

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Feb 2	Presentation of the Lord 9:15-10:15 AM Religious Ed. Gr. K-8 9:15-10:5 AM 9 th Grade Session 2-All Students CCD & Bishop Guilfoyle
Tues Feb 4	6:30 PM Bingo 7:00 PM Legion of Mary
Wed Feb 5	5:00-6:00 PM Pro-Life Rosary
Thurs Feb 6	9:00-11:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration
Fri Feb 7	6:30 PM Bingo
Sun Feb 9	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:15-10:15 AM Religious Ed. Gr. K-9 6:30-8:00 PM Religious Ed. Gr. 10 6:30-8:00 PM Grade 11 Session 3-All Confirmation Candidates Bishop Guilfoyle & CCD



Monday, Feb. 3 St. Blaise, St. Ansgar

8:30 a.m.

†A. Louise Conrad (*Eleanor Kearney*)

Tuesday, Feb. 4

8:30 a.m.

†Eugene Stoltz (*Elaine Glashauer*)

Wednesday, Feb. 5 St. Agatha

8:30 a.m.

†Paul Andrews (*Mark & Bonnie Frederick*)

Thursday, Feb. 6 St. Paul Miki & Companions

8:30 a.m.

†Victor Raia (*Muffy Malsatzki*)

Friday, Feb. 7

8:30 a.m.

†Joann Stephens (*Charles & Joan Lynn*)

Saturday, Feb. 8 St. Josephine Bakhita, St. Jerome Emiliani

4:00p.m.

†Cheryl Sedon (*Joan & Linda Turcovski*)

Sunday, Feb. 9 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass For the People

10:30 a.m. †Richard Engelman (*Mary Engelman*)

MINISTERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday, February 8, 2020

4:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Damon Misiura, Brennen Myrick, Erin Yahner

Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Altiero, Brenda Altiero, Cindy Boslet, Kevin Boslet, Mary Masic

Readers: Nancy Little, Helen Miranda

Sunday, February 9, 2020

8:00 a.m.

Servers: Josephine Gates, Madeline Kling, Volunteer

Eucharistic Ministers: Martha Dombrowski, Mary Lou Horton, Cindy Sharbaugh, Linda Zakrzewski, James Trexler

Readers: Charles Wolf, Linda Wolf

10:30 a.m.

Servers: Patrick Reilly, Braden Reilly, Rylee Swander

Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Woomer, Yvonne Gibson, Gina Goss, Thomas Goss, Karen McGraw

Readers: Deborah Kawtoski, Laverne Previte

PASTOR'S CORNER

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

“**We too are** called to welcome Jesus who comes to meet us. To encounter him: the God of life is to be encountered every day of our lives; not now and then, but every day. To follow Jesus is not a decision taken once and for all, it is a daily choice.” - Pope Francis, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, 2019.

The Presentation of Jesus in the temple shows him to be the firstborn Son who belongs to the Lord. With Simeon and Anna, all Israel awaits its encounter with the Savior—the name given to this event in the Byzantine tradition. Jesus is recognized as the long-expected Messiah, the “light of the nations” and the “glory of Israel,” but also “a sign that is spoken against.” The sword of sorrow predicted for Mary announces Christ’s perfect and unique oblation on the cross that will impart the salvation of God has “prepared in the presence of all peoples” (CCC, no.529).

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PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING-JAN. 25-26, 2020

Regular	\$8213.50	Christmas	\$ 141.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 25.00	Solemnity of Mary	\$ 3.00
SVDP	\$ 727.00	Candles	\$ 15.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 10.00	Easter Flow.	\$ 10.00
		Total	\$9144.50

Deacon Jim's "A Moment with Our Lady"

"A sword will pierce your very soul," is what the aged Simeon predicted to Mary on the day of the presentation of Jesus in the Temple...

Mary is at the heart of the battle waged for or against her Son. The sword announced by Christ passes also through her, inviting us all to total abandonment. The more Mary lost her Son in a physical sense, the more she received him in faith. The next important episode after the presentation—the disappearance of Jesus, found in the Temple—illustrates this concept.

The more Mary becomes "the one who hears the word of God and puts it into practice," the more she is revealed as the Mother of God. The divine motherhood is not only a physical reality, it is above all a matter of faith. And when, before the crucified Christ, she physically lost her Son, she found him again, whole, as her glorious Son, present in the Church.

The law of the sword of Christ is the law by which we must lose in order to find. It is the law of total poverty in order to possess everything, to surrender ourselves in faith in order to be fully satisfied, comforted, and saved. Mary becomes, once again, the model of the perfect disciple, of the one who is faithful, and redeemed.

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

Feb. 8	4:00 p.m.	Volunteers
Feb. 9	8:00 a.m.	Barry Noel, Theresa Funtal & Family
	10:30 a.m.	Mary Lou Moffitt & Ron Skupien

CANDLES: Special Intention by Pat Trexler.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Louis Notaro. May God give comfort to his family.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

The monthly Vigil of Prayer scheduled by the Nocturnal Adoration Society for February 7, 2020 will be held at St. Mary's Church, 1405 5th Ave. Altoona from 8:00-11:00 p.m.

