

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Aug 24	Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time	
	10:30 AM	Interpreted Mass for the Deaf
Tues Aug 26	6:10 PM	Bingo
Wed Aug 27	5:45-6:30 PM	Pro-Life Rosary
Thurs Aug 28	9:00-11:00 AM	Eucharistic Adoration
Fri Aug 29	6:10 PM	Bingo
Sun Aug 31	Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time	
	10:30 AM	Interpreted Mass for the Deaf



Monday, Aug. 25 St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz

8:30 a.m. †Jerome Leap (*Employees of Altoona Dominion Peoples*)
7:00 p.m. †Michael Yerck (*Bob & Debbie Fisher*)

Tuesday, Aug. 26

8:30 a.m. †Dorothy Reilly (*Reilly Family*)

Wednesday, Aug. 27 St. Monica

8:30 a.m. †Thomas Riley (*Tom & Michele DeBernardis*)

Thursday, Aug. 28 St. Augustine

8:30 a.m. †Lucy Muriceak (*Steve & Joan Perove*)

Friday, Aug. 29 Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist

8:30 a.m. †Glenn Benigni (*Pat & Rosemary Ronan*)

Saturday, Aug. 30

8:30 a.m. †Marcella & Jerome Leap (*Family*)
5:30 p.m. †Ronald A. Geis Jr. (*Family*)

Sunday, Aug. 31

7:00 a.m. †Kay Patton (*John & Kids*)
8:15 a.m. †Kathryn Snyder & Laura Dodson (*Joseph & Regina Friedenberger*)
10:30 a.m. †Joseph Malady (*Ray Himes*)
12 Noon Mass for the People

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

Altar Servers for Anointing Mass, August 25, 2008

7:00 p.m. Justin Bimle, Chase McGeary, Jimmy Novack

Altar Servers for August 30-31, 2008

5:30 p.m. Brittany Boslet, Jessica Boslet, Brendan Trybus, Loretta Bobetich

7:00 a.m. Ireland McCreery

8:15 a.m. Jimmy Novack, Matthew Gormley, Chase McGeary

10:30 a.m. Sarah Fromknecht, Thomas Keating, Kyle Murphy, Caitlin Berkheimer

12 Noon Colin Berkheimer, Tyler Kessler, Aaron Yasulitis

Anointing Mass, August 25, 2008

7:00 p.m. **Lectors:** Viola Bettwy, Frances Hesser

Eucharistic Ministers: Deborah Brown, John Frena, Ruth Novack

Eucharistic Ministers for August 30-31, 2008

5:30 p.m. J. Frena, C. Boslet, K. Boslet, J.E. Brown, B. Bartley

7:00 a.m. J. Trexler, G. Miller, J. Fox

8:15 a.m. R. Novack, J. Woomer, K. Woomer, M. Engelman, P. Engelman

10:30 a.m. J. Fromknecht, P. Fromknecht, M. Wiley, R. Murphy, M. Kooman

12 Noon R. Fiore, K. Wasicki, John Wasicki

Lectors for August 30-31, 2008

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

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

8:15 a.m. Charles Wolf, Linda Wolf

10:30 a.m. James Klueg, Todd Cammarata

12 Noon James Lane, Deborah Brown

FROM THE PASTOR

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? Starting September 8, Monday evenings at 6:30 P.M. members of our Christian Initiation Process are meeting with persons interested in becoming Catholics. Our inquiry team welcomes **children and adults** interested in our faith. Interested persons may approach the computer room using the school's sliding doors opposite the outdoor basketball court at the corner of Roselawn Avenue and 56th Street.

The inquiry period helps people feel at ease with the Holy Spirit's attracting them to our faith community. During this time inquirers search God's prompting, ask questions, and touch faith's inner movement. They hear and reflect upon the stories of our Catholic community. The inquiry team members also share the faith they have found in Christ, the scriptures, Catholic belief, parish ministry and their life experiences. The adult inquiry sessions will continue to meet Monday evenings for the next several weeks. Children's sessions will move to Sunday mornings. Besides children within families that are becoming Catholic, baptized Catholic children who are past second grade and have yet to celebrate First Penance and First Communion are welcome to the Sunday morning sessions. Parents of these older baptized Catholic children should call the rectory for Fr. Crookston or Bernice Shoefeld.

