

3RD SUNDAY of Easter

April 23, 2023

St. Rose of Lima Church



St. Rose of Lima Confirmation

April 11, 2023

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PASTOR'S CORNER

A NEW LOOK FOR OUR SANCTUARY! As was announced last Sunday, in preparation for our hundredth anniversary we are exploring ways in which we can enhance the beauty of our sanctuary. A suggested design by New Guild Studio in Pittsburgh is currently displayed on the bulletin board in our vestibule. We are seeking to accentuate the Tabernacle, the Baptismal Font, and the Risen Christ above the main altar. Please take some time to look at the proposed enhancements displayed on the bulletin board. Your input and suggestions are appreciated.

"OUR SUNDAY BEST" - This expression has its roots in the way churchgoers prepare themselves to worship Christ the King! We put on our "Sunday Best" as a sign of the honor with which we acknowledge Christ the Risen One. We certainly do it for Easter Sunday, when "we come dressed for an audience with the Living God." The Church teaches us that every Sunday is Easter! Every Sunday when we come to celebrate the Eucharist, we are urged to come in our "Sunday Best."

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE -- INFORMATION MEETING - In celebration of our 100th anniversary, Msgr. Becker will be leading a pilgrimage to Rome, Lisbon, Fatima, Lourdes and Paris on June 3 to the 16th, 2024. A special INFORMATION meeting will be held at St. Rose of Lima Parish on Wednesday, May 3rd, at 7:00 PM in the school library. All are welcome to attend the meeting!

CONGRATULATIONS, FATHER CARL - We congratulate our senior priest, Father Spishak, who celebrates his 90th birthday on Monday, April 24th. We rejoice on the day that God has blessed our world with this wonderful priest who has served our diocese and our parish for so many years!

FIRST COMMUNION - We congratulate our First Communicants who will be making their First Eucharist on Sunday, May 7th at our 10:30 AM mass. They are: Elena Aquirre, Gavin George, Ava Myers, Granger Rhodes, Landon Beckel, Breklyn Lascoli, Brynly Lascoli, and Livia Pufka. Our May Crowning will occur the following Sunday, May 14th, at the 8:00 AM Mass!

MASS OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK - We will be celebrating a Mass of Anointing on Sunday April 30th at 2 PM in the afternoon. Please mark your calendar and plan on joining us. Perhaps you know someone who needs transportation to this beautiful celebration.



Who is St. Catherine of Siena?

In light of St. Catherine of Siena's feast day, join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Elizabeth Klein, as they celebrate this holy woman: a nurse and mystic with papal influence who became a doctor of the Church.



An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and  gracitas press

St. Rose Liturgy Schedule

Weekends

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Weekdays Monday through Friday 8:30 AM

Holy Day Vigil 7:00 PM

Holy Day 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM

Adoration Thursday after 8:30 AM Mass to 10:00 AM

Confessions Saturday at Noon or by appointment

FRIENDS OF LONG STANDING RECITAL: Holidaysburg natives James White and Robert Long, who have been friends and musical collaborators for more than forty years, will present a recital at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church on Friday, April 28, at 7:00 PM. The program will include sacred works as well as musings about baseball. The centerpiece of their musical offering will be the premier of "Let's Marry Said The Cherry," a setting of whimsical poems by N. M. Bodecker with music by Bruce Trinkley (Professor Emeritus of Music Pennsylvania State University). The Concert is free and open to the public.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 23 - Third Sunday of Easter

Wed. April 26 - 5:00-6:00 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary



Monday, April 24 - Memorial of St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr

8:30 a.m.

†St. Vincent DePaul's Birthday (*St. Vincent DePaul Society*)

Tuesday, April 25 - Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist

8:30 a.m.

†Richard Eckels (*Beverly Horne*)

Wednesday, April 26

8:30 a.m.

†Bill Reed (*Becky Reed*)

Thursday, April 27

8:30 a.m.

†All God's People

Friday, April 28 - Memorial of St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr & St Louis Mary de Montfort, Priest

8:30 a.m.

†Diana Macharola (*Catholic Daughters Court Prince Gallitzin*)

Saturday, April 29 - Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Easter

4:00 p.m.

†Joan Turcovski (*Linda Turcovski*)

Sunday, April 30 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. Mass for the People

10:30 a.m.

†Kirk Kling (*Jim & Helen Seidel*)

2:00 p.m. Mass of Anointing

CANDLES:

Angela C. Hrzic requested by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Hrzic and Family

Dave Gracey, Jr. requested by Ruth Mishock

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

April 9, 2023

Regular	\$13,559.00	Loose	\$1123.00
Children's	\$14.00	Holy Thursday	\$542.00
Good Friday	\$460.00	Easter	\$4,510.00
Holy Trinity	\$35.00	Christmas Club	\$10.00
Easter Flowers	\$25.00	Parish Life	\$8.00
Vigil Candles	\$15.00	Altar Rosary	\$5.00
		Total	\$20,306.00

Renew! Repair! Rejoice!

