

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun March 5	First Sunday of Lent 9:15-10:15 AM Religious Ed. Gr. K-9 6:30-8:00 PM Religious Ed. Gr. 10
Tues March 7	6:10 PM Bingo
Wed March 8	5:00-6:00 PM Pro-Life Rosary 7:00 PM Legion of Mary
Thurs March 9	9:00-11:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration
Fri March 10	1:30 PM Student Stations 5:30 PM Stations of the Cross 6:10 PM Bingo
Sat March 11	10:30-12:00 PM Grade 8 Retreat
Sun March 12	Second Sunday of Lent 9:15-10:15 Religious Ed. Gr. K-9 6:30-8:00 PM Religious Ed. Gr. 10



### Monday, March 6

8:30 a.m.

†Virginia Eder (*Richard & Marcia Smith*)

### Tuesday, March 7 Ss. Perpetua & Felicity

8:30 a.m.

†Vicki (Shock) Johnson (*Mike & Kathy McCormick*)

### Wednesday, March 8 St. John of God

8:30 a.m.

Special Intentions for Helen Saylor (Friend)

### Thursday, March 9 St. Frances of Rome

8:30 a.m.

†Dr. Richard Capriotti (*Gary Adams*)

### Friday, March 10

8:30 a.m.

†Frederick Miller (*Wife & Family*)

### Saturday, March 11

4:00p.m.

†Ernest Unverdorben (*Family*)

### Sunday, March 12 Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. †Dennis Drass (*Eileen Hmel & Family*)

10:30 a.m. †Michael Friedenberger (*Mom & Dad*)

12 Noon Mass For the People

### Palm Collection

A basket will be available in the foyer throughout Lent to collect your palm from past years. The palm will be burned during the Easter Vigil.

## MINISTERS FOR THIS WEEK

Friday, March 10, 2017 Stations of the Cross

5:30 p.m. Volunteers

Saturday, March 11, 2017

4:00 p.m.

**Altar Servers:** Erin Yahner, Michael Yahner, Abby Yahner

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dan Aliiero, Debra Fraundorfer, Mary Masic, Ellen Rahm, Matthew Yahner

**Readers:** Nancy Little, Joseph Maschue

Sunday, March 12, 2017

8:00 a.m.

**Servers:** Josephine Gates, Samantha Gburek, Margaret Keating

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Engelman, Kathleen Gburek, Diane Gormley, Tim Link, Volunteer

**Readers:** William Gburek, Helen Rhodes

10:30 a.m.

**Servers:** Ian Campbell, Mary Irwin, Nathan Murphy

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Woomer, Regina Murphy, Chris Rickens, Matthew Zupon, Yvonne Gibson

**Readers:** Thomas A. Irwin, Laverne Previte

12:00 Noon

**Servers:** Luke Frederick, John Frederick, Kylie Kathleen Pacovsky

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Woomer, Kathleen Wasicki, John Wasicki

**Readers:** Patrick Condrin, Deborah Kawtoski

## PASTOR'S CORNER

### RITE OF SENDING FORTH

Last weekend at the 8:00 a.m. Mass, we celebrated the **Rite of Sending Forth** for our Catechumens. As a parish family we give our support and prayer to Breanna Langenbacher & Elainea Hess as we send them to the celebration today of the **Rite of Election and Enrollment of Names and the Call to Continuing Conversion** at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, beginning at 2:00 p.m.

All parishioners are invited to the Rite of Election to be with our Catechumens who will be formally named and greeted by Bishop Mark this afternoon, after writing their names in the Book of the Elect, called the "Book of Life," Bishop Mark will declare the Catechumens to be "The Elect of God" (those chosen by God) and will give a special blessing and greeting to our Candidates. You are invited to give your congratulations at the reception after.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

### PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING-FEB. 25-26, 2017

Regular	\$7494.50	Christmas	\$ 25.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 23.00	Ash Wednesday	\$ 30.00
Rose	\$ 175.00	Candle	\$ 5.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 5.00		
St. Vincent DePaul	\$ 255.00	Total	\$8012.50

### Deacon Jim's "A Moment with Our Lady"

St. Anthony of Padua was born in 1195 in Lisbon, Portugal and died on June 13, 1231, near Padua, Italy. He was a Franciscan priest, a master of spiritual doctrine, a renowned preacher and a miracle worker who was canonized in 1232, less than a year after his death. He was declared Doctor of the Church in 1946.

