

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Feb 28	Second Sunday of Lent
Wed March 3	5:15-6:00 p.m. Pro-Life Rosary
Fri March 5	5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross



Monday, March 1

8:30 a.m.
†Anthony Vinglas (*Holy Trinity Catholic School*)

Tuesday, March 2

8:30 a.m.
†Jennie Niebauer (*Dorothy & Don Beiswenger*)

Wednesday, March 3 St. Katharine Drexel

8:30 a.m.
†Eugene Bettwy (*Joan Turcovski*)

Thursday, March 4 St. Casimir

8:30 a.m.
†Paul Enderle (*Mary Engelman*)

Friday, March 5

8:30 a.m.
†Helen Rubino (*Carolyn Sylvester*)

Saturday, March 6

4:00p.m.
†William Eichenlaub (*Family*)

Sunday, March 7 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass For the People
10:30 a.m. †Eugene Stoltz (*Tim & Sue Graupensberger*)

PASTOR'S CORNER

The Second Sunday of Lent



As we celebrate the Second Sunday of Lent, check in with yourself. How are you doing with your Lenten sacrifice? In what ways have you succeed and where is there room for growth?

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Almsgiving

The foundational call of Christians to charity is a frequent theme of the Gospels. During Lent, we are asked to focus more intently on "almsgiving," which means donating money or goods to the poor and performing other acts of charity. As one of the three pillars of Lenten practice, almsgiving is "a witness to fraternal charity" and "a work of justice pleasing to God." (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 2462).

There are several special opportunities for almsgiving through donations to Church ministries for which collections are conducted during the Lenten season including:

- [Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe](#)
- [National Black and Indian Mission Collection](#)
- [Catholic Relief Services Collection](#)
- [Collection for the Holy Land](#)
- [CRS Rice Bowl](#)

The USCCB Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development has a variety of Resources and Tools on the Church's social mission and the option for the poor, including an updated Poverty Tour.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING-FEB. 20-21, 2021

Regular	\$5558.00	Christmas Club	\$ 9.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 3.00	Immac.Concep	\$ 5.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 370.00	All Souls	\$ 5.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 38.00	Thanksgiving	\$ 5.00
Candlemas	\$ 12.00	Assumption	\$ 5.00
Mother of God	\$ 10.00		
Black & Indian	\$ 250.00	Total	\$6270.00

Deacon Jim's "A Moment with Our Lady"

Thinking on the Wedding at Cana (John 2:1-11). It was the scene of Jesus' first miracle, according to the Gospel. Does that seem a bit odd? Seemingly, a more obvious first miracle would have been the healing of the blind man, or the resurrection of the dead man, or the calming of the storm.

But no. At the request of His Mother, God made man did his first miracle in a "domestic" situation. He wanted to give joy to a newlywed couple, so that the feast would not be spoiled. Here, Christ's attitude teaches us three points:

1. The small joys of a simple life are very important to God. They should be important to us too.
2. Jesus aims to help us understand that those who, like Mary, know how to find joy in their everyday tasks, live happy lives and feel the desire to transmit this joy to others.
3. By this miracle, Christ wants us to understand the power of Our Lady's intercession with her Son, who always listens to her.

PALM COLLECTION

A basket will be available in the foyer throughout Lent to collect your palm from the past year.

HOLY LAND GIFTS

Next week, our brothers and sisters representing the Land of Peace mission—a nonprofit organization will be with us speaking about the Christian situation in the Holy Land and selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries—all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. The goal of this mission is to help the poor needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the Holy land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion. You can also visit the website: www.landofpeace.org.

Saint of the Week



Saint Katharine Drexel

November 26, 1858—
March 3, 1955

Feast Day: March 3

"Katharine Drexel is an excellent example of that practical charity and generous solidarity with the less fortunate which has long been the distinguishing mark of American Catholics. May her example help young people in particular to appreciate that no greater treasure can be found in this world than in following Christ with an undivided heart and in using generously the gifts we have received." —St. John Paul II, Homily, October 1, 2000

Listening to God

“Prayer without listening, without meditation, is like picking up the telephone, dialing God, and saying, ‘Hey God, I have this problem’ and then hanging up...without even waiting for an answer,” says Susan Dobson, an entertainment producer and business manager.

“Now I slow down and sit still and go to my house of prayer within.” God speaks to us in many ways. We have to slow down to listen.

Trappist monk Father Thomas Keating says, “God’s first language is silence and everything else is translation.” And so “when one allows oneself to be really still, beyond thinking,” he says that allows us to grasp “an intuitive sense of a deeper presence than ourselves.”

It’s possible to listen to God with our heart; to listen in the sights, sounds and beauty of the natural world.

