

# Fourth Sunday of Advent

Schedule of Masses, Services and Devotions

**December 22 to December 30, 2007**

## Weekend Masses:

Saturday

**STM** 5:00pm Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Advent  
*Stephen Palagyi* by Jane Palagyi

Sunday Dec 23 Fourth Sunday of Advent

**STM** 8:00am *Melodie Morris & Harold Zappitello*  
by Nicholas Morris

**SFC** 11:00am *Nick Williams* by Hanna & Family  
*Pro-populo (For the People)*

## Weekday Mass/Communion Service with Morning Prayer

Monday Dec 24 Vigil of Christmas

**SFC** 4:00pm *Christmas Flower Memorials*

**STM** 4:00pm *Christmas Flower Memorials*

**STM** Midnight *Christmas Flower Memorials*

**SFC** Dec 25 Christmas Day

Tuesday 10:00am *Christmas Flower Memorials*

## SFC HALL

Wed. Dec 26 St. Stephen, first martyr  
4:00pm *James V. Schiavone* by Cecelia Patrnochak

Thursday Dec 27 St. John, apostle, evangelist  
8:00am *Norman A. Black* by Wife & Sons

Friday Dec 28 Holy Innocents, martyrs  
8:00am *Communion Service*

## Weekend Masses:

**STM**  
Saturday 5:00pm Vigil: Holy Family  
*Raymond & Bertha Fiala* by daughter, Clara & Family

Sunday Dec 30 Holy Family  
**STM** 8:00am *Mary Angelo Radel & Robert Nolan*  
by daughter/parents Vicky & Bill Peak  
*Pro-populo (For the People)*

**SFC** 11:00am *Nick Landolfi* by Robyn, Lori, Michael & Bobby

**NEW TIME** - "Time with Thomas" will now be broadcast Monday and Wednesday at 4:30pm. Wednesday will be a new show, Monday will be a rebroadcast of the previous week's show.

**Tune in to** WWOW Radio 1360AM.

Our weekend Mass is now being video taped to be shown on the *Conneaut Cable Access Channel* at 3pm on Sunday and Wednesday afternoons. The tapings will alternate between the 5pm and 11am Masses. If you would be willing to help videotape a Mass please call the Parish Offices.

Any former Herald basketball players (male and female) are invited to play in the **Herald Alumni Basketball game** to be held on Saturday, January 5. To register, please call Tom Penna at 954-6374 or Nick Iarocci at 964-2670.

## Sanctuary Candle

### Intentions

St. Mary Church

In Memory of:

**Louis & Carmella Gustafarro**  
by Daughters & Family

**Keith Bennett**  
by Keith & Diane Bennett

**James & Jennie Palagyi**  
by Bob, Judy, Kim & Gary

**Nick Williams**  
by Mike & Cheryl Allshouse

**Flavian Gaukel**

by Family

**Tony Lyubi**

by Family

St. Frances Cabrini

In Memory of:

**Anthony J. Arcaro**

by Wife & Children

**Betty Landolfi**

by Tony & Jerian Landolfi

**Louis Mucciarone Family**

by daughter, Rosie & Family

**Lisa Iarocci**

by Family

**Anthony White**

by Wife & Family

**Charles "Bill" Calhoun**

by Wife & Family

### This Week

Saturday, Dec 22

Parish Offices Closed

Sunday, Dec 23

No CCD

Mon, Tues, Wed, Dec 24, 25, 26

Parish Offices Closed

Mon & Wed, Dec 24, 26

**4:30pm**

"Time with Thomas"

Saturday, Dec 29

Parish Offices Closed

Sunday, Dec 30

No CCD

### Scripture Readings, Dec 30, 2007

Sirach 3: 2-7, 12-14

Colossians 3: 12-21

Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23 (17)



## Stewardship Update

### Last Week

Budgeted \$6,328      Actual \$5,841.00      228 Env.

### Fiscal YTD

Budgeted \$158,200      Actual \$157,103.98      -\$1,096.02

**Thank you for your generosity**

Thank you to all who donated gifts, money and time for the *Giving Tree* this year. Many families in the area will benefit from your generosity!

I received the following Christmas greeting from our old friend, Charlie O'Brien and wanted to share it with all of you. *Dear Father Thomas – A special greeting to you and all the parishioners of St. Mary's and Cabrini. I often think of you and the beautiful and wonderful people of St. Mary's and Cabrini parishes. Those wonderful memories keep me young. I'll be 101 years old Jan 9, 2008. Once again Love & Greeting and Best Wishes for a Merry Xmas. – Charles O'Brien.*

Anyone wishing to correspond with Charlie may do so at **1027 Broken Arrow Trl., Forsyth, GA 31029-8227.** May God continue to bless him. – *Father Thomas*

We are in need of a **custodian/maintenance** person for our parish facilities. Must be available daytime – 20 hours/week. Working knowledge of boiler systems desired. If you are interested, please call Father Thomas at the Parish Offices.

If you have suffered the loss of a loved one and are in need of **Bereavement support**, call the Parish Offices for a schedule of programs offered by *Hospice of the Western Reserve, Ashtabula, OH.*

**We are in need of Lectors for the weekly 5:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass.** Please call the Parish Offices if you would be interested in this ministry.

**The Hearts of Hope Bereavement Team** offers funeral luncheon meals for a small fee to parish families following funeral Masses. For information, call Sr. Jean Marie at the Parish Offices.

**Matus (Matthew) Imrich**, the seminarian from Slovakia who was with us two years ago, will be ordained in Slovakia on Saturday, June 21, 2008 with his first Mass (a Mass of Thanksgiving) on Sunday, June 22. Plans are being made to go to his ordination and Mass of Thanksgiving with the possibility of making a pilgrimage in Eastern Europe with Matus the following week. If you are interested in making this pilgrimage, please call the Parish Offices.

