

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Missionaries of the Precious Blood
St. George Deanery



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Deacon DON INKROTT

PARISH OFFICE BUSINESS HOURS

NEW - Monday—Friday, 9:00am - 5:00pm

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Men's Society President: Tony Schroeder



CYO SPORTS

DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS – All players must be members of the sponsoring parish and/or educational system of the parish in order to play on the parish team. **PARISH POLICY FOR HIGH SCHOOL CYO** Playing any sports this year? You are expected to attend both the Fall & Winter sessions of High School Religious Education Groups or Grade School CCD Classes—plus weekend Saturday or Sunday Mass. This includes all players, coaches and their families. Attendance at these groups/classes will be monitored and reviewed. For each class missed, beyond 4 classes you will be sitting out one game. Parents, if your child is sick, please call or text Ruth Gerding at 567-204-1275 before class. This also includes the **PUTNAM COUNTY GRADE SCHOOL BOY'S & GIRL'S CYO SPORTING TEAMS**. We kindly ask the cooperation of all concerned as we implement this church policy for the good of our parish. Fr. Matt & Mike Karhoff

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 2 snow emergencies, come if you can get here safely. If Ottawa-Glandorf Schools cancel youth activities, St. John's youth activities will also be cancelled.

2 FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MATT

www.stjohnglandorf.org

I think we are all familiar with the phrase “one rotten apple ruins the whole bunch”. And typically, when we use this phrase, we are not literally talking about apples. Typically, when we use this phrase we are generally talking about people, typically how if one person in the group is either grumpy, angry, or is having a bad day and that rubs off onto everyone else having a bad day this is an example of something that happens in families. But literally does one rotten apple ruin the whole bunch? Yes, one rotten apple really does spoil the whole bunch. A rotten apple or a fully ripe apple produces a gas that speeds up the ripening process in the other apples around causing them all get fully ripe or to rot. Could one bad apple become good and make all the rest of apples in the bunch better? Literally the answer would be no. Figuratively the answer would be perhaps?

In scriptures today Jesus encounters the woman at the well and they have what seems to be a relatively long conversation. But it is rich conversation and is a conversation that should be read in its entirety. When I was on retreat preparing for ordination, I spent a day reflecting on this on this conversation and there were different details that stood out to me throughout the day.

At the start of this dialogue this woman was on the outside of the community, she came to draw water in the middle of the day, it would have been the hottest time during the day. Those who were in the in, of the community would have went out at the beginning of the day when it was cooler to get water. This woman who was on the outside goes to draw in the middle of the day and it is here that she had a conversation, an encounter with Jesus. A conversation where Jesus knows this woman, an encounter that changed, she left her water jar and went into town saying “Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Christ?” (John 4:29). And it is from this encounter that it sparked the curiosity of the entire community that got them to come out to meet Jesus and have an encounter with Christ. They tell the woman at the end of the scriptures today “We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world” (John 4:42).

The woman in our scriptures had encounter with Christ, where Christ knew her, and from her experience drew others to encounter Christ. As we journey in this Season of Lent we long to have an encounter with Christ, for Christ knows us better than we know ourselves, and it is not enough for us to just have an encounter with Christ, our encounter like this woman’s encounter is meant to be so that it draws others to encounter Christ. As we encounter Christ this Lent may we also help others to encounter Christ.



~WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE~

MONDAY, MARCH 13

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Father Eugene Schnipke C.P.P.S., Dick Recker**10:30am Funeral - Russ Nienberg****4:00pm Penance Service****7:00pm Penance Service****TUESDAY, MARCH 14**

8:25am Rosary

8:45am Mass**6:30-7:30pm Witness of Bart & Mindy Recker****WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15**

7:15-7:45am Confessions

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Aaron Verhoff

8:45am Station of the Cross 5th-8th grade

6:30-7:30pm Adoration

7:00-7:30pm Confessions

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

8:00am Stations of the Cross K-4th grade

8:25am Rosary

8:45am L/D Norbert & Agnes Sager Family, Paul Schulte**FRIDAY, MARCH 17 St. Patrick ~NO SCHOOL~****7:15-7:45am NO Confessions**

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Communion Service-Mike Karhoff

12:00pm Rosary

1:00-4:00pm Adoration & Benediction-Deacon Don

SATURDAY, MARCH 18 St. Cyril

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Poor Souls

8:30am Confessions

10:00am Funeral-Norma Phillips

4:00pm Confessions

4:30pm L/D Alphonse & Angela Schroeder Family,
Richard(AN), Nellie, Charlie, John, Bob, Rita Maag,
Roy(AN) & Hazel Leap,
L/D Clarence & Mary Kamphaus Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 19 4th Sunday of Lent

