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OF THE  
ASSUMPTION  
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN  
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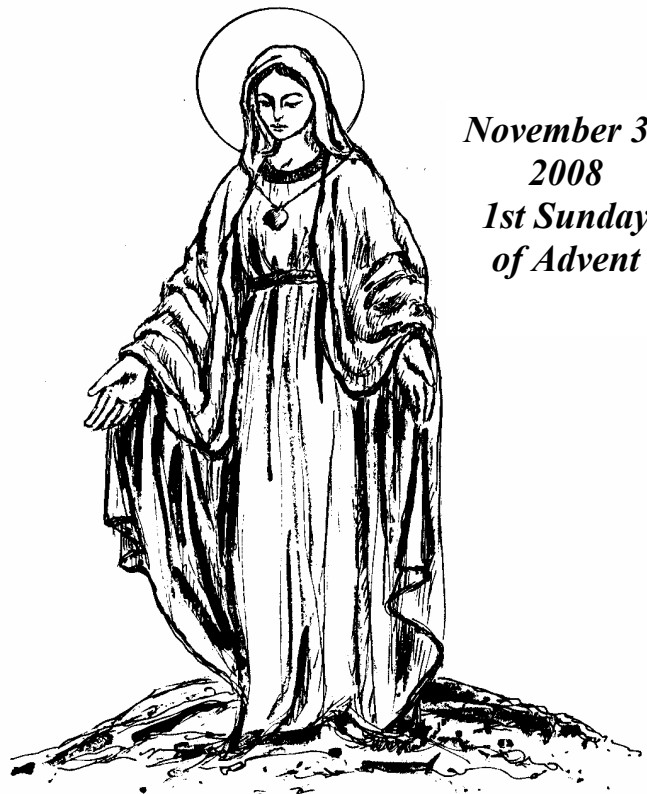
MOST REVEREND GEORGE MURRY, SJ  
BISHOP OF YOUNGSTOWN

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November 30  
2008  
1st Sunday  
of Advent

**Liturgy**

Weekdays, 8:00 a.m.  
Weekends: Saturday, 9:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday, 8:00, 10:00 a.m., 12: noon  
Adoration Fri. 9 a.m. - 9 a.m. Sat.  
Sun. 2 pm - 8 am Mon.

**Sacraments**

**Confessions:** Saturday, 4:00 - 5:00 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.*



## ADVENT begins today. We will observe 5 minutes of silence before each Mass.



### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

By Bud Ozar

Today's gospel warns about routines and specifically mentions eating and drinking, raising a family, working and preparing meals. **STAY AWAKE** because routines can numb you to God breaking into your daily life, calling you to higher ground, "when you least expect."

### DISASTER RELIEF FUND

American Red Cross has asked us for assistance to aid the resources in their Relief Fund. **Next Sunday**, the second collection will be for them. Please write check payable to American Red Cross.

**FAMILY MASS** will be celebrated next weekend. All children & teens are invited to come at 11:30 to the Friendship Room to practice with the choir.

### CCD MASS

There will be a Mass for the CCD students, families and friends on Wednesday, Dec. 3 at 4:15. It is for the feast of St. Francis Xavier.

**The Sharing Tree and Red "Stockings are hung"**  
Donated items should be placed under the tree by Dec 14. Delivery to the families is that week. Thank you for helping us give Christmas to the 40 people in our 8 adopted families.

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

**December 8th** is the feast of the Immaculate Conception and is a holy day of obligation. Since it falls on a Monday, there is no vigil Mass. Masses on Dec. 8th are at 8 am and 7:30 pm.

### ALTAR & ROSARY CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Altar & Rosary annual Christmas luncheon will be held Dec. 12 at Noon at Ferrante's Winery. Bring a friend and an item for the Food Pantry. We will be ordering off the menu. For reservations call Delores Kessler, 466-5867.

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

.Please pray for the repose of the soul of **MARILYN HEAD**, sister of Vel Gifford, who died recently.

### SANTA'S WORKSHOP

Dec 4 & 5, during school hours, Dec 6 & 7 after Masses, the Parents Association will have gift items at affordable prices. Come browse, you may see something you like!

### SANTA'S BREAKFAST

Sunday, December 7, 8:45- 11:45am. Breakfast with Santa will include pancakes, sausage, juice & coffee. Adult meals are \$5. children 3-11 are \$3, Senior citizens are \$3, children under 2 are free. Pictures with Santa will be available for \$4 and Christmas Basket Raffle tickets will be \$1 or 6 for \$5.

### BOOK COVERS

The new liturgical year begins today using the new missalettes. It's not too late to purchase a cover in memory of someone. Donation is \$5 each. You can use the printed envelopes in the display or a plain white envelop with "Cover" written on it.

### BECAUSE WE CARE

Thank you for all your support of the Stewardship **Because We Care Campaign**. The blue **2008 Stewardship Talent Questionnaire**, which was mailed to parishioners, is due now. If you did not receive one in the mail, it may be because you are not registered in the parish. Please contact the rectory (466-3427) to be on the parishioner list.

