

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun March 21 Fifth Sunday of Lent
 8:15 AM Rite of Sending
 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*
 5:00 PM PARISH PENANCE SERVICE
 6:30-8:00 PM Religious Ed. Gr. 10

Tues March 23 6:10 PM Bingo

Wed March 24 5:45-6:30 PM Pro-Life Rosary

Thurs March 25 9:00-11:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration

Fri March 26 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross
 6:10 PM Bingo

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

Sun March 28 PALM SUNDAY
 10:30 AM *Interpreted Mass for the Deaf*



Monday, March 22

8:30 a.m. †Kathryn Funyak (*Mike & Diane Kos*)

Tuesday, March 23 St. Toribio de Mogrovejo

8:30 a.m. Health & Welfare of Gene Myers (*Annie Yartin*)

Wednesday, March 24

8:30 a.m. Health & Welfare of Nancy Benton (*Jeanne Traficante*)

Thursday, March 25 Annunciation of the Lord

8:30 a.m. †Pat Dumm (*Wife & Family*)

Friday, March 26

8:30 a.m. †Anna M. McManus (*Rosemary & Pat Ronan*)

Saturday, March 27

8:30 a.m. †Fred McConnell (*Susie Redline*)
 5:30 p.m. †Ronald A. Geis Jr. (*Family*)

Sunday, March 28 Palm Sunday

7:00 a.m. †Richard Traficante (*John & Julie Laura*)
 8:15 a.m. †Nick & Augusta Orsena (*Family*)
 10:30 a.m. †Frank & Dorothy Skupien (*Family*)
 12 Noon Mass for the People

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING—MARCH 13-14, 2010

Regular	\$6373.40	Christmas	\$ 36.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 85.00	Debt Reduction	\$ 260.19
Bishops' Relief	\$ 351.00	Easter Flowers	\$ 881.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 48.91	Candlesmas	\$ 10.00
		Ash Wednesday	\$ 4.00
		Total	\$8049.50

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

Stations of the Cross-March 26

5:30 p.m. Justin Bimle, Rebecca Paule, Jonah Noel
Servers for March 27-28, 2010
 5:30 p.m. Megan McCall, Brendan Trybus, Joshua Trybus
 7:00 a.m. Michala Cooney
 8:15 a.m. Alex Gburek, Samatha Gburek, Ian Campbell, Connor Campbell
 10:30 a.m. Nathaniel Friedenberger, Caitlin Berkheimer, Mikayla Mignogna
 12 Noon Luke Frederick, Aaron Yasulitis, Josh DeGol
Eucharistic Ministers for March 27-28, 2010
 5:30 p.m. M. Tillard, J. Frena, J. Shoenfelt
 7:00 a.m. D. Leahey
 8:15 a.m. J. Shultz, K. Gburek, P. Engelman
 10:30 a.m. M. Kooman, B. Kooman, R. Murphy
 12 Noon R. Eberhart
Lectors for March 27-28, 2010
 5:30 p.m. Joseph Maschue, Bernice Shoenfelt
 7:00 a.m. Paul Cooney, Raymond Kline
 8:15 a.m. Jerry Koehle, Ken Haney
 10:30 a.m. James Klueg, Joseph Breton
 12 Noon Deborah Kawtoski, Nancy Little

PASTOR'S CORNER

PARISH AND AREA RECONCILIATION

Our Lenten reconciliation service is this **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:

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.

You are invited to join Bishop Joseph with his priests in the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Lent is the Church's season to remind the faithful of our need to turn from sin and seek God's mercy. We seek reconciliation with God and our neighbor. Gather with all who identify themselves as sinners joyfully proclaiming the love and forgiveness of God. A Communal Penance Service will be celebrated on **Wednesday, March 24, 2010, at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona at 6:30 p.m.** This public gathering of believers is a great preparation for the celebration of the Easter mysteries. Plan to gather for this hour of prayer celebrating God's mercy in liturgy.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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. We will be gathering your Rice Bowls on Palm Sunday and 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.

Please pray for our Deacon Candidate Jim Woomeer and his wife Kathy, along with his classmates and their spouses as they continue their journey to ordination. They will be meeting with Bishop Joseph at their Canonical Retreat in New Baltimore this week

ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL NEWS

The students 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.

The Iowa Tests of Basic Skills for students in grades 2-8 begin Monday, March 22nd.

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.

St. Rose of Lima School is have a **5K Run and Walk called Run for the Rose** on May 15, 2010, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Registration forms can be picked up in the back of the church or you can register online at runforstrose.com If you have any questions, please contact Megan Reilly 949-4047 or Leigh Wesner 941-7043. Please plan to attend/support our "Run for the Rose."