ATTENTION BINGO PLAYERS

Join us every Tuesday and Friday for Holy Trinity Catholic School Bingo. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Early Birds at 6:30 p.m. and Regular games at 7:00 p.m. \$2000 progressive jackpot. Admission package is \$35.00. We now accept Visa, Master Card and Debit cards. Please help support Catholic Education.

END OF YEAR STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

May God's blessing be upon all those who have so generously supported our parish family throughout 2019. Those individuals or families who for tax purposes would like to have a statement of your contributions for 2019 are asked to call the Rectory. We would be most happy to provide that information for you.

February 2, 2020: Feast of the Presentation
(LK 2:22-40)

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

Family life provides opportunities to grow in holiness. We are never perfect on this side of Heaven. Each of us has areas that could be presented to the Lord for purification. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your family in finding those areas and offering them to God.

Altar Servers Needed

Any child in the 3rd grade or older, who is interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Fr. Brian at frbsaylor@stroselima.com or call the rectory at 944-8509.

Eucharistic Ministers & Readers Needed

Any parishioner who would be willing to assist with the celebration of the Mass as a Eucharistic Minister and/or reader, please contact Fr. Brian at frbsaylor@stroselima.com or call the rectory at 944-8509. We ask that you prayerfully consider becoming even more a part of our liturgical celebration.

OFFERTORY GIFTS

We are looking for Families or Individuals who are willing to take up the Offertory Gifts. There is a sign-up sheet located on the table in the foyer of the Church.

“ARISE Together in Christ”

ARISE Together in Christ will have sign-up Sundays on February 9th and February 16th. Please stop by the gathering area of the Church and watch a brief video of Bishop Mark, explaining about the program and all the benefits that Arise Together in Christ can offer to all those who participate in the small faith sharing sessions. Our sessions will begin the week of February 24th. The theme for season Four is “*NEW HEART, NEW SPIRIT*”. This is a perfect way to experience our Lenten Journey with our fellow parishioners this year. Our sessions meet once a week for six weeks. Look over the time and schedule and hopefully you will be able to join in.

Any questions please call Carole Housum at 695-7249 or email DCSUM@atlanticbb.net

**St. Rose of Lima Parish, Altoona presents...
England's Treasures.**

Join Fr. Brian Saylor April 21-May 2, 2021 on a tour of England. Visit Liverpool, the home of the Beatles, and spend three nights in the Georgian town of Bath with its 2000-year-old Roman spas. Explore the monastic ruins of Glastonbury Abbey and the mystical, ancient Stonehenge. See the sights of London with a local guide and savor a traditional English roast. Cost: \$4,499 (Double) includes Round trip Air from Pittsburgh, taxes and fees/surcharges, hotel transfers.

For information or a brochure please call/email Fr. Brian at 814-944-8509/bsaylor@dioceseaj.org or Collette 844-218-2148 (refer to Booking #987192)

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Pastoral Care UPMC Altoona

The Pastoral Care Department at UPMC Altoona is looking for a volunteer Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion for Wednesdays. If you are interested, please contact Tony Conrad at 889-2177 or e-mail at conradaw@upmc.edu.

ST. LEONARD'S HOME

Worried about a loved one? St. Leonard's Personal Care Home in Hollidaysburg provides medication management, personal hygiene assistance, socialization, meals, housekeeping and a 24 hour staff in a home-like environment. We serve men and women 62+ for whom it is no longer safe to live alone. To tour our beautiful Victorian mansion or for more information, call Sr. Cynthia Meyer at 695-9581 during weekday business hours. We are a Catholic facility but accept all eligible applicants, and will assist with financial aid applications where applicable.

Lenten Journey Series at St. Bernadine Monastery

"From Ashes to Alleluia" - Join the Friars at St. Bernadine Monastery, 768 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg for a time of reflection, prayer, and fellowship during this Lenten season.

Wednesdays—March 4, March 11, March 18 and April 1 from 10:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m. Lunch is included and a free-will offering will be taken.

Registration is necessary by calling the Monastery office by February 28th at 695-3802.

The Friar's Nook Gift Shop annual clearance sale is now on! Save 40% on all green dot items including flags, mats, nativities, home décor, boxed cards and more! The shop located on the campus of St. Bernadine Monastery at 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg. The shop hours are Monday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (closed Sundays). Please call 635-3802 with any questions.

The St. Rose of Lima St. Vincent de Paul Conference wishes to thank all the members of our Parish for their generous donations last weekend. Your kindness gives hope to many individuals and families served through our Conference. We thank you from the heart for your donations to benefit our programs for the working poor. We deeply appreciate your caring commitment to helping those who need it most.

We receive calls from people in our parish and through the SVDP Need's office about those in need of help. Through the SVDP Need's office, our faithful volunteers assist those in need with rent, utilities, furniture, clothing, travel expenses for medical treatments and food. During our home visits, we always try to take time with them to learn if there are ways that our Conference can help them get back on their feet. Sometimes, just the visit alone can mean the world to someone who is going through a difficult time. You make all of this possible through your generous gifts.

Please feel welcome to contact us through our Website at strosesvdp.org if we can assist you in any way. Again, thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Warmest Regards,

Dan Weaver

Conference President

PS. If you would like to make donation anytime throughout the year, you can always find our identified wooden donation box located at the right side of the entrance to the church. Thank You!

The St. Rose of Lima St. Vincent de Paul Conference meets the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Library. All parishioners are welcome to join us.