

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Feb 10	First Sunday of Lent	
	9:15-10:15 AM	Religious Ed Gr. K-9
	10:30 AM	Interpreted Mass for the Deaf
Tues Feb 12	6:10 PM	Bingo
Wed Feb 13	5:45-6:30 PM	Pro-Life Rosary
Thurs Feb 14	9:00-11:00 AM	Eucharistic Adoration
Fri Feb 15	5:30 PM	Stations of the Cross
	6:10 PM	Bingo
Sun Feb 17	Second Sunday of Lent	
	9:15-10:15 AM	Religious Ed Gr. K-9
	10:30 AM	Interpreted Mass for the Deaf



Monday, Feb. 11 Our Lady of Lourdes

8:30 a.m. †Michael Turcovski (*St. Rose Christian Mothers*)

Tuesday, Feb. 12

8:30 a.m. †Kathryn Snyder (*Mary McNelis*)

Wednesday, Feb. 13

†Mary Gooderham (*Clare A. Mazzanotte*)

Thursday, Feb. 14 SS. Cyril & Methodius

8:30 a.m. †Helen Mirabella (*Pat & Helen Bruno*)

Friday, Feb. 15

8:30 a.m. †Dorothy K. Bucarelli (*Rita Kownacki*)

Saturday, Feb 16

8:30 a.m. †Joseph Rito (*Frank & Mary Wiley & Family*)

5:30 p.m. †James Nasralla (*Wife & Family*)

Sunday, Feb. 17 Second Sunday of Lent

7:00 a.m. †John Hallinan (*Connie Kowalski*)

8:15 a.m. †Dorothy Skupien (*Family*)

10:30 a.m. †Betty L. & David Drabic (*Gertrude Anna*)

12 Noon Mass for the People

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING—

Regular	\$8915.55	Christmas	\$ 85.50
Capital Campaign	\$ 156.00	Rose	\$ 158.05
Ash Wednesday	\$ 69.00	Candles	\$ 20.00
Black & Indian	\$ 17.00	Candlemas	\$ 544.00
Perquisites	\$ 50.00	Sol. of Mary	\$ 10.00
		Total	\$10025.10

MINISTRIES FOR THIS WEEK

Altar Servers for Stations of the Cross, February 15, 2008
5:30 p.m. Chase McGeary, Connor Campbell, Seth Ickes
Altar Servers for February 16-17, 2008
5:30 p.m. Maggie McCall, Molly McCall, Megan McCall, Joseph Britz
7:00 a.m. Julie Fox
8:15 a.m. Alex Gburek, Jamie Novack, Matthew Eiman
10:30 a.m. Michala Cooney, Kaitlyn Zelnosky, Rickie Zelnosky, Anthony Zelnosky
12:00 Noon Tyler Kessler, Eugene Ehredt, Elissa Ehredt
Eucharistic Ministers for February 16-17, 2008
5:30 p.m. S. Askey, B. Bartley, M. Tillard, J. Shoenfelt, Julia Scarfone
7:00 a.m. C. Sharbaugh, L. Zakrzewski, J. Wustrow
8:15 a.m. R. Skupien, J. Trexler, D. Cree, M. Dombrowski, R. Novack
10:30 a.m. K. Zelnosky, R. Murphy, M. Kooman, B. Kooman, D. Gormley
12 Noon K. Wasicki, J. Wasicki, M.A. Eberhart
Lectors for February 16-17, 2008
5:30 p.m. Joseph Maschue, Bernice Shoenfelt
7:00 a.m. Raymond Kline, Paul Cooney
8:15 a.m. Shawn Wesner, John Donley
10:30 a.m. Barbara Mercer, Ryan Reilly
12 Noon Joseph Macharola, Heather Macharola

FROM THE PASTOR

PARISH ARE AREA RECONCILIATION Our Lenten reconciliation service is Sunday, March 9, 4:00 p.m. We will have three priests in the reconciliation rooms as well as other priests stationed throughout the school. Other opportunities for your celebration of sacramental reconciliation are:
February 27, 7:00 p.m. St. Matthew, Tyrone
March 9, 4:00 p.m. St. Rose of Lima
March 10, 6:30 p.m. St. John's Lakemont
March 11, 6:30 p.m. Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament
March 14, 5:30 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes
March 16, 4:00 p.m. St. Mary's, Hollidaysburg
These communal services heighten our awareness that we are a pilgrim people in need of forgiveness and that as a community we celebrate God's saving grace. Times for individual celebration of reconciliation at St. Rose are the usual Saturday times (Noon and after the 5:30 evening Mass), and following morning 8:30 Mass, March 17, 18 and 19.

