

CHURCH
OF THE
ASSUMPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY

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February 1,
2009

Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary
Time

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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY

For Assumption School

On the last day of Catholic Schools Week



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

By Bud Ozar

Today's gospel reminds us "unclean spirits" still haunt our families. These "spirits" thrive inside our grudges, punishing silence, impatience and abruptness. Today Jesus offers you the "authority" to cast out these spirits from your life and your family.

FAMILY MASS

Today's 11:00 Mass is the monthly Family Mass wherein children take some ministry roles. All are welcome.

MASS & BLESSING OF THROATS

Tuesday, Feb 3, is the feast of St. Blaise. There will be an evening Mass at 6:30 with blessing of throats. All are welcome.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

Next weekend, Feb 7-8, St. Vincent de Paul Society will take your donations in their regular monthly appeal. Thank you for helping to continue their work to assist others in need.

MARKET DAY orders are due Tuesday, Feb 3 for pick-up on Saturday, Feb 7, 10-11 AM.

LUNCH BUNCH will gather at Mary's Diner, E. Main St, Geneva on Thursday, Feb 12, at 1:00. For reservations call Dea, 466-3594, or Vel, 466-2940.

PASTA DINNER

Next Sunday, Feb 8, from 12 noon to 4:00, there will be a pasta dinner to assist the Buskirk family with medical expenses. Meals are \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and children 3-12. If you would like to help with the dinner, contact Mrs. Cheryl Woodward at the school, 466-2104.

(Wristbands are still available- \$3 each or 2/\$5.)

Altar & Rosary members are asked to make deserts and bring them to the Friendship Room Saturday evening, or the Hall on Sunday morning.

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

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **KATHERINE HOLAHAN**, mother of Don Holahan, and **JACKIE CIMORELL**, daughter of Betty Cimorell, **MARTHA WADOWICK**, mother of Paul Wadowick, and **YVONNE COY**, mother of Lucy Beseda who died recently.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

This Friday, Feb 6 at 7pm, there will be a Reconciliation (Confession) service. All are welcome to participate in this healing sacrament.

PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council meets this Tuesday, Feb 3, at 7:30 PM, after evening Mass. Members, please call if you cannot attend.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

The date for the Family Fun Night has been changed from Jan 30 to Feb 8. The activity is roller skating at the Roller Den, West Ave, Ashtabula, 4:30-7:00. Pre-sale tickets are available now at the school. Admission is \$2 per person if purchased by Feb 6. \$2.50 at the door. Both admissions include Crazy Maze and roller skates. Extended family and friends are welcome but must accompany Assumption school member. Questions? Call Pam Moravitz, 428-7566.

THANK YOU ...

...to all who signed postcards and donated for postage in the **Bishop's Postcard project**. 520 postcards were signed and will be sent to legislators to oppose FOCA, the most radical anti-child, anti-women, anti-family bill ever proposed in the US. A total of \$159.70 was donated which covers the full cost of the postage and allows \$19.30 to be sent to help pay for the postcards themselves. More cards are available. Special thanks go to those who helped make this project possible. Continue to pray for the end to abortion.

CHOIR practice on Wednesdays, begins Feb 18 at 7:30 to prepare for Easter. During Lent, practice will be after 6:30 Mass Wednesday evenings.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 1:**

- SUN.** Collection for Assumption Schoolall Masses
Neo Catechumenal Way Prep # 1
- MON.** Soccer Practice6-8
- TUE.** Market Day orders due
Mass & blessing of throats6:30
Parish Council7:30
BINGO, 2/3/09. Team # 46:30
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| Admissions | D. Pasqualone |
| Early Birds | R. Laurello |
| Early Instants | T. Ivankovic |
| Cashier | B. Peters |
| Kitchen | T. Baxter, T. Foss |
| I Caller | J. Watson |
| Floor | C. Rice |
| Instants | S. Gonzalez, N. Perijoc |
| II Caller | C. Rice |
| Floor | J. Watson |
| Instants | S. Gonzalez, N. Perijoc |
- WED.** CCD, K-7,4:15
Choir7:30
- THU.** Girl Scouts2:30-4
- FRI.** School Honors during Mass8:00
Neo Catechumenal Way Reconciliation 7:00
- SAT.** Market Day pick-up10-11
Liturgy Day in Boardman
St. Vincent Collectionall Masses
- SUN.** World Day of Consecrated Life
St. Vincent Collectionall Masses
Spaghetti Dinner:benefit Buskirk family,.....12-4
Neo Catechumenal Way—Prep # 2

TABERNACLE CANDLES FOR THE WEEK

- In Thanksgiving** By F. & D. Eckenrode
- Special Intention** By F. & D. Eckenrode

2008 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are ready. If you would like your copy, please call the rectory. They will be mailed to you.

GOOD NEWS COUNTER

The Good News Counter has Lenten items: rosaries, crosses, books and many other items. We are open after weekend Masses or by special appointments. Call Mary, 466-2822.

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

January 25, 2008 Offertory	\$5231
Renovation Fund Balance	\$3,630
Bills to be paid	\$ 3,479
Thanks to all our generous parishioners.	

