

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Jan 20	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	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
Tues Jan 22	6:10 PM	Bingo
Wed Jan 23	5:45-6:30 PM	Pro-Life Rosary
Thurs Jan 24	9:00-11:00 AM	Eucharistic Adoration
Fri Jan 25	6:10 PM	Bingo
Sun Jan 27	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	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



Monday, Jan. 21 St. Agnes

8:30 a.m. †Joan Bator (*Bingo Kitchen*)

Tuesday, Jan. 22 St. Vincent

†Mary Gooderham (*Stanley B. & L. Gretchen Semuskie*)

Wednesday, Jan. 23

†Anne Dublin (*Paul & Mary Engelman*)

Thursday, Jan. 24 St. Francis deSales

8:30 a.m. †Charles Lovett (*John & Theresa Tomlinson*)

Friday, Jan. 25 Conversion of St. Paul

8:30 a.m. †Dorothy K. Bucarelli (*Ted & Ginger Loader*)

Saturday, Jan. 26 SS. Timothy & Titus

8:30 a.m. †Leonard S. Fiore (*St. Rose Christian Mothers*)

5:30 p.m. †Evan J. Hileman (*Family*)

Sunday, Jan. 27 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

8:15 a.m. †Nick & Augusta Orsena (*Family*)

10:30 a.m. †Helen Mirabella (*Family*)

12 Noon Mass for the People

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

Altar Servers for January 26-27, 2008

Saturday, January 26, 2008

5:30 p.m. Brittany Boslet, Jessica Boslet, Heather Lee, Tonya Lee

Sunday, January 27, 2008

7:00 a.m. Volunteer

8:15 a.m. Matthew Eiman, Chase McGeary, Jamie Novack

10:30 a.m. Sarah Fromknecht, Damon Rickens, Shaelyn Rickens, Erica Wiley

12 Noon Daniel Maier, Josef Maier, Kathryn Nazaruk

Eucharistic Ministers for January 26-27, 2008

5:30 p.m. J. Shoenfelt, M. Tillard, C. Boslet, K. Boslet, K. McGraw

7:00 a.m. J. Wustrow, R.M. Fochler, D. Leahey

8:15 a.m. K. Woomer, B. Stoltz, E. Stoltz, K. Charlesworth, R. Novack

10:30 a.m. J. Fromknecht, P. Fromknecht, D. Fraundorfer, M. Wiley, M. Dombrowski

12 Noon G. Beck, J. Eberhardt, R. Fiore

Lectors for January 26-27, 2008

5:30 p.m. Bernice Shoenfelt, Elizabeth Tully

7:00 a.m. Paul Cooney, Frank Fochler

8:15 a.m. Damian Charlesworth, James Woomer

10:30 a.m. Todd Cammarata, Chris Rickens

12 Noon: Robert Helbig, Michael Nazaruk

FROM THE PASTOR

PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES The January 22, "March for Life" in Washington, D.C., invites your support through presence, perseverance, and prayer. Buses to D.C. leave Altoona 7:00 a.m. and return by 9:00 p.m. The cost is \$15.00 and your meal expenses. Marchers are to bring their own box lunch and purchase dinner at a stop near Frederick, MD. Layers of warm water proof clothes and footwear are the attire for the day. Contact Patricia Forr (946-0681), Roxanne Blazewicz (695-8008), Beth Britz (696-2960) or Anne Zelnosky (942-2723) to reserve a bus seat.

While not every parishioner will board a bus to the nation's capital, many can travel to St. Matthew Church, Tyrone, January 20, for a Noontime prayer service and walk.

Monday evening, January 21, the Cathedral celebrates evening prayer at 7:00 p.m.

Your continuing prayer for a Culture of Life and a Civilization of Love will unite with those of Pope Benedict XVI. In the fullness of time, our efforts will turn every heart to support life from conception until natural death and into eternity.

