

CHURCH  
OF THE  
ASSUMPTION  
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN  
MARY

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BISHOP OF YOUNGSTOWN

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March 29,  
2009  
Fifth 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

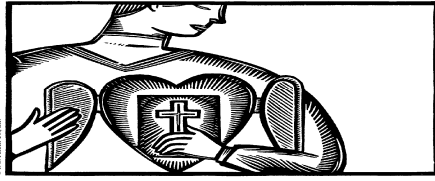
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*Welcome: We extend our hands and hearts to you here, celebrating with us, whether longtime resident or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us.*

**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.*



**“I will place my law within them  
and write it upon their hearts;  
I will be their God, and they shall be my people.”  
Jeremiah 31:33**

### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

By Bud Ozar



Today's gospel teaches: "Whoever loves his life, loses it." Letting go and death to self are keys to successful relationships. If we hold onto another too tightly, we smother them. Unless we die to ourselves, we use others for our needs. Hear Jesus today: "If the grain of wheat dies, there is much fruit." Family life and relationships require sacrifice.

#### LENTEN SCHEDULE

Sunday: Adoration 2p-8a Monday.  
"Awaken Your Faith" 6:30-8:30 pm.  
Wednesday: Lenten Series, 12:10 at Methodist Church. Luncheon follows.  
Mass 6:30 pm  
Friday: Adoration, 9 am-9 am Saturday.  
Stations of the Cross, 7:00 pm.  
Saturday: Confessions, 3-4 pm.  
Palm Sunday: Process from Hall to Church before each Mass. Adoration 2p-8am  
Confessions, 8-10 pm.

**FAMILY MASS** is at 11:00 next Sunday, April 5. A Parish **Potluck** meal will be held in the hall Noon-2:00. Bring a dish to share.

**ALTAR & ROSARY** meets Monday, March 30, at 10 am in the school library.

#### "SCRAMBLE 'FORE' EDUCATION"

Assumption School Golf Outing 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.

**LUNCH BUNCH** will meet at 1:00 on April 9 at MarG's, 4949 Golf Ave, Geneva on the Lake. For reservations call Dea, 466-3594, or Peg, 466-1793.

#### BULLETIN DEADLINES this week

Copy must be sent Tuesday, March 31 for Palm Sunday, April 5; and Friday, April 3 for Easter Sunday, April 12. Please have information to the office before these deadlines. Thank you.

Please remember to pray for the sick and recovering in the parish.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **RYAN SCHWARTFIGURE**, grandson of Malvina Schwartfigure, **CARMELLA ESPOSITO**, sister of Tony Esposito, who died recently.

**K of C BENEFIT DINNER** will be held Monday, March 30 at Mother of Sorrows school hall to benefit three seminarians. Social hour begins at 5:30, dinner at 6:30. Cost is \$13.

#### COMALYA

Only a few weeks to go before the Comalya is here, Friday, April 17, 6-11 pm at DeRubertis Party Center. Honored this year is Mike Kahanca. Tickets are \$45 each or a table for 8 for \$320, available from Board Members of the Assumption School office. Join us for an evening of dining, dancing to "Good Question," and silent & Chinese auctions.

#### K of C CHARITY TICKETS

The annual K of C Charity Tickets are available at the school office for \$5 each. Many good prizes await. The school receives \$2.50 for each ticket sold here. Get yours today.

#### GOOD NEWS COUNTER

New items weekly for Easter and First Communion. Stop in and see them after weekend Masses or by special appointment. Call Mary, 466-2822.

#### ADULT INQUIRY CLASS

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

**DONATE BLOOD** in memory of John Buskirk. Sts John & Paul Key Club will be hosting a Red Cross Bloodmobile on Friday, April 24, 1-7 pm in the SJP high school gym.

