

# WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

**SS PETER & PAUL ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Lehighton, PA**  
**January 6 & 7, 2007 – EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

- Monday, January 8 – Baptism of the Lord**  
 8:00AM – Lubumira & Wiktor Kostyrka – M/M Kornilow
- Tuesday, January 9 – Weekday**  
 8:00AM – Ann Mary Obert – Marie Obert
- Wednesday, January 10 – Weekday**  
 8:00AM – Florence J. Howe – Howe Estate  
 10:00AM – Gnaden Huetten Nursing Home – **MASS** Margaret Simon – Paul Goldbach  
 10:00AM – Mahoning Valley Nursing Home – **COMMUNION**
- Thursday, January 11 – Weekday**  
 8:00AM – Evelyn Yurick – Estate
- Friday, January 12 – Weekday**  
 6:30PM – Kazimierz Zietara – M/M Kornilow
- Saturday, January 13 – Vigil Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 4:00PM – Jerome Trently, Jr. – Virgil Barbara Hodel – Frankllin Hodel
- Sunday, January 14 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00AM – Living & Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society  
 9:30AM – Kate & Manuel DeSousa – Kermit & Lucy Miller  
 11:30AM – Parishioners of SS. Peter & Paul Church

**COMING EVENTS**

1/8 – Eucharistic Adoration  
 8:30AM – 6:30PM  
 1/8 – **NO MEETING OF ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY**  
 1/9 – PTO Meeting 6:30

**January 13 & 14, 2007 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

TIME	LECTOR	EM'S	ALTAR SERVERS	GREETERS
4:00PM	P. Mriss	F. Heery/ R. Hlavaty J. Wilhelm	C. Hansler/ B. Smith T. Jackson	E. Nanovic P. Taschler
8:00AM	J. Mustacchio	J. Hanosek/ E. & M. Heery	M. Smith/ P. Phelan A. Galasso	M. J. Davis
9:30AM	G. Bowman	J. Cronin/ P. Hartman W. Sander	T. & V. Mele/ K. Higgins	_____
11:30AM	J. Meier	P. & A. Kelly/ A. Wilhelm	N. Tkach/ A. Kelly E. Beckett	D. Mullen/ P., A., & A. Kelly

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER PARISH SICK VISITATION: For January 14:** J. Hanosek, A: P. Fritzing, B.

**CHURCH CLEANING CREW for January 13:** J. Wolk, D. Kashetta, E. Roberts, A.M. Lencovich, K. Haldeman, and E. Onichimowski. If you are unable to help, please find a substitute.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEK** are for

the 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Irena & Jozef Bezak. Congratulations

**TODAY'S GOSPEL** tells us: The Magi looked first in Jerusalem and Herod's palace but didn't find Jesus until "they entered a home." Like the Magi we often look for God and fulfillment in the wrong places only to discover that God is waiting for us in the loving acceptance of our home.

**FOOD PANTRY** is accepting **Pork and Beans** for the month of January. Your donations are appreciated.

**TRAVELING ICON:** Our icon of SS. Peter & Paul continues its journey this weekend. May the prayers of our Parish Family bear fruit in bringing forth men and women to follow the call of the Lord as priests and religious. The duty of fostering vocations falls on the whole Christian community...*The family finds in the plan of God the Creator and Redeemer not only its identity, what it is, but also its mission, what it can and will do. Each family finds within itself a summons that cannot be ignored, and that specifies both its dignity and its responsibility: family, become what you are (And what are you?) an "intimate community of life and love."* Hence, the family has the mission to guard, reveal and communicate love. *Pope John Paul II – On the Role of the Christian Family on the Modern World.*

*-Pope John Paul II*

**Praying for Vocations January 7 – 13, 2007**  
**John & Mary Jeanne Davis**

**LET US REMEMBER OUR PRIESTS IN PRAYER:**

Jan. 8– Very Rev. Bernard F. O'Connor, O.S.F.S., Ph.D.

Jan. 9– Rev. Msgr. Edward J., V.F., M.Th., M.S.W.

Jan. 10– Rev. William J. O'Donnell

Jan. 11– Rev. John L. Ondic

Jan. 12– Rev. William J. Onushco, M.Div., Th.M.

Jan. 13– Rev. Cletus S. Onyegbule, M.Div.

Jan. 14– Rev. Ronald J. Oranczak

**NEW YORK CITY BUS TRIP** – Surprise someone with a ticket to see **"The Drowsy Chaperone"** (a musical comedy) on **March 24<sup>th</sup>**. Call the rectory office for more information. *What a great gift!*

**PARISH RETREAT:** Our parish will be having its 1<sup>st</sup> Parish Retreat from **Friday evening March 23<sup>rd</sup>** 'til **Sunday early afternoon March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007.**

This will take place at Mary Immaculate Center, Northampton. The theme of the retreat is: "Come Follow Me." The retreat team, made up of our own parishioners, has been established. More information will be forthcoming. Mark down the

dates.