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING—JAN. 12-13, 2008

Regular	\$7099.65	Christmas	\$ 174.50
Capital Campaign	\$ 101.50	Rose	\$ 219.45
Sol. of Mary	\$ 40.00	Candles	\$ 15.00
	\$	Total	\$7650.10

SCHOOL RESERVE ACCOUNT Thank you for your most generous response to the third weekend of the month second Collection. In December, we received \$6,128.03 and forwarded it to the school. We appreciate your strong support. This weekend is our next one for the second collection dedicated to the restoration of funds to our school reserve fund.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY Today is Ecumenical Sunday, when we celebrate what God is doing through the many ecumenical agencies—local, regional, national, and international—that make up the modern ecumenical movement. As we continue our special prayers “that all may be one...that the world may believe” (John 17:21), we take time to familiarize ourselves with the work that Ecumenical Conference of Greater Altoona (e-mail: ecumenaltoona@atlanticbb.net ; phone: 942-0512) does to promote understanding and cooperation among Christians and others in our community.

The 100th annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began on Friday, January 18 and concludes Friday, January 25. Use the Daily Scripture and Prayer Guide to join with Christians around the world praying “that all may be one...that the world may believe” (John 17:21). A background guide is at www.geii.org/wpcu observing the week of prayer.htm.

COME JOIN US for a parish pot luck dinner at St. Rose of Lima on Sunday January (1/27) in our Social Hall at 2:00 p.m. Bring your own place settings. Suggested dishes: Meat dishes, casseroles, vegetable, desserts. The parish pastoral council initially sees this social time as monthly wintertime activity. For more information contact Regina Friedenberger by email reginafriedenber@aol.com or call Leona the rectory 944-8509.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS

There is no school on Monday, Jan. 21st in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

Congratulations to our top three National Geographic Society's Geography Bee finalists: First Place –Kathryn Nazaruk, 6th grade / Second Place – Jamey Brumbaugh, 6th grade / Third Place – Emily Adams, 6th grade.

Catholic Schools Week is from Jan. 26 – Feb. 1, 2008. This year's theme is “Catholic Schools Light the Way”. Here at St. Rose we will begin our celebration at the 5:30 PM Mass on Saturday, Jan. 26th. All parishioners and friends are invited to join with us at Mass to celebrate the light of St. Rose School.

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.

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

Jan. 26	5:30 p.m.	McCloskey Family
Jan. 27	7:00 a.m.	Jack & Shirley Donoughe
	8:15 a.m.	Rose Nasralla & Carmie Maniglia
	10:30 a.m.	Frances Bell & Kathy Mirabella
	12 Noon	Jeff & Janice Maier

The LITURGY COMMISSION would like to thank St. Rose School students for their assistance to the parish during the Advent and Christmas season. The 7th graders and their teacher, Mr. Joseph Maschue assembled the blessed manger straw packets given out on the 4th week of Advent. The 8th graders and their teacher Mrs. Debbie Fisher assembled the chalk packets given out on Epiphany. Each of these projects involved putting together 600 bags to be distributed at our weekend Masses; no small task!! Many thanks for all your help!!

Scrip Gift Card Volunteer Schedule

January 26-27, 2008

5:30 p.m. Jen Myrick, Jim Shoenfelt, Bernice Shoenfelt

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

8:15 a.m. Judy Wood, Kelly Charlesworth, Maureen Frucella

10:30 a.m. Mary Wiley, Diane Gormley, Bev Elder

12 Noon: Bonnie Frederick, Sherry Price, Chris Bracken

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. **The March 10 class will be changed to Monday, March 3.**

January 28, 2008

February 11 and 25

March 3 and 31

April 14 and 28

May 5 and 19

CANDLES

Fritz & Mary Werkmeister by Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard, Theresa G. by Susan H. Trout, Special intentions

END OF YEAR STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

May God's blessings be upon all those who have so generously supported our parish family throughout 2007. Those individuals or families who for tax purposes would like to have a statement of your contributions for 2007 are asked to call the Rectory. We would be most happy to provide that information for you.

SUPPER CLUB will meet on

February 10- 5:00 p.m. at the Olive Garden

Please call Mary 946-3449 for reservations.

"IN DEFENSE OF LIFE"

As we mark the 35th anniversary of the Supreme Court's legalization of abortion during all nine months of pregnancy, are we making any progress? A resounding yes! The number of abortions peaked in the mid-1980's and has steadily declined ever since. Likewise, public opinion has shifted so that 75% of the population thinks abortion should never be legal or legal only under certain circumstances. Statistics of Allan Guttmacher Institute.

