

# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Missionaries of the Precious Blood  
St. George Deanery



**Pastor: Rev. Matthew Keller C.P.P.S.**

Email: [frmatt@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:frmatt@glandorfstjohns.com)

**Deacon:** Don Inkrott

**PARISH OFFICE BUSINESS HOURS**

Monday—Friday, 9:00am - 5:00pm  
Closed for Lunch from 12:30pm—1:30pm

Phone: 419-538-6928  
Sacramental Emergencies :  
419-778-9339  
Fax: 419-538-6147

**Website:** [www.stjohnsglandorf.org](http://www.stjohnsglandorf.org)

**Address:** PO Box 48, Glandorf, OH  
45848

**Business Manager:** Ashley Duling

Email: [bmanager@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:bmanager@glandorfstjohns.com)

**Administrative Assistant:** Michelle Horstman

Email: [admin@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:admin@glandorfstjohns.com)

**Pastorial Associate:** Mindy Recker

Email: [passociate@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:passociate@glandorfstjohns.com)

**Music:** Dan Ellerbrock

**Maintenance:** Joe Schroeder

**Janitors:** Mark Klausing (Church),  
Mark Kaufman (Parish Center)

**Cemetery Caretaker-Manager:** Jeff Gerding

**Preschool Administrator:** Lori Rump

Email: [preschool@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:preschool@glandorfstjohns.com)  
Phone: 419-538-6264

**K-4th Religious Education:** Tammy Schmitz

Email: [k4ccd@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:k4ccd@glandorfstjohns.com)  
Phone: 419-538-6335

**5th-8th Religious Education:**

Mindy Recker/Nichole Schroeder  
Email: [jrhighccd@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:jrhighccd@glandorfstjohns.com)  
Phone: 419-538-6897

**High School Religious Education:**

Jennifer Warnecke  
Email: [hscdd@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:hscdd@glandorfstjohns.com)  
Phone: 419-538-6897

**Youth Director:** Nichole Schroeder

Email: [jrhighccd@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:jrhighccd@glandorfstjohns.com)  
419-538-6897

**Parish Council President:** Mike Karhoff

**Finance Committee Chairperson:**  
Luke Recker

**Altar Rosary Society President:**

Abby Nussbaum

**Men's Society President:** Derek Maag



## 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.

## 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

## 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.

## SNOW EMERGENCY LEVELS

Diocese of Toledo Snow Emergency Policy:  
"Whenever a county/city within the Diocese of Toledo is placed under a Level 3 Snow Emergency, during which all roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel, the Catholic Churches within that geographic region will cancel the scheduled Saturday Vigil, Sunday, or Holy Day Masses. Roman Catholics in that region, therefore, are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass. If Masses are cancelled, Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via television, radio, or internet, making a spiritual Communion.

If Putnam County is ever under a Level 3 Snow Emergency the regular Mass times will be canceled here at St. John's. There will be a Mass at Noon, if you can get here safely you are welcome. If not, we encourage you to watch it on cable channel 3 or on our YouTube page. Level 1 and Level 2 if you can get here safely you are welcome.

# 2 FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MATT

[www.stjohnlandorf.org](http://www.stjohnlandorf.org)

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Today we remember Mary and Joseph bringing Jesus into the temple to present him to the Lord. Those that have devotion to praying the Rosary are probably familiar with this story because the fourth Mystery of the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary is the Presentation of the Lord. Often when we think of the Presentation, I think we often think of it as baptism when parents have a newborn baby, and they bring the baby to church for the Sacrament of Baptism. We might think this is what Mary and Joseph were doing when they brought Jesus the for the presentation.

In a certain sense there is some similarity with Mary and Joseph presenting Jesus to Lord was something that they were supposed to do, they were following the law as our scriptures tell us today “as it is written in the law of the Lord, every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord” (Luke 2:23). Similarly one of the duties of parents in our faith is to raise their children in the practice of the faith and what better way to begin to raise a child in the faith than to have that child baptized.

The baptism of a child and the presentation of the first born male child in the Jewish culture is similar but also different. When parents present a child for baptism that child does not yet belong to God. But the parents of this child wants their child to belong to God, so they ask the church to baptize their child so that their child can become a child of God and belong to God. When Mary and Joseph presented Jesus in the temple, a matter of fact anytime when Jewish parents presenting a firstborn male child, that child already belongs to God. But when present their first-born son Dianne Bergant explains this “was a way of reclaiming the firstborn male child who, the Israelites believed, really belonged to God. Buying back the child was a way of acknowledging God’s initial claim. The standard offering for this religious practice was a yearling lamb”. For couples that could not afford provisions were made as our scriptures indicate that Mary and Joseph offered either a pair of pigeons or two young turtledoves. The presentation or baptism both bring us into the grace of belonging to God. We belong to God. The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is also called Candlemas Day, a day where we traditionally bless candles, particularly all the liturgical candles that will be used in the year ahead, but we bless other candles as well. When we light a candle we do it for multiple different reasons. You light a candle because it gives off light before electricity after dark you needed light you lit a candle; some people might resort to using candles if the electricity goes out. A lit candle reminds me of the presence of God. Whether that is the lit candle above the tabernacle, the light of Christ that comes from the Paschal Candle, or when we light of candle because we are asking God for something in prayer (I light a candle sometimes to pray for peace). When we were baptized, we were presented with a lit candle because Christ has enlightened us because we belong to God. As bless and light candles today may they help to remind us of that grace that we belong to God.



## SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISM

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

### RECONCILIATION (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.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

Each week at Holy Mass we profess our belief in reciting the Nicene Creed. What does it mean when we say we believe in these statements/truths? We will take a look at each statement/truth of the creed and examine it's meaning through the use of the Faith and Life Series by Ignatius Press that is utilized in our parish religious education morning program, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade curriculum. For more information on this program, visit <https://loc.ignatius.com/faithandlife/>

**"I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come."** *"Then the King will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'" (Matthew 25: 34)*

Death is inevitable for us all. Death occurs at the end of this earthly life when the body and the soul are separated, but it is not the end.