7:15am-7:45am Confessions

7:25am Rosary

8:00am L/D Edwin & Berth Schroeder Family,**L/D Dick & Doris Birkemeier Family, Denny Horstman**

9:45am-10:15am Confessions

10:30am L/D Chris Kingsley Family, Dave Wehri,**Bert, Theresa, Mary Jane & Jerry Warnecke, L/D Ken Ellerbrock Family**

11:30am Baptism—Fr. Matt

1:00pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction—Fr. Matt

WEEKDAY SERVERS**Mon 8:00am Roger Schroeder, Jeff Schram**

Tues 8:45am Students

Wed 8:00am Gary Recker, Diane Utrup

Thur 8:45am Students

Fri 8:00am Kamryn Schroeder, Ella Schroeder, Luke Schroeder

Sat 8:00am Raiden Schroeder, Ayvrie Schulte, Aubrey Siefker

Next Sunday, March 19**SUNDAY SERVERS****Sat 4:30pm Makenna Siefker, Landyn Schulte, Noah Schroeder****Sun 8:00am Morgan Maag, Aubrey Leopold, Peyton Kuhlman****Sun 10:30am Grant Leopold, Lauren Kimmert, Averie Karhoff****EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS****LECTORS****Sat 4:30pm Doug Deitering**

Sharon Meyer

Diane Deitering

Chris Schroeder

Sun 8:00am Deb Leopold

Andy Gray

Steve Leopold

Deb Schroeder

Sun 10:30am Julie Grismore/Tara Gerding

Mary Ellen Klear

Jane Moening

Dan Klear

SUNDAY GIFT BEARERS**Sat 4:30pm Charlie & Linda Schroeder****Sun 8:00am Henry & Jane Kaufman****Sun 10:30am Bill & Suzi Brinkman****MARCH USHERS****Sat 4:30pm Brian Grime, Richard Schmitz****Sun 8:00am Chris & Tim Hoehn****Sun 10:30am Jerry Recker, Al Kaufman****COMMUNION TO MEADOWS: Suzi Brinkman, Paula Elchinger****COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 6****ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Tim & Mer Lehman****MARCH FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Gene & Rose Warnecke, Jerry &****Mary Hanneman, John & Eileen Schroeder, Tim & Mary Ellen Lehman****STATION OF THE CROSS and BENEDICTION****Sunday, March 19 at 1:00pm Lector—Kathy Schmitz****Servers: Grace Kahle, Courtney Miller, Will Siefker be at the Church at 12:45pm for training.****LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE: Monday, March 13th, 4:00pm 7 priests;****Lector: Jeanne Schram & 7:00pm 7 priests; Lector: Janet Schroeder****SACRAMENTS****Baptism**

Instruction is necessary when this is your first child. To arrange a baptism or register for the parental baptism class, please contact the Parish Office.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS (by Deacon Don) Parish Center

Room 15 9:00am –10:30am

Upcoming classes: May 21, 2023, September 10, 2023

Marriage

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS 1-DAY CLASS

organized by Dr. Craig and Wendy Imm in the Parish Center Cafeteria

Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 8:00am

Reconciliation (Confession)

Wednesday 7:15am –7:45am, 7:45pm – 8:20pm

Friday 7:15am—7:45am

Saturday 4:00pm—4:15pm

Sunday 7:15am—7:45am, 9:45am—10:15am

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.

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 6:30pm—8:15pm 1st Saturday 5:30pm - 8:00am

1st Friday 1:00pm—4:00pm with Benediction

Holy Orders and Religious Life

Contact the vocation office at the Toledo Diocese at 419-244-6711 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.

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PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP

March 5, 2023

Offering

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| Adults | \$ 8,619.43 |
| Loose | \$ 839.00 |
| Electronic Giving | \$ 1,931.25 |
| Children | \$ 121.46 |
| Maintenance | \$ 223.00 |
| Vacation Bible School | \$ 221.00 |
| Total Collection | \$11,955.14 |

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.stjohnsglandorf.org

Ottawa Food Pantry needs the following items canned mandarin oranges, boxed potatoes all varieties plus mashed, pasta (no spaghetti), rice-a-Ronni, Knorr- side dishes, peanut butter, condiments



2023 DIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

This Is The Day! Through our contributions, we can assure the continued existence of many important programs that help tens of thousands in our diocese each year, including supporting the education of our seminarians, caring for the sick and needy, and providing faith formation for our youth. We ask you once again for your help. Please respond generously. For more information, visit acatoledo.org. Thank you! **Our goal this year is \$46,479.00. We currently pledged \$12,003.04. 25.82% of goal.**

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

EVELYN PALTE

RUSS NIENBERG

WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH?