Those wanting to hear more about Catholicism and those wanting to help welcome interested inquirers may talk to Father Crookston or any person involved with the initiation process. The Christian Initiation team members are Rose Marie Fochler (944-3906), Larry Harker (696-0609), Kathy Ansman (944-5431), Jim Woomer (201-2013), and Ron Skupien (942-0814).

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING—AUG. 16-17, 2008

Regular	\$7096.22	Christmas	\$ 53.50
Capital Campaign	\$ 110.00	Peru	\$ 10.00
Mission Co-Op	\$2289.78	School Reserve	\$ 52.00
Candles	\$ 15.00		
Assumption	\$ 780.70	Total	\$10407.20

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOMINATIONS FOR PARISH COUNCIL

Please take time to nominate a parishioner or place yourself in candidacy for our Parish Pastoral Council. Candidates should be willing to collaborate with others in helping our parish become an authentic sign of the reign of God. Please contact any of the following Council members if you are interested in learning more about your Parish Council: Fr. Crookston, Pat Ronan, Sue Cossitor, Pat Irwin, Judy Rossi, Cindy Boslet, John Brown, Paul Engelman, Mike Fox, Dave Kibblehouse, Regina Friedenberger, Tom Goss, Gary Beck, Don Mrdjnovich, or Rick Tully. Nomination forms are in this week's bulletin. The close of the nomination period is August 25.

CATHOLICS APPEAL - Final Push: Three hundred thirty-four families have pledged a total of \$49,413 to the 2008 Annual Catholic Appeal. Your generosity is a splendid outpouring! Thank you to everyone who has so generously responded. All who have yet to pledge your support, please do so by August 10. The participation of 40% of our households has put us at 95% of the diocesan goal of \$52,247. Our member's participation to the 2008 appeal is a record high for our parish.

Consider please 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 envelop showing that your support is your spiritual prayer.

OUR TRIDUUM IN HONOR OF ST. ROSE

Only one week remains until we begin our annual celebration in honor of St. Rose of Lima, Patroness of our parish. Here is the schedule for the special events this year:

Sat. Aug. 23, 5:30 P.M.

Mass with prayers honoring St. Rose of Lima.

Sun. Aug. 24, 4:00 P.M.

Mass in Spanish, procession outside, followed by dinner, music, and games. Please bring a covered dish of salad or dessert. We provide the rest!

Mon. Aug. 25, 7:00 P.M.

Healing Mass with Fr. Derek Fairman as celebrant and homilist. Twelve priests from the Altoona area will concelebrate and help with the anointing ceremony. Please bring your relatives and friends who might be in need of the Sacrament of the Sacrament of the Sick.

A special feature of this year's Triduum will be all day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday Aug. 25. Just think-ten hours of continuous prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament offered for those intentions written on the prayer request cards placed in the St. Rose of Lima Wishing Well during this year's Triduum. Here is a suggested adoration schedule by last name. Feel free to select an hour that is more convenient for you.

A.M.	9:00-10:00	9:30-10:30	10:00-11:00 A-B-C
	10:30-11:30	11:00-12:00	D-E-F
	11:30-12:30	12:00-1:00 P.M.	G-H-I
P.M.	12:20-1:30	1:00-2:00	J-K-L
	1:30-2:30	2:00-3:00	M-N-O
	2:30-3:30	3:00-4:00	P-Q-R
	3:30-4:30	4:00-5:00	S
	4:30-5:00	5:00-6:00	T-U-V
	5:30-6:30	6:00-7:00	W-X-Y-Z

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS

The first day of school is Monday, Aug. 25th for Pre K 3 and Kdg. through Grade 8. It will be a full day. Students in K through 8 should be in uniform and report to their classrooms by 8:15. Bus and van students will have transportation beginning on the first day. Hot lunch will be available beginning on the first day.

Pre K 4 begins Tuesday, Aug. 26th.

The BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM for students in K through 8 begins on the first day of school.

SCRIP sales for school families begin the week of Sept. 2, 2008.

Our annual MAGAZINE SALE begins on Wednesday, August 27th. This sale is one of the four main fundraisers to help you meet your fundraising goal.

The lunch menu for the first day is hamburger/cheeseburger, parsley potatoes, veggies, fruit, milk.

BUS SCHEDULE

BUS 29

Trip 1-Greenwood, Altoona to **SAINT JOHNS SCHOOL** and **SAINT ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL**

AM PM

7:32 3:33 Edinboro Drive & Old Dominion Drive (St. Johns)
 7:35 3:29 East Walton Ave. & Wilson Street (St. Rose)
 7:39 3:24 1st Avenue & 6th Street (St. Johns)
 7:43-3:20 1st Avenue & 20th Street (St. Rose)
 7:45 3:18 5th Avenue & 20th Street (St. Rose)
 7:48 3:14 5th Avenue & 29th Street (St. Rose)
 7:51 3:12 Broad Avenue & 29th Street (St. Rose)
 7:55 3:07 210 W. Holmes Avenue (St. Johns)
 8:00 2:51 SAINT JOHNS SCHOOL
 8:10 2:45 SAINT ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL

BUS 39

Trip -Altoona to **SAINT JOHNS SCHOOL** and **SAINT ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL**

AM PM

7:20 3:34 E. Wopsy Avenue & Elm Street (St. Johns)
 7:31 3:25 20th Avenue & 1st Street (St. Rose)
 7:34 3:20 Beverly Boulevard & Granada (St. Johns)
 7:37 3:21 25th Avenue & 13th Street (St. Rose)
 7:47 3:12 Ward Avenue & Aldrich Avenue (St. Rose)
 7:49 3:11 Burgoon Road & 38th Street (St. Rose)
 7:52 3:07 Broad Avenue & 38th Street (St. Rose)
 7:55 3:05 Valley Avenue (Box 781/Kavalets) (St. Rose)
 7:57 3:02 Kissell Avenue & 54th Street (St. Rose)
 8:00 2:51 SAINT JOHNS SCHOOL
 8:10 2:58 SAINT ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL

CONFIRMATION PROCESS

There will be a meeting for all parents of Confirmation Process for grades 9 to 11. The meeting will be held on August 24 - 9:30 to 10:25 in the Social Hall.

ASIAN ADVENTURE Father Crookston leaves September 3 for a nineteen-day Delhi, India to Kathmandu, Nepal journey of architectural and natural outdoor beauty along with experiences of Hindu and Buddhist spirituality. Tigers, the Taj Mahal, temples – large and small, and towering peaks are tour highlights.

MUSIC NOTES

THE ST. ROSE OF LIMA ADULT CHOIRS will begin rehearsals for the 2008-2009 season on **Wednesday, September 3, 2008** in the choir loft. The 8:15 Choir will begin rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. and the 10:30 Choir will begin at 7:30 p.m. **NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.**

Anyone interested in joining one of our choirs may contact Bryce Cossitor at 943-0174 or simply come to rehearsal on Wednesday, Sept. 3.

SCRIP CARD VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

August 30-31, 2008

5:30 p.m. Bev Elder, Vi Bettwy, Gene Bettwy
7:00 a.m. Dan Altiero, Brenda Altiero, Greg Miller
8:15 a.m. Kelly Charlesworth, Damian Charlesworth, Sherry Price
10:30 a.m. Mark Zelnosky, Tom Goss, Kim Irwin
12 Noon Jeanne Danison, Heather Macharola, Chris Bracken

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

Aug. 30	5:30 p.m.	Volunteers
Aug. 31	7:00 a.m.	Bob & Mary Ann Fox
	8:15 a.m.	Fred & Jean Paule & Family
	10:30 a.m.	Volunteers
	12:00 Noon	Volunteers

Please pray for all seminarians and men in diaconate formation— as our own Jim Woomer—that God give them the graces needed to continue their journey to ordination for the coming year.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Christian stewards come to see everything in their midst as awesome gifts. May you use these gifts "through Him and for Him."