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

March 27	5:30 p.m.	Joe & Regina Friedenberger
March 28	7:00 a.m.	Michael & Jeanne Traficante
	8:15 a.m.	Carmie Maniglia & Rose Nasralla
	10:30 a.m.	Ron Skupien & Mary Lou Moffitt
	12 Noon	Volunteer

CANDLES: Kay Patton by John Patton, Fritz & Mary Werkmeister by Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard, Health & Welfare of Nancy Benton by Jeanne Traficante.

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

END OF YEAR STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

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

SCRIP CARD VOLUNTEERS FOR MARCH 27-28, 2010

5:30 p.m. Bev Elder, Dan Altiero, Brenda Altiero

700 a.m. Ken Lenze, Sherry Price

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

10:30 a.m. Mary Wiley, Becky Bimle, Mark Zelnosky

12 Noon Mary Stoy, Karen Watt, Jeanne Danison

BOOK CLUB—The Book Club will be discussing the book "The Pilgrim continues of his way" on March 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.

There will be **No Religious Education Classes** on March 28, Palm Sunday and April 4, Easter Sunday. Classes will resume on April 11, K-9 and Pre-K.

Please remember to put the **Rice Bowls** in the collection basket at Mass.

EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to make a donation to the Easter Flowers in the Church, please use your Easter Flower envelope, and drop it into the collection basket this weekend. Your memorials will be printed in our Easter Bulletin.

SUPPER CLUB— Come and dine with the Supper Club on April 11 at The Dream Restaurant in Hollidaysburg at 5:00 p.m. For reservations or information, please call Mary at 946-3449.

St. Rose of Lima, Jr. Girl Scout Troop 40531 would like to thank everyone for their generous support during our Cookie Booth Sale. A special thank you to Fr. Saylor for his assistance and motivation for the girls!

"IN DEFENSE OF LIFE"

"I just want the truth to be told; that abortion does hurt women. They tell you that it doesn't, (that) it's a simple procedure and that you can get on with your life. Well, you do momentarily, but you spend your whole life trying to forget it." Leslie Brunolli, abortion survivor/participant in the Silent No More Awareness Campaign: *The Southern Cross*, November, 2009.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

The Church directs a sign of reverence be shown before receiving Communion standing. The bishops of the United States have determined that the sign of reverence is a bow. This gesture expresses our reverence and honor to Christ who comes to us in the Most Blessed Sacrament. The consecrated Host may be received on the tongue or on the hand at the discretion of the communicant. The sign of reverence, a bow, is also made before receiving the precious Blood. This liturgical sign of reverence speaks of our devotion and love of the Body and Blood of Christ which we are about to receive. The reverent bow is also a sign of gratitude for such a sacred gift.

CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD

**Sunday Sabbath The Good News of God's Mercy:
The Gospel of Luke**

Sunday, April 11, 2010—1:00-4:30 p.m.

The overriding message of the book of Luke reinforces that God has acted through Jesus Christ to meet our deepest needs. Luke encourages us to welcome God's actions throughout our lives and, in turn, to go out and offer God's mercy to the world around us. Presenter: Sr. Jane Miller, CCW. 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 April 4. Call 886-4098 for more information.

Local Agencies Sponsor Hospice Teleconference

On Wednesday, **March 24**, Home Nursing Agency, in conjunction with Altoona Regional Health System and CONTACT Altoona, will provide an opportunity to view a live broadcast of the Hospice Foundation of America's annual live teleconference. This year's theme is *Living with Grief: Cancer and End-of-Life Care*. The teleconference will be held at the **First Church of Christ in Altoona from 1:00-4:30 p.m.** CEUs will be available for a variety of professionals, clergy, including nurses, CNAs, counselors, social workers, home health aides, and more. To register for the teleconference or for a complete listing of disciplines eligible for CEUs, please call 814-946-0531.

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

MOUNT ALOYSIUS COLLEGE STUDENTS will have a Basket Raffle to raise money for the American Cancer Society, on Sunday, March 28 at 2:00 p.m. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. It will be held in the dining hall located in the Cosgrave Student Center. The raffle is open to the public.

St. Demetrius Parish in Gallitzin will hold its annual Roast Beef Dinner/Spring Festival on Sunday, March 21. It will feature games, baskets, bake sale and of course our delicious roast beef dinner. Location: Church social hall (former St. Patrick building) at the top of Church Street. Time: 11:00 a.m. to ? Tickets: Adults \$8.00; Children, \$4.00. Under 4, FREE. Takeouts: \$8.50.

PRIESTHOOD DAY

A presentation on the priesthood, open to the faithful and students of St. 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 McParatlan. Msgr. McParatlan is a priest of the Archdiocese of Westminster (UK) and 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.