For Catholics, a funeral is usually celebrated with a Mass. The body is brought to the church to be blessed, prayers are said for the deceased and a Mass of sacrifice is offered to the Lord on their behalf. We recognize that as the deceased was baptized in Christ, we hope in his/her resurrection in Christ. We entrust him/her to God and His mercy. After the funeral, the body is taken to the cemetery and buried because they are temples of the Holy Spirit. For this reason, our bodies are to be treated with great respect and honor, even in death. It is a Corporeal Work of Mercy to bury the dead.

While the body decays, the soul goes on to live forever. It does not stop with death. It is a spiritual creature and is not limited by matter. It continues for all eternity. When we die, our souls will be judged immediately. The way we live on earth determines our eternity. When we die, our souls are ever fixed. We must always live our lives in a way that says yes to God, and puts us in the direction of heaven.

**HELL:** Hell is real. It is a state of eternal suffering and sadness where we are separated from God forever. When we commit mortal sin, we are rejecting God in our lives. If we die in this state, our souls are fixed on rejection on God. Thanks be to God for his loving mercy, offered in the Sacrament of Penance! It is so important to understand that when we commit a mortal sin, we should rush to confession to receive absolution. The sins we confess and from which we are absolved will not be on our soul when we die and will not send us to hell.

**PURGATORY:** When we die, we may not go directly to heaven, as our soul may not be yet completely perfect. (It may have venial sin or is due punishment for sin.) Purgatory is a state of purification. It is a great gift from God as it allows us to be ready and made perfect so that we may go to heaven worthily and prepared. As we can never be sure if a soul is in need of purification, we pray for the souls in purgatory. Praying for the dead is another Work of Mercy.

**HEAVEN:** If we die in a state of grace, we will go to Heaven. Heaven is an eternal state of joy in which we are united with God forever. In heaven we will find the angels and the saints. We will be happy forever and not miss our lives here on earth. St. Therese taught that the souls in heaven are even closer to us than we realize. They want good for us, pray for us, and intercede on our behalf. They are still united to us in the Mystical Body of Christ through the Communion of Saints.

At the end of the world, we will experience the resurrection of the body. The same bodies we had on earth will be resurrected and made glorious – just like Jesus after his Resurrection. To give us hope in the Resurrection, God has blessed different saints with the gift of incorruption – their bodies did not decay.

We can have hope in the resurrection of our soul and body one day; in complete union with Christ in heaven.

# 4 ABOUT OUR PARISH

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3 Sts. Blaise & Ansgar

7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Communion Service-Deacon Don

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:15 am Rosary  
8:40am L/D Arnold Borgelt Family

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 St. Agatha

7:15am - 7:45am Confession  
7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Oscar Schnipke  
6:30pm - 8:15pm Adoration  
7:45pm - 8:15pm Confession

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6 St Paul Miki

8:15am Rosary  
8:40am Michael Leach

## First FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

7:15am-7:45am Confession  
7:35am Rosary  
8:00am L/D Erford & Salome Odey Family  
12:00pm Rosary  
1:00pm-4:00pm Adoration/Benediction

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 Sts. Jerome & Josephine

### **Blessing of the Throats**

7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Stephanie Crumrine  
8:30am Confessions  
4:00pm Confessions  
4:30pm Alfrieda Schroeder, Mary Agnes Schnipke,  
Henry Ellerbrock

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9~5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Jim Gray, L/D Mildred & Thomas Nienberg Family,  
Karl Speckmann  
10:30am Anne Schroeder, Mary Schastey, Cayla Fortman-Ross,  
Lambert Verhoff (AN)

Today we rejoice and celebrate  
World Day for Consecrated Life !



Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day! May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

For all men and women of our parish who are living the consecrated life.

Fr. Rick Friebel Fr. Steve Schroeder, late Fr.

Eugene Schnipke, Fr. Ken Schnipke, Sr. Nancy Recker & Sr. Lou Ann Roof,  
Fr. Nathan Bockrath, Deacon Don Inkrott, Deacon Eric Kaufman, Secular order of Franciscans Terri & Joseph Wenning, and Chuck Romer.



For the men in this parish preparing for the priesthood or consecrated life, especially Eric Kaufman and Mike Karhoff and for all the deceased.



## SERVERS

Mon	8:00am	No Mass
Tue	8:40am	Students
Wed	8:00am	Jerry Hanneman, Jeff Schram
Thurs	8:40am	Students
Fri	8:00am	Gary Recker, Roger Schroeder
Sat	8:00am	Connor Schimmoeller, Breyson Trombley, Kayden Trombley
Sat	4:30pm	Sam Warnecke, Adam Maag, Ross Maag
Sun	8:00am	Jade Sarka, Brooke Maag, Grant Leopold
Sun	10:30am	Lochlan Brinkman, James Niese, Owen Schumaker

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS LECTORS

Sat	4:30pm	Mary Ellen Halker	Aubrey Leopold
		Louis Halker	Lauren Bockrath
Sun	8:00am	Deb Burwell	Diane Nienberg
		Gretchen Schmitz	Doug Karhoff
Sun	10:30am	Tara Gerding	Chris Birkemeier
		Rose Ellerbrock	Mindy Recker

February 8th and 9th, Father will be having the Blessing of the Throats after all Masses. We need 8 Extraordinary Ministers at each Mass to touch the candles to parishioners throats. 4 Eucharist Minister on St. Mary's side and 4 on St. Joseph's side. Please come forward to help! Thanks!

## GIFT BEARERS

Sat	4:30pm	Brad & Clair Breece
Sun	8:00am	Ushers or ask a family
Sun	10:30am	Ushers or ask a family

## FEBRUARY USHERS

Sat	4:30pm	Kevin Ellerbrock, Alex Ellerbrock
Sun	8:00am	Chris & Tim Hoehn
Sun	10:30am	Mitch Gable, Charlie Schroeder

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 2

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Edna & Diane Nienberg

FEBRUARY FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Betty Kleman, Amie Lammers, Connie Cassidy, Kelly Morman

## 2025 Usher Schedule



The 2025 usher schedule was mailed out on Friday, January 24th.  
Please call the office if you do not receive the email.

\*\*\*We are in desperate need of another usher at the 4:30pm Mass on Saturday's, so we can keep 4 teams that usher at that Mass.

The schedule reflects not having the 4th group. We will update the schedule if we get another usher. If you can help, call the office.

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY:

**For vocations to the priesthood and religious life**

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.



