

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Feb 21 **First Sunday of Lent**
 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 Feb 23 **6:10 PM**
Wed Feb 24 **5:45-6:30 PM** **Pro-Life Rosary**

Thurs Feb 25 **9:00-11:00 AM** **Eucharistic Adoration**

Fri Feb 26 **6:10 PM** **Bingo**

Sat Feb 27 **9:30-10:30 AM** **Children's Holiday Choir**

Sun Feb 28 **Second Sunday of Lent**
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Monday, Feb. 22 Chair of St. Peter
 8:30 a.m. †Geraldine Brown (*Joe & Kathy Harella*)

Tuesday, Feb. 23 St. Polycarp
 8:30 a.m. †Rusty McCabe (*Mike & Diane Kos*)

Wednesday, Feb. 24
 8:30 a.m. †Tony Biller (*Donor*)

Thursday, Feb. 25
 8:30 a.m. Members of the Altar & Rosary Society

Friday, Feb. 26
 8:30 a.m. †Fred McConnell (*M/M Jeff Meintel*)

Saturday, Feb. 27
 8:30 a.m. †Jack Beldin (*Adelaide Beldin*)
 5:30 p.m. †Ronald A. Geis Jr. (*Family*)

Sunday, Feb. 28 Second Sunday of Lent
 7:00 a.m. †Richard Traficante (*Minnie Ciambotti*)
 8:15 a.m. †Mary Foreso (*GATA*)
 10:30 a.m. †Patricia Shellenberger (*Family*)
 12 Noon Mass for the People

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING—FEBRUARY 13-14, 2010

Regular	\$8310.59	Christmas	\$ 40.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 91.00	Debt Reduction	\$ 217.51
Ash Wednesday	\$ 27.00	Candlemas	\$ 66.00
		Total	\$8252.10

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

Stations of the Cross, Feb. 26
 5:30 p.m. Julia Paule, Rebecca Paule
Altar Servers for Feb. 27-28, 2010
 5:30 p.m. Delaney Myrick, Matthew Yahner, Michael Yahner
 7:00 a.m. Volunteers
 8:15 a.m. Kaitlyn Lersch, Samantha Gburek, Alex Gburek, Ian Campbell
 10:30 a.m. Mikayla Mignogna, Sarah Goss, Brian Goss
 12 Noon Kevin Condryn, Jamey Brumbaugh
Eucharistic Ministers for Feb. 27-28, 2010
 5:30 p.m. J. Scarfone, D. Fraundorfer, M. Tillard
 7:00 a.m. R. Skupien
 8:15 a.m. R. Novack, Tim Link, J. Shultz
 10:30 a.m. G. Goss, R. Murphy, D. Gormley
 12 Noon R Fiore
Lectors for Feb. 27-28, 2010
 5:30 p.m. Nancy Little
 7:00 a.m. Ray Kline
 8:15 a.m. Randy Donnelly, James Novack
 10:30 a.m. Todd Cammarata, Laverne Previte
 12 Noon Patrick Condryn

PASTOR'S CORNER

PARISH AND AREA RECONCILIATION

Our Lenten reconciliation service is **Sunday, March 21 at 5:00 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. Joseph's, Bellwood-Sunday, March 7 -5:00 p.m.

St. John's, Lakemont-Monday, March 15- 6:30 p.m.

Mt. Carmel, Monday, March 22—7:00 p.m.

Cathedral, Wednesday, March 24—6:30 p.m.

St. Mary, Hollidaysburg—Sunday, March 28 - 4:00 p.m.

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS

The students will pray the "Stations of the Cross for Young People" each Friday during Lent at 2:00 in the church. All are welcome to join us.

REGISTRATION for ALL GRADES (including Pre K 3 and Pre K 4) for 2010-2011 is OPEN.

Pre K 3 is a half day program. Pre K 4 and kindergarten are optional full or half day programs. Please call the school office for more information (942-7835).

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.

EASTER CANDY SALE

St. Rose of Lima School will be selling McIntyre's Candies after the Masses this weekend. All orders must be pre-paid with checks only. Orders can be picked up at the school from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 24 or after the Masses on March 27-28. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA BASKET BINGO

St. Rose of Lima School will be having a Longaberger Basket Bingo on Sunday, March 14th at the school's social hall from 5:30-8:30 p.m. (doors open at 4:30). 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.

EASTER FLOWERS

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 March 21. Please print the name of your loved ones on the back of the envelope. Your memorials will be printed in our Easter Bulletin.

