St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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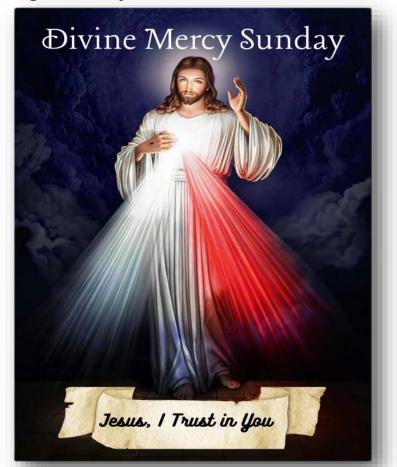
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OUR MISSION

Founded by Jesus Christ, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church is the heart of Glandorf. At the heart of our faith are the Sacraments which St. John's is here to evangelize, catechize, and celebrate all of God's people to set their hearts on fire in passionate love of God and neighbor.

WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH?

- If you are interested in becoming a Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Usher, Funeral Server, Choir, Spirit and Song Group and any other way.
- If Interested in becoming a member on our Finance Committee or Parish Council Committee. Please call the parish office for more information and to be put on the next ballot. Call or email the Parish Office.

PARISHIONERS

- New Members
- Any status or address changes
- To keep informed, register for Bulletin and Parish Notifications by email or visit St. John's website

Call or email the Parish Office

www.stjohnglandorf.org

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Happy Easter!

Today is the 8th day of the Easter Octave, today is also the 2nd Sunday of Easter, and today is also Divine Mercy Sunday.

There is a saying out there that says 'a picture is worth a thousand words'. A camera can help recall memories and tell stories from the past. A picture or a video can catch something glorious. And a picture or a video can also capture us doing something either embarrassing, something we are not supposed to do, or to be used against us in some way.



In our scriptures today the disciples are hiding behind locked doors why? Jesus their close friend and leader was arrested and crucified by the religious leaders. Because of their association with Jesus could they be coming for them next to arrest them and put them to death too? Not to mention at the Last Supper they told Jesus they would never abandon him. Peter said not only would he not abandon Jesus, but he said that he was willing to die with Jesus. But they came to arrest Jesus most of them ran away. Peter followed at a distance into the courtyard of the high priest, but when asked if he was associated with Jesus denied it three times. So, the disciples are hiding behind closed doors in fear, regret, and perhaps some other emotions mixed in there. It is in this hiding behind locked doors, in fear and regret that Jesus appears to his disciples. Not condemn or cut ties with them. Jesus not come playing videos to disciples to prove them wrong. Jesus did not say what happened to you guys when they came to arrest me, you all ran away, that is it you can no longer be my disciples. Nor does Jesus say to Peter 'I told you so, you said that you were willing to die with me, you didn't, you denied knowing me three times, like I told you would do'. And again, he does not say to Thomas "you did not believe your fellow disciples when they told you they seen me alive". Jesus does not do any of this when he appears to the disciples. Rather when Jesus appears to the disciples the first thing he says is "Peace be with you" (John 20:21). Jesus forgives disciples and gives them opportunity to try again. Jesus shows his hands, feet and side to Thomas to show Thomas that he was alive. The good news of Easter is just not that Jesus is risen from dead but that we are invited into Christ's resurrection. Jesus's message of peace to the disciples is not only for them but for all of us. It is that invitation when we are in that

place of fear and regret, when we have done things that are foolish, we are invited into that place of peace to begin again.

On Easter Monday morning Pope Francis died, and in his pontificate, he has been example of faith for us. Just as Jesus reached out to the disciples in their fear and regret, Pope Francis in his ministry has reached out offering



Christ's mercy and peace to those who would seem to be farthest from Christ's love. To remind them that they are loved by God. As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday today may we be instruments of Christ's mercy so that our world can encounter Christ's love and peace. Alleluia!



AROUND THE PARISH



We want to warmly invite all parents to join us for our upcoming Baptism Class! Whether this is your first child, second, third, or beyond, there is always something new to learn about this beautiful sacrament. We also encourage parents to invite their chosen godparents to attend the class. This class is only required for parents for their first child.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS (by Mike and Becky Karhoff)

Parish Center Room 15 9:00am –10:30am Upcoming classes:

May 18, 2025, September 28, 2025

MARRIAGES

Please contact the Parish Office six months in advance to start planning your wedding. A marriage preparation class is required.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS (REQUIRED)

1-DAY CLASS organized by Dr. Craig and Wendy Imm in the Parish Center Cafeteria Sunday, November 2, 2025 at 8:00am

RECONCILATION (CONFESSION)

Wednesday 7:15am –7:45am, 7:45pm—8:15pm Friday 7:15am—7:45am Saturday 8:30am, 4:00pm—4:15pm ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office if you need a Priest for Anointing of the Sick or Last Rites. If a Sacramental Emergency call 419-778-9339.