Twenty-First Annual Respect for Life March

St. Matthew Church— Tyrone-January 20, 2008 at 12 Noon
Walk 1.25 miles to grave of Baby Agnes Doe.
Luncheon after March in Parish Hall. Bring a sign
Sponsored by the St. Gregory Council #1218
Knights of Columbus

PRAYER AT ALTOONA CATHEDRAL

On Monday, January 21, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona, there will be a prayer service on the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision of Roe vs. Wade. There will be a blessing for the pilgrims attending the March For Life in Washington, D.C. the next day. All are welcome to participate in this prayer. All who have a respect for life from conception to natural death are welcome to join their brothers and sisters at the Cathedral in Altoona.

THE SUNDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB will begin discussing "Jesus of Nazareth" by Pope Benedict XVI. The discussion will begin on January 20 from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the Computer Room. Come & participate or just listen

ASH WEDNESDAY-FISH DINNER

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, 806 11th St., Altoona, Pa. will have a Fish Dinner on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2008
Baked or Fried. Tickets \$6.00 take outs available. Tickets may be purchased at the Rectory, 806 11th St. Altoona from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

LENTEN FISH FRY

St. Therese Parish, will have a Fish Fry every Friday during Lent from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Starting Feb. 8, 2008. \$7.00 for Adults; \$4.00 for Children (under 12). Choice of Baked or Fried Fish or Fried or Steamed Shrimp. French Fries or Baked Potato or Macaroni & Cheese; Applesauce or Homemade Coleslaw; Stewed Tomatoes; Roll/Butter; Dessert. Take outs available. Dinners will be served at Fr. Kelley Hall.

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 Zakrzewski at (814) 632-3070 or at dzakrzewski@aol.com for an application.

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.

ECUMENICAL SERVICE

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

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

Ministries Highlights The Saint Rose Pro-Life Committee strives to promote respect for all human life by supporting pregnancy counseling services; praying for vulnerable members of the human family who are threatened by the "Culture of Death;" and, fostering awareness of the need to restore legal protection to the lives of unborn children, the chronically ill, disabled, and dying.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—LITURGY PREPARING

What is it? Five to six members of the parish, the liturgical director, parochial vicar and pastor meet six to eight weeks preparing a segment of future liturgies. Preparing includes liturgical sources, environment and art, music, ritual movement and gesture, texts, and ritual elements. Some reading of outside materials is required between meetings. Materials will be provided free of charge.

Member of the liturgy preparing team are persons with a sense of liturgy and willing to learn more about the liturgy and serve the assembly.

When does the group meet? Tuesdays, beginning January 29, 2008. Time to be determined by responses of volunteers.

What liturgies will we next prepare? See the volunteer box below.

How can you become involved? Fill out the volunteer form below, cut it out and drop it in the collection basket or at the rectory office.

Our parish needs people interested in the liturgy to gather in a small group of 5 or 6 people to read, prepare & discuss the upcoming seasons of Lent, Triduum, & Easter. The group will be led by Fr. Crookston & Sue Cossitor. Would you like to participate in this type of seasonal reflection?
Please complete the following & drop in the collection basket or at the rectory.

Name _____

Phone No. _____

Meetings will be on Tuesdays, beginning Jan. 29, 2008.

Time to be determined by responses.

Please place a check mark beside the time you are available.

9:30 -11:30 a.m. 1:00 -3:00 p.m. 6:30 -8:30 p.m.



PRAYER CORNER

January 20, 2008

A Daily Prayer to Honor Jesus

Oh Dear Jesus, Son of God, You are my God and my brother!

You have made my soul beautiful with the jewels of grace and virtue. I belong to You today: I wish to serve You well today, along with the angels and saints. Amen.

