

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun March 8	Second Sunday of Lent
9:15-10:15 AM	Religious Ed. Gr. K-9
10:30 AM	Interpreted Mass for the Deaf
Tues March 10	6:10 PM Bingo
Wed March 11	5:45-6:30 PM Pro-Life Rosary
Thurs March 12	9:00-11:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration
Fri March 13	5:30 PM Stations of the Cross
	6:10 PM Bingo
Sat March 14	9:00-10:30 AM Retreat Grade 2
Sun March 15	Third Sunday of Lent
8:15 Mass	Rite of Sending for Confirmation Candidates, Parents/Sponsors
9:15-10:15 AM	Religious Ed. Gr. K-9
10:30 AM	Interpreted Mass for the Deaf



Monday, March 9 St. Frances of Rome

8:30 a.m. †Elda B. Skupien (*Janette DiGiacobbe*)

Tuesday, March 10

8:30 a.m. †Fred Miller (*Wife, Sally*)

Wednesday, March 11

8:30 a.m. †Ernest Unverdorben (*Family*)

Thursday, March 12

8:30 a.m. †Jean Wilk (*Jerome & Sonja Stein*)

Friday, March 13

8:30 a.m. †Lou Bettwy (*Matt & Andy Zupon*)

Saturday, March 14

8:30 a.m. †James Callahan (*Jim & Maria Preusser*)

5:30 p.m. †William Eichenlaub (*Wife, Dorothy*)

Sunday, March 15 Third Sunday of Lent

7:00 a.m. †Richard Traficante (*Sr. M. Elaine Peters*)

8:15 a.m. †Thomas Riley (*M/M Bill Kozak*)

10:30 a.m. †Alphonse Vigliotti (*Mrs. Lucy Palumbo*)

12 Noon Mass for the People

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING—FEB. 28-MARCH 1, 2009

Regular	\$9208.74	Christmas	\$ 59.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 60.00	Easter Flowers	\$ 187.00
Mandeville-Peru	\$ 576.00	Candles	\$ 15.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 687.50	Bishops' Relief	\$ 25.00
Black & Indian	\$ 255.01		
		Total	\$11073.25

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

Stations of the Cross, March 13, 2009

5:30 p.m. Aaron Yasulitis, Connor Campbell, Ian Campbell, Luke Frederick

Servers for March 14-15, 2009

5:30 p.m. Johnny Brown, Nate Sanders, Jessica Sanders, Julia Paule

7:00 a.m. Michala Cooney

8:15 a.m. Kyle Haney, Zachary Bender, Maryssa Brandt

10:30 a.m. Kaitlyn Zelnosky, Richie Zelnosky, Anthony Zelnosky, Lauryn Zelnosky

12 Noon Kathryn Nazaruk, Taylor Brumbaugh, Jamey Brumbaugh

Eucharistic Ministers for March 14-15, 2009

5:30 p.m. B. Bartley, J. Frena, S. Askey, G. Bettwy, J.E. Brown

7:00 a.m. G. Miller, L. Zakrzewski, Juergen Wustrow

8:15 a.m. R. Spinazzola, R. Smith, P. Blanchard, K. Gburek, D. Cree

10:30 a.m. K. Zelnosky, C. Housum, D. Housum, D. Gormley, D. Brown

12 Noon D. Shrift, J. Wasicki, R. Fiore

Lectors for March 14-15, 2009

5:30 p.m. Frances Hesser, Viola Bettwy

7:00 a.m. John Kenny, Robert Fox

8:15 a.m. Ken Haney, Shawn Wesner

10:30 a.m. James Klueg, Patrick Condryn

12 Noon Michael Nazaruk, Christina Bracken

FROM THE PASTOR

INCREASED GIVING We thank all for the sustained sacrifice that you are making in supporting our parish. In the first quarter after receiving your commitments, our offertory collections were up 12%. Your noticeable support of the monthly debt reduction offering for the second collection on the second Sundays, along with your greater participation in gift card purchases, significantly helps our parish. Father Spishak and I appreciate your steadfast monetary backing our parish during the current national economic challenge.