HOLY ORDERS AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Contact the vocation office at the Toledo Diocese at 419-244-6711 ext. 4945 or e-mail psmith@toledodiocese.org or contact the vocation office at the Missionaries of the Precious Blood 937-228-9263 or e-mail vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org. EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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Wednesday 6:30pm—8:15pm 1st Friday 1:00pm—4:00pm with Benediction 1st Saturday 5:30pm - 8:00am

INITIATION OF ADULTS INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA/OCIA)

Is a journey through which interested adults and older children are welcomed and gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic Faith, Sacraments, Worship and way of life. In response to their inquiries, these people are properly instructed so that you can discern (through reflection and prayer) whether you are indeed called to Catholicism. If you would like more information or want to register please contact the Parish Office. The next session will start in the fall.

CATECHISM CORNER Sacrament of Baptism

During the Easter Vigil, we welcomed three new members to our church; one received all the Sacraments of initiation, including baptism. Praise God, for this was a momentous moment! Why is the Sacrament of Baptism so important to receive and what happens to a soul who receives this sacrament? In paragraphs 1275-1284 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the essential points are noted:

¹²⁷⁵ "Christian initiation is accomplished by three Sacraments together: Baptism – which is the beginning of new life, Confirmation – which is its strengthening, and the Eucharist – which nourishes the disciple with Christ's Body and Blood for his transformation in Christ. **Point to note: Baptism initiates us into the family of God.**

¹²⁷⁶ Jesus declared, "Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I've commanded you." (Matthew 28: 19-20) Point to note: This Sacrament comes from Jesus Christ and reception of this Sacrament places a mission on the new disciple to make other disciples by baptizing them and teaching them.

¹²⁷⁷ Baptism is birth into the new life in Christ. In accordance with the Lord's will, it is necessary for salvation, as is the Church, Herself, which we enter by baptism. ¹²⁷⁸ The essential rite of baptism consists in immersing the candidate in water, or pouring water on his head, while pronouncing the invocation of the Most Holy Trinity: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Point to note: Baptism is essential for salvation. For a baptism to be considered valid, water must be poured over the head and the Trinity must be invoked – per the formula Jesus established.

¹²⁷⁹ The fruit of baptism, or baptismal grace, is a rich reality, that includes 1)forgiveness of Original Sin and all 2)personal sins. Birth into the new life by which man 3)becomes an adoptive son of the Father, a member of Christ, and a 4)temple of the Holy Spirit. By this very fact, the person baptized is 5)incorporated into the Church, the Body of Christ, and 6) made a sharer in the priesthood of Christ. Point to note: Baptism gives us the same mission as Jesus – to be Priest, Prophet and King – united in the Family of Christ, working to save souls. It'd be good to ponder on all that happens to a soul who is baptized and praise God for this great gift!

¹²⁸⁰ Baptism imprints on the soul an indelible spiritual sign; the character which consecrates the baptized person for Christian worship. Because of the character, baptism cannot be repeated. ¹²⁸¹ Those who die for the those who are catechumens, and all those who without knowing about the Church, but acting in the inspirations of grace, seek God sincerely and strive to fulfill His will can be saved, even if they have not been baptized. **Point to note: Through baptism, a person is eternally marked and claimed as God's, therefore, there is never a need to be rebaptized. God knows hearts. Those who desire to be baptized, but have not been, can be saved through God's grace.**

¹²⁸² Since the earliest times, baptism has been administered to children, for it is a grace and a gift of God, that does not presuppose any human merit. Children are baptized in the faith

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CATECHISM CORNER CONTINUED Sacrament of Baptism

of the church. Entering into Christian life gives access to true freedom. ¹²⁸³ With respect to children who have died without baptism, the liturgy of the church invites us to trust in God's mercy and to pray for their salvation. **Point to note: None of us have done anything to be "worthy" to receive this new life in Christ. It is a gift freely given by Christ.**

¹²⁸⁴ In case of necessity, any person can baptize, provided that he have the intention of doing that which the Church does, and provided that he pours water on the candidate's head while saying, "I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

Because Jesus did everything for us, to give us this life in Him, everything we do is a response to His gift. All Sacraments are an invitation by the Lord, and when we receive any of these Sacraments, it's always our response to God's invitation especially to the Sacraments we repeat often such as reconciliation and Holy Communion. The Sacraments highlight the fact that God is actively seeking you. He is actively inviting you to participate in His new life. Every time we receive a Sacrament, we are saying "yes" to the Lord. When we receive a Sacrament, it's not us begging God for his grace, it's God begging us to receive His love and grace. Praise God for the Sacrament of Baptism – for we were born outside of relationship with God and God brought us into His Kingdom and gave us His light, made us His adopted son or daughter, a member of the Body Christ and gave us the Holy Spirit to dwell within us! (From Catechism in a Year, Fr. Mike Schmitz)

He is RISEN THANK YOU

TO EVERYONE WHO MADE OUR LENT AND HOLY WEEK SPECIAL!

OUR CHOIR, DECORATING COMMITTEE, JANITORS, SERVERS, LECTORS, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS, USHERS, PEOPLE WHO GOT THEIR FEET WASHED, PRESENTED THE HOLY OILS, OCIA LEADERS, GOD'S HOLY HERO'S/LEADERS, LENT SCHOOL LEADERS, SERVER TRAINERS, ST. MARTHA WORKERS FOR CLEANING CONGREGATIONAL CANDLES AND THE PALMS, ALL WHO PRESIDED AT THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS, SERVED FOR THE STATION OF CROSS, FR. MATT AND DEACON DON FOR HAVING EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION, THOSE WHO EXPOSED AND REPOSED THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, THOSE WHO SERVED FOR BENEDICTION, DEACON DON, DEACON ERIC KAUFMAN AND MIKE KARHOFF AND EVERYONE ELSE BEHIND THE SCENES THAT MADE LENT AND HOLY WEEK A JOYFUL AND GLORIOUS CELEBRATION!

WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT ALL OF YOU!



+ Please join

Reverend Eric T. Kaufman

as he offers Holy Mass on Sunday, the twenty-fifth of May in the year of Our Lord two thousand Twenty-five at three o'clock in the afternoon

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church 109 North Main Street Glandorf, OH 45848

An open house reception will follow in the St. John's Parish Center until 7:00pm. Food and drinks will be provided.

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NEWS

St. John the Baptist Glandorf, OH

Mass for the Repose of the Soul of His Holiness Pope Francis on Wednesday, April 30, 2025 at 6:30pm

PRAYER TO PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF POPE FRANCIS

We entrust to You the soul of Your servant, Pope Francis, who dedicated his life to serving You and guiding Your Church. Grant him eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rejoice in Your presence, reunited with the saints and all who have gone before us in faith.

THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD, AMEN

+ Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto

(April 2025)

Greetings Everyone!

It is official! On March 26th, Bishop Thomas gave me my official call to Orders for the Priesthood. <u>Thank you</u> for the prayers and support over these last seven years and even longer. I would not have been able to do it without you. Please continue to support, pray for, and encourage others to consider if God is calling them to religious life or the priesthood. As it said in the Baltimore Catechism, our purpose is to know, love, and serve God in this life, so to be with Him forever in the next. May we all strive to hear and live out God's will in our lives and support God's plan for others.

Below is the information for the ordination Mass and my first Mass of Thanksgiving. I hope many will be able to attend, especially the priesthood ordination. It is an amazing liturgy. Please know that the ordination Mass and my first Mass are open to all.

- Diocese of Toledo Priesthood Ordination: (Open to the Public)
 - \circ 10 am, Saturday, May 24, 2025 Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, Toledo.
 - Fr. Eric T. Kaufman's First Mass of Thanksgiving: (Open to the Public)
 3pm, Sunday, May 25, 2025 St. John the Baptist Parish, Glandorf

Recently, in our class on the Sacraments of Penance and Anointing of the Sick, there was an interesting lesson on indulgences. Now, in the sacrament of Penance, sins are forgiven, and with it, eternal damnation (unless we sin again), but the punishment (temporal punishment - time in purgatory due to our sins) remains. The penance given during the confession, along with fasting and other forms of penance, including indulgences, can help to remove the temporal punishment on our soul or of the souls of those in purgatory. Helping to quicken our hopeful entrance into Heaven. Now, the doctrine on indulgences states that

indulgences are divided into two categories: partial and plenary indulgences. Partial indulgences free a person from part of the temporal punishment due to sin, while a plenary indulgence frees one from all of the temporal punishment due to sin (at that time).

Diocese of Toledo – Jubilee Year of Hope (2025) Pilgrim Sites: - Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, Toledo

- Our Lady of Consolation, Basilica & Shrine, Carey
- The Sorrowful Mother Shrine, Bellevue
 - Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church, Attica

There are many ways to receive an indulgence: from

praying for the dead on All Souls' Day to attending jubilee Masses of priests celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 70th anniversary of priestly ordination, to even in this Jubilee Year of Hope (2025), by making a pilgrimage to a designated site of Hope. But the reason I mention this is because one indulgence that I want to focus on is coming soon. The indulgence that can be received by devoutly attending a priest's first celebration of Mass. (Hint: 3pm, Sunday, May 25th – Glandorf)

In addition to fulfilling the indulgence, one also needs to fulfill the other usual requirements that go with an indulgence. (1) The performance of the indulgence worked, (2) sacramental confession, (3) Eucharistic Communion, (4) prayer for the pope's intentions, and (5) the detachment from sin. These are said to need to be completed usually within one week before or after the worked indulgence.

Overall, indulgences are linked with the Sacrament of Penance, for both are directed toward the same end of the sacrament: reconciling ourselves to God and the purification from the temporal effects of sin. Thus, restoring our relationship with the Lord, helping us to know and do the Lord's will, so one day to be with Him forever in Heaven.

So, as one chapter of my life closes and a new one begins, thank you again for your love and prayers. May God always watch over and bless you, and may we all always remember to Run to Jesus!