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 may become true Christians and soldiers of Christ

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

Feb. 27	5:30 p.m.	Joe & Regina Friedenberger
Feb. 28	7:00 a.m.	Michael & Jeanne Traficante
	8:15 a.m.	Judy Wood & Chase McGeary
	10:30 a.m.	Olive Savino & Jamie Stasky
	12 Noon	Volunteer

CANDLES: Kay Patton by John Patton, Fritz & Mary Werkmeister by Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard, Thanksgiving & Special Intentions for the Living, In Loving Memory of Geraldine Brown by Ron & Janet Brown.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Frederick McConnell, Anna Mary DeGol & David Shellenberger whom we honored with Christian Burial. May God give comfort to their families.

POT LUCK DINNER

Our Pot Luck Dinner will be held on Sunday, February 28 at 1:00 p.m. Dinner will be served in the Social Hall. Please bring one of your favorite dishes, and enjoy the Dinner with your fellow parishioners.

SCRIP CARD VOLUNTEERS FOR FEBRUARY 27-28, 2010

5:30 p.m. Jen Myrick, Bev Elder, Amy Yahner

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

8:15 a.m. P.J. Bracken, Judy Wood, Tanya Neumeyer

10:30 a.m. Mark Zelnosky, Kim Irwin, Becky Bimle

12 Noon Karen Watt, Mary Campbell, Jeanne Danison

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 lines used throughout the year. Please use the envelope provided in your box of envelopes.

MUSIC NOTES

Children's Holiday Choir Rehearsals will begin on Saturday, February 27, 2010 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Rehearsals will be Saturday mornings from February 27th through April 3rd from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. We will be singing the 8:15 Palm Sunday Mass on March 28th and the 10:30 Easter Sunday Mass on April 4th. Some children will also have the opportunity to use Choir Chimes as we did at Christmas. New members ages 7 to 13 are always welcome-no experience necessary! For questions contact Bryce Cossitor, Children's Choir Director at 943-0174.

SUPPER CLUB- Come and dine with the Supper Club on March 7 at the Phoenicia Restaurant on Logan Blvd. at 5:00 p.m. For reservations or information, please call Mary at 946-3449.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Prince Gallitzin #2625 extends an invitation to enthusiastic Catholic women, ages 18 and older, to join one of the oldest and largest Catholic women's organization in the world. Under the patronage of the Blessed Mother, our mission includes participation in spiritual, educational, and charitable programs. We invite you to enjoy the fellowship of other Catholic women from a variety of Altoona parishes. Please attend our next meeting, which will be held on March 8, 2010 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Rose of Lima Social Hall. To learn more, please visit www.cda2625.com and/or call Judy Wood, Regent at 814 942-8666.

STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Saint Rose of Lima's Stewardship Council is seeking new members to participate in our mission to serve God, by serving others. We meet monthly on Monday in the evenings. Our focus, Time, Talent, and Treasure, rotates annually on the Diocesan calendar. The year 2010 is our Talent year. Additionally, we assist our Pastor and Finance Council with the Annual Catholic Appeal. Individuals and couples welcome. If you are interested or would like to learn more, please contact Father Brian at 944-8509.

"IN DEFENSE OF LIFE"

Writer Frederica Mathewes-Green has pointed out that: "No woman wants an abortion as she wants an ice cream cone or a Porsche. She wants an abortion as an animal caught in a trap wants to gnaw off its own leg."

PRIESTHOOD DAY

A presentation on the priesthood, open to the faithful and students of Saint Francis University has been scheduled for March 26, 2010 at the Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art on the Campus of Saint Francis University in Loretto. The presenter for the evening will be Msgr. Paul McPartlan. Msgr. McPartlan is a priest of the Archdiocese of Westminster (UK) and a Carl J. Peter Professor of Systematic Theology and Ecumenism at the Catholic University of America. The evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

END OF YEAR STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

May 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.

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

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

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

The publication of the third edition of the ROMAN MISSAL was officially promulgated in Rome in March 2002. Confirmation of the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops' adaptations to the revised General Instruction of the Roman Missal arrived in April 2002. Even though there is presently no English translation of the ROMAN MISSAL, the Catholic world implemented the revised Missal along with adaptations particular to each country in 2002.

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

February 21

Lk 4:1-13

Like Jesus, we also face the temptations of wanting more power and possessions. Too often we neglect our families as we chase these false gods. As "Jesus was led by the spirit into the desert" ask yourself. "Where is the Spirit leading me this Lent? What changes do I need to make to benefit myself and my family."

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.

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LENTEN FISH BUFFET

St. Mary's (Altoona) will once again be having their Lenten Fish Buffet. It will be held on Ash Wednesday and every Friday in Lent (except for Good Friday) from 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The buffet will be held in the St. Mary's Memorial Hall Gymnasium on 4th Avenue between 14th and 15th St. The all-u-can-eat buffet is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. Take out meals are also available for \$7.00. Stations of the Cross will be held in St. Mary's Church following the buffet at 7:00 p.m.