**END OF LIFE ISSUES**

With aging or illness come questions about many issues. Join us for a six-week discussion class exploring end-of-life issues such as:

- ❖ Advanced Care Planning – choosing how you wish to be treated during a serious illness;
- ❖ The Five Wishes Booklet – a resource about choosing the medical treatment you want (includes a durable power of attorney)
- ❖ Educational and self-care resources for Caregivers
- ❖ Hospice Care
- ❖ Funeral planning
- ❖ Emotional and physical dimensions of grieving

Classes and materials are free. There are two opportunities for classes. Monday evenings at 7:00PM and Wednesday afternoons at 1:00PM beginning Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at St. John's Lutheran Church, 6<sup>th</sup> and North Streets, Jim Thorpe. Adults of all ages are invited. Contact Jane Mason, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Diaconal Ministry candidate at 570-325-5590 for more information and registration or call St. John's Church at 570-325-3471.

**Continuing the Statutes that were determined by the Diocesan Synod and signed into law by Bishop Cullen:**

**STRENGTHENING CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE**

**Statute 10.**

Diocesan and parish ministries shall be guided by the principles of the documents published by the Holy See and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops concerning a family perspective in Church and society.

**Statute 11.**

A comprehensive Diocesan plan shall be developed to provide catechetical, formational, pastoral and spiritual support for living the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony in all its aspects.

1) The plan shall include a component for the evaluation of current and proposed programs.

2) Opportunities shall be provided for parents and guardians to further their formation, education, and understanding of Catholic teaching regarding the meaning of Marital love, sexuality, and other family life issues so that they may better

inculcate Catholic values in their children.

**Statute 12.**

Diocesan, parish, and Catholic school activities and events should be scheduled in such a way that enables families to experience Catholic worship and prayer as their priority in family life.

**Statute 13.**

Clergy and laity who serve in diocesan and parish ministries are to further their education in order to enhance their knowledge and to improve their skills to preach, evangelize, and teach Catholic doctrines concerning marriage and family life.

**Statute 14.**

Effective methods of communication are to be developed and utilized to promote the Diocesan programs, resources, and services that support and strengthen Catholic teaching regarding marriage and family life.

**SCRIP CARDS** will be available in the school from now until the beginning of March. Because of the chance of inclement weather, SCRIP will not be sold outside after the Masses for the next two months. It can however be purchased in the school on any school day. The J.C. Penney cards can now be used to pay on your account.

**FOSTER CARE** – Families are needed to care for children of all ages who need foster homes. Catholic Charities, Diocese of Allentown seeks single parent or two-parent families to provide ongoing foster care or respite care. Please contact Dolores Novack at 570-628-0466, ext. 305 .

**ICON FOR VOCATIONS**

**We are ready to begin the second year of our parish in its mission of praying for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life.**

**This upcoming year let us add another intention and that is ‘praying for the sanctification of the family’. It is the family that is the ‘seed-bed’ for the laying of the foundation of a vocation. A new sign-up poster has been set up inside the front doors of the church. Consider bringing the icon of SS Peter & Paul into your homes for a week and pray that our young men and women will say ‘YES’ to God’s call.**

**YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

**XLT (EXALT) YOUTH NIGHT:**

Students in grades 7 – 12 are invited to participate in the next XLT night on Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> from 6 – 8 PM at Notre Dame Parish, Bethlehem. The evening includes guest speaker Molly Kelly, music by Catholic FX, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and refreshments.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2008 SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA:**

Young Adults (18 – 30) are invited to attend informational meetings regarding the diocesan World Youth Day pilgrimage in July 2008. Meetings will be held at the following locations: St. Ambrose, Schuylkill Haven: Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> 11:30AM in the rectory meeting room. Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Bethlehem: Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> 1:00PM in the school hall. Partial scholarships will be available through the generosity of the Strengthening our Future in Faith campaign.

**OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES**

If your New Year’s resolution is to build a strong foundation for our upcoming wedding, you need an Engaged Encounter Weekend! Don’t just plan for the day – prepare for a lifetime! EE is sponsored by the Office of Family Life Ministries of the Diocese of Allentown. For more information and the schedule of weekends for 2007, Call Joe or Mim Allison at 610-282-3083.

**MARRIAGE HELP**

Stress in Your Marriage? – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness, others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don’t know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. Our next program will be held on February 9 – 11, 2007 at the Malvern Family Center, Malvern, Pa. For confidential information about or to register for this program please call 1-800-470-2230 or visit our web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

**WHY PAY MORE?????**

**Since you get more than your money’s worth in Catholic School, it’s a wise investment in your child’s future.**