

CHURCH
OF THE
ASSUMPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY

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March 22,
2009
Fourth
Sunday of
Lent

Liturgy

Weekdays, 8:00 a.m.
Weekends: Saturday, 9:00 a.m., 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, 9:00 , 11:00 a.m.
Adoration Fri. 9 a.m. - 9 a.m. Sat.
Sun. 2 pm – 8 am Mon.

Sacraments

Confessions: Saturday, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Baptisms: Arrange at Rectory
Matrimony: Arrange at least 1 year
in advance.
Anointing of the Sick: Call the rectory

***Welcome:** We extend our hands and hearts to you here, celebrating with us, whether longtime resident or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us.*

MISSION STATEMENT

*Our parish is a diverse and dynamic Catholic family community, committed to Jesus Christ, guided by the Holy Spirit and relying on the Patronage of His Mother, Mary.
We will serve not only the needs of our Parish Church, school, and individual members, but also the broader needs of our society, in union with the other Parishes of the Ashtabula County Deanery and the Diocese of Youngstown, through worship, stewardship, education, Christian service, evangelization and other programs.*



FAITH, and The SON, Gifts from God. Love gave them. You have been saved through them.



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE By Bud Ozar

Notice in today's gospel: "God so loved us, He GAVE his Son." Love is about giving, not getting! Love is not selfish. Lovers are givers with no strings attached.

CHRISM MASS

We would like 1 or 2 more parishioners to represent the parish and carry our banner at the Holy Thursday Chrism Mass, April 9, 10:30 AM at the cathedral. A carpool will be set up of interested persons. **Please call the rectory by March 23.**

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Altar & Rosary Society will be March 30 at 10 am in the school library.

K OF C BENEFIT DINNER

On Monday, March 30, the Knights of Columbus of District 63 will be sponsoring a benefit dinner for three seminarians: Michael Marcelli, Kevin Estabrook and John Sheridan. The event will be held at Mother of Sorrows school hall, 1464 W. 6th St, Ashtabula. Cost is \$13. Tickets are available from Paul Stumpff, 466-2095, or Mike Kahanca, 964-8398. Please join us in showing support for our seminarians.

COMALYA HONORS MIKE KAHANCA

Friday, April 17, 6-11 pm at DeRubertis Party Center, Madison. Tickets are \$45 each with a discount for table of 8 for \$320. In purchasing a table for 8, one person is to collect all monies and pay at one time, before our event. Tickets are available from Board members and the school office. Join us for dinner and dancing (to Good Question band), silent auction and Chinese auction.

K of C CHARITY TICKETS are available at the school office. They are \$5 each with half the price returned to the school. The tickets must be purchased here for money to stay here. Thanks for your support.

PARENTS' BAPTISM CLASS, March 26, 7pm in rectory. Godparents encouraged to join parents.

A few Wed. morning Masses are open for requests. Call.

Please remember to pray for the sick and recovering in the parish. Ray Conley, June Reynolds

LENTEN SCHEDULE

This Week:

Sundays: Adoration 2pm-8am Mon
"Awaken Your Faith" 6:30-8:30
Wednesdays: Lenten Series, 12:10 Methodist Church. Luncheon Follows
Mass at 6:30 pm
Fridays: Adoration, 9am-9 am Sat.
Stations of the Cross, 7 pm
Saturdays: Confessions, 3-4 pm.
*Communal Penance Service, 7:00 pm
Extra priests available.

PARISH POTLUCK

Remember our second monthly Parish Potluck on the first Sunday of the month. The next one is after the Family Mass on April 5th. Come one, come all!! Bring a dish to share.

GOLF OUTING

Assumption School Golf Outing, "Scramble for Education," is looking for sponsors and golfers for this year's event to be held June 8, 2009, at Madison Country Club. Benefits Assumption School. For more information call Joe Cook, 440-862-4498.

SHARE THE BOUNTY (rummage) SALE

Spring cleaning time is here. As you begin, remember the Bounty Sale is in May. We are accepting items now. Call 466-3207.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC is held in the St. Vincent de Paul office, west side of the rectory on Wednesday, 1-3pm. Adults are asked to call the Health Dept, 576-6010, so they can be prepared with what you need.