Tradition says that in 1227, returning from a trip to France, Anthony built a shrine to the Virgin Mary of Graces in the town of Gemona del Friuli, Italy. Gemona was home at the time to a important Patarins community, a sect considered heretical and against which Anthony preached.

This Marian shrine exists to this day.

### LAND OF PEACE

Next weekend, March 11-12 a representative from the Land of Peace will be selling handmade religious articles from the Holy Land.. Land of Peace is a nonprofit organization with the mission of helping and supporting Christian families in the Holy Land through the Patriarch of Jerusalem. When anyone purchases handmade arts they help our mission and help the Christians in the Holy Land. LAND OF PEACE'S GOAL IS TO BUILD A CHARITY HOSPITAL IN THE HOLY LAND.

### FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

**March 5**

**Mt 4:1-11**

In today's gospel Jesus cautions it is not enough to provide food for our children: "One does not live on bread alone.." Let Lent be a time when you are "led by the Spirit" to explore new ways to be a moral guide to your children.

### OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

March 11	4:00 p.m.	Cyril & Nancy Little
March 12	8:00 a.m.	Barbara & Eugene Stoltz
	10:30 a.m.	Joe & Regina Friedenberger
	Noon	Volunteers

**CANDLES:** Fritz & Mary Werkmeister & Toby & Joyce Kjarsgaard by Family.

### RETREAT-EIGHTH GRADE

There will be a Retreat for all children in the Eighth Grade on Saturday, March 11 from 10:30-12:00 Noon in the Social Hall. Parent participation is not required.

### 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 it in the collection basket by April 9. Please print the name of the loved one on the back of the envelope.

### REMINDER: SERVICE HOURS ARE NOW DUE

Students from 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> Grade need to submit their service hours as part of the Confirmation Process. If you for some reason have not submitted them you may bring them to class on Sunday. If you need an extension, please call me. (Rectory) 944-8509 or (Home) 942-5659 or e-mail: [bshoenfelt@stroselima.com](mailto:bshoenfelt@stroselima.com)

### SUPPER CLUB

The Supper Club will meet at Jethro's on March 5 at 12 NOON. Call Mary for reservations 946-3449.

### 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.

### LITURGICAL REFLECTION...

The Church has revised the **Order of Celebrating Matrimony** (2016). This is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the beauty and meaning of the Sacrament of Marriage. Lent is our time to turn from sin and return to God. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church (Number 1609) it is stated that marriage helps to overcome self-absorption, egoism, pursuit of one's own pleasures, and to open oneself to the other, to mutual aid and to self-giving. Husbands and wives model Christian living in the Church. The love of man and woman models the love of Christ for his Church.

### FISH DINNERS

The Unter Uns Club, Van Buren Ave. and 14th St. Altoona will be having Fish Dinners every Friday during Lent including Good Friday, April 14, 2017. Dinners will be served from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. Cost \$9.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 4-10 years old and under 3 free. Dinner is open to the public. Sponsored by Altoona Almrausch Schuhplattlers (German Dance Group).

### Saint Mark's Fish Fries (6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 4<sup>th</sup> St. Altoona)

Mark your calendar for the following three Fridays: March 10, March 24, and April 7 from 4:00-6:30 p.m. (while supplies last). The menu is as follows: Baked or Fried Fish, French Fries or Macaroni & Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes or Cole Slaw, Roll, Butter, Drink, and Free Dessert. The cost will be \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 and under. Take outs will be available.

**Our Lady of Lourdes** will be having Lenten Fish Dinner every Friday during Lent. Baked or fried haddock, mac & cheese or fries, stewed tomatoes, Coleslaw or applesauce dessert & drink. Adults \$9.50 and children \$7.00. Take out start at 3:30 and eat in 4:00-7:00 p.m.

### PRAYER BRANCH

The Branch in the foyer contains the name of our First Holy Communion Children, the Confirmations Candidates and the RCIA Adults. Please take a card from the Branch and pray for them during Lent so they may become true Christians and soldiers of Christ.

### HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL NEWS

We are grateful to all those who support our school. Your generosity provides the resources necessary as we challenge our students with 21<sup>st</sup> Century academics infused with Catholic values. TOGETHER we are able to make a difference in the lives of our students by providing a learning environment that develops students to their fullest potential through a foundation in faith, academics, leadership, and service.