FAMILY LIFE NEWS

Engaged Couples Marriage Prep Weekend Schedules

Fulfills diocesan marriage preparation requirement. Weekend dates: **January 25,26,27; February 22, 23, 24; April 11, 12, 13 at St. John the Baptist Retreat Center, New Baltimore.** See diocesan website www.ajdiocese.org for additional dates, registration and details. Sponsored by the Family Life Office of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese, (814) 886-5551. Gift certificates available

Choice-Making Retreat—three hour retreat designed for Women

Making healthy, Christ-centered choices is a process of slowing down, turning to God and learning how to listen to Christ. This three hour retreat will be held on **Saturday, February 2— 9:00-12:00 Noon at the Family Life Office, Rt. 53, Lilly.** For women of all ages and stages of spiritual growth. Cost: \$15.00—bring a friend for only \$5.00 more. Pre-registration is required by January 23. To register/information, call Family Life Office (814)886-5551. Make checks payable to the Family Life Office, 5379 Portage St., Lilly, Pa. 15938; familylife@dioceseaj.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend— For couples who want to make a good marriage better. February 15, 16, 17, 2008 in State College, Toftrees Resort. Friday, 8:00 p.m. to Sunday, 4:00 p.m. Call: Worldwide Marriage Encounter 1-800-882-5024. Reservations necessary. Brochure available.

FAITH & LIGHT GATHERINGS—A faith sharing group for mentally challenged persons and their families, caregivers and friends. Held monthly on Sundays, 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Becky Sheetz Recreation Center in Altoona. For dates and more information, call the Family Life Office 886-5551.

FESTIVAL OF PRAISE

There will be a Diocesan-wide Festival of Praise on Saturday, January 26, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. The evening will include Eucharistic Adoration, joyful Spirit-filled praise & worship music, a powerful witness talk & special prayers for healing. All are welcome. Presented by the Cathedral Charismatic Prayer Group.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown will celebrate the Rite of Election of Catechumens and the Call to Continuing Conversion of Candidates on Sunday, February 10, 2008. Catechumens and candidates for Easter Sacraments from area parishes and from our parish will participate in this celebration at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona beginning at 7:00 p.m. They will be formally welcomed and blessed by Bishop Joseph Adamec. All parishioners are invited to join our catechumens and candidates and their families in prayer and communal support and attend a light reception afterwards in the Cathedral Hall.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

In 1962 Pope John XXIII convened the Second Vatican Council to help the Church renew its sense of mission. The first of the conciliary documents. *Sacrosanctum Concilium: Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, articulated the goals of the Council and, in keeping with those goals, established general principles for the reform and promotion of the sacred liturgy. In addition to mandating that liturgical books and rites be revised, the Council called for the revision of legislation governing the material elements involved in the liturgy, particularly the construction of places of worship and altars, the placement of the tabernacle, and the use of images and decorations.

CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD

Preparing for Lent –Overnight Directed Retreat for Women Friday, Feb. 1-Sat. Feb. 2

Spend a 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 p.m. Friday and ends at 3 p.m. Saturday. Private room and meals are included. Donation: \$55.00. Reservation due by Jan. 28.

On-line Addiction & Grace Study Group Tuesdays—Feb. 12 through March 4, 2008

A guided study of Gerald May's brilliant and now classic exploration of the psychology and physiology of addiction. It offers an inspiring and hope-filled vision for those who desire to explore the mystery of who and what they really are. May examines the "processes of attachment" that lead to addiction and describes the relationship between addiction and spiritual awareness. He also details the various addictions from which we can suffer, not only to substances like alcohol and drugs, but to work, sex, performance, responsibility, and intimacy.

Donation: \$20.00 includes access code for instruction sessions and reflection questions. Book must be ordered from Amazon.com or own choice of book distributor. More details will be provided upon receipt of registration. Facilitator: Sr. Marilyn Welch. Reservations due by Feb. 5.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will" by using wisely the time, abilities and material resources you have placed before me.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL OF ST. ROSE UPDATE

A special thanks for all the help from the parish in 2007. With your help we were able to help many families in need. We will continue to do the same or better in 2008.

A new venture will be to help at Evergreen Manor with the After School Programs for the younger children and very needy adult families.

Your generosity has been fantastic for the food pantry but now we need, often not covered by assistance, like baby diapers, wipes, paper towels, toilet tissue, facial tissues, all types of cleaning products, 8 oz. paper cups, small paper bowls. Cleanliness is next to holiness. We will have brown paper bags in the foyer. Drop off the items in the bags in the St. Vincent bin in the foyer.

Many, many thanks from St. Vincent DePaul and the needy. P.S. Help requests are at the bin and we will accept any money donations. Place in Request Box in the foyer.