Dcn. (soon to be Fr.) Eric Kaufman



Praised be God our Father and His Son Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit The Diocese of Toledo joyfully announces that Travis 9 - Kable Eric T Koulman Kevin M. Ale Graw have been called to the Order of Presbyter and will be ordained priests forever through the Imposition of Hands and the Invocation of the Holy Spirit by Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas Bishop of Toledo

Saturday, the twenty-fourth of May, in the year of Our Lord two thousand twenty-five at ten o'clock in the morning

Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral 2535 Collingwood Blvd. Toledo, Ohio 43610

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ABOUT OUR PARISH

MONDAY, APRIL 28 St. Peter Chanel & St. Louis						
7:35am Rosary						
8:00am Communion Service - Deacon Don						
7:00pm 1st Communion Rehearsal						
TUESDAY, APRIL 29 St. Catherine						
7:45am-8:30am -2nd Grade Adoration/Benediction						
8:15am Rosary						
8:40am Alice Siefker						
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30 St. Pius V						
7:15am - 7:45am Confession						
7:35am Rosary						
8:00am Russ Nienberg, Mel Verhoff						
6:30pm Mass for the Repose of the Soul of His Holiness Pope						
Francis						
6:30pm-7:30pm Adoration—cancelled						
7:00pm-7:30pm Adortion—cancelled						
THURSDAY, MAY 1 St. Joseph						
8:15am Rosary						
8:40am Leland Meyer						
First FRIDAY, MAY 2 St. Athanasius						
7:15am - 7:45am Confession						
7:35am Rosary						
8:00am John Yaufman, L/D Rudy Schroeder Family						
12:00pm Rosary						
1:00pm-4:00pm Adoration/Benediction						
First SATURDAY, MAY 3 Sts. Philip & James						
7:35am Rosary						
8:00am Br. Jerry Schulte						
8:30am Confessions						
8:30am-4:00pm All Day Rosary						
4:00pm Confessions						
4:30pm L/D Lawrence Niese & Charlie Rieman Families, Dave Schmitz,						
Lavon & Bev Leis, Lori Von Lehmden,						
L/D Richard & Jeanette Heckman Family						
5:30pm-11:59pm Overnight Adoration						
SUNDAY, MAY 4~3rd Sunday of Easter						
12:00am—8:00am Adoration						
7:35am Rosary						
8:00am Merrill Raye, Ruth E. Kuhlman Familly, Fr. Harold Brown, C.PP.S.						
9:15am-10:00am Holy Hour followed by Benediction						
10:30am L/D Gerten/Kaufman Families, Richard Spangler,						
Bernette Unverferth, Denny Unverferth,						
William & Jeanne Luttfring, Gene & Ruth Klear Family,						
L/D Virgil Hageman Family,						
L/D Louie (AN) & Elaine Gerding Family, Rosie Karhoff						
1:00pm First Communicants						
Divine Mercy Sunday						
Sunday, April 27, 2025						
at St. John's Catholic Church						
Gdoration						
Catoration						
1:00pm - 3:00pm						
Confession						
1:30pm - 2:45pm						

Divine Mercy Chaplet (song by Diana Meyer), Benediction, Veneration of Image 3:00pm

Jesus, I Trust in You

SERVERS

Mon							
Tue Wed	8:40am						
	8:00am 8:40am	Students					
Fri	8:00am	Gary Recker, Roger Schroede	<u>a</u> r				
Sat	8:00am	Caleb Pulfer, Addyson Faber, Bella Bockrath					
Sat	4:30pm	Noah Schroeder Landyn Schulte, Aubrey Leopold, Thurifer-Hayden Kaufman					
Sun		Allison Kuhlman, Ethan Kuhlman, Peyton Kuhlman					
Sun		Lochlan Brinkman, Cole Morman					
Sun	10:30am	Lochlan Brinkman, Jocob Schimmoeller, Izak Schimmoeller, Thurifer-Cole Morman					
		EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS				
Sat	4:30pm	Diane Recker	Carole Schroeder				
		Alicia Nussbaum	Kathy Schmitz				
Sun	8:00am	Mark Schroeder	Nicole Ruhe				
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Sun	10:30am	Jason Kleman Julie Pothast	Michelle Schroeder Dawn Giesige				
		GIFT BEARERS	Dawn Olesige				
Sat	4:30pm	Ushers or ask a family					
Sun	-	Ushers or ask a family					
Sun	10:30am	Ushers or ask a family					
MAY USHERS							
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Sun	8:00am	Mark Maag, Alan Wrasman					
Sun 10:30am Barry Maag, Ken Horstman COMMUNION TO MEADOWS: Sandy Verhoff, Linda Schroeder							
COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 5							
		SUNDAY: Cliff & Janet Schro	eder				
MAYFUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Deb & Joe Schroeder, Michelle Horstman, Alice Diemer, Mary Rose Ellerbrock, Jerry & Rachel Recker							



PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP

April	20,	2025
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Offering

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Loose	\$ 1,950.00
Adult Envelope	\$ 3,.770.00
Children	\$ 359.75
Maintenance	\$ 730.00
Online Offering	\$ 2,555.00
Online Maintenance	\$ 211.25
Online Easter	\$ 3,670.00
Holy Thursday (Food Panty)	\$ 696.00
Good Friday (Holy Land)	\$ 2,505.00
Easter	\$ 24,331.00
VBS	\$ 35.00
Preschool	\$ 120.00
Total Collection	\$ 40,933.00

Thank you to all of you who have been continuing to make your Weekly/monthly contributions to your St. John's parish family and for sharing your treasure, time, & talent with your St. John's parish family!

Give Online Today!

Visit our website to get the E-Giving Form to fill out and return to the Parish Office. It is located in the left side above the Menu options. www.stjohnglandorf.org

Heartbeat needs Baby Wipes, Baby Lotion and powder, Diapers - size 4, 5, and 6 and Baby Formula

Heartbeat Hours: Tuesday 1-5pm and located on 1225 E. Third St. in Ottawa.

