

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun April 30	Third Sunday of Easter	
	9:15-10:15 AM	Religious Ed. Gr. K-9
	10:30 AM	<i>Interpreted Mass for the Deaf</i>
Tues May 2	6:10 PM	Bingo
Wed May 3	4:15-5:30 PM	Practice First Eucharist
	5:45-6:30 PM	Pro-Life Rosary
	7:00 PM	Combined Choir Rehearsal
Thurs May 4	9:00-11:00 AM	Eucharistic Adoration
Fri May 5	6:10 PM	Bingo
Sun May 7	9:15-10:15 AM	Religious Ed. Gr. K-9
	10:30 AM	<i>Interpreted Mass for the Deaf</i>
	12:00 NOON	First Holy Communion



Mass Intentions

Monday, May 1 St. Joseph the Worker

8:30 a.m. † Sondra M. Frederick (*Richard Frederick & Children*)

Tuesday, May 2 St. Athanasius

8:30 a.m. † Jack & Betty Cummings (*Gene & Vi Bettwy*)

Wednesday, May 3 SS. Philip & James

8:30 a.m. † Mary Grace Goss (*M/M Richard Klesius*)

Thursday, May 4

8:30 a.m. † Patricia Hirt (*Joe & Shirley Keirn*)

Friday, May 5

8:30 a.m. † James McKeon (*Family*)

Saturday, May 6

8:30 a.m. † Michael J. Ronan (*Peter & Kathie Starr*)

5:30 p.m. † John Fulchiero (*Wife & Family*)

Sunday, May 7 Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:00 a.m. † Clarence S. Adams (*Francis & Margaret Adams*)

8:15 a.m. † Josephine Bossharat (*Paul & Mary Engelman*)

10:30 a.m. † Robert Reese (*William & Margaret Moschella*)

12 NOON **First Holy Communion**

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING – APRIL 22-23, 2006

Regular	\$7088.02	Christmas	\$ 66.50
Capital Campaign	\$ 122.00	Rose	\$ 157.45
Easter	\$ 605.00	Good Friday	\$ 25.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 68.23	Candle	\$ 5.00
Perquisites	\$ 75.00	Holy Thursday	\$ 10.00
		Total	\$ 8222.20

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

May 6	5:30 p.m.	Fulchiero Family
May 7	7:00 a.m.	Bob & Mary Ann Fox
	8:15 a.m.	Jerry & Becky Bimle
	10:30 a.m.	Bob & Deb Fraundorfer & family
	12 Noon	First Holy Communion Class