**Attention prayerful single women & men:** Are you called to religious life? Find out by attending an exciting free Live-in Experience. FMI on dates & locations see the church bulletin boards.

A *Storage Shed* built and donated by L.E.C.I. will be raffled off January 31, 2008 by the **Conneaut Food Pantry**. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The shed is on display at Conneaut Save-A-Lot. For ticket information on the *Storage Shed* call Renea Roach at the Human Resources Center 593-5273.

**Help for hurting Marriages** Do you feel like you are in a hopeless marriage"? Retrouvaille (pronounced re-tro-vi) meaning 'rediscovery' can help you put the pieces back together in your marriage. The next Retrouvaille weekend program will be held on January 11, 2008 in Beachwood Oh. FMI call 1-800-470-2230 or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

**If you would like someone to visit** and bring communion to a loved one who is homebound or confined to a hospital or nursing home, please call the Parish Offices. Because of *The Patient Privacy Act*, this information is not given out to the Parish by any institutions. You must contact Father Thomas, Sister Jean Marie or the Parish Offices directly.

Just a reminder to continue to **check out our web-site** at [www.stmary-stfcabrini.org](http://www.stmary-stfcabrini.org) for items of interest regarding the activities in our parishes. Our weekly bulletin is posted along with the calendar of events. You may choose a link from our web site to WWOW radio to listen to *'Time with Thomas.'* Also, Father Thomas' weekly homilies are available there.

**Counseling Assistance Fund.** The Church is committed to helping those who have been harmed as a result of sexual abuse by representatives of the church. According to mental health professionals, counseling is a vital component of the healing process for survivors of childhood sexual abuse. The Church recognizes, however, that there are people who are reluctant to contact the church for help. This new Counseling Assistance Fund can help these individuals. If you would like more information go to the website at [www.counselingassistancefund.org](http://www.counselingassistancefund.org)

**As of October 1, 2007** the cost of lighting Sanctuary Candles at St. Mary and St. Frances Cabrini increased from \$10 to \$15 due to increased costs. ***Separate checks need to be written for candles and Masses.***

**Estranged from the Church?** If you or someone you know feels estranged from the Catholic Church because of divorce or marital status, consider checking into what is needed to bring you back. It may be the annulment process or simple paperwork, depending on your personal situation. If you would like to talk with someone to find out what is needed please call Father Thomas, Sister Jean Marie or Sister Barbara at the Parish Offices, 599-8570.

**Mass intentions for 2008** are being accepted at the Parish Offices. Each parishioner will be allowed to schedule intentions for up to 6 Masses, 2 of those may be on weekends. The remaining will be scheduled during the weekdays closest to your requested date. *Separate checks need to be written for candles and Masses.*

**Parish Participation** – As good stewards of all that God has entrusted to us, we all should contribute in some way toward building up the Body and Blood of Christ at St. Mary/St. Frances Cabrini. Our Faith Community offers multiple opportunities for service in liturgy, education, outreach and development. Please speak with Father Thomas or a member of the Staff to determine how your talents may best serve the Church.

**The Conneaut Food Pantry** is in need of basic food items. Donations can be left in the back of the churches or taken to the Human Resources Center on Mill St.

**Father Thomas' homily's** are available on our parish web site: [www.stmary-stfcabrini.org](http://www.stmary-stfcabrini.org) Click on the prompt to *'Listen to Father's Sermon'* and several of the most recent sermons are available to listen to through Windows Media Player.

If you wish to *rent tables or chairs* from either Church hall, please call the office a week in advance. Rental forms must be completed and signed and the rental fee is to be paid before picking up these items.

**Wheels of Love** Do you know someone who has been deprived of their ability to walk due to illness or disease? If so "Hope on Wheels" can help your loved ones regain their confidence and their independence with a power wheelchair or scooter. "Hope on Wheels" helps seniors with mobility limitations to receive a power wheelchair or scooter paid by Medicare. FMI call 1-866-631-3028.

**Diocesan Vocations Website** – [www.youngstownvocations.org](http://www.youngstownvocations.org). Go to this web site or click on the sidebar link for *Vocations* on the Diocesan homepage website – [www.doy.org](http://www.doy.org). The site is a source of information for those discerning a Church vocation to priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life and is also a resource for families, teachers, catechists & DRE's.

**The Sisters of Notre Dame** offer a Prayer Line Ministry. Your intentions will be remembered in prayer each day by calling 440-279-1163. A sister will receive your call, Mon-Fri, 10:00am-4:00pm; at other times the answering service will be available. All requests will be remembered in prayer.

**Posted in the back of each of the Churches** are lists of members of the Pastoral Planning Council, Finance Council and the Worship Committee. Feel free to approach any of the members with any questions or comments regarding the committees and their activities.

**Volunteers** are needed to assist in various areas of the RCIA process as catechists, sponsors, greeters and hospitality, as well as for Pre-Catechumenate, Mystagogia and the Sunday dismissal rite. If you feel called to be of service this coming year, please call Father Thomas or Sister Barbara at 599-8570 FMI.

**Don't let the IRS tax your IRA** – If you have an IRA and are at an age where you are required to take distributions, you know how taxing that experience can be. As a supporter of St. Mary and/or St. Frances Cabrini, you may be surprised to learn that a new law allows you to keep those IRA withdrawals up to \$100,000 from ever being taxed.

For a free brochure that describes the provisions of the *Pension Protection Act of 2006*, call Mr. Pat Palombo, Director of Development & Stewardship, at 330/744-8451 ext. 325 or email Mr. Palombo at [patpal@cboss.com](mailto:patpal@cboss.com)