SUPPER CLUB

Enjoy a meal with the next supper club, September 7, 2008. Dinner is at the Dream Restaurant at 5:00 p.m.

CANDLES: Kay Patton by John Patton, Fritz & Mary Werkmeister by Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard, Dan Pringle by Deb Criste, Daniel Pringle by Deb Criste

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Leona Settlemyer whom we honored with Christian Burial during the past week. May God give comfort to her family

CONCERT TO BENEFIT VICTIMS OF HURRICANE KATRINA

Slide by Slide will perform a benefit concert on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the gym at St. John's school in Lakemont. The concert is free, and donations will be accepted at the door. All money will be used to fund the working trips to Mississippi to repair the devastation wrought by Hurricane Katrina. A brief presentation will precede the concert and information will be available regarding the ongoing rebuilding efforts. Call Ann Mingyar with any questions: 946-5383.

THE BOOKCLUB

The Bookclub will resume on September 7. We will meet in the computer room at 9:20 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. The first book will be Tuesday's with Morie by Mitch Albom.

We will discuss this book on the following dates:

Sept. 7, pages 1 through 72
Sept. 21, pages 73 through 140
Oct. 5, pages 141 through 199.

You do not have to read this book to enjoy the discussion. Come and participate or come and listen!

"IN DEFENSE OF LIFE"

While secular science continues to insist that embryonic stem cells are essential to medical progress, new discoveries of non-lethal stem cell sources continue to appear, the latest being a type of stem cell found in menstrual blood that can turn into nine different tissue types in the body. This discovery was made by Medistem Laboratories partly based in San Diego San Diego Union-Tribune, March 2008, p.1)

HURRICAN RELIEF WORK IN MISSISSIPPI

St. John's Catholic Church in Lakemont is organizing a trip to work in the Hurricane Katrina devastated areas of the Mississippi gulf coast. The trip, which will take place in October, will be our 5th such trip and the need remains great. If you are interested in joining us or finding out more about the trips, please contact Ann Mingyar at 946-5383 or attend the next meeting which will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Pre-K Room St. John's Church basement, enter at the rear of the church.

Cooperative?

Open Minded?

Forward Thinking?

Committed to the future of St. Rose?

If so, please consider serving on Parish Council.

The mission of Parish Council is to assist the Pastor and to investigate, ponder and propose solutions on matters important to the Parish Community.

The Parish Council has four seats to be filled by the end of summer. Individuals who are nominated will be invited to an informational session on August 26. Selection Sunday is August 31 at the 10:30 Mass.

No prior experience is necessary! In order to nominate yourself or someone else, please use the form below.

2008 St. Rose of Lima Parish Council Nomination Form

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____



PRAYER CORNER

August 24, 2008

A Prayer to St. Rose of Lima

Glorious St. Rose of Lima, you knew what it was to love Jesus with a fine and generous heart. You despised the world's vanities and embraced the cross of Jesus Christ. You professed a great tender dedication to the destitute, serving them the same way Jesus did. Teach us to imitate your greatest virtues, so that we, following your example, can enjoy your glorious protection in Heaven. Amen

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

Although there is no specified size or shape for an altar, it should be in proportion to the church. The other major furnishings in the sanctuary should be in harmony and proportion to the altar. The altar should be centrally located in the sanctuary and the center of attention in the church. During the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the altar must be visible from all parts of the church but not so elevated that it causes visual or symbolic division from the liturgical assembly. Methods of elevation can be found that still allow access to the altar by ministers who need wheelchairs or have other disabilities.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRESENTS...BASKET BINGO

Featuring the world famous Longaberger Baskets from, Dresden, Ohio. Enjoy an evening of great food, fun and friendship on Monday, September 8, 2008 6:00 p.m. (Doors open at 5:00 p.m.) at Father Kelley Hall, 5th Street and 25th Avenue, Altoona, Pa. \$20.00 for 15 games and a chance for the Grand Prize filled with goodies. \$35.00 Additional Value Pack includes 108 door prize tickets, 5 special games packs and tickets for 2 Walk Around Prizes. Call Our Lady of Lourdes Office, 943-6185- Rebecca Dively, 944-1504 or Mary Ann Bell, 942-1016 for tickets.