BASKET SOCIAL— The Youth Ministry of Holy Name Parish in Ebensburg will hold this event on Sunday, March 21, 2010 Tickets \$5.00 for 25 chances. Refreshments and beverages will be served. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. and auction starts promptly at 2:00 p.m.

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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OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH will have a **Perogie Sale** on Wednesday, March 31st from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. \$6.00 per dozen. Pick up at the Rectory, 2010 12th Ave. Altoona 942-0371. All orders must be received by Monday, March 29th by 12 Noon.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY "LORETTO TO LORETO"

Where: Rome, Assisi, Loreto ITALY

When: October 15-23, 2010

Cost: \$2990

Escorted by: Msgr. Tim Swope and Fr. John Byrnes

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FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

March 21

Jn 8:1-11

Each day we hurl verbal stones of ridicule, criticism, name-calling and put-downs and they are killers. Jesus admonishes us: "Whoever is without sin can throw the first stone." In other words, no one is qualified to throw stones. Rid your home of violence and stop verbal stoning.

CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

To feed the hungry: take an elderly person grocery shopping or shop for someone who is homebound; donate money or food or time to a food pantry.

To give drink to the thirsty: donate funds to a relief agency.

To clothe the naked: donate to a clothing drive; adopt a needy family and buy new clothes for its members.

To shelter the homeless; work in a Travelers' Aid project; take in refugees; open your home to an unwed mother.

To visit the sick: visit a friend in the hospital or convalescent home; phone someone far away in a nursing home.

To visit the imprisoned; visit, write to, or pray for people in prison or jails; hire someone who has been released; join a volunteer agency that works with ex-offenders.

To bury the dead: attend the funeral of fellow parishioners; pray for those listed in one day's obituary column in the newspaper; be sensitive to those who have lost a loved one.

"Our Hearts are Burning"

A spiritual gathering for women of our diocese is planned for Saturday, May 15, 2010. This day of reflection, praise and worship at Mount Aloysius College in Cresson will include local and national speakers with music by "*Living Praise*". The day will conclude with Eucharistic celebration at 3:00 p.m. The Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Adamec will be the principal celebrant. Come and experience a deeper renewal of your Catholic faith. Registration fee (includes lunch): \$25.00 per person. Registration forms will be available in April. For more information, please contact: Carol Galioto -(814) 946-3769.

ST. LEONARD'S HOME

Do you or a loved one need help with daily activities like meal preparation, taking medication as prescribed, having someone to socialize with? St. Leonard's Home in Hollidaysburg, a licensed personal care home, offers a caring, home-like environment for people over age 55, with daily Mass in our beautiful chapel. We also have three supportive living units for persons who are relatively independent but who no longer want to do meal preparation or housekeeping. For more information, call Sister Cynthia Meyer, Director, 695-2920 or Joe Fernicola at 695-9581.

LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

The third edition of the Roman Missal takes time to direct the ancient gesture of signing ourselves with the SIGN OF THE CROSS. Christians have traditionally started and ended prayer with the sign of the cross. We begin Mass and, in the form of a blessing, Mass concludes with the sign of the cross. As the Gospel is introduced, we sign our foreheads, our lips, and our hearts with a cross. We pray that the proclaimed word will rest in our minds, always be on our lips, and take root in our hearts in praise of God. Lent is the appropriate time to focus on the cross and how we use this ancient, sacred gesture in prayer.

NEWS FROM BISHOP GUILFOYLE HIGH SCHOOL

BG ALUM OFFERS CARTOONING CLASSES:

Renowned artist Cory Geishauer, BG class of 1990, is offering a "Cartooning for Kids" workshop at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral (Seton Room) on Wednesdays evenings (April 14, 21, 28 and May 12, 19, 26). Students in grades K-8 are welcome to attend the workshops. Interested parties must register by March 26 at www.corbengeis.com. The cost of the workshops is \$10.00 per session or \$50.00 for the entire 6 class course.

OKLAHOMA! Get your tickets to BG production of the musical "Oklahoma." The musical will be presented at the Mishler Theater on Friday, March 26 and Saturday, March 27. Tickets are available by calling the Mishler box office at 944-9434.

YOUR GIFT KEEPS CATHOLIC EDUCATION

AFFORDABLE: Because of the generous support of the church community, business community, alumni, and friends, BG is able to provide a quality high school education that is within the financial means of the families of central Pennsylvania. Because of this support, tuition at BG is \$3,000 less than the median tuition at Catholic high school across the United States. Also because of this support sizeable amounts of financial aid are available to help qualified parents pay for their child's tuition. The BG family thanks all of our benefactors for their generous support. We also remind interested parents that registrations are now being accepted for the 2010-2011 school year.