

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun April 20	Fifth Sunday of Easter	
	9:15-10:15 AM	Religious Ed. Gr. K-9
	10:30 AM	Interpreted Mass for the Deaf
Tues April 22	6:10 PM	Bingo
Wed April 23	4:15-5:30 PM	First Communion Rehearsal
	5:45-6:30 PM	Pro-Life Rosary
	6:30 PM	8:15 Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 PM	10:30 Choir Rehearsal
Thurs April 24	9:00-11:00 AM	Eucharistic Adoration
Fri April 25	6:10 PM	Bingo
Sat April 26	9:00-10:30 AM	Make up Retreat
Sun April 27	Sixth Sunday of Easter	
	9:15-10:15 AM	Religious Ed. Gr. K-9
	10:30 AM	Interpreted Mass for the Deaf



Monday, April 21 St. Anselm

8:30 a.m. †Hank Knob (*Janette DiGiacobbe*)

Tuesday, April 22

8:30 a.m. †Susan A. Cassidy (*Linda Zakrzwski*)

Wednesday, April 23 St. George, St. Adalbert

8:30 a.m. †Robert Donnelly (*Pauline Deckard*)

Thursday, April 24 St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

8:30 a.m. †Kathryn Snyder (*Sharon & Tony Ciccarella*)

Friday, April 25 St. Mark

8:30 a.m. †Joseph Cassarly (*M/M Jim Cassarly*)

Saturday, April 26

8:30 a.m. †James Callahan (*Al & Cathy Stanslaw*)

5:30 p.m. †Ronald A. Geis Jr. (*Family*)

Sunday, April 27 Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:00 a.m. †Dorothy Reilly (*Reilly Family*)

8:15 a.m. †Kay Patton (*Emily & Patty Turchetta*)

10:30 a.m. †Mary Riccio (*Debra Tomasetti*)

12 Noon Mass for the People

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING—

Regular	\$7376.95	Christmas	\$ 92.50
Capital Campaign	\$ 78.00	Rose	\$ 190.50
Peru	\$ 10.00		\$
		Total	\$7747.95

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

Altar Servers for April 26-27, 2008

5:30 p.m. Joshua Shultz, Megan Shultz, Justine Shultz, John Barnes

7:00 a.m. Ireland McGeery

8:15 a.m. Kyle Haney, Jamie Novack, Alex Gburek

10:30 a.m. Damon Rickens, Shaelyn Rickens, Maya Irwin, Thomas Irwin III

12 Noon Mackenzie Bracken, Zachary Bracken, John M. Berger

Eucharistic Ministers for April 26-27, 2008

5:30 p.m. B. Shoenfelt, J. Shoenfelt, B. Bartley, K. McGraw, B. Kooman

7:00 a.m. E. Beard, W. Beard, R.M. Fochler

8:15 a.m. R. Novack, P. Engelman, M. Engelman, J. Trexler, D. Gormley

10:30 a.m. C. Rickens, K. Madariaga, R. Murphy,

N. Solimando, D. Fraundorfer

12 Noon P. Bracken, K. Wasicki, J. Wasicki

Lectors for April 26-27, 2008

5:30 p.m. Frances Hesser, Elizabeth Tully

7:00 a.m. Frank Fochler, Raymond Kline

8:15 a.m. Ken Haney, Randy Donnelly

10:30 a.m. Thomas A. Irwin, Ryan Reilly

12 Noon Christina Bracken, Michael Nazaruk

FROM THE PASTOR

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Your recent mail has announced that the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) has begun throughout our Diocese. Your ACA gift supports the parish and our diocesan ministries. Our parishioners benefit from these and other diocesan ministries: Camp Zacchaeus, Priests Formation, Christian Initiation, Lay Ministry, and Catholic Charities. The local projects under consideration are: (1) the replacement of the furnace for the pastor and guest section of the rectory and (2) the remodeling of the bathrooms that are open for Masses, weddings and funerals so they are more friendly to people with physical disabilities. With every ones' help we will both exceed our diocesan assigned goal of \$52,247, and address the furnace and rest room remodeling projects.