## STEWARDSHIP

January 26, 2025

## Offering

Loose	\$	766.00
Adult Envelope	\$	6,334.00
Children	\$	90.00
Maintenance	\$	1,050.00
Online Offering	\$	2,555.00
Online Maintenance	\$	211.25
Initial Offering	\$	12.00
Latin America	\$	370.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>11,388.25</b>

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.stjohnnglandorf.org](http://www.stjohnnglandorf.org)

**Heartbeat** needs Diapers - size 4, 5, 6 and White onesies -0-3, 3-6, 6-9  
**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)

## 2024 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

have been mailed to those who have donated \$250 or more in 2024. All others who wish to receive a statement should contact the parish office at 419-538-6928

## CANONICAL BANNS

in Anticipation of

## ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

for the Diocese of Toledo.

After significant formation and discernment, the following seminarians are requesting to be considered for Ordination as Priests:

Travis Kahle  
 Eric Kaufman  
 Kevin McGraw.

Before these candidates are called to Holy Orders by Bishop Daniel Thomas, the People of God are to be asked about his worthiness. Therefore, if you are aware of a reason why he should not be ordained, please contact:

Reverend David D. Kidd, STL  
 Office for Diocesan Priestly Vocations  
 1933 Spielbusch Avenue  
 Toledo, OH 43604  
[dkidd@toledodiocese.org](mailto:dkidd@toledodiocese.org)

## C.P.P.S. major superiors monthly prayer request

February: Indian Vicariate

Blood of Christ: Hope of the World  
Prayer for the 2025 General Assembly of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

Compassionate God, we give you thanks and praise for your wonderful, yet suffering creation, as we share the healing and reconciling presence of the Precious Blood of Jesus, your Son.

Open our eyes and enlighten our hearts so that we may know what is the hope to which You have called us, the hope that does not disappoint.

Reawaken our desire and commitment to serve Your holy people as we journey together, fellow pilgrims on the Way of Your Kingdom.

May the wisdom and anointing of your Holy Spirit rain down upon us as we discover visionary commitments and leaders, who in the spirit of Saint Gaspar and Venerable/Blessed Giovanni Merlini, will empower our congregation to be a dynamic force for renewal in the Church.

As we raise the cup of salvation, and call upon Your name, may we then pour out our lives each day to advance that "new order of things that Christ brought about in the shedding of his Precious Blood."  
 Amen.

## February prayer for Precious Blood vocations

Lord God, In Jesus Christ, you shared with us the eternal Word!

He took up his cross for our salvation and invited us to take up the cross and follow him.

He shared the cup of his Precious Blood with his disciples and shares it with us each time we gather for Eucharist. Help us to share in his mission, to proclaim the Good News of our salvation to all the world. Help us to share in his life as we live out our faith each day. Give us his Spirit now and always. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

Amen!

## February prayer list

- Fr. David Matz
- Pray for vocations
- Br. Charles McCafferty
- Fr. Jack McClure
- Fr. Timothy McFarland
- Fr. John Mencsik
- Fr. Mark Miller
- Fr. Alfons Minja
- Pray for living and deceased C.P.P.S. members
- Fr. Charles Mullen
- Rev. Joseph Nassal
- Fr. Loi Huu (JohnVianney) Nguyen
- Fr. William Nordenbrock
- Br. Terrence Nufer
- Fr. William O'Donnell
- Pray for those in formation
- Fr. Edward Oen
- Fr. Andrew O'Reilly
- Fr. Mark Peres
- Fr. Lac Pham
- Hao (Paul) Pham
- Ky (Joseph) Phung
- Pray for living and deceased Companions and Amici
- Fr. Kenneth Pleiman
- Fr. Franklin Rayappa
- Br. Nicholas Renner
- Br. Robert Reuter
- Fr. Garry Richmeier

## 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 their families, relatives, friends & neighbors of ....

Leland Meyer

## Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us

The past 20 years

Caroline C Schmitz 2/2/24	Alan E Klemm 2/6/21
Amy L Buckland 2/3/05	Geraldine L Klemm 2/8/00
Jacqueline B Massey 2/3/19	Helen Kruse 2/8/01
Barbara R Lause 2/5/16	

# 6 AROUND THE PARISH

## THE FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

Monday, February 3rd

St. Blaise was a physician who worked hard to encourage the spiritual and physical health of his followers

After all weekend Masses on **February 8th and 9th**, we will have the **Blessing of Throats** and the **Anointing of the Sick**. Father Matt will offer a general Blessing of Throats at the conclusion of each Mass. If you would like to have candles touched to your throat, the designated Extraordinary Ministers will assist with this following the general blessing. Additionally, Father Matt will administer the Anointing of the Sick to those who wish to receive it after the Blessing of Throats.



**Attention ALL MEN!!!!** Join us on for That Man Is You (TMIY) **Saturday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 6-7:30am** in the Cafeteria or

**Wednesday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 7-8:30pm** in room 22.

For more information, contact Mike Karhoff @ [mbkarhoff@bright.net](mailto:mbkarhoff@bright.net), 419-796-0763

**TMIY "APOSTLES OF THE NEW SPRINGTIME" – Biblical Masculinity (Sat. 2/8, Wed. 2/5)** (session 16) Presenter: Michael Gormley; The Two Creation Stories are One Beautiful Picture. Male And Female are Complementary. Paradise Begins in the Home. Men Must Transmit God's Law to His Children. The Perfection of Manhood is Fatherhood. Physical Fatherhood is Not the Limit of Fatherhood. True Fulfillment is in Giving Oneself Away. *Gen 2:15-18, Deut 6:2-7, Gal 3:28, Eph 5:33.*



## BRINGING UP THE GIFTS AT MASS

We are excited to introduce a new procedure for bringing up the offertory gifts during each Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to participate in a meaningful way. We will be starting this new procedure for Christmas Masses this year!

### How It Works:

- Families can sign up for the Mass and date that works best for them.
- You are welcome to sign up for as many dates as you'd like!
- If no one is signed up for a particular Mass, the ushers will bring up the gifts.
- You can sign up throughout the year the link and the QR code in the bulletin

### What to Do on Your Scheduled Date:

- Sit towards the back of the church so it's easy to move to the back when needed.
- When the ushers begin collecting the offertory, head to the back of the church.
- The ushers will assist in handing you the gifts to carry forward.