SCHOOL RESERVE ACCOUNT— Thank you for your most generous response to the third weekend of the month second collection. In January, we received \$721.97 and forwarded it to the school. We appreciate your strong support. Next weekend (February 16/17) our second collection is dedicated to the restoration of funds to our school reserve fund.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS

This weekend the Church is asking your support of the National Collection for Black and Indian Missions in the United States. The need for Evangelization programs is so important to our Church in this changing world. Please be generous.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS

There is no school on Friday, Feb. 15 or Monday, Feb. 18 due to the Presidents' Day break.

Meetings for the week:

Technology Committee - Monday, Feb. 11 at noon in the computer room

Athletic Assoc. - Monday, Feb. 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

The students pray the Stations of the Cross for Young Christians each Friday during Lent at 1:30 in the church. All are welcome to join us.

Thank you so much to all of our parishioners who generously contribute to the second collection on the third weekend Masses. Thank you, also, to those who support our Scrip Program. This money has been a significant help to our school as we work to rebuild our reserve account and balance our budget. The children include our benefactors in their prayers each morning as they begin their school day.

3RD ANNUAL ST. ROSA PALOOZA

WHAT: 3rd Annual St. Rosa Palooza— An extraordinary event with full-flavored food, spirits and good company. Come and enjoy a fun evening including a buffet dinner, music and dancing, and **CASH PRIZES** totaling over \$3000.00

WHEN: Saturday, February 23, 2007 from 6:30-11:30 p.m.

WHERE: St. Rose of Lima Maria Parish Center

HOW: Donation of \$80.00 (admits 2 adults over 21 years of age)

WHY: Benefits St. Rose of Lima School and Athletic programs.

For more information or to purchase tickets, please contact Cindy Boslet (942-7637) or the school office (942-7835).

Limited number of tickets available.

Service Hours due for the 9th, 10th and 11th Graders, unless you have an extension. Call Bernice Shoenfelt 942-5659 or the Rectory 944-8509.

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

Feb. 16	5:30 p.m.	Rose Nasralla & Carmie Maniglia
Feb. 17	7:00 a.m.	Joe & Kathy Harella
	8:15 a.m.	Skupien Family
	10:30 a.m.	Pat & Linda Nagle
	12 Noon	Dave & Keely Berkheimer

THE SUNDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB will continue discussing "Jesus of Nazareth" by Pope Benedict XVI. Discussions will be:

Feb. 17—Chapters 4— The Sermon on the Mount

March 2—Chapters 5—The Lord's Prayer

March 16—Chapters 6 & 7 The Disciples and the Message of the Parables

March 30 Chapter 8—The Principal Images of John's Gospel

April 13 Chapter 9—Peter's Confession and the Transfiguration

April 27 Chapter 10 —Jesus Declares His Identity

All discussions will be in the Computer Room. Come and participate, or just listen.

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Adult Enrichment Classes will be held on the following Monday evenings from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Computer Room. We will be discussing the Old Testament. No prior knowledge or experience is necessary. Just bring a bible if you have one and come when you are able. All are welcome. If you have any questions, call Ann Mingyar 946-5383. The March 10 class will be changed to Monday, March 3.

February 11 and 25

March 3 and 31

April 14 and 28

May 5 and 19

CANDLES: Fritz & Mary Werkmeister by Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard, Jessica Reilley & Family by Lee Family, Thanksgiving & Special Intentions.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Pasquale Varlotta, Rose Cardinal and Joseph Eger who died during the past week. May God give comfort to their families.

SPANISH MASS

There is a Spanish language mass here at St. Rose of Lima parish every 3rd Sunday of the month at 3:00 p.m. There is a covered dish dinner following the mass. Everyone is welcome

Hay una misa en español cada tercer domingo del mes a las tres de la tarde en la parroquia de Santa Rosa de Lima en Altoona. Hay una cena compartida después de la misa. Todos están bienvenidos.