HOLY HOGS PORK BBQ AND "PIE-US" PIE BAKE OFF CONTEST

Join St. Luke's Episcopal Church on Saturday, September 13, 2008 for a Pulled Pork Barbeque Dinner and Pie Bake-Off. The Pie Bake-off is open to the public. Guest judges will determine the winner in each of three categories: Custard, Sugar-Free and Fruit. A monetary prize and ribbon will also be awarded in each category. Entry fee of \$10.00 per entry (pie). Entry fees must be submitted to the church no later than September 5, 2008. Pies being entered for judging may be dropped off at the church between 10:00 a.m. and noon on Saturday, September 13, 2008. Judging will take place at 1:00 p.m. After judging the pies will be available for sale.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHAPTER OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL REQUESTS: Food (non-perishable)

Paper products, such as paper towels, cups, small plates, cleaning supplies, window cleaner, comet, bleach, laundry detergent, soap, child's diapers.

MASS IN SLOVAK

A Mass in the Slovak language will be con-celebrated on Wed. Sept. 14, at 9:30 a.m. in the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona. Five American Bishops and a number of priests and deacons of Slovak ancestry are expected to participate. All are invited to join them in prayer.

PROFILE OF FAITH

ST. ROSE OF LIMA (1586-1617)

St. Rose was the first canonized saint of the New World. She was renowned for her penitential practices and her care for the sick and suffering. Despite pressure from her family to marry, she chose to join the Dominican order. A true mystic, Rose recognized God's presence in the poor of Lima. Together with St. Martin de Porres, a contemporary, she devoted her energies to a life of Christian charity despite her own many illnesses. She was only 31 when she died, but was spontaneously acclaimed a saint by the people, and officially canonized less than 60 years after her death.

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

August 24

Mt 16:13-20

Like Jesus in today's gospel, we are seen by others in different ways. Perhaps the name our family gives us is closest to our identity. They know us best. Who do they say you are?

FALL ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES SET TO BEGIN

What is the Adult Enrichment & Lay Ecclesial Ministry Formation Process?

- An Opportunity for courses to enrich your faith;
- Two years of intensive spiritual and theological formation with an opportunity for...
- A third year of specialized ministry training in Adult Formation...
Advanced Bible Study, Christian Initiation, Hospital Visitation, Liturgical Foundations, Master Catechist, Peace & Justice, Tribunal Advocate and Youth Ministry.

Where will Year 1 classes be offered?

Duncansville: St. Catherine of Siena Parish Hall beginning Wednesday, September 3, 2008 from 6:30/8:30 p.m.

Johnstown: St. John Gualbert Activity Center beginning Wednesday, September 10, 2008 from 6:30/8:30 p.m.

For information and registration contact the Parish Life Office at 693-9605, visit us online at www.ajdiocese.org or email jschneider@dioceseaj.org.

RACE INTO ANY AMERICA RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER AND YOU MAY COME OUT A WINNER. Each week in Sept. & Oct., all presenting blood donors at any Red Cross Blood Drive will be entered into a raffle for a \$1,000 gas card. Just visit redcrosslife.org or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE to find a blood drive near you or to make an appointment to donate.

ANNIVERSARY DAY CELEBRATION

Bishop Joseph and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, 40th, 50th, 55th, and 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2008 (and their families) to attend the Anniversary Day Liturgy. Couples may attend either Sunday, Sept. 21 at the St. John Gualbert Cathedral in Johnstown or Sunday, Sept. 28 at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona. Both handicap accessible. Both liturgies begin at 2:00 P.M. **Please call the rectory by Wednesday, August 27 to make reservations, 944-8509.**

MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED: Are you willing to give three hours (9:30-12:30) once every fourth Sunday morning to help count the weekend offering? We continue to add helpers to our counting teams. Please call Leona at the rectory or see Father Crookston.