We hope this new tradition will provide every family with the chance to actively participate in the liturgy. Thank you for being a part of this meaningful practice

Click the Link or Use the QR code to Sign Up:

<https://tinyurl.com/2dss8wpy>



## PARISH CENTER ACTIVITIES

Every Second Sunday of the Month  
February 9th, 2025



### COFFEE AND DONUTS AND GRAND-OLDF CLUB

located in Room 15 after 8:00am and 10:30am Masses by Pat and Barb Siefker



### LENDING LIBRARY

located in Room 15 after 8:00am and 10:30am Masses



### PARISH MUSEUM

Visitation Hours from 9:00am—12:00pm Located in Hallway.

## OCIA

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Monday, February 3

St. John's Parish Room 15

**Topic:** #18 Love That Lasts-Part II: Discovering Authentic Love (Defining the 6 & 9 Commandments)

Snack person: Michelle Kaufman

All our welcome. If interested, call the office to register.

*faith*

to move mountains

MATTHEW 17:20

PRAY AND MEDITATE

## World Day of Prayer

MARCH 7, 2025  
AT 11:00AM

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH, GLANDORF, OH

Light luncheon to follow in the Parish Center Cafeteria

May you be blessed with love, joy, and peace!

## PUTNAM COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE



Putnam County Right to Life is hosting a Rally for Life on Sunday, February 2, from 2 to 4 pm, in St. John's Parish Center cafeteria in Glandorf. Our guest speaker is Peter Range from Center for Christian Virtue. We will also have some Students for Life to update us on their activities. We invite all ages to join us for pro-life inspiration.

Save the Date. We are having our annual Garage & Bake Sale in April at the Ottawa K of C Hall. Drop off of gently used items and bake goods April 6 & 7 with sale days April 8 & 9. More details soon.



## STS. PETER & PAUL BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Second Wednesday of the Month  
9:15am –10:15am  
at 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.

## THANK YOU

**What a FANTASTIC Eucharistic Days!** Thank you to all the adorers for coming and spending time with our Lord!

**A warm heartfelt THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with the Eucharist Day! Jeanne Schram, Kathy Schmitz, Chris Schroeder, Marlene & Paul Kleman, Connie Denhart, Janet Schroeder, Noah Schroeder, Nolan Duling, James Niese and Miles Niese, the Choir, Dick's Steakhouse, CYO teams, Parish Council, Finance Council, Katie Verhoff, Adult Faith Team, Ashley Duling and Fr. Matt!

## A Heartfelt Thank You

Heartbeat would like to thank the parishioners of St Johns parish for their generous donation to Heartbeat during the Christmas season. Your generous support included almost \$2000 in cash donations and a huge donation of clothing for the babies/toddlers as well as adult toiletries. Throughout 2024, St Johns parishioners also generously donated diapers, wipes, baby food/formula, blankets, onesies, PJ's and shoes. Our babies and their families truly appreciate your support and prayers for this important work.

## A Heartfelt Thank You

I want to thank all of you who sent me cards and gifts for my birthday. May God bless you abundantly. Thank you Lord for letting me serve in Glandorf. Amen.  
Fr. Tony Fortman C.P.P.S.

## Walk with One

The Stages of Spiritual Companionship



**Invite Start January 19**  
Follow the promptings of the Holy Spirit. When the time is right, invite your friend to take a concrete next step in fostering a personal relationship with Jesus and the Church. This might mean joining you for one of the opportunities listed below or Mass on Sunday.

*By virtue of our Baptismal calling, the Lord is sending each of us to give witness to his saving love.*



### Getting Started:

- Invite the person to join you for Mass and coffee afterwards.
- Invite the person over for dinner where you could have a personal conversation and share your faith.
- Invite the person to any of our activities going on during Our Eucharistic Days January 25/26: Saturday & Sunday quiet Adoration time, Noon Rosaries, 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplets, Sunday 4:00pm evening prayer and Benediction, 4:45 Meal in the Gym. See bulletin for full Schedule.

*Adoring the Body of Christ, means believing that there, in that piece of Bread, Christ is really there, and gives true sense to life, to the immense universe as to the smallest creature, to the whole of human history as to the most brief existence.* Benedict XVI - Mass and Eucharistic Procession on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi May 22, 2008

### Prayer

Heavenly Father, your love knows no bounds. In your infinite wisdom, you have called us to spread the Good News of your Son, Jesus Christ, to all corners of the earth. We come before you today, humble and ready to serve in this mission to Walk With One.

You chose to become flesh, draw close, and walk alongside us, guiding us back to a restored relationship and life to the fullest. Bless us as we move forward, inspired by your example, to extend the same grace to others.

Grant us the courage to step out of our comfort zones and speak your truth with conviction and love. Fill our hearts with your Holy Spirit so that we may articulate the message of salvation with clarity and compassion. May our words and actions reflect the love and mercy of Jesus, drawing others closer to him.

Guide our efforts to build your kingdom here on earth. Open the hearts of those who have not yet encountered your love so that they may experience the joy of the Gospel and embrace the journey of faith. Strengthen our resolve when we face rejection or indifference, reminding us that we plant the seeds, but you, O Lord, provide the growth.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Evangelization, and all the saints, we offer ourselves to you, Lord, as instruments of your peace and love.

Blessed Carlo Acutis and St. Manuel Gonzalez, pray for us! Amen.



## 2025 Men's Welcome Retreat

Men, consider setting aside this one weekend to grow in your faith and become a happier, healthier, more fulfilled person. Come to the next Welcome Weekend at Glandorf St. John's.

It's an incredible, life-changing experience that will help you discover what is missing in your life, and what to do about it.

**February 8-9 from  
8am Saturday thru 3pm Sunday  
Glandorf St. John's Parish Center**

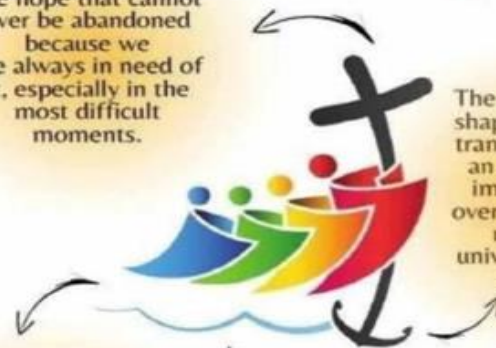
For more information, and/or to sign up, please contact:

Adam Schnipke (419) 303-9759  
Darren Schimmoeller (419) 302-1745  
Travis Tenwalde (419) 236-0324



## THE JUBILEE LOGO

The cross of Christ is the hope that cannot ever be abandoned because we are always in need of it, especially in the most difficult moments.