SUPPER CLUB will meet on
February 10—5:00 p.m. at the Olive Garden
Please call Mary 946-3449 for reservations

Please put the date of our next **Pot Luck Dinner** on your calendar. February 24. Suggested dishes: Meat dishes, casseroles, vegetable, desserts. For more information contact Regina Friedenberger by email reginafriedenber@aol.com or call Leona at the Rectory 944-8509. Dinner will start at 2:00 pm. In the Social Hall.

Stepping Stones: Finding the Path Between Church and Family

Attention parents of children ages 0-4
Bring the family and join us for our monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 13, from 6-7 p.m. in the Pre-K room. We will be discussing how we as parents can strengthen the ties between our loving home environments and the thriving parish community. This month we will focus our discussion and interactive family-based activity on enriching our Lenten journeys to ourselves and our children. So bring the children and your ideas, and join us for a fun social time for kids and adults alike! If you have any questions, please call Juliette at 943-0313 or Caryn at 940-2002.

ECUMENICAL SERVICE

On Sunday, February 17, 2008, Bishop Joseph Adamec of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown will host an ecumenical service at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona, Pa. The service begins at 3:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.

On Sunday, February 24, 2008, Bishop Gregory Pile of the Lutheran tradition will host an ecumenical service at Trinity Lutheran Church, 918 Tayman Ave. Somerset, Pa. The service begins at 3:00 p.m. Bishop Joseph will be in attendance. All are invited to participate in this prayer.

“IN DEFENSE OF LIFE”

The Supreme Court's 1973 decision legalizing abortion raised the status of abortionists, once considered low criminals, “to that of professionals nobly serving women.” Wanda Franz, Ph.D., *NRL News*, 5.07

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

A musical interpretation of the Stations of the Cross, as written and performed by Brother Elijah Cirigliano of Saint Vincent Archabbey.

WHERE: Saint Vincent College Theater, Carey Hall

DATES AND TIMES: Thursday, March 6th 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 7th: 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 8th: 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 9th: 2:00 p.m.

COST: \$10.00 adults \$5.00 students

Call (724) 805-2041 for reservations today.

A PRAYER IN TIME OF TEMPTATION
God of Goodness,
My allegiance to you
Places me in opposition
To the forces of evil.

Whether I am lured by Satan,
The corruption of the world
Or by my own weakness,
Help me to resist temptation.

Let me protect the gifts you have given me
And use them only in your service. Amen

St. Vincent DePaul will again take part in the Feinstein Challenge to end hunger. Anyone interested in helping to arrange a fundraiser of food collection during the months of March and April please call 814 659-8773. All food and money collected will be distributed in the Altoona-Johnstown area.

CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD

Clay of the Earth—A Word for Today

February 23, 2008 9:30a.m.-2:30 p.m.

The Lord said “Rise up, be off to the potter's house; there I will give you my message” (Jer 18:1-2) How does God speak to you through the clay of the earth? As children clay was a part of play. However as adults, the use of clay as playful self-expression is often not part of our experience. This reflection day, a hands-on experience, will be spent working with clay and reflecting on the insights we receive and the glimpses of God that arise. All are welcome, NO experience is needed. Facilitator: Sr. Jane Miller Donation: \$40.00 (includes lunch and clay) Reservations due by February 18.

A Visit with the Historical Jesus

Saturday, March 1, 2008 9:30-2:30 p.m.

The visible Christ who came to earth showed us the face of the invisible God. Take some time apart this Lent to reflect upon the Jesus of history. Explore the cultural world of Jesus, his very unique attitudes and actions, and how He interacted with the people of his time. Facilitator: Sr. Cindy Burns. Donation: \$35.00 includes lunch. Reservations due by February 25.

Jesus & Women Overnight Directed Retreat for Women **Fri. March 7-Sat. March 8, 2008**

Spend an overnight in guided prayer and reflection. Each retreatant will have opportunity to meet with a Spiritual Director, to have private and communal prayer opportunities during this time set aside to experience the wonder of God's loving presence. Retreat begins with arrival at 7:00 p.m. Friday and ends at 3:00 p.m. Saturday. Private room and meals are included. Donation: \$55.00. Reservations due by March 3, 2008.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



PRAYER CORNER February 10, 2008

A prayer for the first Sunday in Lent
God, Giver of all gifts, You have given me so much.

Now I want to give up something so that I might experience the emptiness that reminds me how much I want to be filled by Your loving presence. May my sacrifice show my willingness to improve my life this Lent. Amen.

