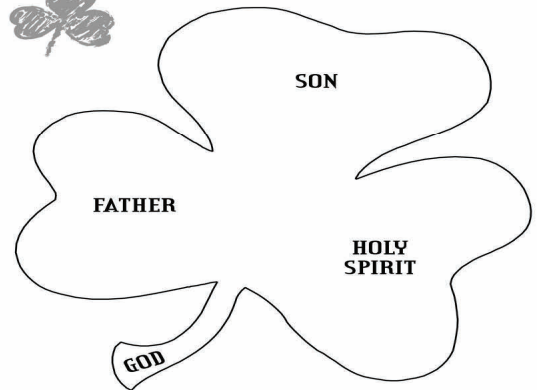
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It is hard for us to understand the Trinity - one God, with 3 parts.

St. Patrick used a bit of Ireland as a teaching tool. With a 3 leaf clover in hand, he explained it as one stem, our God with 3 leaves, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.



- Color the clover green -



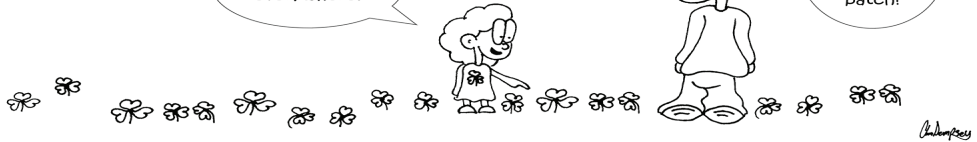
SWEET as HONEY

God loves His world. He lets the clover grow wild! Look for it growing in the grass...

Look, God is everywhere!

Yes Honey, God IS everywhere...

...and not only in this clover patch!



Chapman

Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

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