The Cross, in the shape of a sail, is transformed into an anchor that imposes itself over the waves in motion. A universal symbol of Hope.

The figures represent humanity from the four corners of the World. They are embracing each other to illustrate the solidarity between the peoples, as the first holds onto the cross.

The rough sea is a reminder of the difficulties of the pilgrimage of life. Often, personal events as well as those of the world, press on us more intensely, demanding a greater hope.

The logo shows how the way of the pilgrimage is not an individual effort, but rather collective, with the impression of a growing dynamism that tends more and more to the cross.

2025

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY

CALENDAR YEAR

CALENDAR MONTH

FIRST DAY OF WEEK

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

02  
**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (CANDLEMAS)**  
 12:01-8:00AM Adoration  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 9:00- 10:00AM Holy Hour concluding with Benediction  
 10:30AM Mass  
 \*\*\* Blessing Candles at each Mass (purchase or bring your own)

03  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Communion  
 Service - Deacon Don  
 6:00-7:30PM OCIA

04  
 8:15AM Rosary  
 8:40AM Mass

05  
 7:15-7:45AM Confession  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 6:30- 8:15PM Adoration  
 7:45- 8:15PM Confession 6:30- 8:30PM TMIY

06  
 8:15AM Rosary  
 8:40AM Mass  
 7:00-8:30PM Choir Practice

07  
**FIRST FRIDAY**  
 7:15-7:45AM Confession  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 12:00PM Rosary  
 1:00PM - 4:00PM Concluding with Evening Prayer with Benediction

08  
 5:30AM - 7:30AM TMIY  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 8:30AM Confessions  
 4:00-4:15PM Confessions  
 4:30PM Mass - Blessing of Throats & Anointing of the Sick  
**Men's Welcome Weekend**

09  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 10:30AM Mass  
**Coffee & Donuts after Masses, Lending Library, Parish Museum**  
**Men's Welcome Weekend \*\*\***  
 Blessing of Throats and Anointing of Sick at each Mass

10  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Communion  
 Service - Deacon Don  
 6:00-7:30PM OCIA

11  
 8:15AM Rosary  
 8:40AM Mass

12  
 7:15-7:45AM Confession  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 6:30- 8:15PM Adoration  
 7:45- 8:15PM Confession 6:30- 8:30PM TMIY

13  
 8:15AM Rosary  
 8:40AM Mass  
 7:00-8:30PM Choir Practice

14  
 7:15-7:45AM Confession  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 12:00PM Rosary

15  
 5:30AM - 7:30AM TMIY  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 8:30AM Confessions  
 4:00-4:15PM Confessions  
 4:30PM Mass

16  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 10:30AM Mass  
 10:30AM - 3:30PM Junior High Gathering

17  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Communion  
 Service - Deacon Don  
 6:00-7:30PM OCIA

18  
 8:15AM Rosary  
 8:40AM Mass

19  
 7:15-7:45AM Confession  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 1:00- 4:00PM Lady of Leisure  
 6:00- 9:00PM Lady of Leisure  
 6:30- 8:30PM TMIY  
 6:30- 8:15PM Adoration  
 7:45- 8:15PM Confession

20  
 8:15AM Rosary  
 8:40AM Mass  
 7:00-8:30PM Choir Practice

21  
 7:15-7:45AM Confession  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 12:00PM Rosary

22  
 5:30AM - 7:30AM TMIY  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 8:30AM Confessions  
 4:00-4:15PM Confessions  
 4:30PM Mass  
 5:30PM "RAFFLE"  
**Fundraiser for Summer Faith Adventure Program**

23  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 10:30AM Mass - Boy Scout Sunday

24  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Communion  
 Service - Deacon Don  
 6:00-7:30PM OCIA

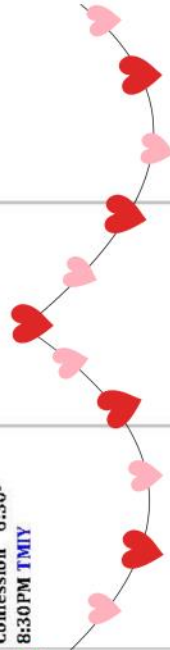
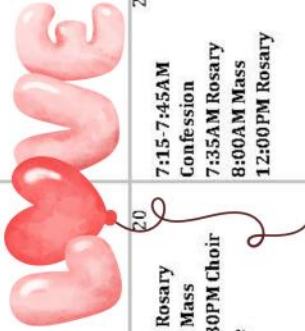
25  
 8:15AM Rosary  
 8:40AM Mass

26  
 7:15-7:45AM Confession  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 6:30- 8:15PM Adoration  
 7:45- 8:15PM Confession 6:30- 8:30PM TMIY

27  
 8:15AM Rosary  
 8:40AM Mass  
 7:00-8:30PM Choir Practice

28  
 7:15-7:45AM Confession  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 12:00PM Rosary

01  
**FIRST SATURDAY**  
 5:30AM - 7:30AM TMIY  
 7:35AM Rosary  
 8:00AM Mass  
 8:30AM Confessions  
 8:30AM - 4:00PM all day Rosary  
 4:00-4:15PM Confessions  
 4:30PM Mass  
 5:30pm - 12:00 - Overnight Adoration  
 6:00-7:30PM FAMILY FELLOWSHIP





Donations to help  
kids have free  
admission and  
items for activities!

February 22, 2025

Glandorf St. John

Must be 21 or  
Older to attend!

# "RAFFLE"

**FUNDRAISER FOR SUMMER FAITH  
ADVENTURE PROGRAM**

**\$30**

## ACTIVITIES:

- 50/50 tickets
- "Raffle" (15 Games)
- Horse Race
- Side Raffles

## INFORMATION:

- Glandorf St. John's Parish Center
- Doors open at 5:30
- Raffle starts at 6:30
- BYOB and BYO Snacks
- For Tickets Contact:  
Nichole Schroeder: 419-303-7252  
Barb Siefker: 419-236-2023

TCL | 65" | 4K UHD



One of the  
prizes 65 in.  
TV



Please help  
these kids join  
for Free!

