

October 30, 2022

Dear family, friends and supporters of Holy Angels Church and Cemetery,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We are excited to update you on the happenings at Holy Angels Church and Cemetery. Please feel free to reach out to any of our board members if you have any questions or concerns.

Our beautiful church is still quite active. Every Wednesday morning we have a prayer service at 8:30 am with rolls and coffee following the service. Saturday evenings at 5 pm there is a Rosary/Prayer Service. On Sunday, October 2 we had our Feast Day Mass at 4 pm followed by free-will burger, chips and homemade desserts. After the Mass, Father Roder entertained us by playing the accordion. There have been baptisms, end-of-life celebrations, and a wedding. There continues to be many visitors to our historic church.



This year was no different than the last few years, we had some major projects. The Church is now comfortable all year and will help preserve the inside of the Church by keeping the humidity and cold out. The new air conditioning and heating units are all installed and working. Concrete was poured in the basement and outside for the units to sit on.

A garage was built for storage and fundraisers. The 24' x 30' garage was built to blend with the Church. The building will be used to serve food out of for our grilling events and to store supplies.

This year a wind storm went through and knocked down a tree, numerous branches and a light pole. Changes were done with the electricity to eliminate that pole and clean things up electrically. The tree and branches were cleaned up by the end of the day.

Angels Forever is always looking to preserve our Historic Church and Cemetery. Items on our "To Do List" are to fill holes and reseed low spots on the grounds, repaint the face of the clocks, replace the steps and the outside door to the basement. Top repairs for 2023 will be tuck-pointing the exterior of the Church. We have discussed getting a directory for the cemetery. After looking at other cemeteries, we are working on a plan. Bringing back the past, we would like to reuse the rod-iron fence that was around the cemetery.

Please mark your calendars for Holy Angel's 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration on Saturday, August 31, 2024. Our Pot-Of-Gold St. Patrick's Day Raffle continues to be our primary fundraiser. Last year was our most successful raffle yet. The drawing for the raffle will be Saturday, March 18 following the Rosary/Prayer Service at 5 pm. We continue to do grilling for events in Roselle for the Memorial Day, Car Show, and Tractor Show. Grants are continuously being pursued. Contact us by email at [RoselleAngelsForever@gmail.com](mailto:RoselleAngelsForever@gmail.com), our website is [www.roselleholyangelsforever](http://www.roselleholyangelsforever), or our Facebook page at *Holy Angels Church Roselle, IA*. Please follow us or "like" us to keep updated on Holy Angels.

Our supporters are the best! Your prayers, positive words, and monetary donations have kept the Holy Angels spirit alive. If you wish to continue to support the preservation of the Holy Angels Church and Cemetery, please make checks payable to Angels Forever, Inc. and mail to Angels Forever, Inc. at 21671 Jade Avenue, Carroll, Iowa 51401. Our Venmo account is @AngelsForever. Thank you for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,

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