

SERVANT OF THE WEEK—
BRITTANY RHODES



Brittany Rhodes just celebrated her graduation from high school with dad and mom Jerry and Linda, and sister Rebecca. Brittany has packed lots of service in her youthful years. She's been a volunteer at Akron Children's Hospital for two years, and has been involved with the CYO search program for a year, as well as taking a job as CYO Camp Christopher Summer Staff. Brittany said she's been a member of OLV for 12 years, and "I had to go to church anyway, so I decided to make it fun by getting involved!" She first became an Altar Server for 3 ½ years, then moved on to active participation in our youth program. She's been a big helper to Youth Director Ellen Barber by serving as Peace Group leader, Middle School Youth Group Leader, and the Middle School Retreat Planning Team. Brittany also offered her helping hands by assisting with decorating

the church for Christmas. She can be proud that her faith has inspired others, as she notes that she was chosen to by Aaron Bleau to be her Confirmation Sponsor. Brittany said, "I offer my time to serve my church and the people around me because it not only pleases God, but it brings me fulfillment because it is something tangible that I am doing that impacts others. I love meeting people, and being involved through service is a fun way to bond with my friends and make new ones." Brittany has created special memories of parish involvement, to carry her on to her next horizons in life. She said the best is "definitely working with Ellen (Barber) and the retreat programs. I have so much fun sharing my faith with the other people on the team or the people who go on the retreats, and I have created some of my best friends while planning these events."