

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Jan 3 Epiphany of the Lord
 9:15-10:15 AM Religious Ed. Gr. K-9
 10:30-11:30 AM Religious Ed. Pre-K
 10:30 AM *Interpreted Mass for the Deaf*
 6:30-8:00 PM Religious Ed. Gr. 10 & 11

Tues Jan 5
 6:10 PM Bingo

Wed Jan 6
 5:45-6:30 PM Pro-Life Rosary

Thurs Jan 7
 9:00-11:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration

Fri Jan 8
 6:10 PM Bingo

Sun Jan 10 Baptism of the Lord
 9:15-10:15 AM Religious Ed. Gr. K-9
 10:30-11:30 AM Religious Ed. Pre-K
 10:30 AM *Interpreted Mass for the Deaf*
 6:30-8:00 PM Religious Ed. Gr. 10 & 11



Monday, Jan. 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:30 a.m. †Jack Beldin (*Candice, Lisa, Jackie & Mark*)

Tuesday, Jan. 5 St. John Neumann

8:30 a.m. †Rosemarie Ponchock (*Mary Carnell*)

Wednesday, Jan. 6 St. Andre Bessette

8:30 a.m. †Frederick Paule (*Family*)

Thursday, Jan. 7 St. Raymond of Penafort

8:30 a.m. †John Sepanic (*Family*)

Friday, Jan. 8

8:30 a.m. †Msgr. George B. Flinn (*M/M Michael Dillon & Family*)

Saturday, Jan. 9

8:30 a.m. †Dean Pettenati (*Daniel & Lorna Pettenati*)

5:30 p.m. †Charles Love (*M/M Jay Eiman & Family*)

Sunday, Jan. 10 Baptism of the Lord

7:00 a.m. †Helen Mannino (*Neighbors on 52nd St.*)

8:15 a.m. †Frank Skupien (*Family*)

10:30 a.m. †Raymond Mitarnowski (*David & Pam Nazaruk & Family*)

12 Noon Mass for the People

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING—DEC. 26-27, 2009

Regular	\$6329.18	Christmas	\$1211.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 84.00	Rose	\$ 138.32
Candles	\$ 15.00	Sol. of Mary	\$ 15.00
		Total	\$7792.50

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

Altar Servers for January 9-10, 2010

5:30 p.m. Stefan Beard, Billy Beard, Megan Shultz, Delaney Myrick

7:00 a.m. Ireland McCreery

8:15 a.m. Alex Gburek, Thomas Irwin III, Maya Irwin

10:30 a.m. Sarah Goss, Brian Goss, Sarah Fromknecht, Matthew Zupon

12 Noon Nicholas Macharola, Pauline Macharola, Frank Macharola

Eucharistic Ministers for January 9-10, 2010

5:30 p.m. K. McGraw, C. Boslet, K. Boslet

7:00 a.m. J. Trexler

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

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

12 Noon G. Baker

Lectors for January 9-10, 2010

5:30 p.m. Nancy Little, Joseph Maschue

7:00 a.m. John Kenny, Raymond Kline

8:15 a.m. Thomas A. Irwin

10:30 a.m. Barbara Kooman, Ryan Reilly

12 Noon Joseph Macharola, Heather Macharola

PASTOR'S CORNER

PARISH DEBT REDUCTION

Next weekend, January 9/10, the second collection will be for the Parish Debt Reduction.

SPECIAL THANK YOU to all of those who worked so hard to make this year's Christmas such a wonderful event. So many of you put in a great deal of time and effort to prepare for the music, the liturgies and the church. Your effort helped to create a beautiful experience for all of us and our visitors. Thank You again for all you did.

Fr. Spishak and I would also like to thank all of you who kindly remembered us this Christmas, Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

BLESSING OF HOMES

One popular religious tradition since the Middle Ages has been associated with the feast of the Epiphany: the blessing of homes with holy water and incense. The ritual calls for a priest or parent to mark, with blessed chalk, the inside of the main door with the initials of the Magi (Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar) and a code of the current year connected with crosses: 20+C+M+B+10. Another explanation of the initials (C-M-B) is that they are the first letters of the blessing: *Christus mansionem benedicat* (Latin, "May Christ bless the house.").

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING-DEC. 19-20, 2009

Regular	\$9425.49	Christmas	\$ 201.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 2.00	Christmas Club	\$ 41.00
Sol. of Mary	\$ 5.00	Christmas Flow.	\$ 311.00
Rel. Retire.	\$ 156.00	Capital Campaign	\$ 129.00
School Reserve	\$ 342.51	Immac. Concep.	79.00
Peru	\$ 10.00	Total	\$10702.00

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS

School resumes on Monday, Jan. 4th.

