

As we contemplate the mystery of the Resurrection of Jesus, joy is a word that often comes to mind. This joy is a sign that we have been profoundly moved by opening our hearts and minds to the promise of salvation offered by the Risen Lord. Filled with this joy, we can convincingly tell others the Good News that Jesus has redeemed us.

Holy Hour today, 5:00—6:00 PM.

EASTER DUTY

This is a term used to speak about the Code of Canon Law's precept that states all Catholics who have received First Communion are bound by the law to receive Communion at least once a year. This precept must be filled during the Easter Time, (Ash Wednesday until Trinity Sunday) which this year runs until May 18, 2008.

BAZAAR MEETING **MONDAY, APRIL 7 - 7:30 PM**

in the Church office.— We need YOU!

ISRAEL IN EGYPT

The Choral Society of N.E. PA, in conjunction with the Bloomsburg U. Concert Choir, will present George Frideric Handel's choral oratorio ISRAEL IN EGYPT at the Scranton Cultural Ctr., on Sat., April 26, at 8 PM. The concert will be performed with a full orchestra. Tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling 344-1111. Our music director/liturgical coordinator, Anthony J. Kubasek, will be singing with the Choral Society for this performance.

BIRTHDAY TEA

The Birthday Tea, sponsored by the Altar & Rosary Society, will be held on September 21, at 3:00 PM, in the cafeteria. **APRIL & JULY** tables are in need of a hostess! Please call Renee Benedetti, 675-4635, if you would like to help.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—ARC CAMPAIGN

The Dallas Knights of Columbus will be collecting by the doors for the ARC Campaign at Gate of Heaven on April 12-13. Please be as generous as you can.

CRAFT SHOW-ST. JOHN'S, LARKSVILLE

St. John's, Larksville, will sponsor a Spring Fling Craft Show, on Saturday, May 10 from 9 AM to 2 PM. Interested craft vendors may call St. John's at 779-9620, Mary at 814-3609 or Beverly at 417-4927.

MISSION STATEMENT

Gate of Heaven Parish is a faithful and holy community of Catholic believers who are baptized, and in union with the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. We worship God — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — through the celebration of the Mass and reception of the Church's Sacraments. We serve our community and the risen Lord by living the Gospel message and being Christ to others. As a welcoming community, we invite all to come and share their gifts with us and receive God's blessings.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

The Altar & Rosary Society will meet on Monday, April 14, following the evening Mass (in the vestibule). All women of the parish are invited to attend.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY BAKE SALE

The Altar & Rosary Society will sponsor a **SPRING BAKE SALE** on April 12 and 13. Buy a **COOKIE!**



THE PASTORAL FORMATION **INSTITUTE DAYS OF REFLECTION**

The Pastoral Formation Institute will offer a Day of Reflection on the recent encyclical of Pope Benedict XVI entitled "Spe Salvi" on Saturday, April 12, at Fatima Renewal Center, Dalton. The presentation will explain how our Holy Father's message encourages us to live "an active hope" amidst the struggles of a materialistic society. Presenter is Dr. Brian J. Benestad. Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Time: 9:30 AM—2:30 PM. Fee—\$25.00, and includes lunch. Call 563-8500 to register.

INTRODUCTION TO SIGN LANGUAGE

Introduction to Sign Language course will be held at Holy Redeemer High School, W-B, on April 7, 14, 21, 28 and May 5 (Mondays) from 6 to 8 PM. The course will focus on becoming familiar with the beautiful, expressive language of the Deaf Culture. Fee is \$30.00. Call 2072213, to register.



OUR 14TH ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR

Thursday, June 19 ~ Friday, June 20 ~ Saturday, June 21



RAFFLE PRIZES:

First Prize ~ \$1000.00; Second Prize ~ \$500.00

Third Prize ~ Hand made QUILT; 4th and 5th Prize—\$100.00.

Raffle tickets were mailed. Chances are \$2.00 each (\$20 for a book of 10).

BAZAAR BOOTH SPONSORS

An important way we raise start up money for the Bazaar is through Bazaar Sponsorship. If you or your workplace could donate \$100.00 we will prominently display your name or the name of your company logo so that all of our parishioners and everyone that comes to the Bazaar will recognize your support. Call Fran, 675-2121, for more information.

BAZAAR PLANT BOOTH

We are preparing for another great Plant Stand! If you would like to donate to the Plant Stand, please call Claudia, 675-2486, or Marion, 675-6547.

BASKETS GALORE!

The Baskets Galore Booth is ready for another great year of beautiful baskets. Our BASKETS are always the hit of the Bazaar and are the BEST in the VALLEY! If you would like to donate a Basket, please call Linda, 674-5713, Carol Carroll, 675-1394, or Fran, 477-2023. Wait until you see them!!