Extra copies of the questionnaire are in the pews. If you need one, please fill it out and return it in the collection basket or to the rectory office. You will be contacted after the holidays about the ministries which you find interesting.

### LUNCH BUNCH

On Thursday, Dec. 11 at 1:00, the Lunch Bunch will gather at Chops Grille & Tap House, Rte 534 at 90, for meal and friendship. Please call Dea, 466-3594, or Vel, 466-2940.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV 30:

MON.	Parents Assoc. ....	7:00
	Stewardship .....	7:00
TUE.	Parish Council .....	7:00
	BINGO, 12/2/08. Team # 3 .....	6:30
	Admissions	D. Pasqualone
	Early Birds	R. Laurello
	Early Instants	T. Ivankovic
	Cashier	B. Peters
	Kitchen	T. Baxter,
	I Caller	J. Hughes
	Floor	J. Ayersman
	Instants	T. Ivankovic
	II Caller	J. Ayersman
	Floor	J. Kleps
	Instants	T. Ivankovic
WED.	Immunization Shots .....	1-3
	CCD, K-7, .....	4:15
	Choir .....	7:30
THU.	Girl Scouts .....	2-4
SAT.	Santa's Workshop .....	after 5:30 Mass
SUN.	Santa's Workshop .....	after all Masses
	Breakfast with Santa .....	8:45-11:45

## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

We are servants of God, each with his or her own task. We will be judged good stewards if, at the Lord's coming, we are ready and conscientiously pursuing the tasks to which we have been called.

## FOR THE CHILDREN:

1. Color each space below. How many closed spaces do you see?
2. And, "light" the candle on the previous page. What color is a flame?



## JOB OPENING

Traveling Educational Assistant with the ability to read, write, and speak Spanish fluently to work with limited English proficient students. Must have a High School Diploma or its equivalent and be able to pass both a BCII and FBI background check. Resumes are to be sent to Mrs. Angela Smith, Curriculum Director, Madison Board of Education, 6741 N. Ridge Road, Madison, Ohio 44057

## THANKSGIVING

Just this once, Lord, I want to come to you with no problems, but simply to say Thank You:

For your forgiveness when I fall

For the sheer joy of sleep when I'm terribly tired

For the silent strength of humility when pride overtakes me

For the justice of your laws when men are cruel

For the remedies for sickness when I am ill

For the simplicity of orderliness when I face confusion

For the assurance that you have made a place especially for me when I feel inadequate among my peers

For the joy of helping others when I see people in need

For the earthly evidences of your will when I'm trying to find out what life is all about

For the reality of your world, when I stray too far into fantasy

For the rightness of reasonableness when I panic too quickly

For the fun that refreshes when everything gets too serious

For the renewal in moments of silence when I'm dizzy being busy in a hectic world.

Thank you, Lord, for all these things. But most of all, thank you for your abiding presence that makes every day I live a day of thanks.

From *Clipart Features for Church Newsletters 2*

## SACREDNESS OF CIRCUMSTANCES

*"All things work together for good that love God."* Rom 8:28

The circumstances of a saint's life are ordained of God. In the life of a saint there is no such thing as chance. God by His providence brings you to circumstances that you cannot understand, but the Spirit understands. God is bringing you into places and among people and into conditions in order that the intercession of the Spirit in you may take a particular line. Never put your hand in front of the circumstances and say—I am going to be my own providence here, I must watch this, and guard that. All your circumstances are in the hand of God, therefore never think it strange concerning that circumstances you are in. Your part in intercessory prayer is not to enter into the agony of intercession, but to utilize the common-sense circumstances God puts you in, and the common-sense people God puts you with by His providence, to bring them before God's throne and give the Spirit in you a chance to intercede for them. In this way God is going to sweep the whole world with His saints.

Am I making the Spirit's work difficult by being indefinite, or by trying to do His work for Him? I must do the Human side of intercession, and the human side is what I am in and the people I am in contact with. I have to keep my conscious life as a shrine of the Holy Spirit, then a I bring the different ones before God, the Spirit makes intercession for them.

Your intercessions can never be mine, and my intercessions can never be yours, but the Spirit makes intercession in our particular lives, without which intercession someone will be impoverished.