Foods Needed at the Ottawa Food Pantry: pineapple, salad dressing, jelly. Note: Monetary gifts are also welcome. (Send in care of Trinity UM Church, 137 N. Pratt, Ottawa)



2025 GRAND-orf Club

2025 GRAND-orf Club drawing along with coffee & donuts by **TBD** on **May 11th** after 8:00am and 10:30am Masses in the cafeteria. Extra tickets are in the racks in the Church vestibules.

Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us

Jane C Bockrath 4/27/04 Richard L Laubenthal 4/27/22 George Kuhbander 4/28/13 William E Schroeder 4/28/17 Louis E Gerding 4/29/01 John R Stechschulte 4/29/21 Kenneth J Schmitz 5/2/06

The past 20 years
Joan M Schmenk 4/30/12//22Richard S Hoehn 5/1/01.3Heaven Lee Hoffman 5/1/03/17Francis H Hanneman 5/1/06
Rita M Maas 5/1/21/21Elizabeth A Birkemeyer 5/1/22



2025 ANNUAL APPEAL PRAYER

Loving Father, we praise you and give you thanks for the many blessings you bestow upon us and for our shared mission to build up your Kingdom and share the Gospel of your Son, Jesus. "We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose" (Rm 8;28). Inspire our hearts to respond generously to the Annual Catholic Appeal knowing you bring good from our efforts. Bless all those who give, all those who receive, all those who serve, and all those who labor for the success of our Appeal, "Together For Good." Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal themed Together

For Good. Children, seminary students, the sick and aged, the needy—they all depend on our generosity. Faith, hope, and love come alive through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank you for pledging today to help meet our parish goal and assure the continuation of these programs and services. For more information on ministries funded by the appeal, visit acatoledo.org. Thank you!

OUR GOAL THIS YEAR IS \$43,645.64.

TOTAL GIVEN \$44,723.59 102.47% OF GOAL THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS, ST. JOHN'S ACHIEVED OUR GOAL!!! Prayfully consider your donation

Please Include them in your prayers

OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of our faithful departed . Our sincere sympathy is extended to the families, relatives, friends & neighbors of

POPE FRANCIS

NEWLY WEDDED

Mitch & Blake (Anderson) Gable

WEDDING BANNS

I Renee Schroeder of St. Anthony's, Columbus Grove, daughter of Jeff & Lorann Schroeder & Jordan Diemer of this parish. son of Ray & Lisa Diemer



CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR **50th** WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

Dan and Barb Ellerbrock

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Parental Baptism Class Sunday, May 18, 2025 from 9:00 - 10:30 AM, in Room 15 in the parish center

from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in Room 15 in the parish center presented by Mike and Becky Karhoff Pre-register by calling St. John's Rectory 419-538-6928.

Next class will be September 28, 2025

We want to warmly invite all parents to join us for our upcoming Baptism Class! Whether this is your first child, second, third, or beyond, there is always something



ALL ARE WELCOME!

FRIDAY, MAY 2 TOUR BEGINS AT 9AM

TEXT STACEY BENNETT @ 567-376-0125 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US!

ITINERARY GLANDORF CHURCH PARKING LOT

- WE CAN CAR POOL! 9 AM TOUR OF THE BASILICA & NATIONAL SHRINE 11AM MASS AT THE OFICINAL SHRINE CHURCH
- 12PM BRING A PACKED LUNCH



Summer Faith Adventure

e Calling All Volunteers!

Join Us for the Summer Faith Adventure Program! We're looking for enthusiastic, faith-filled volunteers to help make this summer's Faith Adventure Program a joyful and meaningful experience for our children!

Whether you can assist with leading small groups, helping with crafts and games, or just being a smiling presence—we'd love to have you on the team!

- m Dates: June 10, 17, 24 and July 8, 15, 22
- P Location: Parish Center
- 🞯 Time Commitment: 8am-1pm

Who Can Volunteer? Adults, high school teens, and middle school students with a heart for serving and sharing the love of Jesus.

Let's work together to create a week filled with faith, fun, and unforgettable moments.

If you're interested in volunteering or would like more info, please contact:



Attention ALL MEN!!!! Join us on for That Man Is You (TMIY) BREAKFAST on Saturday, May 3rd, 6-7:30am in the Cafeteria or PIZZA on Wednesday, April 30th, 7-8:30pm in room 22. For more information, contact Mike Karhoff @ mbkarhoff@bright.net

TMIY "APOSTLES OF THE NEW SPRINGTIME" – Apostles of the New Springtime (Sat. 5/3, Wed. 4/30) (session 26)Presenter: Steve Bollman and Mark Hartfiel. We All Have a Call to Mission. Our Call is Revealed in Our Personal Lives. The Holy Spirit is Love. A New Pentecost of Love. Change the World by Embracing Suffering. Christ Gives You His Heart. Your Heart, Not Your Deeds, is What Saves This World. <u>Ezekial 47:1-2, 12, CCC #2014.</u>

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(Order of Christian Initation of Adults)

Monday, April 28 St. John's Parish Room 15 Topic: Explanation of Divine Mercy & Chaplet/ Understanding the Rosary Snack person: Shelby Lee All our welcome. If interested, call the office to

register.

to move mountains

Eucharistic Advation

Every Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm

First Friday, May 2nd 1:00-4:00pm concluding with Benediction

First Saturday, May, 3rd & 4th After 4:30pm Mass until 8:00am on Sunday morning.