**Market Day** orders due this Tue. Pick up is Sat., Apr 4, 10-11 am. Have you tried any of the Market Day items?

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAR 29:

SUN.	Grounds & Garden Speaker .....	all Masses
	Gulu Mission Appeal .....	all Masses
	Divine Mercy Speaker .....	all Masses
MON.	Soccer Practice .....	6-8
	Seminarian Benefit Dinner, at Mother of Sorrows ..	6:30
TUE.	Market Day orders due .....	
	BINGO, 3/31/09. Team # 4 .....	6:30
	Admissions	D. Pasqualone
	Early Birds	R. Laurelio
	Early Instants	T. Ivankovic
	Cashier	B. Peters
	Kitchen	T. Baxter, T. Foss,
	I Caller	J. Watson
	Floor	C. Rice
	Instants	N. Perijoc, S. Gonzalez
	II Caller	C. Rice
	Floor	J. Watson
	Instants	N. Perijoc, S. Gonzalez
WED.	GMA Lenten Series .....	12:10
	CCD, K-7, .....	4:15
	Choir .....	7:30
THU.	Basketball Practice .....	5-7
FRI.	Soccer Practice .....	6-7:30
SAT.	Market Day Pick-up .....	10-11
	Confessions .....	3-4
SUN.	PALM SUNDAY, process: hall to church ....	all Masses
	Grounds & Garden Collection .....	all Masses
	Family Mass .....	11:00
	Potluck meal .....	Noon
	Hall rental .....	2-4pm
	Special Confession time .....	8-10 pm

## TABERNACLE CANDLES FOR THE WEEK:

- In Memory of ELNORA & CLIFFORD E. FENNER  
By Family

## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

“Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be.” In what ways is Jesus inviting me to follow Him? What service is He asking of me?

## CCD REGISTRATION—FOR FALL, 2009

For new and returning students, registration begins April 1, 2009 and ends April 22, 2009. This includes Grades K-8. Children expecting to make First Communion in grade 2 must be enrolled in grade 1. Confirmation candidates for 2010, must be enrolled for grade 7 or 8. Registration forms are available by calling Sr. Joyce, 466-3664. Please provide sacramental records if new to our program.

## OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

March 22, 2009 Offertory .....	\$4,048
Renovation Fund Balance .....	\$4,680
Bills to be paid .....	\$ 4,304
Prior Assessments & Internal Loans:	\$26,939+42,000

Thanks to all our generous parishioners.

## DEATH PENALTY ALERT

The State of Ohio has scheduled the execution of Mr. Brett Hartmann for April 7, 2009. Please pray for the families of violent crimes, and for those awaiting execution. Call Governor Strickland, 614-466-3555, to request mercy by commuting Mr. Hartmann's death sentence to life in prison without parole, or write to: Office of the Governor; 77 S. High St; Columbus, OH 43266. or E-mail: <http://governor.ohio.gov/Assistance/ContacttheGovernor/tabid/150/Default.aspx>

## HEALTH CARE CONSCIENCE PROTECTION

The US Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) is inviting public comment on a proposal to rescind an important December, 2008 federal regulation that protects the conscience rights of health care providers. Help protect the rights of our Catholic health care professionals and institutions. Please visit [www.usccb.org/conscienceprotection](http://www.usccb.org/conscienceprotection) to access links to make a comment and to find out more information. Comments must be posted by April 9, 2009.

## BULLETIN ADVERTIZERS

Our Sunday bulletin is a primary way we use to communicate with you. Through our arrangement with the J.S. Paluch Co, the parish does not pay for the bulletin printing, which saves us thousands of dollars every year. Our bulletin is supported through the generosity of the advertisers— many of whom are our own parish members. Most are members of our community. During thee difficult economic times, I urge you to support our advertisers with your patronage. Tell the business owner that you appreciate their support of our parish through their advertising in the bulletin. This is one small way we can work with in our own community to weather these challenging times. *A strong and vibrant parish is good for our community and a strong business community is good for our parish.*

## OFFICE OF PRO-LIFE

God is exceptionally generous to those who faithfully follow His will as revealed through the teachings of His Church and there are many practical benefits for those who choose Natural Family Planning, (spouse communication, low divorce rate, cost freedom, bother and side effects) but more importantly there are the freedom and joy that come with holding nothing back from God.  
Sara Fox Peterson

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Saints John & Paul Senior Class who scored higher than the national average on the ACRE test which tests knowledge of all four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.