From April to October, they will also offer early evening hours, 5-7 pm, on the first and third Thursdays, BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Please call the Health Dept.

ADULT INQUIRY CLASS is meeting on Mondays, 7:00-8:30 in Sr. Joyce's office, above school office. For anyone who would like to learn more, ask questions, listen, grow, or know the meaning of faith, you are invited. Call Sr. Joyce for more information, 466-3664.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 22:

SUN.	Second Scrutiny	11:00
	“Adult Faith” class	6:30
MON.	Inquiry into the Faith, Class for adults.....	7:00
TUE.	BINGO, 3/24/09. Team # 3	6:30
	Admissions	D. Pasqualone
	Early Birds	R. Laurello
	Early Instants	T. Ivankovic
	Cashier	B. Peters
	Kitchen	T. Baxter, T. Foss, B. Peters
	I Caller	J. Ayersman
	Floor	Need Worker
	Instants	T. Ivankovic
	II Caller	J. Ayersman
	Floor	J. Kleps
	Instants	T. Ivankovic
WED.	GMA Lenten Series	12:10
	CCD, K-7,	4:15
	Choir	7:30
THU.	Basketball Practice	5-7
FRI.	Stations of the Cross	7:00
	Soccer Practice	6-7:30
SAT.	Scouts Pinewood Derby	2:00
	Communal Penance Service	7:00
SUN.	Gulu Mission Appeal	all Masses
	“Adult Faith” class	6:30

TABERNACLE CANDLES FOR THE WEEK

1. In Memory of HELEN VANDERVORT By Family

BLANKETS FOR BABIES

The Blankets for Babies Project always welcome new crafters: knitters, crocheters, quilters and garment makers. We have fabric and yarn to get you started on afghans, quilts and baby garments. Finished items can be brought to the church rectory or taken to Immaculate Conception church office. An informative brochure can be obtained from Lake County Right to Life, 440-255-5257.

NEXT WEEK Ray Gruber Jr. will speak of the needs of the **Grounds & Gardens** Committee. Collection is on April 5.

GOOD NEWS COUNTER has new Easter and First Communion items. New items coming in each week. Stop in and see us after weekend Masses or by special appointment.

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registrations are now being accepted for the 2009-2010 school year. Pre-K through Grade 6. Call the school office for more information, or to schedule a visit, 466-2104.

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

March 15, 2009 Offertory\$ 4,102
Renovation Fund Balance\$ 4,624

Bills to be paid\$ 5,318
Prior Assessments & Internal Loans:...\$26,939 + 42,000
Thanks to all our generous parishioners.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. “For we are His handiwork,” says St. Paul in the second reading, “created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.”

CHRIST CHILD DAY OF REFLECTION

Wednesday, March 25, 8:30-2:30 at St. John Vianney Social Hall, 7575 Bellflower Rd, Mentor. The Topic is *The Face of Terminal Illness*. Registration is at 8:30, Prayer at 9 am, 4 speakers, lunch at 12:15 and Mass at 1:30. Call Marilyn Bergen, 440-639-9604, for more information.

“CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER”

Monday, March 23 at 7 pm, a program entitled “Care for the Caregiver” will be held at Immaculate Conception Parish, Madison, for those who are caring for ailing parents, terminally ill spouses, children, family members, etc. You are invited to this informative evening. For more information or reservations, call Grace at the church office, 428-5164.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Marriage Encounter goes to the Akron Zoo on May 31, 1-5 pm. Registration forms will be in the next issue of *Footprints* newsletter. Cost is \$8 per person (includes admission, parking, face painting, ice cream and behind-the-scenes tours). If you do not receive *Footprints*, you can request a registration form from Dave & Lucy Downs, 330-546-0742, or by email: downhome@neo.rr.com. Please join the fun in these ME activities.

ST. JOHN & PAUL SCHOOL

SJP is now enrolling students K-12 for the 2009-2010 school year. Financial aid and scholarships are available. For more information or to schedule a visit, call 997-5531.