# 10 CCD NEWSLETTER & PRESCHOOL

St. John the Baptist Religious Education Newsletter, February 2025

There is no love without hope, no hope without love, and neither love nor hope without faith.

— Saint Augustine

### Upcoming Events:

- Feb. 1st: All night Adoration begins after 4:30pm Mass - See Bulletin on how to sign up
- Feb. 1st: Family Fellowship - See attached Flyer
- Feb. 3rd: Vocation Talk with Fr. David Kidd - Vocation Director for the Diocese of Toledo
- Feb. 5th Culture Project with grades 7 & 8
- Feb. 6th: 3A attends Penance in Church
- Feb. 10th: Grades K-4 and 5-8 attend EXALT (Praise & Worship Adoration)
- Feb. 13th: 3C attends Penance in Church
- Feb. 14th: Happy St. Valentine's Day
- Feb. 14th: No School (Glandorf Elem. Professional Development)
- Feb. 17th: No School (President's Day)
- Feb. 20th: 3B attends Penance in Church
- Feb. 25th: 1st Communion Parent Mtg. 6:30pm in Cafeteria
- Feb. 27th: 2A attends Penance in Church

### Welcome to our Special Guests this month:



Fr. David Kidd  
February 3rd

## Culture Project

February 5th

The Culture Project Missionaries talk to students about human dignity, self worth, and how living a virtuous life can change the world.



6C students were recognized for demonstrating virtues and added their names to our virtue wall.



7th grade playing a review game on the sacrament of Marriage

## St. John's Religious Education Lenten Charity Drive

When: March 1-31<sup>st</sup>,

What: Collecting money

How: Bring any USD coins to CCD

put into the clear tube. Goal is to fill both clear tubes (or more!)

Who: Good Grief Fun Camp

(sponsored by Putnam County Homecare & Hospice)



More Information about Good Grief Fun Camp:

Putnam County Home Care & Hospice runs a camp each summer for children ages 5-18 who are/have been experiencing grief through the loss of a loved one.

This camp is important because it specifically addresses the children's needs in a comfort zone that helps them raise their concerns, questions and feelings at their own pace. Oftentimes, children find the freedom to express their emotions more easily while interacting with their peers who have also experienced loss.

The cost of one camper (last year) was \$20. Through your generosity, we are hoping to cover the cost of many participants this coming summer to offer healing.

(This drive will be in lieu of our annual food drive)

We hope you can help bring healing and peace to others by bringing in your coins!



## Preschool REGISTRATION 2025-2026



March 17, 2025  
7:00 p.m.

MORE INFO  
419.538.6264



St. John's Parish Center  
Cafeteria



## St. Valentine:



St. Valentine was a 3rd-century Catholic priest or bishop who lived during the Roman Empire. He is remembered for his courage and faith, especially his dedication to Christ and the Church. Tradition holds that he secretly married Christian couples at a time when Emperor Claudius II had outlawed marriages, believing single men made better soldiers. St. Valentine was martyred for his faith, and his feast day on February 14 became a celebration of love and commitment, inspired by his example of selfless devotion. Over time, Valentine's Day evolved to include expressions of love and friendship through cards, gifts, and acts of kindness. Its roots, however, remain deeply tied to the Christian virtues of love, sacrifice, and fidelity. As Catholics, we can honor St. Valentine by showing love to those around us in ways that reflect God's love for us—through kindness, forgiveness, and acts of charity.



### 2025 Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope

On December 24th, Pope Francis opened the Holy Doors at St. Peter's Basilica to kick off the Jubilee year for 2025. This Jubilee Year of Mercy invites us to open our hearts to God's love and share it with others. With the theme *Pilgrims of Hope*, we journey together in faith, spreading kindness, forgiveness, and compassion. This special year reminds us to trust in God's mercy and bring hope to those in need through prayer, service, and love. Let's walk this journey together as a family of faith!

#### What is a Jubilee Year?

A Jubilee Year is a special year of grace and celebration in the Catholic Church, marked by spiritual renewal, forgiveness, and opportunities to grow closer to God. It often includes pilgrimages, acts of charity, and indulgences to help deepen faith and experience God's mercy.

#### What are the Holy Doors?

The Holy Doors are special doors found in certain basilicas around the world, including St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. During a Jubilee Year, these doors are opened as a symbol of God's mercy and an invitation to enter into a deeper relationship with Him. Walking through the Holy Doors is a physical sign of a spiritual journey, representing repentance, renewal, and the grace of forgiveness.

#### How can we celebrate the Jubilee Year as a parish family and at home?

The Jubilee Year is a time for us to grow in faith and experience God's mercy in a deeper way. At St. John's, we can celebrate by participating in special parish events, like prayer services, Eucharistic Adoration, join our Family Fellowship Group once a month, acts of charity, and learning more about our faith. At home, families can celebrate by creating a prayer space, making small pilgrimages to local churches, and performing works of mercy together. This year is an invitation to open our hearts to God's love and share that love with others in our daily lives.

# 12 YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT

2ND GRADE PARENTS

## 1ST RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING

DATE: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

TIME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: PARISH CENTER CAFETERIA

We kindly ask parents only to attend this important meeting as part of your child's preparation for 1st Holy Communion. This meeting is required per diocesan guidelines.

A Special Invitation to Family Members:

We would love for your extended family members—especially any Priests or Deacons in your family—to participate in the 1st Holy Communion Mass. Other family members, such as Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Godparents, and Older Siblings, are also welcome to help. Roles may include: Priest or Deacon participation, Lector, Usher, Altar Server, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

If anyone in your family would like to assist, please bring their names and contact information to the meeting so we can reach out to them to coordinate their roles.

Thank you for your dedication and support in making this a beautiful celebration!

### BOY'S: League Tournament continue

Birkemeyer: 2:15PM at Kalida

GOOD LUCK!