Our registration for the 2017-2018 School year is currently underway. Anyone interested in a tour or being a "Guardian for a Day" please contact the school offices:

Middle School 942-7835, Altoona Campus 381-7011, or Hollidaysburg Campus 695-6112 to set-up a time to visit. Registration forms are available at every Campus location.

We are now selling Gardner's Easter candy. Please see a student or call any school office to place an order.

**Guys Night Out...** March Madness Saturday, March 25 6:00 p.m. Father Kelly Hall. For tickets please call any of the school campuses. \$25 ticket includes all you can eat dinner and adult beverages. Prizes and Gifts ! All proceeds benefit Holy Trinity Catholic Athletics.

**CASH BASH** Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 5:30 in the Maria Parish Center. Tickets are on sale and going fast-\$100 admits 2 adult and includes dinner and chances to win cash prizes as well as Emerald Isle Getaway. Contact the school office for your ticket now.

**FACTS Grant & Aid Applications.** Families applying for financial aid will need to complete an online or paper application and submit the necessary supporting documentation to FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment by the March 15, 2017 deadline. Paper applications have been sent home, we do have extras in the office stop in anytime. Applicants can also apply online at [www.factstuitionaid.com](http://www.factstuitionaid.com).

### **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

#### **For Persons with Disabilities and Their Families**

Will you know exactly what to do when an emergency happens? Please join us to learn more about steps to take in an emergency situation.

**Date: Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.**

(Registration/coffee opens at 8:00 a.m. at

The Arc of Blair County

431 Jackson Ave. Altoona

FREE TO THE PUBLIC (Pre-registration is required) Registration Deadline: March 24

814-946-1011

[www.thearcblair.org/training](http://www.thearcblair.org/training)

Training and Lunch provided at No Cost

Learn what to do when an emergency happens!

**A Lenten series on Bishop Robert Barron's DVD "Seven Deadly Sins and the Lively Virtues," will be offered on four weeks in March.** This series will be at St. Mary's Church Hall on 5th Ave., Altoona on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>. Class will be from 6:30 p.m. till 7:30 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to prepare for Easter. Please call Sr. Theresa at 942-5747 if you can attend.

**The St. Vincent dePaul Monastery Community Gardens** will present a series of educational programs every Tuesday during the month of March, 2017. All programs are free, For more information call Pat Trimble 814-327-1555.

**March 7, 6:30 Organic Gardening**-Tom Ford is a Penn State Horticulture Educator. Organic gardening is gardening without synthetic fertilizers and pesticides. But organic gardening is much more than simply replacing man-made chemicals with those derived from natural sources. It is a philosophy of gardening that supports the health of the whole system. March Presentations will be held at C4C Center, 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg, Pa.

**Christian Prayer and Spirituality Course** will be offered at two locations this March. Sr. Marilyn Welch, CCW will be teaching Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at **St. Catherine of Siena, Duncansville**, beginning March 8<sup>th</sup> and Deacon Michael Russo will be teaching Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at **St. Patrick School, Johnstown** beginning March 7<sup>th</sup>. During this 8 week course, participants will explore both traditional and contemporary expressions of Christian Prayer and spirituality that will help deepen their relationship with God. The cost of this course which includes registration and material is \$55.00. For further information and registration please contact the Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at (814) 361-2000 or email [mheinze@dioceseaj.org](mailto:mheinze@dioceseaj.org). **All are welcome!**

**ALTOONA AREA LYME DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP** will present Jeffery Hartman, DMD, as a guest speaker for this month's meeting. Dr. Hartman, is a biological dentist with a practice in Huntingdon. Dr. Hartman has become very involved in the study of mercury, toxicity and its impact on his patients' health. He will discuss the link between mercury amalgams, which are silver fillings, and illnesses. He will also discuss the proper removal of mercury fillings which requires special precautions. Please join us at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 9, in the St. Rose of Lima Social Hall. We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. All are welcome. For more information, call Amber Altiero 934-7403.

### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS**

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Prince Gallitzin #2625 is hosting the Stations of the Cross for the Youth and their family members on **Saturday, March 25, from 10:30 until 11:30 a.m. at St. Therese of the Child Jesus Church.**

### **GARVEY MANOR –BASKET BINGO**

Sunday, March 19, 2017. 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Proceeds benefit activity programs for Residents of Garvey Manor/Our Lady of the Alleghenies.