PARISH AND AREA RECONCILIATION Our Lenten reconciliation service is Sunday, March 29, 4:00 p.m. We will have three priests in the reconciliation rooms as well as other priests stationed throughout the school. Other opportunities for your celebration of sacramental reconciliation are: St. John's, Lakemont-Monday, March 16, 6:30 p.m.; St. Matthew's, Tyrone-Wednesday, March 18, 7 p.m.; Cathedral-Wednesday, April 1, 6:30 p.m.; Our Lady of Lourdes, Friday, April 3, 5:30 p.m. and St. Mary's Hollidaysburg, Sunday, April 5, 4:00 p.m. Additionally Sacred Heart will have sacramental reconciliation nightly at 6:30 p.m. during its Novena, March 23-31. These communal services heighten our awareness that we are a pilgrim people in need of forgiveness and that as a community we celebrate God's saving grace. Times for individual celebration of reconciliation at St. Rose are the usual Saturday times (Noon and after the 5:30 evening Mass), and following morning Mass Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS

Re-registration forms for current students for the 2009-2020 school year are due Monday, March 9th.

The students pray the "Stations of the Cross for Young People" each Friday during Lent at 1:30 in the church. All are welcome to join us.

REGISTRATION for **ALL GRADES** (including Pre K 3 and Pre K 4) for 2009-2010 is OPEN.

Pre K 4 and kindergarten are optional full or half day programs. Please call the school office for more information (942-7835).

There will be an **OPEN HOUSE** for all grade levels, Pre K 3 through grade 8, on Thursday, March 26th from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m.

Thank you to all who contribute to the second collection on the third weekend Masses. This money is a significant help to the school as we work to rebuild our reserve account. The children remember you in our morning prayers.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA BASKET BINGO

St. Rose of Lima School will be having a Longaberger Basket Bingo on Monday, March 30th at the school's social hall from 6:00-9:00 p.m. (doors open at 5:00 p.m.) Tickets are \$20.00 which includes 15 regular bingo games, a chance for a grand prize, food, drinks and lots of fun. Call the school office to purchase tickets at 942-7835 or Kim Irwin at 942-6892.

RETREAT GRADE TWO

There will be a Retreat for all children in the Second Grade

On Saturday, March 14, 2009 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the Social Hall. Parents participation not required.

CONFIRMATION SENDING The Saint Rose candidates for Confirmation, joined by their sponsors, families and those gather next Sunday March 15th at 8:15 Mass to celebrate the Rite of Sending. Confirmation is Easter Wednesday, April 15, 7:00 p.m. Continue to pray for our young people as they receive the Holy Spirit and more fully embrace their discipleship with our Lord.

EASTER FLOWER

If you would like to make a donation to the Easter Flowers in the Church, please use your Easter Flower envelope (or a plain envelope) and drop them into the collection basket by April 5. Please print the name of your loved ones on the back of the envelope. Your memorials will be printed in our Easter Bulletin.

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

March 14	5:30 p.m.	Volunteers
March 15	7:00 a.m.	Jeanne Traficante & Family
	8:15 a.m.	Joan Riley & Family
	10:30 a.m.	Volunteers
	12 Noon	Volunteers

LENTEN AND HOLY THURSDAY ALMSGIVING

As we pray with God throughout our Lenten journey, we reach out to those in need and grow in solidarity with them. Our second collection are our alms for our brothers and sisters in Lima. Peru and the diocese of Mandeville. We also invite your daily home alms to Operation Rice Bowl. The Rice Bowls may be picked up in the foyer of the church. You may return the Rice Bowl Box through the collection basket. We will be gathering the Rice Bowls during Holy Week

Holy Thursday, the day of the Lord's Supper, is also our occasion to honor the continuing good work done in the name of the rectory's former cook, Gloria Gates. We forward the gathered Holy Thursday offering to the Gloria Gates Foundation that helps the Youth of Evergreen Manor. Be abundantly generous in your Lent and Holy Thursday almsgiving.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION

On Good Friday, our parish will take up the annual collection for the Holy Land. We ask you to be generous. Your financial contribution will support the works of the Catholic Community in the Middle East and to protect the Holy Places and Christian Shrines. Please use the envelope that is in your pack of envelopes.