MINISTERS FOR THIS WEEK

Altar Servers for May 6-7, 2006

Saturday, May 6, 2006

5:30 p.m. Molly McCall Maggie McCall, Brendan Trybus

Sunday, May 7, 2006

7:00 a.m. Julie Fox

8:15 a.m. Jared Bimle, Alex Askey, Justin Bimle

10:30 a.m. Becky Hughes, Evan Fraundorfer, Patrick Irwin

12 Noon Brittany Boslet, Derek Mrdjenovich, Jessica Boslet,

Damon Rickens

Eucharistic Ministers for May 6-7, 2006

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

7:00 a.m. J. Wustrow, C. Sharbaugh, R. Fox

8:15 a.m. P. Engelman, M. Engelman, R. Friedenberger, B. Stoltz,

D. Cree

10:30 a.m. T. Heiss, K. Zelnosky, M. Kooman, Chris Rickens

12 Noon T. Goss, B. Altiero, K. Mrdjenovich

Lectors for May 6-7, 2006

5:30 p.m. Bea Shoenfelt, Joe Maschue

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

8:15 a.m. Chuck Wolf, Tony Labriola

10:30 a.m. Barbara Kooman, Todd Cammarata

12 Noon

FROM THE PASTOR

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) begins throughout our Diocese during the next several weeks. Your ACA gift supports the parish as well as our diocesan ministries. Our parishioners benefit from these and other diocesan ministries: Camp Zacchaeus, Priests Formation, Christian Initiation, Lay Ministry, and Catholic Charities. This year's local project is the replacement of one of the two large air condenser units used in the social hall (cafeteria). Last fall is breathed its last; its twin is also at the limit of its life expectancy. Our goal this year is to achieve participation from every parishioner. With every ones' help we will exceed both our diocesan assigned goal of \$51,521, replace the worn-out air condenser unit (\$6,640), and have funds to replace the companion cooling unit. Please consider a gift that reflects your gratitude for the many blessings that God has entrusted to you. If you are unable to make a financial gift, please return your pledge card indicating that; we will see that you do not receive a second request.

St. Rose of Lima School News

Good luck to fourth grader Damon Rickens who will be our representative in the diocesan Spelling Bee on Wednesday, May 3.

Under the direction of our music teacher, Mrs. Christina Black, our seventh and eighth grade classes will present the musical "Oliver Twist" on Wednesday, May 10 at 7:00 in the parish center. All are welcome to come to this wonderful production. There is no admission charge.

The Athletic Association Awards program is this Sunday, April 30th 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.

CANDLES – For the Men & Women in the Military who are serving our Country by the Christian Mothers, Fritz & Mary Werkmeister by Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard,

THANK YOU to all those who were involved in providing hospitality after the Easter Vigil. Kelly and Damian Charleworth, Carol Bobetich, Blane and Mary Lou Horton, Jim and Bernice Shoenfelt, Susan Pater, George, Susan, Trevor and Alex Baker, Mary Stoy, Ron Skupien, Rose Marie Fochler and Kathy Ansman.

The Altar Society invites all to join in the recitation of the Rosary before the weekend Masses except the 8:15 Mass during the month of May.

Anyone who has garden flowers please donate them for the May Crowning, which will be held on May 8 at 7:00 p.m. You may bring them to the May Crowning.

The May meeting of Christian Mothers will be held on May 8 following Mass & May Crowning in the Library. All women are invited to attend

.PRAYER CORNER

Jesus, I know that You are the Lord, my savior, my redeemer, my friend. I long to drink deeply from the waters of eternal life. In your mercy, and love, please change my heart of stone into a heart of flesh like yours. Make me into your image, fill me with your Holy Spirit. Amen

The Foundations Trustees of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown will be awarding the Adelaide G. (Heverly) Welge College Scholarship to a worthy student of the Roman Catholic Church in Blair County. To be eligible for the Welge Scholarship, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- 1) A member of a Roman Catholic Church located in Blair County.
- 2) A junior or senior, enrolled as a full-time

student at an accredited four-year college or university;

- 3) Demonstrate financial need; and

Submit a completed application form on or before June 1, 2006. The application must be signed the

Pastor to verify you are a member of the parish.

Applications are at the Rectory.

“IN DEFENSE OF LIFE”

“We are not some casual or meaningless product of evolution. Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary.” Pope Benedict XVI, 4/24/05.

“Answer The Call” 2006 – A Catholic Men’s Fellowship Conference will be held on **Saturday, June 10, 2006**, at St. Francis University in Loretto, Pa. It’s prayerful, spirit-filled, and life changing! Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and concludes with Mass from 4:00 p.m. –5:00 p.m. Four dynamic presentations will be delivered: Two keynotes by **Matthew Kelly**, an acclaimed author who has addressed over two million people in over fifty countries. He clarifies the hazy path of right-living in our world of compromised values with a message that is too clear to be confusing and too persuasive to be ignored- “Who you become is infinitely more important than what you do, or what you have”: Two keynotes by **Jesse Romero**, known as the “Latin Lover of Our Lord and Our Lady”. With the same passion and commitment that made him a three time World Police Olympics boxing champion, a former U.S.A. middleweight kickboxing champion and a 17-year-veteran of the Los Angeles Sheriff’s Department, Jesse shares Catholic teaching with an exciting style that is guaranteed to fortify you with a deeper love for God as a Christian, whether Catholic or non-Catholic. Ticket price is \$30 for adults and \$15 for students, including lunch. For more information or to purchase tickets visit www.thecallpa.org or call 800-326-9554.