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.

Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us March 19-25

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| Leonard D Schroeder 3/19/81 | Agnes C Dehnart 3/23/02 |
| Clayton W Drerup 3/19/08 | Eileen M Schroeder 3/23/04 |
| Mary Ann Hanneman 3/19/18 | Rita M Schmitz 3/24/17 |
| Gerald J Warnecke 3/20/20 | Beverly A Siebeneck 3/24/18 |
| Jennifer M Roberts 3/20/22 | Virgil F Hageman 3/24/22 |
| Evelyn A Maenle 3/21/80 | Elizabeth A Ellerbrock 3/25/00 |
| Eugene A Klear 3/21/00 | |

Parish Council Meeting Minutes on January 17, 2023

Eucharistic Day is Sunday January 22 from 11:30am – 4pm followed by closing and benediction at 4 pm. A meal catered by Dick's Steakhouse, will be served in the Parish Center after closing with the food be served at 5 pm. 310 meals will be prepared. Each Parish Council and Finance Committee member will be providing desserts for the meal. Parish Council is in charge of working the drink and snack tables. Finance Committee is in charge of the dessert tables, coffee, and helping anyone who may need assistance. Mike will be picking up the drinks and coolers from Brookys and the snacks and water. The CYO C-team will be helping with setup after 10:30am mass on Sunday. Council/committee members were asked to sign up for a work shift for their respective duties.

Access Control Update

Project has been approved by the Bishop. This is being paid out of the Living Christ Campaign funds. Joe is working with the company to get ready. Work is expected to begin within the next couple weeks.

Capital Campaign Update

The handicap parking lot is complete as part of these funds. Choir loft stairway door has been moved. Very nice work by some of our parishioners. Council has not found a viable option for a new access stairs to the choir loft. Several options have been explored without success. This project will be tabled for the time being. Access control project is starting soon. A letter with update to the parish will be drafted by Mike and sent to the councils to review and submit in the bulletin

New Business

A water line on the north side of the church broke. They had to cut a hole in the new concrete to access the valve and tie in the new line. The new line was run west of the new concrete. Someone tripped and fell on the new yellow curb of the handicap parking lot coming to 4:30 mass several weeks ago. The party did not raise any concerns to the parish. We discussed the possible need of railings or some deterrent to keep people from stepping across the curb and instead, going around. The options discussed all seemed to raise additional concerns with kids swinging or climbing or cars backing into them. We will take some time to consider other potential options. The council was informed of the rezoning request bordering church property. No further discussion or actions taken. Discussed an inquiry purchasing a small piece of church property east of the parish center. The request was made to the Diocese, which prompted a meeting with Father Matt, Ashley and Tom Antonini the diocese attorney. Discussed the need to develop a long term maintenance and improvement plan for the church and parish center. The intent is to list potential needs in the next 5-10 years, prioritize them, and discuss financial needs for these projects. More to come at future meetings.

HOUSEKEEPING

If you borrow a pyx to bring Holy Communion to a loved one, please return the pyx the next day. Thank you!

UPDATE FROM THE TOLEDO DIOCESE ON PAYMENT ON THE LIVING CHRIST CAMPAIGN

THANK YOU for your generosity to the *Living Christ* Campaign. Donors to the campaign have a variety of options when considering pledge payments. Payments can be remitted on an annual, quarterly, or monthly basis.

CHECK: You can mail your pledge payment (payable to *Living Christ* Toledo, memo line St. John, Glandorf) or use Bill Pay. Contact your bank to setup bill pay and provide the following information: Have the bank payment payable to *Living Christ* Toledo, (memo line St. John, Glandorf) and mail it to: Living Christ Campaign/ Diocese of Toledo/ Gift Processing/ PO Box 7293 Kensington, CT 06037-7293.

AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL: Parishioners are encouraged to fulfill their pledge via credit card, debit card, Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT), or Automated Clearing House (ACH). Go online at www.livingchristcampaign.org/donate to start your pledge payments or pledge today! Type St. John, Glandorf in the PARISH and LOCATION box.

