

The Church should be a sign of Christ's presence in the world. Each parish should be a Community of faith and love. Every member of the parish should have a care for every other member, for we are called to bear each other's burdens, to share each other's joys. Let us always work that our parish may reflect the glory of the risen Lord.

Holy Hour today, 5:00—6:00 PM.

EASTER COLLECTION

\$17,383.00

Thank you for your generous support.

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!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Gate of Heaven Parish wishes to invite all new families to consider joining our parish family. If you would like more information about joining Gate of Heaven or have any questions about the parish, please call us at 675-2121, or fill out the form below and drop it off in the collection basket or parish office. We will contact you regarding the various aspects of parish membership.

GATE OF HEAVEN PARISH REGISTRATION

Name _____

Address _____

City/Zip _____

Telephone _____ Cell _____

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.

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 207-2213, 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.

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.

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. Registration deadline: April 10.

M.O.P.S.

Please join us for Mother's of Prayer and Service meeting on Friday, April 18, from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. Please call Dianne, 675-4598, for more information.

www.gohchurch.org

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	Mar. 31	7:30 AM	Communion Service	
		7:00 PM	Matilda Konecke	K. Finarelli's RENEW Sisters
Tuesday	Apr. 1	7:30 AM	Henry Smaka	Dallas Knights of Columbus
Wednesday	Apr. 2	7:30 AM	Bruce Kapral	Scafella Family
Thursday	Apr. 3	7:30 AM	Communion Service	
Friday	Apr. 4	7:30 AM	Mary Casey	Pfeiffer Family
Saturday	Apr. 5	7:30 AM	Communion Service	
		5:00 PM	John Pishnock	Frank/Marlene Rollman
Sunday	Apr. 6	7:00 AM	Anthony/Elizabeth Zeto	M/M Jack Williams
		9:00 AM	Priest's Intention	
		11:30 AM	Gloria Good	Ann Marie/Jack Fowler

Liturgical Ministers Apr. 5-6

Altar Servers

Lectors

Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 PM	D. Pomfret S. Pomfret	R. McCarthy	Ruth Farris, Sue Gusher, Karla Haydam Judy Legg, <i>Deacon Tom</i>
7:00 AM	Drew Clouse	A. Heppding	Jim Barlow, B. Gillespie, D. Heppding M. Matthews, D. Kolankiewicz
9:00 AM	A. DeCesaris A. Gialanella	Mark VanLoon Jim McMonagle	Anthony/Karen DeCesaris, D. Ghezzi Mary Jule McCarthy, M. Yanik
11:30 AM	Casey Baldwin James Kelly	A. Jenkins	Joan Ansilio, Joe/Peg Canfield Virginia Conrad, Rose Schmid

**The
Sanctuary
Light
this week
was given
in honor of
the 56th
Wedding
Anniversary
of Joe & Peg
Canfield
by the
Canfield
Children.**



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!*

Last Sunday's Sacrificial Offering

*families used their SUNDAY envelopes and 227 offered \$4002.50 in last Sunday's Collection.
Children's Sunday & Easter—\$130.70
Please encourage your children to use their offertory envelopes. It is a wonderful way to teach stewardship to them. Thank you for your generosity.*

Who is a Christian Steward?

One who receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord.

Our Holy Thursday collection will go directly to **HANDS TOGETHER** — \$669.00. Thank you.