


**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

Sun Dec 30	The Holy Family
	10:30 AM <i>Interpreted Mass for the Deaf</i>
Wed Jan 2	5:45-6:30 PM Pro-Life Rosary
Thurs Jan 3	9:00-11:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration
	6:00 PM Parish Ministries Dinner
Fri Jan 4	6:10 PM Bingo
Sat Jan 5	7:00 AM Christian Story Retreat
	11th Gr. CCD & BGHS (St. Mary's Hollidaysburg)
Sun Jan 6	Epiphany of the Lord
	9:15-10:15 AM Religious Ed Gr. K-9
	10:30 AM <i>Interpreted Mass for the Deaf</i>
	6:30-8:00 PM Religious Ed Gr. 10-11

**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, Dec. 31 Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary**  
8:30 a.m. †William Simonton (*St. Rose Christian Mothers*)  
5:30 p.m. †Helen Mirabella (*Gene & Vi Bettwy*)

**Tuesday, Jan. 1 Solemnity of Mary**  
8:30 a.m. †Anthony Cardinal (*Wife & Family*)  
10:30 a.m. †Dorothy Reilly (*Reilly Family*)

**Wednesday, Jan. 2 St. Basil the Great, St. Gregory Nazianzen**  
8:30 a.m. †Joan Bator (*Bingo Staff*)

**Thursday, Jan. 3 Holy Name of Jesus**  
8:30 a.m. †Mary E. Fiore (*Family*)

**Friday, Jan 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**  
8:30 a.m. †Charles Lovett (*John & Theresa Tomlinson*)

**Saturday, Jan. 5 St. John Neumann**  
8:30 a.m. †Mary Gooderham (*Clare A. Mezzanotti*)  
5:30 p.m. †Sister Cornelia O'Friel (*Gene & Vi Bettwy*)

**Sunday, Jan. 6 Epiphany of the Lord**  
7:00 a.m. †Charles McClain (*Duane & Rosemary States*)  
8:30 a.m. †Michael P. Turcovski (*M/M Walter Bieniek*)  
10:30 a.m. †Anna Fulchiero (*Peggy Joyce*)  
12 Noon Mass for the People

**MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK**

**Altar Servers—December 30, 2007**

**VIGIL OF THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

5:30 p.m. Alex Baker, Loretta Bobetich, Elizabeth Jacobs

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, JANUARY 1, 2008**

8:30 a.m. Amanda Irwin, Patrick M. Irwin

10:30 a.m. Mackenzie Bracken, Zachary Bracken, Kyle Haney  
Saturday, January 5, 2008

5:30 p.m. Alex Baker, Billy Beard, Stefan Beard, Julia Paule

Sunday, January 6, 2008

7:00 a.m. Julie Fox

8:15 a.m. Matthew Eiman, Kyle Haney, Jamie Novack

10:30 a.m. Rebekah Hughes, Tia Irwin, Jillian Lemme, Alyssa Lower

12 Noon Jamey Brumbaugh, Jarod Brumbaugh, Taylor Brumbaugh

**Eucharistic Ministries**

**VIGIL OF THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

5:30 p.m. G. Baker, S. Baker, J. Frena, V. Bettwy, M. Tillard

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

8:30 a.m. K. Irwin, D. Cree, K. Woome, M. Engelman, P. Engelman

10:30 a.m. P. Bracken, K. Gburek

**Eucharistic Ministers for January 5-6, 2008**

5:30 p.m. G. Baker, S. Baker, K. McGraw, M. Tillard, J. Brown

7:00 a.m. E. Beard, W. Beard, C. Sharbaugh

8:15 a.m. R. Novack, D. Gormley, R. Skupien

10:30 a.m. M. Kooman, B. Kooman, K. Madariaga, B. Gentile, C. Rickens

12 Noon: R. Fiore, M.A. Eberhart, R. Eberhart

**Lectors**

**VIGIL OF THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

5:30 p.m. Laverne Previte, Shawn Wesner

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

8:30 A.M. Patrick Irwin, James Woome

10:30 A.M. Christina Bracken, Ken Haney

**Lectors for January 5-6, 2008**

5:30 p.m. Joseph Maschue, Elizabeth Tully

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

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

10:30 a.m. Joseph Breton, James Klueg

12 Noon: Jim Lane, Michael Nazaruk

**FROM THE PASTOR**

**MINISTRIES MAKE YULETIDE GLORIOUS** Our voices, along with piano, organ, brass, wind, and percussion have wonderfully uplifted our Christmas worship. At both The Children's Mass and the Mass at Midnight, musical splendor evoked glee, and exuberant, spiritual joy. Sue and Bryce Cossitor, educe choral and instrumental excellence and give a lively soul to our praise of God. Pianists Juliette De Koning and Dennis Karl brought warm, brilliant coloring to loved Christmas hymns.

The artistic efforts of Bonnie Bartley, Rosemarie de Koning, the Paul and Mary Engelman Family, and many others magnificently embellished our foyer and sanctuary.