Holy Hour

9:00am -10:00am concluding with Benediction at 9:55am

Theme: Praying for Our Children ***Sign up sheet are available on the radiators in the back of Church or sign up on line



https://tinyurl.com/4p4myaja



First Saturday

Join Us! LETER We need 2 people signed up for each hour. If you need help signing up call Katie Verhorff 480-236-7305

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS



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Important Dates for **First Holy Communion**

1st Communion Full Dress Rehearsal Monday, April 28th Photo promptly at 7pm - Please come in attire for 1st Communion Rehearsal after photo until 8:30pm In Church

1st Communion Mass Sunday, May 4th @ 1pm. Please arrive at Church by 12:30pm

Parents of Mass Servers or New

Mass Servers: LOOK FOR THE NEW ANNUAL MASS SERVER SCHEDULE COMING MID MAY.

Anyone attending CCD in present grades 5 through 11, not presently a mass server, who wishes

to become a server starting at the end of this school year must register using this QR code and

attend a training session. High schoolers generally serve weekend and holyday masses, grade

Any eight grade server or anyone that wants a refresher for serving at weekend Mass and Holy

SESSION 1: Any time between 3:00pm - 4:30pm on Wednesday, MAY 14, 2025. We will be

To be clear, all existing mass servers are already registered (and trained). They will continue to be

Parents of existing servers should only use the QR code to update registration status/data: 1) to

be removed from the schedule, 2) update guardian contact address, email, cell phone number, 3) update preferred weekend mass time, 4) change their preference regarding whether he/she

scheduled annually through high school and do not need to register again with this QR code.

SENIORS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS BACCALAUREATE MASS

May 18, 2025 at 10:30am Luncheon to follow. Be on the look out for your invitation in the mail.

schoolers serve weekday masses.

The grade school training or any new servers (attend one):

SESSION 2: THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm

having multiple training sessions starting every 15mins.

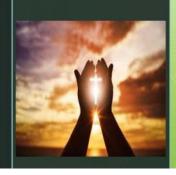
The deadline for registration submittals is April 28, 2025.

should be scheduled to serve with a sibling.

SESSION 1: WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025 after school till 4:30 pm

Youth Group Meeting

- Where: Church Basement P When April 27th
- r Time: 6:00 pm
- What: Exploring the
- Depths of Prayer and
- y planning upcoming
- meetings e



FAMILY **FELLOWSHIP**

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

COME AND JOIN US! FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH AFTER 4:30PM MASS FELLOWSHIP FAMILY ADORATION



Enjoy this special opportunity to introduce your children of all ages to adoring Jesus with other parish families

you'd like! Crying, soft whispers, &

children to come to Himi

QUESTIONS? CONTACT

BROOKE CASSIDY @ 419-233-4312

SHANA DULING @ 419-615-8988

WENDY IMM @ 614-634-1043

JUNE 7TH SEPTEMBER 6TH OCTOBER 4TH AUGUST!

You can stay as long as fidgeting is OK! Jesus wants ALL the little

GATHERINGS WILL BE IN THE PARK: MAY SRD NO FELLOWSHIP JULY OR



Mass Sever Registration QR Code

Days



or hyperlink https://form.jotform.com/240565061869059Mass Server Registrationform.jotform.com

Thank you, Elton Schroede eltons@me.com

10 AROUND THE AREA



St. Catherine's Embrace

is an outreach ministry that acknowledges and supports the many families in the St. George Deanery/ Putnam County area who have lost babies through miscarriage, stillbirth or infant loss. We offer prayers, resources and an engraved keepsake box filled with helpful books, artwork and handmade memorial items crafted by parishioners from across the county. There are trained volunteers in

this parish who can respond to families directly. If you or someone you love experiences a miscarriage or stillbirth, we are here to help. Simply call the parish office and we will take care of the rest. Are you interested in volunteering with St. Catherine's Embrace? We have multiple ways to get involved. We need woodworkers, seamstresses and parish outreach volunteers in particular at this time. Please call or text Mary Beth at (419)980-8065, email scembrace@gmail.com or message us on Facebook if you are interested in learning how your talents and gifts can be used to accompany local families in their time of need. **Our next meeting is Tuesday,**

April 29th at 6:30 at the Glandorf Parish Hall. Join us!



Putnam County Right to Life Garage and Bake Sale

County Right to Life would like to thank everyone who supported us at our garage and bake sale this year. Our sale was a great success! We thank all who supported us by donating baked goods and gently used items, those who came to the sale to purchase items, the Ottawa K of C for use of their hall again, and for Marilyn and the Knights who helped us clean up on Wednesday afternoon. We are so thankful for all the volunteers who helped us in any way, from advertising the sale to helping us set up on Sunday and Monday, during the sale, and take down on Wednesday. We could not do this without them. We want to give special thanks to the students who helped us set up, take down or helped us each day. We also thank those who delivered unsold items to places where they would be used. God bless all of you!