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

April 30

Lk 24:35-48

The apostles recognized Jesus when they touched Him and ate with Him. Then their fear left them and they experienced peace. Perhaps we experience anxiety, not peace, in our homes because we don't eat together or touch each other often enough.

Income Tax Reduction and Estate Tax Elimination

A Private Briefing with Mr. Scott Keffer of Wealth Transfer Solutions, Pittsburgh.

Wednesday, May 31, 2006- U.S. Hotel, Hollidaysburg

Presentation-5:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. followed by Hors D'oeuvres

Learn these facts...and what to do about them:

Fact: Life expectancy is at an all time high-How to ensure your money will last.

Fact: Estate taxes confiscate \$20 Billion annually-Learn how to legally avoid paying a dime.

Fact: Retirement monies, IRAs, 401 (k)s,etc. are subject to double taxation of up to 70 percent-We'll share strategies to pay ZERO PERCENT.

Fact: There are over 104 strategies to reduce your capital gains, estate and income taxes. Learn some of the most common and effective.

Free Registration (Seating Limited) – Call 814-696-9514 or email cmckee@dioceseaj.org

Sponsored by the independent Foundation for the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown

Private Directed Retreats for Women: A Vacation with the Lord!

An opportunity for silence and prayer with a Carmelite Community of the Word Sister as a spiritual guide.

Mini-Weekend: May 19-20, 2006 Friday, 7 p.m. through Saturday, 3 p.m. Donation: \$55.00

Full Week: June 5-9, 2006 Monday, 7 p.m. through Friday, Noon Donation: \$150.00

Both retreats will be held at CCW Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Road, Gallitzin, and will include opportunities to meet with your spiritual guide during the days of retreat. Donations include private room accommodations and meals. Registration is limited. For more information or to register, call (814) 886-3972 or 886-4098. Registrations are required at least five days in advance of program date.

Carmelite Community of the Word will have their **Second Annual Golf Tournament** on June 2006 at the Scotch Valley Country Club. Shotg Start 12:00 Noon \$125.00 per golfer. Forr Scramble. Includes: Golf, Lunch, Dinner, a Prizes. Hole in One Contest wins a new Suba Sponsored by Condrin Subaru, Altoo Registration Deadline June 1, 2006. All fees m be paid by June 1st. For more information call: Jane Miller at 886-4098.

EASTER SEASON CONCERT

A concert will be held on May 7, 2006 at 2 p.m. This concert will be given by the State Colle Choral Society, also directed by Dr. Russ Shell. The concert will feature a work entitled *Voices the Holocaust*, written by a young compo Sheridan Seyfried, from Philadelphia. B concerts are free and open to the public. A fru will offering will be accepted at the door.

CAMP ZACCHAEUS 2006

Applications are now being accepted for Ca Zacchaeus 2006. Camp "Z" is a cabin camp experience for boys and girls entering grades 4 Camp is scheduled for the weeks of July : August 4, and August 7-11, 2006 at Car Sequanota in Jennerstown. Campers celebr and learn about their Catholic faith in the midst swimming, fishing, arts and crafts, playing spo towe and rock climbing, camp fires, games and much more. For more information or a brochu contact the Youth and Campus Ministry Office 814-693-1401.

GATEWAY CLIPPER/ITALIAN DAY CRUISE

The Mt. Carmel Parish Social & Administrat Committee is sponsoring a bus trip to sail on Gateway Clipper in Pittsburgh for their Italian D Cruise. The trip is on Sunday, June 4. We v depart the Mt. Carmel Church Parking Lot at 9: a.m. The cost of the trip is \$60.00 per person. T cost includes the bus, cruise, entertainment, buffet luncheon and gratuities. We will stop Hoss's in Murrysville on the way back for dinn (on your own). If you would like to attend conta the Parish Office at 942-8501 to make yo reservations. Reservations and payment due May 10.