TRANSFER OF STOCK OR SECURITIES: Contact Brian Doyle, Mission Advancement Officer (Diocese of Toledo), at (419) 214-4951 or visit www.livingchristcampaign.org/ways-to-give

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION (QCD) FROM AN IRA: Donors age 70.5 or older are eligible to make Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD) to eligible charities from your IRA's annual Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). You will need the following information to process your QCD payment: Federal Tax ID# 87-2870534. Make the QCD payable to **Catholic Foundation of Ohio** for Living Christ: Diocese of Toledo. Send to: **Diocese of Toledo/ Mission Advancement Department/ Living Christ Campaign – STJOHNGL/ 1933 Spielbusch/ Toledo, OH 43604**. Please be sure to include your name and St. John, Glandorf.



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

DISPENSATION GRANTED FROM OBLIGATION TO ABSTAIN FROM MEAT ON FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023

Out of pastoral solicitude, Bishop Daniel Thomas has decided to dispense the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo, whether actually present in the territory or not, from the obligation to abstain from meat on Friday, 17 March 2023, the memorial of Saint Patrick. Catholics present in the Diocese of Toledo who otherwise reside in another diocese, are likewise dispensed. No member of the faithful is required to make use of this dispensation, however, those who choose to do so are strongly encouraged to abstain from meat on some other day that week as part of their penitential practices during Lent. In this way, a faithful Catholic still keeps the penitential spirit of a Friday in Lent and unites oneself more closely with the suffering Christ and His Church.

St. Patrick, pray for us!

LADIES OF LEISURE SOCIAL

(Sponsored by St. John's Alter Rosary Society)

Come for Old Fashioned Visiting while playing games or crafting.

WED. MARCH 15TH

Every Third Wednesday of the month.

Two Event Times (1:00-4:00) or (6:00-9:00)

Up Coming Dates: April 19 & May 17

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

At The Parish Center in Glandorf

QUESTIONS OR RESERVE A TABLE

Please contact: Jill Gerding 419-538-6942



FREE EVENT

YOU ARE WELCOME TO...

Play board games
Play cards
Dominos, Dice
Knitting, Crafting,
Mahjong Game
Etc.

(Please bring your own supplies & Games)

-Bring your own Beverage and snack.

TMIY (THAT MAN IS YOU)**Attention ALL MEN!!!!** Join us on for That Man Is You**Wednesday, March 15th, 7-8:30pm in room 22 OR****Saturday, March 18th, 6-7:30am in the cafeteria.**For more information, contact Mike Karhoff @ mbkarhoff@bright.net, 419-796-0763**TMIY "THE LIGHT OF MEN" - The Carrying of the Cross (Sat. 3/18, Wed. 3/22) (session 22)**Speaker: Mark Hartfiel; The cross was a Roman torture device designed to make a man suffer before death. Jesus takes our sin and shame upon His shoulders and carries it up to Calvary. Jesus' shoulder wound was the most painful of His wounds. Sacrificial love is the currency to save souls. "...let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." - Luke 9:23 How can you help someone carry their cross? Scripture: 1 Corinthians 5:21 Luke 9:23**TMIY**

THAT MAN IS YOU

THE VOICE OF MAN HOLY ALIVE

CARDIO FITNESS CLASS

Every Wednesday from 7:30pm to 8:30pm at St. John's Parish Gym. Please bring an exercise mat & weights.

SOULCORE
BODY MIND SOULJoin Soul Core Leader Chris Schroeder this Lent, to nourish body, mind & soul with Soul Core - a prayer experience that combines the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching and functional movement. Chairs will be provided. No fitness level or experience required. All are welcome! Visit www.soulcore.com for more information.

WHEN: Sat. morning 6:30-7:30am March 4 - April 1: Glandorf Parish Center Room 22. There is no cost to attend. Dress in comfortable clothing and bring water. (fitness mat and small hand weights for those who wish to use.) Contact Chirs at 419-230-2953 to sign-up or for additional information.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)Monday, March 13, 6:00 - 7:30pm in cafe. **Snack by Beth & Roger Recker Topic: 1st Scrutiny-Woman at the Well: Reality of our own Sin/Exam -of Conscience.** These sessions are open to all interested persons - those wishing to become a Catholic and for Catholics who wish to up-date themselves. If you are interested, please call the rectory 419-538-6928 to sign up.**Please Pray and journey with the Catechumens: Wade Neal, Emily Siefker and Manaolo Carrilloas and with the Candidate: Jessika Behrns as they enter the next phase!****The Piecemaker's Sewing Group**

Tuesday evening, March 21st,

from 7:00pm - 8:30pm in Room 8 (The old Science Room)

We will be completing some kits and working on tracing and cutting out patterns. If you have any questions, please contact Diana Meyer air 419-538-6437. Thank you for using your talents to help others.