Ellerbrock: 2:15PM at Columbus Grove

### GIRL'S:

Saturday 2/1 @ 1:00pm Sacred Heart @Glandorf

Sunday 2/2 @ 1:00pm St. John XXIII @Glandorf



## Youth Group

### Junior High Gathering

Stand Out: Embrace the Unusual  
Held at St. John's Parish Center Glandorf

Students in grades 6-7-8 from the St. George Deanery are invited!

High school students can volunteer to help!

February 16,  
2025 10:30am -  
3:30 pm

The day will start with Mass @10:30 followed by lunch, and filled with an afternoon of Breakout sessions.

### Schedule

10:30-11:30: Mass

11:30-11:45: Registration/  
Sign-in (Ice-breaker)

11:45: Opening Prayer

11:45-12:30: Lunch

12:30-12:50: Project

12:55-1:15: Session 1 (Speaker)

1:20-1:40: Session 2 (Minute to win it games)

1:45-2:05: Break/Snack

2:10-2:30: Session 3 (Speaker)  
2:35-2:55: Session 4 (Wheel of Fortune)

3:00-3:20 Adoration

3:20-3:30 Final  
Gathering/Closing Prayer



## LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

26th Annual Youth Retreat

I HAVE A REASON TO  
**PRaise**  
*the Lord*

TAKE A BREAK FROM THE HUSTLE + BUSTLE AND BE RENEWED FOR A WEEKEND FULL OF OPPORTUNITIES TO DEEPEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS AND THE HOLY SPIRIT!

GROW IN COMMUNITY WITH OTHERS, AS YOU REFLECT ON WITNESSES GIVEN ON GODS LOVE, SALVATION, NEW LIFE IN CHRIST, GROWTH, RECEIVING GOD'S GIFT, & TRANSFORMATION.



Register by  
FEB 28

\$20 LATE FEE

REGISTRATION CLOSES  
MAR 7 @ 11:59 PM



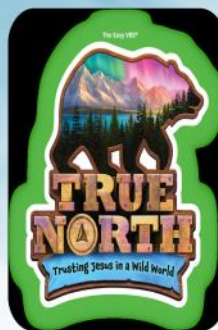
SPIRITUAL CENTER  
OF MARIA STEIN  
Maria Stein, OH

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

2025 Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Monday, June 2nd through  
Thursday, June 5th, 6:00-8:00 pm

Theme this year, "TRUE NORTH: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World."



Children ages 4 to 5th grade are invited to come and have fun in learning that Jesus' love helps us through anything!

To make VBS possible, we need lots of help! MOMS! DADS! GRANDPARENTS! HIGH SCHOOLERS! AUNTS! UNCLES! This is a fun-filled week your child won't want to miss! If you are interested in helping and you will not have a child enrolled, please call/text Committee Members Lori Schroeder (419-969-4012) or Jenna Burgei (419-615-2274). We also have a few Station Leader positions to fill.

Look for registration forms at the end of February to come home in CCD and in the vestibules of church.

This is a great way to get involved and help build God's Kingdom.  
Contact Lori or Jenna to volunteer or for more information.



The latest issue of *Graceful Living* is out! Parishes receive a small number by mail, and 40,000 copies are direct mailed to Catholics across NW Ohio. The magazine highlights the incredible people and places in our Diocese, like native son of the Diocese of Toledo, Bishop Dennis Walsh. We also highlight Ingrid Cooper of Toledo, Sean Beeson of Crawford County, and much more!

Anyone can sign up to receive future issues to their home by emailing [glmagazine@toledodiocese.org](mailto:glmagazine@toledodiocese.org) with your full name and address. You can see the digital version here:

[toledodiocese.org/GracefulLiving](http://toledodiocese.org/GracefulLiving) Pick up a copy at the exits.

## ORDINARY LIVES EXTRAORDINARY MISSION

WITH AUTHOR & SPEAKER JOHN R. WOOD



**11 MARCH 2025**  
7:00PM

**SS. PETER & PAUL PARISH:**  
307 NORTH LOCUST STREET OTTAWA, OH 45875

**TOPIC** FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT: HOW TO HAVE A LIFE CHANGING LENT

"I believe John is one of the great emerging Catholic voices of our time. John Wood has a passion that is contagious... make an effort to go and hear him speak!"  
Matthew Kelly | The Dynamic Catholic Institute



## WILLIAMS WAVECAST App

### BLUETOOTH HEARING ASSISTANCE NOW AVAILABLE IN CHURCH



- Connect to wireless internet: **ASSISTED LISTENING SYSTEM**  
Password: **stjohnsound**
- Download the **WaveCAST APP**
- Upon opening the app it will prompt you with **No Internet Connection** and ask if you want to use cellular. Choose **"KEEP USING WIFI"**
- The channel **St. Johns Sound** will be on the home page of the app. Click **St. Johns Sound** & adjust volume accordingly.

For any question and for those who do not have Bluetooth capabilities with their hearing aids and would like to use a hand held receiver during mass please contact the rectory office 419-538-6928 and ask for Ashley.

### HOW TO CREATE A FORMED.ORG ACCOUNT FREE FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

Go to [FORMED.org](http://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



Christian Gifts & Educational Resources

**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](http://www.mustardseedgiftshop.com)

Brenda Maag 419-235-3106

Julie Barlage 419-303-5366



Health Coaching for Women - Rooted in the Catholic Faith

Christine Schroeder

INTEGRATIVE NUTRITION HEALTH COACH

Ph# 419-230-2953

email: [christine@restore23.net](mailto:christine@restore23.net)

website: [www.restore23.net](http://www.restore23.net)



### 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



Providing Education on the **CREIGHTON MODEL Fertility Care™ System** to Empower Women and Couples to UNDERSTAND, MAINTAIN, and APPRECIATE their Health and Fertility in a way that is cooperative with our Catholic faith.

Contact Wendy Imm, BSN CFCP for more information at 614-634-1043 or [divinegracefertilitycare@gmail.com](mailto:divinegracefertilitycare@gmail.com)

## LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

### 2ND ANNUAL ADULT RETREAT

I HAVE A REASON TO PRAISE the Lord



A LIFE-CHANGING WEEKEND!

TAKE A BREAK FROM THE HUSTLE + BUSTLE AND BE RENEWED FOR A WEEKEND FULL OF OPPORTUNITIES TO DEEPEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS + THE HOLY SPIRIT!