The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown will celebrate the Rite of Election of Catechumens and the Call to Continuing Conversion of Candidates on Sunday, Feb. 10, 2008. Catechumens and candidates for Easter Sacraments from area parishes and our parish will participate in the celebration at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona beginning at 7:00 p.m.

St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Shop, 2223 8th Ave. will re-open their Gift Shop located on the second floor, above the warehouse. Seasonal and holiday gifts are available, along with decorating ideas pertaining to each. The entrance to the gift shop is located on the 23rd St. side of the building. This is also the entrance to the furniture shop and the kitchenware dept. Store hours are Mon thru Fri 9-3 and Sat 9-2. Some departments may not be open each day due to lack of volunteers. Save money by shopping at our "Four stores under one roof." And thanks to each and everyone who have made donations, without you our mission would be impossible. If you have any spare time, volunteers are needed and more than welcome.

Dear Teachers and Students of St. Rose of Lima Religious Education,

Thank you so much for your great generosity to three of our families plus all the other items which you sent. I cannot begin to tell you how very grateful we are. The families were delighted—one father described the joy of his children as they searched for their names and opened their packages. One of the families had lost everything they had in a fire a few months before. You gave them a Christmas. The third family's father is deceased and the mother is blind. As you can imagine their resources are extremely limited—again you gave them a Christmas celebration they would never have had.

I know that this was the work of many people—the generous adults and children who donated the funds, those who did the shopping and the wrapping, those who did the packing...I know that these gifts represented a real sacrifice on your part. All I can say is thank you and God bless you. Know that you are remembered at Mass each Sunday. Good people like you give us hope.

Gratefully,
Sister Mary Jane Kreidler
Parish Life Director
Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church
Stanton, Kentucky

FISH DINNERS ON FRIDAY'S DURING LENT

St. Mary's, Altoona -Buffet \$10.00 adults \$5.00 children (4-12) Served from 4:30-7:00 in the Memorial Hall Cafeteria

St. Therese—Adults \$7.00 Children under 12 \$4.00
Served from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Fr. Kelley Hall

Our Lady of Lourdes—Adults \$7.75 Children 12 and under \$5.25. Served from 4:30-7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Social Hall.

The Almrausch Schuhplattlers Adults \$7.00 served from 4:30-7:00 p.m. at the Unter Uns Club on Van Buren Ave.

CHICKEN BARBEQUE

The Hollidaysburg Knights of Columbus will be holding a chicken barbeque on Sunday, February 10, 2008 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the K of C Home, 324 Bedford St. Hollidaysburg. Donation is \$6.00 per meal, which includes half chicken, tow sides, roll and butte.

SPRING CRAFT FAIR

St. Matthew School in Tyrone, Pa. Is sponsoring a Spring Craft Fair of Homemade Items. The date is Sunday, March 2, 2008 from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the St. Matthew's Church Hall. Tables are available at a cost of \$20.00. Any crafter who would like to learn more about the Craft Fair is encouraged to contact Debbie Zakrzwski at (814) 623-3070 or at dzakrzwski@aol.com for an application

SAINT EMMA MONASTERY & RETREAT HOUSE

Greensburg, announces that there are openings in the following Lenten Programs:

February 15-17, Silent Retreat, Men/Women w/Father Tom Acklin OSB \$140.00

March 1, 9:00 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Lenten Day of Recollection, Father Tom Smith, \$28.00

March 5, 8:45 a.m. -4:15 p.m. Lenten Day of Recollection, Father Tom Smith, \$28.00

March 9, 8:45 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Benediction Spirituality, Father Donald Raila OSB, \$28.00

March 10, 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Lenten Evening of Recollection, Father CANON Joseph Stredzinski, \$18.00

March 15, 8:45 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Lenten Day of Recollection, Father Mark Gruber OSB, \$28.00

For more information or to make a reservation call 724.834.3060.

BASKET BINGO

St. John the Evangelist School will be have a Basket Bingo on Friday, March 28, 2008 at Father Kelley Hall, 25th Ave. & 5th St., Altoona. Tickets are now on sale. \$25.00 includes: 15 Regular Bingo Games, 20 Door Prize Tickets, Hors d'oeuvres, Desserts and Beverages. Chance for Grand Prize. Call to purchase ticket(s) or reserve your table of 8. Gerlinde Mattern 943-1126 or Vanessa Donouge 414-9619.