Springs in the Desert, a Catholic infertility ministry, is hosting monthly meetings to accompany women struggling with infertility and loss. We offer a place of respite and solidarity- a place to

acknowledge the pain and complex emotions associated with infertility. Our next meeting will be held **Thursday**, **May 1** at **7:30 pm** in the St. Joseph, Fort Jennings church basement. All women of the parish & surrounding parishes are invited to join us. You do not need to have attended any previous meetings to join in- new faces are welcome at any time! For more information, contact Laura Tenwalde at (419)303-5752 or Wendy Schimmoeller at (419)236-0522. It is our honor to walk with you!

LUNCH IN THE PARK May 15, 2025 11:00 AM- 1:00 PM Location: 1085 East Third St. Ottawa, Ohio

Menu includes choice of: Taco Salad, Fruity Chicken Salad Croissant Tray, Brats Tray, Hot Dog (regular or southern style) Tray (Trays include potato chips, cole slaw & dessert) Also available: Drinks & dessert Carry outs are available by calling 419-523-5593

YES (Youth Elect Service)

This year's YES theme is "To the Heights". The youth will spend time bonding with prayer, volunteering, games, Adoration, sharing of meals and so much more all while discussing Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. Blessed Pier, who will be canonized August 3 rd, has this quote which sums up YES. "What wealth it is to be in good health, as we are! But we have the duty of putting our health at the service of those who do not have it. To act otherwise would be to betray that gift



of God". Please consider helping us make YES 2025 a success. We need volunteers to assist the day of – job site adult/young adult leaders, youth volunteers, job sites we can provide service at, food donations, kitchen help, set up, tear down, cleaning supplies, the list goes on. If you would like to help see below.

YES (Youth Elect Service) JOB SITES

On Saturday, June 14, 2025, teens & adults from the St. George Deanery will be volunteering to help people throughout Putnam County with various jobs around their homes as they participate in the annual YES (Youth Elect Service) project. If you would like a team of youth and adults to help with jobs around your home, please contact Nichole Schroeder at jrhighccd@glandorfstjohns.com or call 419-538-6897.

Work can include anything from mulching, weeding, to washing your car, or just some spring cleaning around your yard! Please call soon, so we can make sure to have a team available to help at your house.

YES (Youth Elect Service) YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

Saturday, June 14, 2025 The 2025 YES service project will be hosted by Ottawa Sts. Peter & Paul. Current 7th grade students through graduating seniors are encouraged to join us for this day of service. You will meet teens from throughout the St. George Deanery, have fun, and be the hands and feet of Christ in your community. Registration forms are

available in the back of Church in the south vestibule of the Church or contact Nichole Schroeder at jrhighccd@glandorfstjohns.com. Registrations are due by May 23, 2025.

YES (Youth Elect Service) ADULT (Crew Leader) HELP Needed

Do you like to spend time helping those in need? We'd love for you to join us as an ADULT CREW LEADER for the YES Service Project on Saturday, June 8, 2025 hosted by Sts. Peter & Amp; Paul, Ottawa and working throughout the county. Adult crew leaders must be at least 21. Parents, Grandparents and Confirmation Sponsors: it would be great to work on a team with your child or grandchild. Nothing is more rewarding than sharing your time and faith with the Young Church of Today! Registration forms are available in the south vestibule of the Church or contact Nichole Schroeder at jrhighccd@glandorfstjohns.com or call 419-538-6897. Registrations are due by May 23, 2025.

YES (Youth Elect Service) PROJECT DONATIONS

Donations are always appreciated! Nothing is more rewarding than sharing your time and faith with others, but if you are unable to help on YES Project Work Day, maybe you would be willing to help support our Project? Monetary donations and work supplies are always appreciated. Maybe you could donate a case of water or a case of paper towels, etc. Please contact Tanya Ellerbrock for ideas of what supplies we need most. Monetary donations can be sent to Sts. Peter & Paul, 307 Locust St. Ottawa, OH 45875 or call your parish's Youth Minister Nichole Schroeder at 419-538-6897 to arrange a pick-up or drop off for your donation. Thank you for your generosity.

TDCCW DAY OF RENEWAL

All women of the Toledo Diocese are invited to attend a Day of Renewal on Wednesday, May 14, at Our Lady of Consolation, 315 Clay Street, Carey, Ohio 43316. Ed Van Buskirk will be the featured speaker for the day. Ed founded "If U Love Me" in 2018, and his website is <u>https://ifuloveme.org</u>. Registration opens at 8:15 a.m. and the day will conclude at 2:30 p.m. The morning session will begin with Ed speaking at 9:15 a.m. Mass is at 11:00 a.m. and Ed will conclude his presentation at beginning at 1:00 p.m. There will be time to tour the Shrine basement, visit the gift shop and go to the Shrine grounds. The cost for the day is \$35 per person which includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Checks may be made payable to Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, and mailed to St. Ignatius Parish, Attn: Sue Hopkins, 212 N. Stadium Road, Oregon, Ohio 43616. Please include your name and phone number along with your check. For more information or questions, please contact hborgelt@bright.net. The deadline to register for Day of Renewal is April 30.



GENERAL INFORMATION

ST. JOHN'S RECREATIONAL BASKETBALL

FOR MEN (HS GRADUATES +)

starting on Monday nights from 7:30-9:30pm in St. John's Parish Center Gymnasium.