The final school round of the National Geographic Society's Geography Bee is Friday, Jan. 8th at 1:00 p.m. in the Maria Parish Center.

The Athletic Assoc. will meet on Monday, Jan. 11th, at 7:00 p.m. in the school library.

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 always remember you in our morning prayers

SCRIP CARD VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

January 9-10, 2010

5:30 p.m. Brenda Altiero, Dan Altiero, John Brown

7:00 a.m. Ken Lenze, Sherry Price

8:15 a.m. Damian Charlesworth, Kelly Charlesworth, P.J. Bracken

10:30 a.m. Tom Goss, Bev Elder, Becky Bimle

12 Noon Bonnie Frederick, Mary Campbell

END OF YEAR STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Mary God's blessings be upon all those who have so generously supported our parish family throughout 2009. Those individuals or families who for tax purposes would like to have a statement of your contributions for 2009 are asked to call the Rectory. We would be most happy to provide that information for you.

Christmas Flowers

Leo Thompson by Mrs. Marion Thompson

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

Jan. 9	5:30 p.m.	Carmie Maniglia
Jan. 10	7:00 a.m.	William & Elfrieda Beard
	8:15 a.m.	CCD Students
	10:30 a.m.	Stephen, Jennifer & Andrew Zupon
	12 Noon	Volunteers

CANDLES: Kay Patton by John Patton, Fritz & Mary Werkmeister by Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard, Thanksgiving & Special Intentions for the Living, Paul & Ethel Norris by Carol Perry, Thanksgiving & Special Intentions for the Living.

BAPTISM

Congratulations to McKenna Sophia Koeck, daughter of M/M Jeremy Koeck, and Sophia Louise Fiore, daughter of M/M Michael Fiore who received the Sacrament of Baptism last weekend.

SUPPER CLUB

Come and dine with the Supper Club on January 10 at King's Restaurant on Plank Road at 5:00 p.m. For reservations or information please call Mary at 946-3449.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will continue the discussion of the book "Way of a Pilgrim" (the Jesus Prayer) on January 10 at 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. in the Computer Room. You do not have to read the book to enjoy the discussion. Come and enjoy the contents of this book.

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING DEC. 25, 2009

Regular	\$3023.66	Christmas	\$10403.34
Immac. Conc.	\$ 10.00	Thanksgiving	\$ 10.00
All Souls	\$ 7.00	Candles	\$ 10.00
Rel. Retire	\$ 25.00	Capital Camp.	\$ 8.00
Mission Sun.	\$ 5.00	Sol. of Mary	\$ 1.00
Initial	\$ 5.00	All Saints	\$ 5.00
Flowers	\$ 10.00	Total	\$13523.00

"IN DEFENSE OF LIFE"

A new year brings thoughts of new life. What better place to start than at the beginning—with the human embryo? "Embryonic human beings, no less than human beings at other developmental stages, should be treated as subjects of moral respect and human rights, not as objects that may be damaged or destroyed for the benefit of others." Presidential Council on Bioethics, 2002.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

The Magi were led to the Savior by the light of the star. May we, through our Christian living, be led to the Son of Man by the light of our Faith.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

Today is the Epiphany of the Lord. Jesus Christ has appeared as the Light to all the nations. Catholics throughout the world gather to give praise and thanks to God this day. How we pray and what we pray is found in the Roman Missal. In the United States of America we await the new Roman Missal to be promulgated in the future. Many of the prayers at Mass will receive a new translation. And, so believers will need to open their minds and hearts to hear and learn some new words to familiar prayers

ADULT FORMTION CLASS

TOPIC: PRAYER AND SPOIRITUALITY

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 7:00 –8:00 P.M.

COMPUTER ROOM

FACILITATED BY ANN MINGYAR

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

January 3

Mt 2:1-12

The Magi looked first in Jerusalem and Herod's palace but didn't find Jesus until "they entered a home." Like the Magi we often look for God and fulfillment in the wrong places only to discover that God is waiting for us in the loving acceptance of our home.

PRAYER CHAIN—If you would like our Prayer Chain to pray for your intentions, please call Bernice at 942-5659.

PUT THE NUNS IN CHARGE!

Once again St. John's School is sponsoring a play with a hilarious view of Catholic life. In this professional production by the people who gave us last year's Late Nite Catechism, Mother Superior gives her own take on the Golden Rule and has something to say on everything from skirt lengths to cell phones. Join us at Bishop Guilfoyle High School on Saturday, January 30, at 7:00 p.m. or Sunday, January 31, at 2:00 p.m. Buy your tickets for \$20.00 at the St. John's Office, 943-4966.