This weekend is Commitment Sunday in support of the Annual Catholic Appeal. This once yearly opportunity unites us with fellow Catholics throughout the Diocese in sharing our financial blessings with nearly two dozen ministries of the Church. Every gift, no matter the amount, is vital to the success of the Annual Catholic Appeal not only for these ministries, but for our own parish as well. Our goal is 100% parishioner participation. Please give according to your means, placing your completed pledge card that accompanied Bishop Joseph's letter in the offertory collection next weekend.

Please consider a gift that reflects your gratitude for the many blessings that God has entrusted to you. If you cannot make a financial gift, please return your pledge card showing that. We will see that you do not receive a second request.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS

Next Sunday, our parish will be taking up a collection for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. This Appeal supports missions here in the United States. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal offers Catholics across our country a wonderful opportunity to help fellow Catholics practice their faith in such rugged areas as Alaska, Appalachia, the Deep South, the Rocky Mountain states, the Southwest, Puerto Rico, and island diocese in the Pacific and Caribbean. This Appeal is a practical way for our parish to share its faith and resources with the mission Church here at home. Over 95 cents of every dollar donated to the Appeal goes directly to the missions to keep church doors open, to support pastors in their priestly ministry, and to provide basic pastoral services like religious education for children.

Attached to today's bulletin you will find the Catholic Home Missions Envelope. Please give generously.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS

The Technology Committee will meet on Monday, April 21st at noon in the computer room.

Testing for Pre K 4 students who are entering our kindergarten next year is Wednesday, April 23rd.

The "Homerun Against Drugs" program will be presented to our second graders on April 23rd.

The Athletic Association Awards program is this Sunday, April 27th beginning with the noon Mass. Student athletes, their parents, and coaches are encouraged to attend the noon Mass which will be followed by the awards ceremony and refreshments in the cafeteria.

The seventh and eighth grade spring musical "Pied Piper: The Musical" will be Wednesday, April 30th at 7:00 p.m. in the parish center. All are welcome to attend. There is no admission charge.

REGISTRATION for ALL GRADES (including Pre K 3) for 2008-2009 is OPEN. Pre K 4 and kindergarten are optional full or half day programs. Please call the school office for more information (942-7835).

St. Rose School is in need of **substitute teachers**. Substitutes must have their clearances and, at least, a Pennsylvania Instructional I Certification. If you are interested please call the school office (942-7835)

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.

Remember Saint Rose Parish and School in Your Plans

It is easy to remember St. Rose Parish in your estate plans, wills, trusts, insurance policies, or retirement plans. Please use the following wording: "for the benefit of Saint Rose of Lima Parish, 5514 Roselawn Avenue, Altoona, PA." If you want to know more about this, the Saint Rose Endowment can provide free assistance Contact Joe Scialabba, Executive Director, Independent Catholic Foundation, 814-696-9514, scialaj@dioceseaj.org or www.independentcatholicfoundation.org.

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

April 26	5:30 p.m.	Jeff & Mary Shultz
April 27	7:00 a.m.	Bob & Mary Ann Fox
	8:15 a.m.	Alan & Leah Gburek
	10:30 a.m.	Richard & Jackie Riccio
	12 Noon	Volunteers

SCRIP CARD VOLUNTEER SCHEULE

April 26-27, 2008

5:30 p.m. Jen Myrick, Vi Bettwy, Gene Bettwy

7:00 a.m. Dan Altiero, Brenda Altiero, Greg Miller

8:15 a.m. Maureen Frucella, Kathy Woomer, Sherry Price

10:30 a.m. Pat Condrin, Kim Irwin, Mark Zelnosky

12 Noon Chris Bracken, P.J. Bracken, Joe Fromknecht

"IN DEFENSE OF LIFE"

"We are knee deep in a culture of death...Our moment in history is marked by a mortal conflict between a culture of life and a culture of death. God put us in the world to do noble things, to love and cherish our fellow human beings, not to destroy them." The late Rep. Henry Hyde, eloquent defender of the unborn.

CANDLES:

Kay Patton by John Patton

BAPTISM

Congratulations to Kain E. Ackerman, Alhana S. Ackerman and Gordon J. Davis children of Mr. & Mrs. John M. Davis who received the Sacrament of Baptism.

POT LUCK DINNER

Next Sunday, April 27 we will have our Pot Luck Dinner. Bring one of your favorite dishes and enjoy the company of your fellow parishioners. Dinner will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Social Hall.