**Mass Intentions for the week**

<b>SAT.</b>	<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>ELIZABETH BAKER</b> Altar & Rosary Society
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>RACHELE STEIMER</b> Connie & Dane Siedlarczyk
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>NEIL TOTH</b> Marilyn & Jim Toth
<b>MON.</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>PEOPLE OF THE PARISH</b>
<b>TUE.</b>	<b>No Service</b>	
<b>WED.</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>RON CONGDON</b> Tess & Randy
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>GERTRUDE GERMACK</b> Assumption Choir
<b>THU</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>POPE JOHN PAUL II</b> Ray & Fran Gruber
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>FOR RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS</b>
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>GEORGE GIFFORD</b> Family
	<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>JEANNETTE MEZMARICH</b> Blue Star Mothers
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>DAN FENNER</b> Elaine & Ralph Varckette
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>DARRYL EARTLY JR.</b> Ann Grdanc

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 4-5:

#### LECTOR

SAT.	4:30 PM	
SUN.	9:00 AM	Lectors will be called
	11:00 AM	

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

#### ACOLYTES

SAT.	4:30 PM	K. Baxter, T. Stocker
SUN.	9:00 AM	B. Privitera, D. Gustafson
	11:00 AM	C. Vaughn, M. Sharpe, A. Logan

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAR 29:

Sun.	(B) Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33
Mon.	Dan 13:41-62; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
Tue.	Num 21:4-9; Ps 102; Jn 8:21-30
Wed.	Dan 3:14-20,91-92,95; Dan 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thu.	Gen 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
Fri.	Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Sat.	Eze 37:21-28; Jer 31:10-13; Jn 11:45-56
Sun.	(Palm Sun) Mk 11: 1-10; Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1—15:47

**ELEMENTARY CATECHESIS:**

Forming Children as Disciples.

This adult class will be held at St. Joseph, Jefferson, Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm, with Sr. Clara, April 15-May 13, 2009. Contact the Office of Religious Education, 330-744-8451 for more information.

**ADOLESCENT CATECHESIS:**

Forming Youth as Disciples.

This adult class will be held at Assumption, Sundays, 6:30-9:00 pm, with Sr. Joyce, May 17 & 31, June 14 & 28. Contact the Office of Religious Education at the number above, or see Sr. Joyce.

**“THE GIFT: COME DISCOVER  
YOUR CALL TO GREATNESS”**

Christopher West, speaker, author and faculty member for the Theology of the Body Institute will present a program at St. Charles Borromeo Parish, 7345 Westview Dr, Boardman, OH on Wednesday, May 6, 7-9 pm. Sponsored by Office of Pro-Life, Marriage & Family of the Diocese of Youngstown. Registration fee is \$10 if by April 23, or \$15 at the door.

**BOCCE TOURNAMENT**

Sts John & Paul will be holding a Bocce Tournament on May 15-16 at the Sons of Italy Lodge– so get your 4 person team together! There will be Amateur and Master Divisions and ca\$h prizes. To register, contact Ticey Czap at ticeyc@gmail.com or 964-9683, or Mark Timonere at mjkkj@roadrunner.com or 813-5877. Registration deadline is May 1st. A portion of proceeds will benefit the John Buskirk Scholarship Fund.

**SPRING HEALTH FAIR**

Sponsored by RaeAnn Geneva, Behm, ACMC, and others. Friday, April 17, 9 am-1 pm at Geneva Community Center. At noon, special guest speaker is Herb Stein from Discovery Channel’s Storm Chaser. For more information, call Beth Cheney, 466-5733.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS QUIZ**

1. The first station: who imposes the death sentence on Jesus?
2. At the second station what does Jesus receive?
3. “Jesus falls the first time.” What lesson does this teach us?
4. Who is it that helps Jesus with the burden of the cross?
5. Who is the lady of the sixth station? What gift is she given?

Come Friday night to learn the answers!