TRAVEL TO ITALY AND SWITZERLAND WITH FR. BRIAN SAYLOR FROM ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH, ALTOONA, PA.

WHERE: Rome (see the Pope in an audience). Sorrento, Capri, Amalfi Coast, Pompeii, Florence, Tuscany, Venice, Switzerland, Lake Como

WHEN: June 26-July 8, 2010

COST: \$3,900 Air fare and all included from any airport in the USA

To sign up Contact:

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PART-TIME WORK OPPORTUNITY

Private Care Resources, Inc is looking for 6-12 people who would like to work part-time as a Companion or Personal Care Aide. The two-week training course is free to people who meet the following criteria:

-Age 55 or older

-Unemployed

-Earned less than \$13,500 in the past 12 months

-Has reliable transportation

For more information, please call 814-693-2273 (Care), 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. We will be happy to discuss it with you.

If you already had training, we would welcome a call from you also.

DIocese OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN

Have you seen the new-and-improved website of The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown lately? The website contains news and information about the Diocese, links to all Diocesan offices and ministries, a directory of parishes and schools and Bishop Joseph's blog Random Comments. Visit the website anytime at www.ajdiocese.org.

The Office of Communications of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown recently launched *E-vangelist*, a monthly E-Newsletter. *E-vangelist* is a great way to keep up on news and happenings in the Diocese. If you have not subscribed, please do so by going to the Diocesan website at www.ajdiocese.org. Click on the **Join Email List** button on the right.

The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown has receive many inquiries about the Church's position on the health care reform process unfolding in Washington, D.C. To learn more about Catholic Church's position, go to the Diocesan website at www.ajdiocese.org. Catholics are also encouraged to contact their lawmakers and urge them to, among other things, exclude mandated coverage for abortion. Contact information for lawmakers in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown is also available on the website.

ALTOONA REGIONAL HEALTH SYSTEM'S PASTORAL CARE DEPARTMENT is looking for volunteers to serve in its Prayer Partner Program. This ministry is seeking caring persons who are able to offer a gentle and compassionate presence, listening ear, and prayer to patients and families of all faith traditions in several outpatient areas. Informational sessions for those who would like to explore this ministry will be offered on Wednesday, January 13, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. in the All Faiths Chapel at the Altoona Hospital Campus, and again on Thursday, January 14, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. in the Holy Family Chapel at the Bon Secours Campus. Specialized training will be provided for those entering the program and the hours are flexible. For more information, or to RSVP for one of the information sessions, please contact Tony Conrad at 889-4323.

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

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER REDISCOVER THE ONE YOU LOVE!

You can do that at Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

Marriage Encounter is a time where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, computers, and phones—and focus only on each other. If you'd like greater depth, growth, and enrichment in your relationship, don't miss this chance!

The next weekend is at the beautiful Toftrees Resort in State College Feb. 19-21, 2010. Register by February 1st for a \$10.00 discount on the registration fee. Call 1-814-940-0270 for details or any other questions about Marriage Encounter.

PRO-LIFE ESSAY & ORATORY CONTEST

Students grades 7 through 12 are eligible to enter a pro-life contest. Write or speak on abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, or stem cell research from the pro-life perspective. Citizens Concerned for Human Life is again offering great prizes for their Essay and Oratory Contest for 2010. Varsity: 1st Place \$200-2nd \$125-3rd \$75 & Jr. Varsity: 1st Place \$150-2nd \$100-3rd \$50. And, all winners will be invited to the Bedford County Annual Pro-Life Dinner in the spring. The 1st and 2nd place Varsity Oratory winners will be invited to be a speaker—a Great Practice For States!

DEADLINE: January 11, 2010. Go to www.CentralPaProLife.org and click on link that says: 2010 Teen Contests-Enter Now!

You will also find all the information for the Essay and Oratory Contests for 2010 and links to a variety of websites to use as resources for this year's contests.

We encourage all students, grades 9 through 12, to participate in these contests. It is a great learning experience. Call Janet Creighton, 814-623-1314 if you have any questions.

Sponsored by Citizens Concerned for Human Life, Inc. Citizens Concerned for Human Life, Inc., is a non-profit, non-partisan, non-denominational organization dedicated to educating and upholding the truth about abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, and embryonic stem cell research. CCHL is composed of chapters made up of persons of all ages, sexes, races, and cultural backgrounds. CCHL, Inc., is an affiliate of the PA Pro-Life Federation & the National Right to Life Committee.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

The monthly Vigil of Prayer scheduled by the Nocturnal Adoration Society for January 8, 2010 will be held here at St. Rose of Lima from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.