If you would like to join or have questions contact Luke Recker 419-957-3537.





held receiver during mass please contact the rectory office

419-538-6928 and ask for Ashley .

WATCH MOVIES, KIDS SHOWS, AUDIO BOOKS, BIBLE STUDIES AND A LOT MORE THIS LENT!

HOW TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT

Go to FORMED.org . Click Sign Up. Chose sign up as a parishioner /organization Find your parish, type in Glandorf Oh - Click on St. John 109 Main St. Glandorf when it pops up. Fill out create a New Account. Already have a FORMED account.

Visit FORMED.org . Click Sign In upper right corner Have questions? Call 419-890-3724

CATHOLIC COUNSELING SERVICES

Feeling depressed during the Christmas season? Struggling with the loss of a loved one? Dealing with marital problems? Experiencing gender identity issues? If you or someone you love might benefit from counseling, confidential professional Catholic counseling, rooted in our Catholic faith, is now available at Findlay St. Michael Parish.

To inquire, please contact the main parish office @ 419-422-2646 and ask to be transferred to the Catholic Counseling services.



Did you know that volunteering as a family to bring up the offertory at Mass is a beautiful way to deepen your connection to God and to each other? Parishioners can sign up today by scanning QR code:

https://tinyurl.com/2dss8wpy





STS. PETER & PAUL BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Meets the on the Second Wednesday of the Month at 9:15am - 10:15am in the Sts. Peter and Paul Side Chapel. If you have lost a loved one and would like to meet up with others who have, please join us. For all members of the St. George Deanery.



Mustard Seed Gift Shop normal business hours Tues, Thurs, & Fri 9:00am - 5:00pm; Wed 10:00am - 6:00pm; Sat 8:00am - 1:00pm Phone number 419-538-7220 www.mustardseedgiftshop.com Brenda Maag 419-235-3106 Julie Barlage 419-303-5366



The mission of St. Catherine's Embrace is to reach out to, assist and embrace all families in the St. George Deanery, regardless of faith affiliation, who have lost a child from miscarriage, stillbirth, or infant death. Please call the rectory 419-538-6928



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Dívíne Mercy

In today's Gospel we hear about the first time that Jesus came to the Apostles after He rose from the dead. He breathed on them and told them that they had the power to forgive sins. Jesus had just given us the Sacrament of Confession- now a priest could take God's place to hear our sins and tell us that we are forgiven.

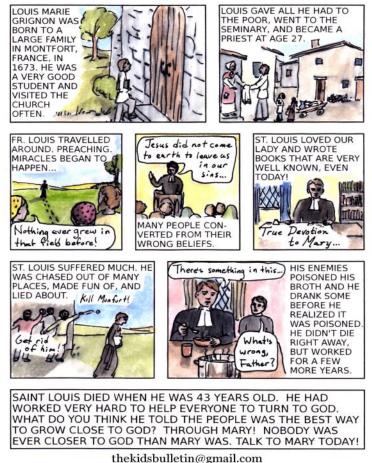
Today, the second Sunday of Easter, is also the feast of Divine Mercy. Mercy means being treated well even though we don't deserve it. God is so merciful that He wants to forgive ALL our sins, no matter how bad. All we have to do is be sorry and go to Confession.

God's Divine Mercy is so great that even the worst sinner in the world can be saved from Hell if he asks for it. But even our little sins hurt Jesus, so we need to ask God for mercy too. Don't ever imagine that God can't forgive you when you are sorry- remember, Jesus died on the cross so that you would be able to go to Heaven!

> Jesus, I Trust in You! Answers to True of False: Answers to True of False: 7.true I.true 2.talse 3.talse 4.true 5.talse 3.true

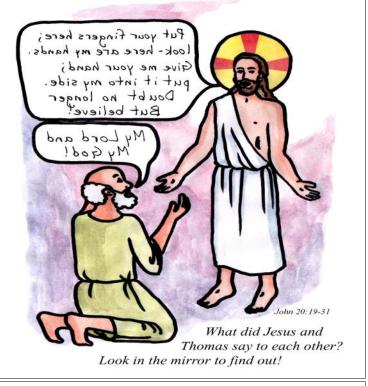
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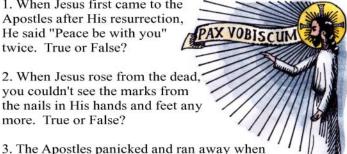
The Kids' Bulletin

Second Sunday of Easter **Divine Mercy Sunday** April 27th, 2025



True or False: When Jesus Came to the Apostles

1. When Jesus first came to the Apostles after His resurrection, He said "Peace be with you" twice. True or False?



you couldn't see the marks from the nails in His hands and feet any more. True or False?

3. The Apostles panicked and ran away when they saw Jesus because they thought he was a ghost. True or False?

4. Jesus breathed on the Apostles and told them that they now had the power to forgive people's sins. True or False?



5. The Apostle Thomas was not with the others when Jesus first came to them after He rose from the dead. True or False?

6. Thomas believed that they had seen Jesus, so he wasn't surprised when Jesus came again a week later. True or False?

7. Jesus told Thomas to put his fingers in the nail-holes in His hands and put his hand in Jesus' side where the spear had gone in. True or False?