BOOK NOOK

Got BOOKS? Decorated white bags will be available SOON! Please take home a bag and return it after you do your SPRING CLEANING. We are looking for children's books that are in good condition too.

"AUNT SALLY'S UNIQUE BOUTIQUE"

We are in need of your vintage jewelry, scarves, small knick-knacks, and small unique items. You may drop your items off in the Church office after Easter.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



Wednesday, April 9, 2008 ~5 PM
Bishop John M. Dougherty, D.D., V.G.
Please pray for our candidates.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND-APRIL 25-27

The Engaged Encounter Weekend will be held at Fatima Renewal Center, Dalton, on April 25-27. Marriage preparation weekend program sponsored by the Diocesan Office for Parish Life/Family Life begins on Friday evening and concludes Sunday afternoon. For more information, call Nancy & Jim Wilson, 344-8028, or Kelly & John Stagen, 775-2802. To register visit Diocesan Web site: [www.dioceseofscranton.org/Marriage Preparation](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org/Marriage%20Preparation). Registration deadline: April 10.

PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

The Prayer Intention Book is located in the back of the Church. The book is an opportunity for parishioners and guests to write their prayer intentions. Others could then read these intentions and pray for one or all of them during Mass or when they come for a time of personal prayer or to visit the Blessed Sacrament. This is another way we can support one another in faith.

EVERY WEEKEND IS INVITE A FRIEND TO MASS~~JUST DO IT!!

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Gate of Heaven Church web-page. Check it out!

OASIS

OASIS is an overnight Retreat for high school youth and sponsored by the Back Mountain Catholic Youth Council. DATE: Friday, April 18 through Saturday, April 19. ARRIVAL: 6:45 PM (please eat dinner before arriving). DEPARTURE: Saturday, 7:00 PM. WHERE: Camp Orchard Hill. WHO: 9th—12th graders COST: \$55.00 per person. Call Denise at 696-1144 for more information.

Remembering...

Monday	Apr. 7	7:30 AM	Communion Service	
		7:00 PM	Wanda Murphy	Arlene/Joe & David Murphy
Tuesday	Apr. 8	7:30 AM	Edward Sampson	Chester Petroski
Wednesday	Apr. 9	7:30 AM	Betty Mulhern	M/M James Barlow
		9:00 AM	Edward Tomaszewicz	B. Ambrose/M. Newhart
		5:00 PM	SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION	
Thursday	Apr. 10	7:30 AM	Communion Service	
Friday	Apr. 11	7:30 AM	Kurt Pollard	Chris/Sandy Giza
Saturday	Apr. 12	7:30 AM	Communion Service	
		5:00 PM	Evan Williams	Joe/Ann Marie Gries
Sunday	Apr. 13	7:00 AM	Larry Kolankiewicz	Mary Evans
		9:00 AM	Priest's Intention	
		11:30 AM	Edward Endrusick, Jr.	Richard/Della Polinsky

Liturgical

Ministers

Apr. 12-13

Altar

Servers

Lectors

Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 PM	B. McDonnell C. McDonnell	Nancy Rowlands	Nancy Garvey, Karla Haydam J. McAndrew, L. Scholl, Judy Wallick
7:00 AM	C. Cawley	M. Lamoreux	Kathy Barlow, D. Kolankiewicz Angie Murray, F. Rismondo, D. Supey
9:00 AM	Aaron Yurko Eric Yurko	Joe Roman	Joan Keating, Ed/Evelyn Napieralski Dianne Ruch, Mary Theresa Yurko
11:30 AM	John Murray Julianna Murray	Tony Manorek Craig Selner	Joan Ansilio, Columba Bove V. Conrad, A. Flanagan, <i>Deacon Tom</i>

**The
Sanctuary
Light
this week
was given
in memory
of
Stephen &
Celia Monka
by
daughter,
Jean Monka.**



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

- ◆ *Who: Pre-school grade to 4th grade, 5th grade and up as Catechists & Aides*
- ◆ *What: Theme: Win the World with Jesus*
- ◆ *When: July 14—18; 9:30 to 11:30 AM. Sign up after the Bazaar!*

IN YOUR WILL and Estate planning, a gift to the Church can establish a special memorial forever in your memory. A simple bequest of even \$2,500.00 can help! At the same time you can save thousands of dollars in taxes! If you wish to consider such a gift, we will arrange for the writing of a basic will at no cost to you. Please call us, 675-2121.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NOTE

The Dallas Knights of Columbus Council is looking to recruit new members. We are active in many Church and community events. Take pride in showing and sharing your Christian beliefs. For more information call Jack Cacoza at 675-3944.