SJ/SJP Alumni Assoc will be hosting the 2009 Herald Hall of Fame Induction Banquet on Saturday, April 25 at the High School. 2009 Inductees include: John Brace, Steve Cress, Jayne Colin-Currie, Dario DiMare, John Buskirk, Carol Carney, Dixon Greenwood, Margaret Napoli, Louis & Madeline Simon. To purchase dinner tickets, please call the school, 997-5531 or email christy.kovacs@neomin.org. Cost is \$30 per person.

A WITNESS

I have to admit that loving my brothers and sisters in Christ can be hard. I tend to get caught up in what my “siblings” are doing and how I feel about it. Your promise that love will be a witness to the world sometimes seems impossible.

But how I feel about it doesn’t change Your command to love. I know I can’t love on my own; but through Your Spirit I can do all things— even this. When I seek to love others, I need to keep my eyes on You, not on their flaws. Sweep away my critical attitude, and fill me with Your Love.

“Suffering is a test of faith...If God’s love calls you in suffering, respond by self-surrender, and you will learn the mystery of love.” J Messner

Mass Intentions  for the week

SAT.	4:30 PM	ROSE ROSKOVICS Jenny & Henry Klarzuk
SUN.	9:00 AM	JUNE ELLER Assumption Choir
	11:00 AM	JOE LEBEN Ray & Fran Gruber

MON.	8:00 AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
TUE.	No Service	
WED.	8:00 AM	VERN YOUNGBERG John & Alexandra Schader
	6:30 PM	JACKIE CIMORELL Larry Varsetti Jr.
THU	8:00 AM	LOUIS GRECO Marian & Joe Yurosky
FRI.	8:00 AM	MARGARET REUSE Assumption School Staff & Students
SAT.	9:00 AM	JOHN BUSKIRK Altar & Rosary Society
	4:30 PM	ELIZABETH BAKER Altar & Rosary Society
SUN.	9:00 AM	RACHELE STEIMER Connie & Dane Siedlarczyk
	11:00 AM	NEIL TOTH Marilyn & Jim Toth

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAR 28-29:

LECTOR

SAT.	4:30 PM	L. Lotze
SUN.	9:00 AM	J. Coggins
	11:00 AM	R. Linehan

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SAT.	4:30 PM	M. Bergen, L. Lippart, C. Fenner
SUN.	9:00 AM	P. Stoltz, R. Linehan
	11:00 AM	J. Soslowicz, R. Linehan, S. Sharpe

ACOLYTES

SAT.	4:30 PM	J. Ferrante, F. Stocker
SUN.	9:00 AM	J. Loftus, J. Koch
	11:00 AM	A. Fistek, T. Hunt, K. Lewis

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAR 22:

Sun.	(B) 2 Chr 36:14-16,19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21
Mon.	Is 65:17-21; Ps 30; Jn 4:43-54
Tue.	Eze 47:1-9,12; Ps 46; Jn 5:1-16
Wed.	(Annunciation) Is 7:10-14,8:10; Ps 40; Lk 1:26-38
Thu.	Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Fri.	Wis 2:1,12-22; Ps 34; Jn 7:1-1,10,25-30
Sat.	Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7; Jn 7:40-53
Sun.	(B) Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33



Special Mission

GULU ARCHDIOCESE

On the weekend of March 28-29, Fr. Robert Obol, who is studying in Cleveland, OH and has celebrated Mass here at Assumption for the last three years will be speaking about his Archdiocese of Gulu at all the masses.

Africa has seen great progress since their last synod of bishops 15 years ago. More than half the bishops have been named in that time. The number of priests have grown 33%; the number of parishes increased 20%, Catholic population is up by 33%, and the number of students in Catholic schools is up nearly 40%.

The people of Africa are now being visited by Pope Benedict, March 17-23. He encourages them as he hears about their concerns. The Archdiocese of Gulu has suffered for a long time because of a civil conflict between a rebel group called the LRA and the Government of Uganda. Though the guns and violence have been silent for the last two years the people still continue to suffer from the long term consequences of the war. There are many people who have been traumatized by the war. The mission appeal that Fr. Obol will be doing is to support the work of the Social Charities of the Archdiocese of Gulu which provides these victims of war with counseling and rehabilitation.

Pray for the strength of the Church in Africa.

