

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Feb 28 **Second 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 Mar 2 **6:10 PM** **Bingo**

Wed Mar 3 **5:45-6:30 PM** **Pro-Life Rosary**

Thurs Mar 4 **9:00-11:00 AM** **Eucharistic Adoration**

Fri Mar 5 **5:30 PM** **Stations of the Cross**
6:10 PM **Bingo**

Sat Mar 6 **9:30-10:30 AM** **Children's Holiday Choir**
1:30-4:00 PM **CROSS (Maria Center)**

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Monday, March 1

8:30 a.m. †Kay Patton (*John & Kids*)

Tuesday, March 2

8:30 a.m. †Shirley Sharp (*Donor*)

Wednesday, March 3 St. Katharine Drexel

8:30 a.m. †Father Anthony Pollack (*Pete & Ann Yartin*)

Thursday, March 4 St. Casimir

8:30 a.m. †Leona Settlemyer (*Dolores Matzik & Family*)

Friday, March 5

8:30 a.m. †Peg Hoover (*Donor*)

Saturday, March 6

8:30 a.m. †Joseph Archey (*Dan & Henry Kenner*)
 5:30 p.m. †Carolyn Adams (*David & Jeanne Thompson*)

Sunday, March 7

7:00 a.m. †Rosemarie Ponchock (*Lena DeGol*)
 8:15 a.m. †Luts Harella (*Joe & Kathy Harella*)
 10:30 a.m. †Agnes Sylvester (*Carolyn Sylvester*)
 12 Noon Mass for the People

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING-FEBRUARY 20-21, 2010

Regular	\$8645.07	Christmas	\$ 51.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 98.00	School Reserve	\$ 458.08
Ash Wednesday	\$ 698.35	Black & Indian	\$ 249.00
Bishops' Relief	\$ 5.00	Candlemas	\$ 14.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 40.00	Candles	\$ 10.00
		Total	\$10268.50

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

Stations of the Cross, March 5

5:30 p.m. Aaron Yasulitis, Julia Paule, Rebecca Paule
Altar Servers for March 6-7, 2010
 5:30 p.m. Teresa Solimando, Matthew Zupon, Rebecca Paule
 7:00 a.m. Volunteer
 8:15 a.m. Matthew Eiman, Chase McGeary, Maryssa Brandt
 10:30 a.m. Maya Irwin, Thomas Irwin III
 12 Noon Luke Frederick. Macy Adams, Kathryn Nazaruk
Eucharistic Ministers for March 6-7, 2010
 5:30 p.m. J. Shoenfelt, J. Brown, K. McGraw
 7:00 a.m. J. Trexler
 8:15 a.m. M.L.Horton, M. Dombrowski, K. Woomer
 10:30 a.m. M. Kooman, B. Kooman, P. Blanchard
 12 Noon M. Eberhart
Lectors for March 6-7, 2010
 5:30 p.m. Joseph Maschue, Bernice Shoenfelt
 7:00 a.m. Frank Fochler
 8:15 a.m. John Donley, Damian Charlesworth
 10:30 a.m. Thomas A. Irwin, Laverne Previte
 12 Noon Michael Nazaruk, Deborah Kawtoski

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.

St. Rose of Lima, Sunday, March 21-5:00 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.

SECOND 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 Jim and Doris Klueg for their donation to the school library in memory of Fr. Spishak's sister-in-law, Eleanor Spishak.

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.

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.

MUSIC NOTES

Children's Holiday Choir Rehearsals have begun and will be held every Saturday morning up until April 3rd from 9:30—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. New members ages 7 to 13 are always welcome-no experience necessary! For questions contact Bryce Cossitor, Children's Choir Director at 943-0174.

POT LUCK DINNER

Our Pot Luck Dinner will be held this 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.

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

March 6	5:30 p.m.	Vincent & Carol Bobetich
March 7	7:00 a.m.	Barbara McCreery & Volunteer
	8:15 a.m.	Joe & Kathy Harella
	10:30 a.m.	Thomas & Kim Irwin
	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 alms for our brothers and sisters in Lima, Peru and the diocese of Mandeville.

Religious Education Class Grades K through 10 will be given the Operation Rice Bowls. 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 will 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.

ADULT FORMATION CLASS

TOPIC: PRAYER AND SPIRITUALITY
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 7:00-8:00 P.M.
COMPUTER ROOM
FACILITATED BY ANN MINGYAR

BOOK CLUB—The Book Club will begin the discussion of the book "The Pilgrim continues his way" on March 7 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.

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 envelope provided in your pack of envelopes.

SCRIP CARD VOLUNTEERS FOR MARCH 6-7, 2010

5:30 p.m. Jen Myrick, Bea Shoenfelt, Jim Shoenfelt
7:00 a.m. Ken Lenze, Sherry Price
8:15 a.m. Kelly Charlesworth, Damian Charlesworth, P.J. Bracken
10:30 a.m. Pat Condrin, Chris Bracken, Tom Goss
12 Noon Mary Campbell, Bonnie Frederick, Keely Berkheimer

“IN DEFENSE OF LIFE”

A federal judge has upheld a South Dakota law requiring doctors to inform patients that abortion kills a human being. The law mandates that a woman be told that abortion “will terminate the life of a whole, separate, unique, living human being.” Planned Parenthood has sought to overturn the law.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Count 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. To learn more, please visit www.cda2625.com and/or call Judy Wood, Regent at 814 942-8666.