SUPPER CLUB

The supper club will meet on May 4, 2008 at the Marzoni's at 5:00 p.m. Call Mary 946-3449 for reservations.

BINGO IS IN NEED OF BROWN PAPER GROCERY BAGS. PLEASE PUT THEM IN THE BIN IN THE FOYER OF THE CHURCH.

Make up Retreat for all grades will be held on April 26 from 9:00-10:30 in the Social Hall

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REHEARSAL will be held on April 23-4:15-5:30 p.m. in the Church. A second rehearsal will take place on May 1 from 4:15-5:30 p.m. All second graders and at least one parent need to attend both rehearsals.

First Holy Communion will be held on May 4 at the Noon Mass.

May He Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John McMaster who died during the past week.

Weekly Rosary: The Rosary is prayed every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary Church, 312 Clark St. Hollidaysburg. It is prayed for an end to abortion and an increase of religious vocations. Everyone is welcome.

SUNDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB will continue discussing "Jesus of Nazareth" by Pope Benedict XVI. The schedule is as follows:
April 27—Chapter 8—John's Gospel
May 11—Chapter 9—Peter's Confession
The Transfiguration
May 25—Chapter 10—Jesus Declares His Identity
All discussions will be in the Computer Room from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Come and discuss what you have read or just come to 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.

April 28

May 5 and 19

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 Monday, April 21, from 6-7 p.m. in the Maria Parish Center. 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

"Common ground for interfaith families"

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.

Attention all Seniors: We need your Senior Picture 5x7 for Senior High Day, which will be held on May 18. Please bring the picture to the Rectory by May 2.

SCHOOL RESERVE ACCOUNT Thank you for your most generous response to the third weekend of the month second collection. This weekend is our next second collection dedicated for our school reserve fund.



April 20, 2008
PRAYER CORNER

A MORNING PRAYER FOR STRENGTH

Oh My God, today I am asking for strength to get through the day. I feel that I may be asked to do things that I don't want to do. I fear that I may be asked to do things that You would not want me to

do.

I need Your strength to follow the tough and rugged path today.

I need Your strength to say No to others who might lead me astray,

I need Your strength to choose the right way. Oh God for Your great strength, I Pray. Amen

LOOKING FOR SERVICE HOURS?

Food for Families is looking for teen volunteers on Saturday, May 10, 2008 at the Altoona Post Office 1:30-3:30 or 3:30-5:00, to sort food donations from postal workers food collection. If interested call Sister Pauline 944-4357.

NOTE OF THANKS

Dear Parishioners: Thank you for welcoming Bishop Guilfoyle High School students to your church last month to speak about the gift of a Catholic education. As the students mentioned in their remarks, Bishop Guilfoyle High School prepares them not only for college, but for life! With the recent Articulation Agreements with Mount Aloysius College and Saint Francis University, investing in a high school education at Bishop Guilfoyle High School has never been more lucrative when you think of those tuition dollars as money in the "college fund". The Bishop Guilfoyle High School Board of Trustees is financially committed to making the Bishop Guilfoyle High School experience a reality for every student who desires a Bishop Guilfoyle High School education. Again, thank you for your support of our Catholic schools, at both the elementary and secondary levels. Sincerely, Robert M. Gervinski, Principal.

Preschool CCD Class will be held at the noon Mass for First Communion Sunday, May 4, 2008.

Preschool CCD is looking for moms to help in the classroom or willing looking for service hours. To volunteer, call Alison Keating at 946-7061 or sign up on the sheet in the preschool classroom at the 10:30 Mass. Preschool CCD will break for the summer, but would love to have a pool of volunteers willing to help for the rest of the year and in the Fall. The commitment would be on Sunday every 2 or 3 months, and we are happy to work around your schedule. Thank You

**Stewardship Council
Moments in Ministry**

Stewardship ... Time, Talent, and Treasure ... the three ways in which we as Christians, members of our Faith Community can help support and sustain our Church, is life giving. One is not more important than the other; and each, time, talent, and treasure, given with and to the Spirit, strengthens our faith as an individual and as a community.