In the “Way of Perfection” (xvii), St. Teresa refers to the habit of conversing often with God, something which she says we shouldn’t be embarrassed to do. “Be confident that He will suggest to your heart what to say.”

“Be still and know that I am God. (Ps.6:10)

Christopher News Notes
12 East 48th St.
New York, NY 10017

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

2nd Sunday of Lent

Abraham’s trust in God earned him a reward that was beyond his expectations. The transfigured Jesus is evident to everyone who is fully obedient to God’s will that all disciples will have everything to gain when they place their trust in God.

“If God is for us, who can be against us?”

(Romans 8:31)

God desires to have this intimate relationship with us too. As we entrust our lives to God, He will fully reveal Himself to us as He did to Saint Joseph, in his dreams. We will be able to see Christ in our lives more clearly as He truly is.

Let us strive to journey up the mountain and bring others with us to share and reflect on His profound love. And let us pray for total surrender to His providence of all the gifts that we have been given and must share with others.

(Stewardship Reflections, Catholic Stewardship Consultants,
January 31, 2021)

FISH DINNER

Cathedral Parish Drive Thru Fish Dinner

Fridays 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Take out only—Pick up at alley door

Menu— Beer Battered Fried Fish

Mac & Cheese

Cole Slaw

Sandwich Roll

Price—\$9.00

TURKEY DINNER

The Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel Annual

Men’s Turkey Dinner will be held on **Sunday,**

March 21st as a drive-thru dinner. Simply stay in

your vehicle ~ multiple lines for faster service!

11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. or sold out. Turkey dinner

with all the trimmings -\$12.00.

SOUP SALE

Our Lady of the Alleghenies Roman Catholic

Church in Lilly, Pa. will sponsor a **Soup Sale**

Saturday, March 27th. Soups offered will be

Homemade Chicken Noodle and Beef Vegetable.

The cost will be \$8.00 per quart. Pick-up time will

be 10:00 a.m. until Noon. All soups will be

prepared under license and COVID compliances

at Custer’s Market in Lilly. If you are interested in

pre-ordering any soup, please contact Amy

Hazlett, 814-418-1516.

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL

February 28, 2021

The apostles thought they knew Jesus, but when

he changed in front of them at the

Transfiguration, they were “afraid.” In families,

we cannot freeze relationships, because change

and growth are inevitable. Children grow up,

parents grow old and spouses change.

Transfigurations are all around us and within us.

Relationships can only grow when we embrace

the new and let go of the old.

Year of Saint Joseph Liturgical Reflections

Prayer and Plenary Indulgence options for the Year of Saint Joseph

The first way to get to know Saint Joseph is through reading and praying with the Gospels of Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew and Saint Luke. We learn the history of Saint Joseph in an indirect way through the story of the life and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth. The actions and facts of Saint Joseph's life are revealed through his relationships and roles as the foster father of Jesus and the spouse of Mary.

During this special year in the Catholic Church, the Faithful will have the opportunity to commit themselves "with prayer and good works, to obtain, with the help of St. Joseph, head of the Heavenly Family of Nazareth, comfort and relief from the serious human and social tribulations that besiege the contemporary world today." They will be granted what is called a "Plenary Indulgence," a time to repair the sinful relationship that we entered into because of personal sin, even though we have been forgiven. "It is in offering actions and prayers that allow for "a way to reduce the amount of punishment one has to undergo for sins." (#1471, Catechism of the Catholic Church).

There is a lengthy list of options named by Pope Francis and the Vatican Committee on Indulgences in addition to the standard obligations. A growing list of pilgrimage opportunities will be offered by the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown.

2021, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Liturgy Committee, Liturgy Office, Mary, Mother of the Church Pastoral Center, 2713 W. Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, Pa. 16601

St. Rose of Lima's St. Vincent de Paul Conference Weekly Reflection for February 28 Second Sunday of Lent:

Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something for the poor" Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

Your almsgiving in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.

If you know of someone in need, please visit our Website://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!

Marianna Hoagie Sale

St. Rose is participating in the American Cancer Society's Pray for a Cure Marianna Hoagie Sale. Hoagies (*Italian, All American, Ham & Swiss, Ham Club, Roast Beef, Smoked Ham & Cheddar, Turkey, Traditional, or 3 Cheese*) are \$8.00 and Pizzas (*Pepperoni, White, Cheese*) are \$9.00 each and can be purchased by calling the rectory. Orders are due by March 5 and can be picked up Saturday, March 13.

Service Paws of Central PA collects aluminum can tabs as a small part of their fundraising. Service Paws helps purchase service dogs (from accredited schools) and/or help with extraordinary veterinary expenses for an existing service dog. Tabs can be dropped off on the front porch at 413- 58th Street.

Please join us at the fifth annual PAWing IT FOREward golf tournament on July 22, 2021. Joe Fagnani, Chairman
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