Payments/Donations \$77,387.98

Pledge Payments committed but not received \$41,236

Total Payments/Pledges/Donations \$118,623.98

2023 Catholic Ministries Drive

January 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023

Gifts/Pledges \$ 10,742

Pledge Balance (Not yet received) \$ 900

Total Gifts/Pledges (Received) \$ 9,842

GOAL \$ 42,489

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: The two disciples on the road to Emmaus are dejected and despondent after Jesus' death. They knew Jesus personally. Hadn't they heard the Gospel message directly from His lips and heard the testimony of the women? How much more obvious could the Good News be?

The reaction of the two disciples describes our own journey at times. We often lose our way and can fail to see all the gifts we have been given. But we can be like the two disciples when their eyes are opened once again. We can be transformed and our hearts set on fire with love for the Lord. We can go to the same sources as the two disciples on the road to Emmaus — the Scriptures and the Eucharist. In this Easter season, resolve to feast deeply on these two sources of grace. They are the fuel that will propel us on our journey towards heaven.

(www.CatholicSteward.com, 3/22/2023)

CONGRATULATIONS to Declan Caputo, son of Ryan and Stacy Caputo, who received the Sacrament of Baptism on March 18, 2023.



Religious Education News

April 23: 6:00 to 8:00 PM - Mystagogy for **ALL CONFIRMED STUDENTS** in the **Rectory**

April 27: 6:00 - 7:00 PM - Second Practice for First Eucharist in the Church

May 7: 10:30 AM Mass - First Eucharist (Please arrive at 10:15 AM & meet in library)

Contact Yvonne Gibson - 814-330-2518 - ygibson@dioceseaj.org

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Deacon Jim's "A Moment with Our Lady"

Polish Cardinal Stanislaw Rylko, Emeritus President of the Pontifical Council for the Laity, celebrated the inauguration of his ministry as Archpriest of the Papal Basilica of St Mary Major, on Thursday, February 2, 2017, on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in Rome, in his newly appointed basilica.

"We live in a period of darkness so deep and so dark, that it raises fear and concern for the future of humanity," he said during his homily. "In this time of multiple crises that threaten us, of wars that afflict us, of terrorism that takes so many innocent victims, Jesus Christ 'Light of the world' and Mary 'mother of light' are the two reference points for understanding who we truly are as human beings and what our ultimate destiny is," the Cardinal said.

By beginning his ministry in the "oldest Marian shrine in the West," the new archpriest emphasized the "role of Mary in the history of salvation." The Virgin known as *Salus populi Romani* is ready "to console us in all our afflictions," he added.

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL: In today's gospel the disciples were returning home so "downcast" they did not recognize Jesus walking with them. In our homes we can be so overwhelmed with responsibilities we don't see God with us. Today's gospel tells us to stop and open our eyes to the blessings we are to one another. *Reprinted with permission: A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar.*

JOIN US FOR OUR SPRING CLASS: The following class will be an In-Person (not via ZOOM) and will be open to all!
New Testament taught by Fr. Brian Norris at St. John Evangelist, Lakemont Tuesdays from 6:30-9:00 PM (Running for 8 weeks) beginning May 2nd. The cost for this class will be on the registration form. For registration please visit www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry or contact Jessica, Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at (814) 361-2000 or via email at jgramling@dioceseaj.org All are welcome!

EASTER PERENNIALS: If you would like to have a Hydrangea, Lily, or Azalea from our Easter Flowers, please call the rectory to reserve a flower. When they are removed from the altar, you will be able to pick them up at the rectory. As the Lilies fade, they will also be available at the rear of the church. These flowers will make a beautiful addition to your garden.



Readings for the Week of April 23, 2023

Monday Memorial of St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr

Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday Memorial of St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr & St. Louis Mary de Montfort, Priest

Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117: 1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

PARISH MISSION AT OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH:

806 11th Street, Altoona, PA 16602

April 24th thru April 27th

Theme: A Journey To Belong In Jesus

Daily Mass on April 24, 25, 26, 27 at 9 am

followed by Continental Breakfast

7:00 pm - Evening Prayer and Preaching

April 27, 7 pm - Closing Mass followed by social

Conducted by Fr. John Petrikovic, O.F.M. Cap

Capuchin Friars, Province of St. Augustine

ALL ARE WELCOME AND INVITED!!!