The Stewardship Council's main focus is to advise, inform, and motivate fellow parishioners to participate, practice, and serve in the various functions and ministries of parish life. Ministry participation is voluntary and consists of time, talent, and/or treasure, all according to each individual's abilities, needs, and expectations. The result of active stewardship will lead to full celebration and evangelization in our everyday living, as members of the Body of Christ. Council members serve under the spiritual and temporal direction and guidance of the Pastor and Parochial Vicar. Council membership requires only that one desires to serve and become more fully involved in stewardship as a way of life.

Visit us after any Mass this weekend to learn more about how to bring stewardship into your daily life, how the Stewardship Council here at Saint Rose of Lima may be of service to you or your Ministry, or how to become a member. If you are unable to stop after Mass this weekend, please accept our invitation to contact any one of our present members.

Present members include: Father Crookston or Father Spishak, 944-8509; Gene Bettwy 696-1541; Rose Marie Fochler 944-3906; Don Servella 942-9951; George Baker 942-5623; Damian or Kelly Charlesworth 946-4502; or, Joe or Pattie Fromknecht 949-9130. We sincerely thank our past members, Jim and Bernice Shoenfelt and Gregg Miller, for their devotion, hard work, and effort over the years and welcome our newest member, Gary Beck.

Pinochle Card Club!

Pinochle: A card game played with a single deck of 48 cards, two from each suit, in this order: A - 10 - K - Q - J - 9. Do you play Pinochle? Do you want to learn how to play Pinochle? A small group of people who enjoy playing Pinochle are on a fact-finding mission, determining if there is any interest in the Altoona area, who would be available to play eight rounds of Pinochle late spring/early summer on a Thursday evening over a ten or twelve week period at the Saint Rose of Lima Social Hall. The cost to play will be minimal, possibly \$5.00 to join (for the purchase of cards/score sheets/pens/kitty) and \$2.00 per person for the eight rounds (for first/second/third place prizes and/or an end-of-season party!) A pop machine is available in the Social Hall and you can bring your own beverages and/or snacks. Interested, see the sign up flyer on the Parish Bulletin Board (next to the Scrip Gift Card information) or call Joe or Pattie Fromknecht at 949-9130.

CAMP ZACCHAEUS 2008

The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown is once again sponsoring Camp Zacchaeus, the week-long Catholic camp for young people entering grades 4-9. By popular demand we will again be offering two sessions this summer—Week 1-July 27-August 1, 2008 and Week 2-August 3-8, 2008

Camp Zacchaeus will invite and involve our young people in faith building sessions, daily Liturgy, and an opportunity to deepen their faith and integrate their faith into everyday life. The camp will provide opportunities for games, singing, hiking, swimming, and many other activities. For more information or to receive a Camp Z brochure, contact Shawn Willox or Francine Swope in the Diocesan Youth Ministry Office at 693-1401.

PILGRIMAGE/BUS TRIP

**2008 NATIONAL MEDJUGORJE CONFERENCE
Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana
May 23, 24 and 25**

Lodestar Bus Lines will provide our transportation to the beautiful campus of Notre Dame University in South Bend, Indiana. The cost of the trip is \$275 per person based on double occupancy.

Triple and quad pricing also available if needed. Price includes a non-refundable \$50.00 adult and \$90.00 married couple conference fee and transportation by Lodestar Bus lines, two nights at the beautiful "Inn at St. Mary's" with a hot complimentary breakfast. Other meals are not included. Reduced prices are available for priests and religious. Seats are limited for this National/International event so please reserve your spot early. For more information please call 814 948-7118. Deadline May 3, 2008.

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul is looking for volunteers to help develop a youth ministry in the Altoona area. Anyone interested in helping can contact Sonny Consiglio at 695-8773.

STRENGTHEN OUR FAITH

You have created us free; free to love and to be loved. Strengthen our faith so that we can see more clearly that in Jesus you have revealed yourself completely. You are love, you are goodness, and you are compassion and healing. Remove from our hearts all undue anxiety and fear so that we may continue to walk with Jesus the Christ who is the way, the truth and the life. We ask this in his name. Amen.

Diocesan-wide Festival of Praise

There will be a Diocesan-wide Festival of Praise on the Vigil of Pentecost, Saturday, May 10, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. The evening of prayer will include joyful, Spirit-filled praise & worship music, Eucharistic Adoration, a powerful witness talk, special prayers, and a time of fellowship to follow. The Festival is presented by the Cathedral Charismatic Prayer Group. All are warmly invited!