END OF YEAR STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

If you would like to have a statement of your contributions for 2009, please call the Rectory.

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.

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

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

Certain gestures at Mass intensify our witness to the oneness we celebrate in the crucified and risen Lord. The third edition of the Roman Missal directs **STRIKING OUR BREAST** during the *Confiteor* (I Confess). During the words “through my own fault,” each member of the liturgical assembly is to strike his or her breast. This liturgical gesture can strengthen awareness that my sin is my fault. During these Lenten days when the Church calls for intense prayer, fasting and almsgiving, striking our breasts can strengthen the realization that sinfulness depends totally on the mercy and forgiveness of God.

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 every Friday in Lent (except 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 Ave. Between 14th and 15th St. All you can eat is \$10.00 adults and \$5.00 for children Take outs available for \$7.00. Stations of the Cross will be held in St. Mary’s Church following the buffet at 7:00 p.m.

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.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

The monthly Vigil of Prayers scheduled by the Nocturnal Adoration Society for March 5, 2010 will be held at St. Mark’s Church, 6th Ave. & 4th St. Altoona from 8:00 –11:00 p.m.

Foundation Notes...Would you like to learn more about how you could support the parish or other charities through your Will? For details contact the Independent Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown at 814-201-2080 or visit www.icfdaj.org or write via e-mail to Director @icfdaj.org

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

The Christian faithful are to be instructed that the Catholic faith teaches that Christ, whole and divine, and the true Sacrament, is received even under only one species, and consequently that as far as the effects are concerned, those who receive under only one species are not deprived of any of the grace that is necessary for salvation. While Holy Communion under both kinds has a fuller sign, any of the faithful who wish to receive Holy Communion under the species of bread alone are to be granted their wish.

General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 2002, Number 382.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

The Church's annual calendar reaches its zenith at the Easter Vigil. The forty days of Lent and the sacred Triduum reach their liturgical highpoint at the mother of all vigils, the Easter Vigil. Because of the significance in the Church's liturgical calendar, the Easter Vigil will be the occasion for the restoration of the chalice at Mass in the Diocesan Church of Altoona-Johnstown. At the Easter Vigil the Church celebrated the new life of resurrection won through our Lord's crucifixion and death. On this occasion all in the Diocesan Church will be welcomed to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord under the species of both bread and wine.

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.

"Walking With Those Coping With Loss" - Bereavement Ministry Training Day

Saturday, March 20—9:30 a.m. –3:00 p.m. at the Family Life Office (handicap accessible), 5379 Portage St., Lilly (on Rt. 53 south of Route 22; between Cresson & Portage). The workshop is geared toward individuals, professions, or parish teams or volunteers who wish to reach out to those in grief. (*Snow date: March 27*) Facilitator, **Sr. Marilyn Welch, CCW.** \$30.00/includes books & lunch. **Registration by March 12**, by mailing your check payable to "Family Life Office," 5379 Portage St., Lilly, Pa. 15938 (814)-886-5551.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

2nd Sunday of Lent

By placing our trust in God instead of earthly things, we Christian stewards and disciples recognize that our ultimate "citizenship is in heaven" (Phil 3:20).

LENTEN WEEKEND RETREAT

MARCH 5, 7 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 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 814-8886-4098 for more information.

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

February 28

Lk 9:28b-36

Peter's statement, "Lord, it is good that we are here," could be the motto for all families because together, as a family, we reflect the presence of God through our love and concern for each other. Deliberately enjoy your time together. God does!

Consider giving a gift now that will enrich the life of a young camper in the Summer of 2010!

We are looking for people, groups, parishes or organizations to sponsor a child to attend **Camp Zacchaeus 2010** through the **Angel Fund**. We will accept full or partial sponsorships of any amount to help cover the cost of camp. If you are interested in sponsoring a child, or for more information, please contact Francine Swope at the Diocesan Youth Ministry Office (814) 693-1401, or mail your contribution directly to Camp Zacchaeus Angel Fund, 933 S. Logan Boulevard, Hollidaysburg, Pa. 16648. Become an Angel Fund sponsor and help send a needy child to camp to experience a wonderful week of **Faith, Fun and Friendship** in the great outdoors!

Saint Benedict Church in Carrolltown, will be sponsoring a Ethnic Dinner on Sunday, March 7, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Church hall, featuring stuffed cabbage (pigs-in-blanket), pierogie, haluski, green beans, roll, dessert and beverage. The cost for adults is \$8.00; children 12 and under, \$3.00. Everyone is welcome.

RELIGIOUS TOURS PLANNED: "In the Footsteps of Jesus" Easter tour is set for May 17-27, visiting the tomb of Christ in Jerusalem, His birthplace at Bethlehem, plus Cana, Nazareth, Mt. Tabor, Dead Sea, etc. Only 15 places available. In May and July there is a tour to the Passion Play held only every ten years in Oberammergau. These tours include Austria, Bavaria, and Germany. October 22-29 will be a tour "in the footsteps of Pope John Paul II and Saint Faustina" visiting Warsaw, Krakow, Zakopane, etc. For a packet of details on any tour call 724-722-3141 or email: padre16201@yahoo.com.