From *My Utmost for His Highest*, pg 231,  
by Oswald Chambers

**Mass Intentions**  **for the week**

<b>SAT.</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>DAN FENNER</b> Assumption School Staff
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>RACHELE STEIMER</b> Pat Vensel
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>PAUL HOLLER</b> Jack & Alberta Kearney
	<b>12: NOON</b>	<b>TIM LINEHAN</b> Family
<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>VERN YOUNGBERG</b> Adeline Andres Family
<b>THU</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>MARILYN HEAD</b> Sister, Vel Gifford & Family
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>HELEN VANDERVORT</b> Jerry & Family
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>FOR RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS</b>
	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>BILL MEZNARICH</b> Blue Star Mothers, # 57
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>MARY D'ORIO</b> Ladies of the Club
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>EDWARD A. HEINZ</b> Assumption Parish
	<b>12: NOON</b>	<b>ROSE GRENIER</b> Assumption School Staff

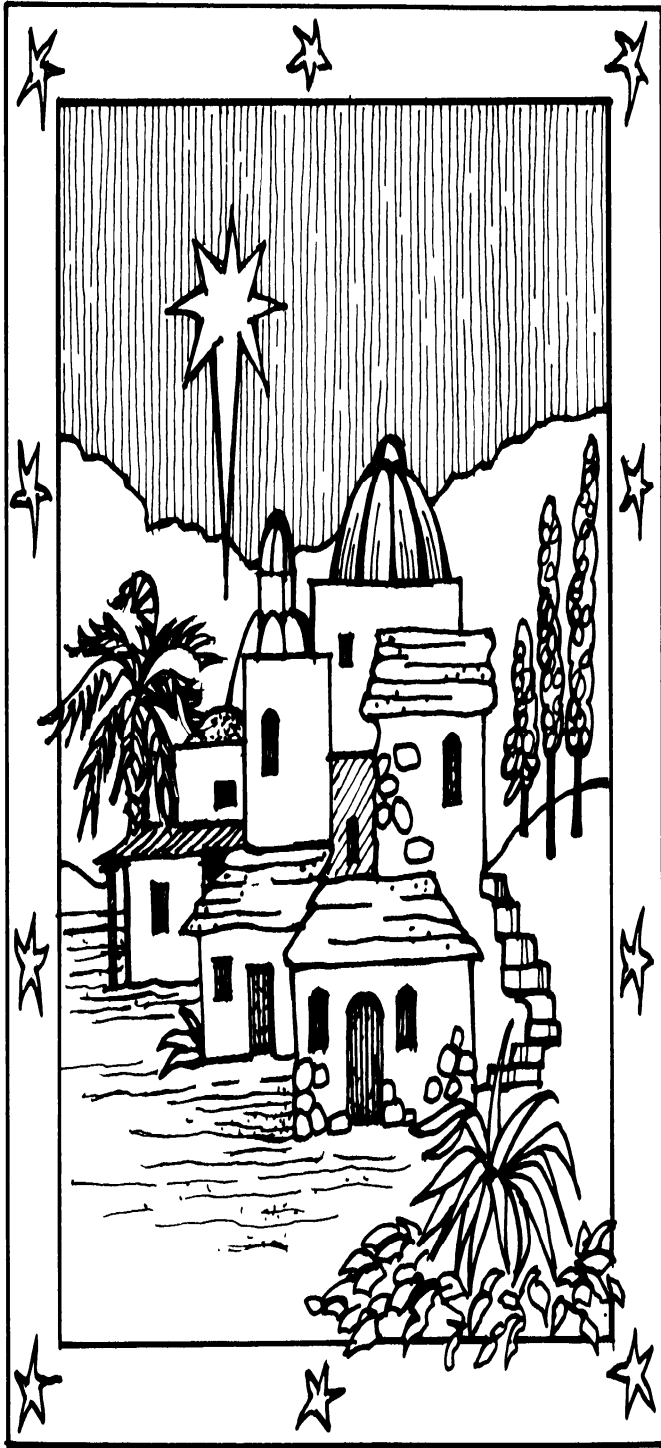
### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR DEC 6-7:

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EX MIN of EUCH</u>
SAT. 5:30 PM	L. Lotze	Sr. Joyce, L. Lippart
SUN. 8:00 AM	S. Antos-Jacobs	R. Linehan, P. Stoltz
10:00 AM	J. Privitera	L/J Zalewski
12: NOON	K. Ellis	Team of 3

	<u>ACOLYTES</u>
SAT. 5:30 PM	A. Nicoletti
SUN. 8:00 AM	J. Loftus, A. PerDue
10:00 AM	J. Hodgson, B. Privitera, E. Logan
12: NOON	T. Hunt, J. Ferrante, A. Fistek

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV 30:

Sun.	Is 63:16-17,19,64:2-7; Ps 80; 1 Cor 1:3 -9; Mk 13:33-37
Mon.	Is 2:1-5; Ps 122; Mt 8:5-11;
Tue.	Is 11:1-10; Ps 72; Lk 10:21-24
Wed.	(St. Andrew) Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19; Mt 4:18-22
Thu.	Is 26:1-6; Ps 118; Mt 7:21,24-27
Fri.	Is 29:17-24; Ps 27; Mt 9:27-31
Sat.	(St. Francis Xavier) Is 30:19-21,23-26; Is 30:18; Mt 9:35-10:1,5,6-8
Sun.	Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8



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For the children...

We prepare for Christmas by cleaning our homes and our hearts. Will we be ready when we are asked if there is room for Jesus? Brighten this town with color & love. Make bright the sign in the sky— the star.