CANDLES: Kay Patton by John Patton, Fritz & Mary Werkmeister by Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard, Kevin Kelley by Katie Hammaker, Kerri McEachern by Katie Hammaker, For the Well Being of Sgt. 1st Cl. Michael J. Chirdon & The Stryker Brigade by His Family, Thanksgiving & Special Intentions for the Living, SPC. Shawn Ergler & The 56th Stryker Brigade in Iraq by His Family.

The Branch in the foyer contains the names of our First Holy Communion Children, the Confirmation Candidates and the RCIA Adults. Please take a card from the branch & pray for them during Lent, so they become true Christians and soldiers of Christ.



PRAYER CORNER

March 8, 2009

Lord Jesus, lead me to that mountain place of stronger light and surer sound where I may see Your glory. Let me climb Your mountain to the house of the God of Jacob, where God instructs us in His ways that we may walk in His paths.

Let me climb the lovely mountain where one day outshines thousands elsewhere, because You are there, My God. Amen

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

Please remember to renew your membership in the ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY. As a member of the society you partake in the graces of a Mass each month and at the time of your death. The Altar Society provides flowers, candles and altar linens used throughout the year. Please use the envelop provided in your pack of envelopes.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES 2009

TOPIC: THE NEW TESTAMENT

Monday evenings 7:00-8:00 p.m.

St. Rose of Lima School Art Room

Facilitated by Ann Mingyar

March 16, 2009

April 6, 2009

April 20, 2009

May 4, 2009

May 18, 2009

Bring your Bible and attend one or all classes as suits your schedule. For additional information call Ann Mingyar at 946-5383 or Janette 946-4342.

POT LUCK DINNER

Our monthly Pot Luck Dinner will be held on March 29 at 2:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. Bring one of your favorite dishes and enjoy the Dinner with your fellow parishioners.

SCRIP CARD VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

March 14-15, 2009

5:30 p.m. Amy Yahner, Deb Fraundorfer, Bev Elder

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

8:15 a.m. Judy Wood, Sherry Price, Kathy Woomer

10:30 a.m. Pat Condrin, Diane Gormley, Becky Bimle

12 Noon Mary Campbell, Heather Macharola, Bonnie Frederick

"IN DEFENSE OF LIFE"

"To claim the right to abortion, infanticide and euthanasia, and to recognize that right in law, means to attribute to human freedom a perverse and evil significance; that of an absolute power over others and against others." *Evangelium Vitae*

THE BOOK CLUB

The Book Club has begun reading "Big Russ and Me" by Tim Russert. We meet in the Computer Room between 9:15 and 10:15 a.m.

The schedule is as follows:

March 8 pages 118-192

March 22 pages 193-271

April 5 pages 193-331

It is not necessary to read the book to enjoy the discussion, come and have a good time while your children are at CCD!

END OF YEAR STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Those individual or families who for tax purposes would like to have a statement of your contributions for 2008, please call the Rectory. We would be most happy to provide that information to you.

MOUNT ALOYSIUS COLLEGE

Basket Raffle will be held on Sunday, March 22, 2009 at Cosgrave Student Center-Dining Hall. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. Drawings begin at 2:00 p.m. 26 chances for only \$5.00. Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance by contacting Cindy, 814 886-6396. Sponsored by the Mount Aloysius Phonathon Relay for Life Team. We hope to see you there! Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society.

St. Rose of Lima Chapter of the St. Vincent DePaul Society will hold its meeting on Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the School Library. We welcome all to attend.