Church cleaners, ushers, and altar ministers also help create an uplifting atmosphere for our worship of the Christ who has come to dwell among us.

## THE HOLY FAMILY

**WORLD DAY OF PEACE – JANUARY 1** The universality of evil and Christian hope: Faced with the many tragic situations present in the world, Christians confess with humble trust that God alone can enable individuals and peoples to overcome evil and achieve good. By his death and resurrection, Christ has redeemed us and ransomed us “with a price” (1 Cor 6:20; 7:23), gaining salvation for all. With his help, everyone can defeat evil with good.

Based on the certainty that evil will not prevail. Christians nourish an invincible hope that sustains their efforts to promote justice and peace. Despite the personal and social sins that mark all human activity, hope constantly gives new impulse to the commitment to justice and peace, as well as firm confidence in the possibility of building a better world.

Although the “mystery of iniquity” (2 Th 2:7) is present and active in the world, we must not forget that redeemed humanity is capable of resisting it. Each believer, created in the image of God and redeemed by Christ, “who in a certain way has united himself to each human being” (18: 1;7) Christians, especially the lay faithful, “should not, then, hide their hope in the depth of their hearts, but rather express it through the structures of their secular lives in continual conversion and in wrestling ‘against the world rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of iniquity’ (Eph 6:12)”. Pope John Paul II

### ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS

School resumes on Wednesday, Jan. 2nd.

The Fourth Graders will present their DVD “The Faces of Holiness” on Friday, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 in the parish center.

Thank you so much to all of our parishioners who generously contributed to the second collection on the third weekend Masses and purchased scrip throughout the past year. Your help and support have been a significant help to our school as we work to rebuild our reserve account and balance our budget. Again this year, the children will include our benefactors in their prayers each morning as they begin their school day. May 2008 be filled with God’s blessings for you and your families.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

There will be no Religious Education Classes on December 30. Classes will resume on January 6, 2008

### OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

Dec. 31	5:30 p.m.	Kathy Mirabella & Frances Bell
Jan. 1	8:30 a.m.	Volunteers
	10:30 a.m.	P.J. & Chris Bracken

### OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

Jan 5	5:30 p.m.	Gene & Vi Bettwy
Jan. 6	7:00 a.m.	Therese & Michael McClain
	8:15 a.m.	Volunteers
	10:30 a.m.	Fulchiero Family
	12 Noon	Volunteers

**CHRISTIAN STORY RETREAT** for Juniors of CCD and BGHS Mandatory for Confirmation Process

**Place:** St. Mary’s Church, Hollidaysburg

**Date:** January 5, 2008

Retreat begins at 7:00 a.m. and concludes at 6:00 p.m.

Cost is \$15.00 per child payable to St. Rose of Lima.

The candidates will have Mass and Dinner with parents, pastors and chaperones.

### ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT CLASSES

This year St. Rose will offer Adult Enrichment Classes 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.

January 14 and 28, 2008

February 11 and 25

March 10 and 31

April 14 and 28

May 5 and 19

### CANDLES

Fritz & Mary Werkmeister by Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard, Loving Memory of Philomena R. Jones by Janet Brown Family, Loving Memory of Geraldine Brown by Mr. & Mrs. Ron Brown, Kourtney Brown by M/M Ron Brown, Full Recovery– Doug Glunt by Connie.

### MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Ann Rhodes. May God give comfort to her family

### SUPPER CLUB will meet on

January 6—5:00 p.m. at King’s on 6th Ave.

Please call Mary 946-3449 for reservations.

### Scrip Gift Card Volunteer Schedule

**January 5-6, 2008**

5:30 p.m. Vi Bettwy, Gene Bettwy, John Brown

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

8:15 a.m. Judy Wood, Kelly Charlesworth, Jim/Kathy Woomeer

10:30 a.m. Mary Wiley, Becky Bimle, Mark Zelnosky

12 Noon: Bonnie Frederick, Sherry Price, Chris Bracken



**December 30, 2007 PRAYER CORNER**

**PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY**

*Oh Holy Family, you have enlightened the world with thy teaching and example. I pray that my family will be blessed with the devotion and love you shared for each other. Mary, Mother of Jesus, and Mother of us all, by your kindly intercession, obtain for my family God's graces and blessings.*  
*Joseph, most holy guardian of Jesus and Mary, help us by thy prayers, in all our spiritual and temporal needs.*  
*Lord, Jesus Christ, who, being subject to Mary and Joseph consecrated domestic life, grant that we may be taught by the example of the Holy Family and may attain to its everlasting fellowship. Amen.*

**HOLY DAY**

This Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, is a holy Day of Obligation. It is the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary under the title of the Mother of God. All are expected to participate at Mass on this day. It is also a Day of Prayer in the Diocese; we pray for World Justice and Peace. At the beginning of the new civil year, all are asked to join in praying the following:

*God of perfect peace, violence and cruelty have no part with you. May those who are at peace with one another hold fast to the good will that unites them; may those who are estranged forget their hatred and be healed. As we begin a new civil calendar, banish violence from our midst and protect us from weapons of hate. As your sons and daughters, help us to announce your peace and justice to all. We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

**USHERS NEEDED:**

If you can usher at any weekend Mass, especially at the 8:15, please see anyone of the Ushers at the entrance to church before Mass. Give him your name so that the usher will tell Fr. Crookston about your willingness to serve.