St. Rose of Lima Prayer List

It is a Spiritual Work of Mercy to pray for the sick. If you know of someone in the parish who is ill or has passed away and in need of prayers, please call the office (814-944-8509) or email Becky Reed at breed@dioceseaj.org to add their name to the prayer list.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING and their caregivers and give thanks for those who have recovered. Lord we ask for your blessings and care for these and all people in need:

Erma Anthony • Steve Anthony • Dave Bauer

Matilda Capouellez • Farr Family

Frank and Rosemarie Fochler • Ed Garland

Garman Family • Michael and Marlene Heilman

Housum Family • Donna Ivory

Kelly Mullegan Kline • Patricia Kraft • Dan Leahey

Carmie Maniglia • Don and Angel Mast

Mike Murphy • Rose Nasralla

Mike Nazaruk & Family • Sheryl Pieri

Marie Prorok • Joe & Jean Raugh

Joe and Carole Reilly • Julia Scarfone

Ann Schreiber • Mareo Washer

Deacon Jim Woomer • Carole Zonfrilli

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEXT WEEK

Saturday, April 29 4:00 PM

John Donley *Lector*

Joseph Maschue *Lector*

Mari Ann Eberhart *Eucharistic Minister*

Theresa Knob *Eucharistic Minister*

VOLUNTEER NEEDED *Eucharistic Minister*

Sunday, April 30 8:00 AM

Tom Irwin III *Lector*

Deborah Kawtoski *Lector*

Madison Hooper *Eucharistic Minister*

VOLUNTEER NEEDED *Eucharistic Minister*

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Sunday, April 30 10:30 AM

James Busch *Lector*

Patrick Labriola *Lector*

Terrance Heiss *Eucharistic Minister*

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GARVEY MANOR: From now until May 9, friends of the community at Garvey Manor, will be collecting items for a sale that will benefit residents on the campus. If you have household items, garage items, decorations, books, paintings that you want to donate, take those items to the Sarina house between 8 am and 5 pm. No clothes or shoes. Please share this with friends.

BUS TRIP TO PADRE PIO SHRINE: The Mount Carmel Church Altar & Rosary Society is sponsoring a Bus Trip to Padre Pio Shrine in Barto, PA, on Saturday, May 20, 2023. The bus will depart from Mt. Carmel Parking lot at 7 am. We will have lunch, on your own, in Allentown and Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Carl at the Shrine. You will have time to visit the Shrine. We will depart from the Shrine at 4:30 pm. There will be a dinner stop, on your own, on the way home. The cost of the trip is \$55.00. To make reservations, please call the Parish Office (814) 942-8501, during the week.

CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD GOLF TOURNAMENT: The Carmelite Community of the Word sisters will hold our Annual Golf Tournament "in person" on Friday, June 2, 2023 at Scotch Valley Country Club. This year our tournament will begin at 8:30 a.m. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. We will provide a continental breakfast in the morning, and after your round of golf, a BBQ picnic lunch will be served outdoors, followed by awards and an auction. Cost is \$425 for a foursome; \$125 for individual golfers. If you would like to attend the lunch and auction but not golf, that is \$15. Final deadline for Registration is May 24 or when we get 28 teams. To register, or for more information, contact Kelli Murphy at 814-886-4098 or email at communityofficeccw@gmail.com. Come and join us, this event has proven to be a fun day for all!

**St. Rose of Lima's St. Vincent de Paul Conference
Weekly Reflection for April 23: Third Sunday of
Easter:**

In this Sunday's Gospel, as we hear the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we also come to know that our daily reaching out to our neighbor is our daily walk with the risen Christ; we recognize him in others.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting numerous families and individuals, providing assistance with utility and rent bills, food, etc.

Thank You and God Bless!

If you know of someone in need, please visit our website (<http://strosesvdp.org>) to inform us of their situation. We will do our best to help out in any way we can. We encourage all parishioners to use our website to help us help those in need. Thank you! their situation. We will do our best to help out in any way we can. We encourage all parishioners to use our website to help us help those in need. Thank you!

PILGRIMAGE JOURNEYS OF PAUL IN GREECE:

October 9-16. Join Fr. Dave Peles and Deacon Michael Russo and follow in the footsteps of St. Paul and Silas to Amphipolis and explore the ruins the ruins of the many Christian basilicas there. Discover Thessalonika, Berea, Delphi, Corinth, where St. Paul met Aquila and Priscilla. Enjoy the rich architectural splendor of the ancient city of Athens. Visit the Acropolis, the Parthenon. Mass will be celebrated every day. Starting at \$2,948 from Philadelphia, your all-inclusive trip includes basic tour and guided sightseeing, round trip international airfare, administration fees, entrance fees, hotel gratuities and program fees. Enjoy daily breakfast and dinner (included), deluxe motor coaches, first class hotels and much, much, more. A round-trip bus will be provided from St. Benedict Church, Johnstown to the Philadelphia airport. For more information and a brochure, contact Deacon Michael Russo (814) 288-3036 or michael.russo@atlanticbb.net.

April Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

**For a Culture of Peace
and Non-violence**

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