The Star of the Sea Council of the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Blood Drive for the American Red Cross at their council home, 324 Bedford Street, Hollidaysburg (near the Canal Basin Park), on Monday, March 9, 2009. Noon until 6:00 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. "Someone's waiting. Donate blood." Contact Dan Casey, (814) 942-4646, if you have any questions.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you would like our Prayer Chain to pray for your intentions, please call Bernice Shoenfelt at 942-5859.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

AREA FISH DINNERS DURING LENT

St. Therese Church will have Fish Dinners during Lent except Good Friday. Baked or Fried Fish or Fried or Steamed Shrimp. Dinners serves 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. \$7.00 adults; \$4.00 for children under 12 . Take out available.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Fish Dinners every Friday during Lent.. Dinners served 4:30-7:00 p.m. or until sold out. \$7.50 for adults; Children under 12 \$5.00.

Unter Uns Club will serve Fish Dinners every Friday during Lent, including Good Friday. Dinners served from 4:30-7:00 p.m. \$7.50 adults; children 3-12 \$5.00 and free for anyone under 3. For more information call 944-0258.

St. Demetrius Parish in Gallitzin will hold its annual Roast Beef Dinner/Spring Festival on Sunday, **March 29**. It will feature games, baskets, and bake sale. Location: Church social hall (former St. Patrick building) at the top of Church Street. Time: 11:00 a.m. to ? Tickets: Adults, \$7.50; Children, \$4.00; under 4 free. Takeouts, \$8.00.

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul will be taking part in the Feinstei Challenge to Fight Hunger during the months of March and April. If any individual, business, or groups would like to make a donation or sponsor a food drive or fundraiser for the Society's Mission to feed the hungry of our area please contact the Executive Director at 814-539-4627.

MUSIC AT ST. JOHN'S, 344 Baynton Ave., Lakemont Janna Lower, Violin & David Allen Wehr, Piano. Hollidaysburg native and violinist Janna Lower returns home for a very special concert. She is joined by Pittsburgh area Pianist David Allen Wehr on Sunday, April 19, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. Suggested Donation: \$8.00 adults/ \$15.00 family.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA JR. GIRL SCOUT TROOP 40531 will be having a "Cookie Sale" after all the Masses on March 14 & 15. They would appreciate your support.

The Rosary is prayed every Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. here in the Church for an end to abortion. Everyone is welcome.

GARVEY MANOR & OUR LADY OF THE ALLEGHENIES

Garvey Manor is seeking volunteers that are Eucharistic Ministers to assist with Holy Communion rounds to those residents that are not able to come to our 10:00 Mass. If you can help 1 day a week we would greatly appreciate it. We also need volunteers to help wheel residents to and from our 10:00 Mass. We also have residents that would love to have someone to visit with and weather permitting they can be taken outside on the front porch to enjoy some fresh air and sunshine. Opportunities are endless. Know what a blessing your time is to others. Volunteers receive complementary lunch and snack breaks. Call Garvey Manor & Our Lady of the Alleghenies at 695-5571 and ask for the Volunteer Coordinator Debbie Dorazio at ext. 4009.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

2nd Sunday of Lent

Abraham's trust in God earned him a reward that was beyond his expectations. We, too, will be rewarded generously beyond our expectations for placing our trust in God no matter what the cost.

THANKSGIVING FOR FRIENDS

Healing God,

so often my life is marred
by anger and resentments.

I thank you today for the people

who have stood by me in my pain.

I thank you for those who have heard,

challenged, advised, and loved me.

Their presence has give me hope and freedom.

I thank you, for you have let them

carry me into your grace.

Amen.

BOOK SALE

John Conlon's book, "*Altoona Catholic Goes To War*", tells of the contributions A.C.H.S./B.G. graduates made in WW II, Korea, The Cold War & Vietnam. The book is meant to keep their heroic contribution alive. Our Catholic Civic Community and all our Alumni has a responsibility to keep this history alive.

All proceeds goes to publication of new books.

Hopefully book sales will keep this piece of history alive. Available at Fiore True Value Hardware, ARC Federal Credit Union. Cost \$10.00