BOOK CLUB—The Book Club will continue the discussion of the book "Way of a Pilgrim (the Jesus Prayer)" on February 21 at 9:15-10:15 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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Catherine of Siena Church, Duncansville, has re-scheduled the Spaghetti Dinner benefit that was cancelled due to a snow storm. The Spaghetti Dinner will take place on Sunday, Feb. 28th, from 12 Noon till 2 p.m. Half of the profits from the dinner will be sent to assist in the Haiti Recovery Efforts. The other half will be sent to Catholic Charities to assist them in helping people pay their winter heating bills. Cost of the dinner is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 10 and under.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

Holy Communion has a fuller form as a sign when it is distributed under both kinds. From the first days of the Church's celebration of the Eucharist, Holy Communion consisted of the reception of both species in fulfillment of the Lord's command to "take and eat...take and drink." The distribution of Communion to the faithful under both kinds was the norm for more than a millennium of Catholic liturgical practice. For in this form the sign of the Eucharistic banquet is more clearly evident and expression is given to the divine will by which the new and eternal Covenant is ratified in the Blood of the Lord.

General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 2002, Number 281. **Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion under Both Kinds in the Diocese of the United States of America**, 2002, Number 17.

FAMILY LIFE NEWS

The Five Love Languages

Come and enjoy a fun, informal evening with your spouse or fiancé and discover your own primary love language. Friday, February 26 from 8:00-10:00 p.m. at the Family Life Office (handicap accessible). Lilly (on Rt. 53 two miles south of Route 22; between Cresson & Portage). \$10/ couple. Desserts served; come with friends! **RSVP one week before** with check payable to "Family Life Office." 5379 Portage St., Lilly, Pa. 15938 (814)886-5551.

Movie Night—"Fireproof Your Marriage"

A heroic fire captain values dedication & service to others, but the most important partnership in his life, his marriage, is about to go up in smoke. The gripping story follows one man's desire to transform his life & marriage through the healing power of faith and to fully embrace the fireman's code—"Never leave your partner behind." (2008) **The #1 inspirational movie in America.**

Saturday, February 27 from 7:00– 10:00 p.m., Family Life Office (handicap accessible) 5379 Portage St., Lilly (on Rt. 53 two miles south of Route 22; between Cresson & Portage). Popcorn & soda, and discussion after movie. Free will offering. **RSVP one week before** to Family Life Office (814) 886-5551, familylife@dioceseaj.org

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Christian stewards place their weekly offering before the altar as a grateful response for the time, talent, and treasure that God has entrusted to them.

CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD

Lenten Weekend Retreat

March 5, 7:00 p.m.—March 7, 12 Noon

Spend a weekend with the Lord while you travel your Lenten Journey. Conferences, private and communal prayer and silence will provide an atmosphere where one can be open to the loving and forgiving presence of God.

Retreat Leaders: Srs. Marilyn, Jane, Cindy. Held at the Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Road, Gallitzin, Pa. 16641. Pre-registration fee is \$5.00. Participants will be invited to make an additional donation on the day of the program according to their ability. Pre-registration is required by March 1. Call 814-886-4098 for more information.

What are you doing this summer?

Why not come and be a part of the Faith Experience of a Lifetime!

CAMP ZACCHAEUS 2010

Camp Z is a week-long summer camp for youth grades 4-9. Campers experience a week of lively Liturgies, inspirational music, prayer experiences, evangelization sessions, campfires, games, skits, a live concert and lots more! Scholarship money is available to eligible applicants. For more information or to receive a brochure, contact Francine Swope in the Youth Ministry Office at (814)693-1401.

FOUNDATION NOTES...

The Independent Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown encourages the creation and funding of endowments to provide additional sources of income for the parishes, schools and ministries of the Diocese. An endowment is a fund of money set aside permanently for the purpose of generating income and investment growth forever. A percentage of the market value is made available for distribution annually as designated in the endowment agreement. You may contribute directly to established endowments or create a new one with an initial gift. More information is available at 814-201-2080; a list of current endowments and additional information is available at www.icfdaj.org e-mail to Director@icfdaj.org

Theology on Tap comes to P.J.'s

Hungering for spiritual food? Thirsting for community and faith? Theology on Tap is a great opportunity for young adults, ages 18-39, single or married, to gather for a casual speaker and conversation series in order to learn more about the Catholic faith and to live it more fully. Upcoming sessions will be held on Monday evenings in March, beginning at 7:00 p.m., at P.J.'s Tavern in Cresson. There will be presentations and conversations on such topics as A Young Person's Journey of Faith, Sex and the Soul, The Paranormal and the Unexplained. All are most welcome. There is no cover charge.