**PRAYER CHAIN**

If you would like Our Prayer Chain to pray for your intentions, please call Bernice Shoenfelt at 942-5659.

**Families and the Gospel**

December 30

Mt 2:3-15, 19-23

In Today's gospel, the Lord told Joseph to "Get up and stay" and then later to "Get up and go." In a family we need to know when to "stay" and when to "act." Both are virtues and gifts of the Holy Spirit; one is an act of patience and the other is an act of fortitude.

**NOCTURNAL ADORATION**

The monthly Vigil of Prayer schedule by the Nocturnal Adoration Society for January 4, 2008 will be held here at St. Rose of Lima Church from 8:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. Persons interested in joining the Nocturnal Adoration Society are invited to attend one of the monthly vigils and complete an attendance card provided for that purpose at the church.

**TO LOVE AS GOD LOVES**

Lord, source of love,  
Strengthen me to love as Joseph loves;  
to humbly serve all members of your family.  
Encourage me to love as Mary loves;  
to openly receive each member of your family.  
Heavenly Father, let your will be done  
so that I, in imitation of your Son,  
may share the light of your loving Spirit.  
Amen.

**Saint Benedict Church in Carrolltown** will host a tour of Ireland beginning June 20 thru July 2, 2008. Visit the Cliffs of Moher, beautiful Galway, Kilkenny Castle, Waterford Crystal Factory, Dingle Peninsula, Cobb Heritage Center and much more. Price of \$3394/person for double occupancy includes roundtrip bus, air, first class hotels, and most meals. Call for details 344-8706.

**Liturgical Reflection...**

As the Church celebrated the Solemnity of the Holy Father today, families have gathered to celebrate the joyful holiday of the Lord's birth. In all our churches families have gathered from across the miles to enjoy one another and to celebrate their love in the name of the newborn King of Kings, Jesus the Lord. In all our churches we have placed the Christmas crib. There we find the Child along with his mother, Mary and Joseph. After Mass take time and show devotion to the Christmas crèche.

**Young Adults Ages 21-39: Theology on Tap is Coming this Spring!**

Theology on Tap is a 4 week speaker series aimed at single or married Young Adults in their 20's or 30's. It takes God out of the confines of the church building and into your life in a fun and relaxing environment. Join other Young Adults from all over the region as we share our faith experiences and have some fun. For more information and to get on our e-mail list, sign up at [www.theologyontap.info](http://www.theologyontap.info).

Who do you know who is hearing the call to serve the Lord in the Church as a Permanent Deacon...maybe you?

God continues to call men between the ages of 32 and 59 to participate in service ministry to God's people in the Diaconate.

Members of our diocesan diaconal community will host a meeting to outline the role of the permanent deacon in the Church in the ministries of the word, the liturgy and charity. The steps to admission and of the formation process leading to ordination will be explained.

It is essential for a married man to be accompanied by his wife.

**MEETING DATES AND LOCATIONS FOR 2008:**

**January 12, 2008—1:00 PM**

Good Shepherd Parish, (Conference Room)  
867 Gray's Woods Boulevard, State College

**January 13, 2008—1:30 PM**

Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, (Seton Suite)  
One Cathedral Square, Altoona

**January 19, 2008—1:00 PM**

St. John Gualbert Cathedral, (Activity Center)  
110 Adams Street, Johnstown (corner of Adams & Railroad Sts.)

If you are unable to attend any of these meetings, please contact:

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**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS**

**Holy Family**

May we use our time and talent to foster compassion, forgiveness, patience and love in the spiritual family we know as our parish and our diocese.

**IN DEFENSE OF LIFE"**

"The fundamental human right, the presupposition of every other right, is the right to life itself. This is true of life from the moment of conception until its natural end. Abortion, consequently, cannot be a human right—it is the very opposite. It is 'a deep wound in society,. In stating this, I am not expressing a specifically ecclesial concern. Rather, I am acting as advocate for a profoundly human need, speaking out on behalf of those unborn children who have no voice." Pope Benedict XVI

**The Diocesan Life & Justice Commission** and the **Society of St. Vincent DePaul** will sponsor a Lenten Program entitled "Through the Eye of a Needle" from Pax Christie USA, designed to heighten awareness of social justice issues affecting our world. Any parish or organization that would consider hosting the 5 week program can call St. Vincent DePaul at 539-4627 or the Family Life Office at 886-5551.

*May the Peace  
of the  
Holy Family  
be with you  
always.*