GROW IN COMMUNITY WITH OTHER LIKE-MINDED ADULTS, AS YOU REFLECT ON WITNESSES GIVEN ON GOD'S LOVE, SALVATION, NEW LIFE IN CHRIST, GROWTH, RECEIVING GOD'S GIFT + TRANSFORMATION.



Register by FEB 28

\$20 LATE FEE  
REGISTRATION CLOSES  
MAR 7 @ 11:59 PM

SPiritual CENTER OF MONTEZUMA

Celina, Ohio

21-23 MAR



# The Presentation of Jesus

Today we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of Baby Jesus in the temple. God's people were supposed to offer their firstborn sons to the service of God, or make an offering of animals instead.



Mary and Joseph were poor, so they followed the law by offering a pair of turtledoves.



Did you know that you can offer yourself to God too? You can use your life to do good and please God.

A good way to start is to pray a "morning offering" every day. Tell God that you love Him and offer Him all your prayers, work, joys, and sufferings of the day. When you do everything for God you will be cooperating with Jesus in making the world a better and happier place!



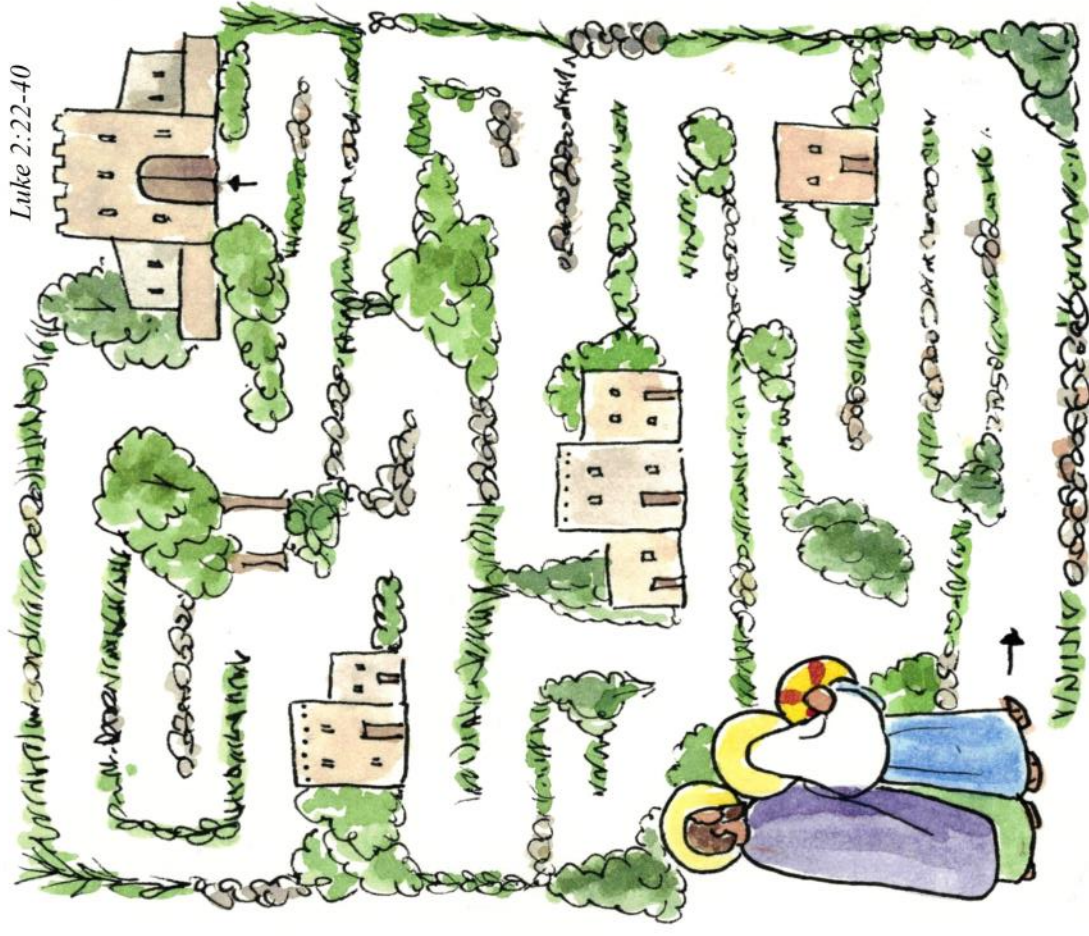
How can you start offering yourself to God today?

Answers to Presentation True or False:  
1.False 2.False 3.True 4.True 5.False 6.True 7.False

[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

# The Kids' Bulletin

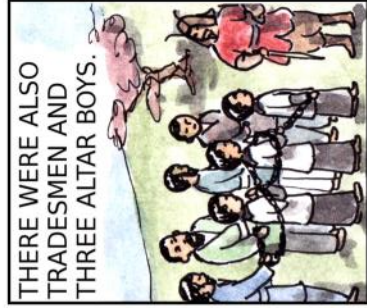
Feast of the Presentation of Jesus  
February 2nd, 2025



Can you help the Holy Family find their way to the Temple so that Baby Jesus can be presented there?

# Saint Paul Miki and Companions

## February 6



WHEN CHRISTIAN MISSIONARIES CAME TO JAPAN AGAIN IN THE 1800'S, AT FIRST THEY THOUGHT THERE WERE NO CHRISTIANS THERE, BUT THEN THEY FOUND THEM PRACTICING THEIR FAITH SECRETLY. OUR LORD USES THE SACRIFICE OF THE MARTYRS TO STRENGTHEN THE FAITH OF OTHER CHRISTIANS.

# The Presentation: True or False?

How well do you know the story of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple? See if you can tell which of these statements are true and which are false!

1. Jesus was 12 years old when Mary and Joseph first presented Him in the temple. True or False?
2. Mary brought baby Jesus to the temple all by herself. True or False?
3. Joseph and Mary offered two pigeons or turtledoves when they presented Jesus in the temple. True or False?
4. When Simeon took baby Jesus in his arms he said to God, "my eyes have seen your salvation." True or False?
5. Mary forgot what Simeon said as soon as they left the temple. True or False?
6. Anna the prophetess, who also greeted the Holy Family, was an old woman. True or False?
7. Jesus stayed at the temple when Mary and Joseph went home. True or False?