Prayer Breakfast Tea: Pathways to Peace, Patience, and Prayer

All women in the diocese are invited to a Prayer Breakfast Tea, Saturday, May 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 Noon. It will be hosted by Good Shepherd Church, 867 Gray's Woods Blvd., State College .A calm morning of relaxation, reflection on ways to nurture peace and patience in your life, and time to nourish and nurture yourself. Facilitated by Susan Stith of the diocesan Family Life Office. \$5.00 or \$4.00 when you register with another. Scholarships available. Consider a Gift Certificate for a special friend or loved one. To register, contact Catherine Droske (814) 692-2206 or cjdroske@att.net. Checks payable to Good Shepherd Church. Dress comfortably to fully enjoy a morning of serenity from the busyness of your lives. Tea is at 8:30, brunch later.

CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD INCARNATION CENTER

The Carmelite Community of the Word invite interested persons to join them for Evening Prayer at their Incarnation Center convent on the first and third Wednesday of each month beginning in May 2006. Prayer will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel at Incarnation Center. The First Wednesday of the month will focus on the needs of the local and world community and the Third Wednesday of the month will address the needs of the poor in Haiti. Incarnation Center is located one mile off Route 53 between Ashville and Cresson, Pa. at 394 Berr Road, Gallitzin, Pa. 16641. (not located within Gallitzin itself) 814-886-3972. No reservations are needed, just come and join us for a half hour of prayer united with the Universal Church praying the Liturgy of the Hours.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

Unlike Christmas which has a fixed calendar date, Easter can fall on any Sunday within a period of thirty-five days after the full moon following the spring equinox. The Easter date is the combination of several cosmic or time element such as spring, equinox, full moon, and Sunday. Easter is an anniversary and is celebrated as close as possible to the historical date of Christ's own Passover. Once a year during the week following the spring full moon the Church recalls that it was at this time of the year when the Son of God died and rose again. With this movable calendar date, the Church honors the resurrection and passion of Christ with utmost solemnity.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

The joy experienced by the disciples in the "upper room" continues to burn in our hearts today. Realizing that God loves you beyond all measure causes you to build up His kingdom on earth with as much conviction as those first disciples.

Third Week of Easter

A Blessing of the Home

Lord,
bless the door of this house who, er, open,
to all who need human love
and fellowship,
strong enough to show all envy, and
kindness.
Bless the strength of every enough
to be a strength, not to children
of straying fish.
Bless the strength enough to learn
to lack the true power.
And bless the strength to honor the
newly arrived eternal kingdom.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



*By the Rev. Dr. David
C. Johnson*

Today's Gospel reading depicts Jesus making another unexpected visit to his disciples. To dispel their fears and assure them that he is not a ghost, Jesus invites them to touch the wounds on his hands and feet. When they still can't believe their own eyes, he asks for food and then eats a piece of fish. This simple domestic act reveals what the disciples have not been able to see.

As this and other post-Resurrection stories illustrate, Jesus does not appear in flashes of glory but in ordinary situations: breaking bread at a dinner table (Luke 24:30–31), barbecuing by a lake (John 21:9), or eating a snack with his friends (Luke 24:41–43). The connection with

food is not a minor one. What better way to demonstrate that he is present in the flesh than by eating?

If we need help recognizing God in our own homes, perhaps a blessing will help. In many communities Easter is a time for blessing homes. Doors and rooms are sprinkled with holy water, a symbol of Baptism, and prayers are offered that ask for God's protection, comfort, and peace. As a reminder to be attentive to God's presence, recall this prayer from scripture: ". . . That your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, 'My name shall be there.' . . ." (1 Kings 8:29)

Reflections on the Holy Family

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John Paul II, 1984

John Paul II left us this reflection on Saint Joseph: "If the Family of Nazareth is an example and model for human families, in the order of salvation and holiness, so too, by analogy, is Jesus' work at the side of Joseph the carpenter. In our own day, the Church has emphasized this by instituting the liturgical memorial of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1. Human work, and especially manual labor, receive special prominence in the Gospel. Along with the humanity of the Son of God, work too has been taken up in the mystery of the Incarnation, and has also been redeemed in a special way. At the workbench where he plied his trade together with Jesus, Joseph brought human work closer to the mystery of the Redemption."