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the most unusual Catholic churches in the world is in Amsterdam: *Our Lord in the Attic*. What looks like a beautiful, narrow brick mansion alongside a canal is a clever disguise for a very well-preserved seventeenth century home and a secret church. During the Reformation, the Netherlands was divided into Protestant Holland and the Spanish Netherlands, now known as Belgium, a Catholic stronghold. Protestant Reformers seized all the Catholic parishes in Holland and de-Catholicized them. New laws forbade the celebration of the Mass in public. St. Nicholas Church was renamed “Old Church” by the new owners, and the dispossessed Catholics got to work “hiding” St. Nicholas Parish in the upper floors of this mansion. Other Catholics did the same thing, but this is the only hidden church that survives today. Sunday Mass is still celebrated here.

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ST. BLAISE, Feb. 3

The blessing of throats in honor of St. Blaise with two candles in the form of St. Andrew cross and the words of blessing, has its origins in the legend that he once saved a boy from choking. St. Blaise was known as a physician. One form of the legend gives the site of the miracle as a prison. What is known historically is that as The Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia during the persecutions of Licinius (a colleague of Constantine in the early 14th century), he was martyred for the Faith in 316. Scourged brutally he was immured in darkness, (with candles occasionally brought to him) put on the rack and beheaded.

The common motive for seeking blessing of St. Blaise is to seek his protection against physical throat disorders. Yet, why not ask him for protection against spiritual diseases of sinning with voices, or irreverence? Moral evils of sinning with abuse of speech can be frightening. Another’s reputation can be ruined, or we could deny God with voice...

“Through the intercession of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat, and from every other evil, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.”

WOMEN OF FAITH

A women’s conference will be held at Quicken Loans Arena, Cleveland, July 17-18. Premium seating is \$109, standard seating is \$89. Discounts for groups of 10 or more. Go to womenoffaith.com or call 888-49FAITH. Get recharged. A different program is offered Friday-day; Friday-evening; or Saturday-day.

Mass Intentions  for the week

SAT.	4:30 PM	LUANN CHAMBERLAIN Sue
SUN.	9:00 AM	RAY GRUBER SR. Jeanne Dubsy
	11:00 AM	ANNA MAE BOOMHOWER 7th Anniversary Rubie Boomhower

MON.	8:00 AM	BUZZ CARRAHER Mary Carraher
TUE.	<u>6:30 PM</u>	ANDREW MATHEWS Family
WED.	8:00 AM	FAITH BESEDA, 1st Anniversary Family
THU	8:00 AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
FRI.	8:00 AM	MARY PALM Joe & Delores Kessler
SAT.	9:00 AM	FOR RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS
	4:30 PM	JEANNETTE MEZMARICH Blue Star Mothers
SUN.	9:00 AM	EDWARD A. HEINZ Fina Gruber
	11:00 AM	JUNE ELLER Assumption Choir

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR FEB 7-8:

LECTOR

SAT.	4:30 PM	E. Sidley
SUN.	9:00 AM	J. Privitera
	11:00 AM	K. Carkhuff

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SAT.	4:30 PM	L. Lippart, C. Fenner, J. Carle
SUN.	9:00 AM	J/L Zalewski
	11:00 AM	E. Mallick, T. Costello, S. Sharpe

ACOLYTES

SAT.	4:30 PM	K. Baxter, M. McBee
SUN.	9:00 AM	J. Koch, B. Privitera
	11:00 AM	A. Logan, A/A Fistek

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 1:

Sun.	Deut 18:15-20; Ps 95; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28
Mon.	(Presentation of the Lord) Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Ps 24:7-10; Lk 2:22-40
Tue.	(St. Blaise) Rom 5:1-5; Ps 117:1-2; Mk 16:15-20
Wed.	Heb 12:4-7,11-15; Ps 103; Mk 6:1-6
Thu.	Heb 12:18-19,21-24; Ps 48; Mk 6:7-13
Fri.	Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27; Mk 6:14-29
Sat.	Heb 13:15-17,20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Sun.	Job 7:1-4,6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23; Mk 1:29-39

2009 COMALYA YEAR OF CHANGES

The Assumption School Endowment Board has made some significant changes for the Comalya this year. It will be held on Friday evening, April 17, at the DeRubertis Party Center in Madison, from 6:00 to 11:00 PM. “Good Question” will again provide our musical entertainment. Friday is a change from the past, and last year, because of horrible weather in March, the Comalya was rescheduled for April, and our attendance increased, so we are staying with the hopefully milder weather of April.

Ticket prices remain at \$50 for one, but a new price for two tickets will be \$90, and for a prepaid table of eight, the new price will be \$320, which is only \$40 per person, a savings of \$10 each. In order to offer these reduced prices, we have opted for a cash bar, to compensate for the lower ticket prices.

Mike Kahanca, the only founding member still active on our Endowment Board, will be honored guest for his many years of service to the school.

In these challenging economic times, we hope that our new prices will make it possible for more to attend and have an enjoyable evening, all while supporting our school for its future prosperity.

Tickets will be available from Board members and from the school.

Dinner Dance