Reflections on the Holy Family

Thomas Merton, 1948

Although baptized over two weeks ago, the neophytes (newly baptized) are continuing their journey in the catechumenate. The period of mystagogy is a time for them to gather and talk about their experience of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and first Eucharist) and to consider how they will live out their baptismal promises. We who were baptized long ago continue in a life-long mystagogy as we try to live into our Baptism more deeply each year. Check your parish bulletin or diocesan Web site for a scripture study, online course, retreat, or suggested reading to keep you and other adults in your household growing in an understanding of our faith.

Reflections on the Holy Family

Although mentioned infrequently in the Gospels, Saint Philip was present at the miracle of the loaves and fishes, as well as in the upper room when the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles at Pentecost. Saint James the Less is mentioned several times by Paul. He was one to whom the Lord appeared after the Resurrection and was one of the "pillars" of the early Christian community. He wrote the letter of James, which contains practical advice for Christian living, and was martyred in 62 AD. As you reflect on the lives of these two followers of Jesus, consider what you might "leave behind" in order to become a more faithful disciple.



Reflections on the Holy Family

In paths of peace may the Lord God guide us, and may he send his holy angel Raphael to accompany us on our way; that safe and sound, in peace and in joy, we may return to those who love us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Reflections on the Holy Family

Thomas Merton, 1948

Today many join the people of Mexico in celebrating the defeat of their foreign oppressor, Napoleon's army, at a battle in 1862. The day is filled with dance, music, and good food. The Easter season is a time to celebrate our own liberation from the oppression of sin and the hope we have in Christ's gift of life. Celebrate Cinco de Mayo and our Easter joy with delicious guacamole. Mash 1 avocado and stir in 1 small, finely chopped tomato, 1-2 Tbsp. of minced onion, 1 Tbsp. of lemon juice, and 1 minced garlic clove. Season to taste with salt and chopped cilantro. To increase flavor (and spice), add 1/2 minced green chili pepper.

Reflections on the Holy Family

Thomas Merton, 1948

As a symbol of death and resurrection, the egg goes back many centuries. Egyptians buried eggs in their tombs and Greeks placed them on graves. In the late 1800s, parts of Germany substituted eggs for birth certificates. An egg was dyed, decorated, and then etched with a person's name and date of birth. This may, in part, explain the custom of coloring Easter eggs. With our minds trained on the Resurrection story, even mundane acts like breaking and peeling hard-boiled eggs can remind us of Christ breaking out of the tomb.

MANY FACES

One Faith-One Household

2006 Annual Catholic Appeal

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Christian stewards recognize that all good gifts come from God. They express gratitude by sharing a portion of what they have received with others. This sharing throughout the Church extends beyond the parish to include the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown as well as the Universal Church, your brothers and sisters in Christ. Your gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal will directly impact the lives of people from all walks of life, your families, friends and neighbors who turn to the Church seeking spiritual nourishment and temporal assistance through one of the many ministries we sponsor.

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Last year, diocesan ministries received \$2,304,881 to proclaim the Good News and to assist those in need. The Faithful of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese remain committed to building the Kingdom of God here on earth and especially in our own communities. Your parish receives full credit for your gift. Once payments have equaled the parish's assessed goals, the parish will receive all of the "over-goal" gifts to use as they see fit, for special projects or essential needs.

We appreciate your continued support of your parish, your diocese and your brothers and sisters in Christ!

Announcement Weekend	April 22 & 23
Education Weekend	April 29 & 30
Commitment Weekend	May 6 & 7

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