**You're invited:**

to hear the

**Witness of
Bart & Mindy
Recker**

Bart, along with his wife Mindy, will share how God carried Bart & his family through an uphill battle with Covid. Bart spent 174 days in the hospital and neared death before God restored his health and increased his faith. This is a story of belief, trust, patience, prayer & gratitude. Come hear how Bart beat the odds by the Grace of God!

**Tuesday, March 14,
2023****6:30 pm****St. John the Baptist
Catholic Church
109 N. Main Street,
Glandorf, OH****PARISH CENTER ACTIVITIES****Every Second Sunday of the Month****March 12th****COFFEE AND DONUTS
AND GRAND-ORF CLUB**located in Cafeteria after 8:00am
and 10:30am Masses by Craig and
Kristin Duling**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. For visitors
outside of the scheduled time,
please contact Michael Leach 419-
538-6948.

St. John's Historical Society

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

Please REMOVE by April 1, 2023 all faded flowers and all PLACQUES AND ORNAMENTS, ETC. placed on the foundation. This is in the cemetery rules. After April 1st, all items remaining will be discarded. If you have any questions, please call Jeff Gerding at 419-538-6342 and please do not call the rectory.

Thanks, Jeff & Elaine Gerding

Eucharist Adoration**First Saturday, April 1st and 2nd****After 4:30pm Mass until 8:00am on
Sunday morning**Sign-up sheet is available on the radiator back in church
or sign up on line using the following link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4EAAAB2BA7F85-adoration14>
We would like at least two people signed up for each hour. If you can't make it to church to sign in, please call Katie Verhoff 480-236-7305.

6 AROUND THE PARISH

Station of the Cross & Benediction

Every Sunday at 1:00pm



Live Station of the Cross
by God's Little Hero's on April 2, 2023
at 1:00pm

THE LITTLE BLACK BOOK

Six minute daily meditations on the Passion according to Matthew.

Pick up book in the back vestibules.

CONFESSIONS TIMES

Every Wednesday 7:15am—7:45am,

7:00pm—7:30pm

Every Friday 7:15am – 7:45am

Every Saturday 8:30am

4:00pm - 4:20pm

Every Sunday 7:15am - 7:45am

9:45am - 10:15am

PENANCE SERVICES

Glandorf - March 13, 2023 at 4:00pm and 7:00pm

Eucharist Adoration

Every Wednesday

6:30pm—7:30pm

Every Friday

1:00pm—4:00pm

Benediction at 4:00pm

~~First Saturday, March 4th and 5th~~
~~5:30pm until 8:00am~~



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What is - Lectio Divina

Divine Reading - Praying with Scripture

Matthew Leonard, from the book Prayer Works.

"Because the Bible is the story of how we are saved it is an essential part of our dialogue with God. Lectio Divina is important because it leads to an "encounter with Christ, the living Word of God." Far from mere reading, it's an engagement with divinity."

COME EXPERIENCE LECTIO DIVINA!

DEEPEN YOUR LENT!

Tuesdays in the Parish Center:

~~2/21 9:30am and 7:00pm~~

~~2/28 9:30am and 7:00pm~~

~~3/7 9:30am and 7:00pm~~

3/14 9:30am and 7:40pm

3/21 9:30am and 7:00pm

3/28 9:30am and 7:00pm



Lectio Divina traces its roots back to the early centuries in the Church.

"When you read the Bible, God speaks to you; when you pray, you speak to God." St. Augustine

Bring your Bible and a notebook

Any questions: Jeanette Schroeder - 419-890-3724



We will be having a silent auction on this handmaid Crucifix by one of our very own parishioners.

Sunday, March 26th -

Sunday, April 2nd

In the Parish Center Gymnasium with the Miracles of the World Exhibit. The silent auction will only be open when the exhibit is opened.

The silent auction will end at 5:00pm on Sunday, April 2nd. The highest bid will get the Crucifix. The proceeds will go to the Parish Center Maintenance



Blessed Carlo Acutis First Class Relic & 139 Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit is coming to Glandorf St. John the Baptist Parish Center, 109 Main St. Glandorf OH, Sunday March 26 - Sunday April 2.

Exhibit Showing Hours

| Sundays | Weekdays | Saturday |
|---------|--------------|--------------|
| 9 - 5 | 9:30 - 12:00 | 9:30 - 12:00 |
| | 1:30 - 5:00 | 1:30 - 4:00 |
| | 6:30 - 8:30 | 5:30 - 8:30 |

Activities are planned throughout the week which include showing documentary video of Carlo's life, Adoration times with relic in church, etc. Please check online stjohnsglandorf.org or pick up a flyer with schedule on the back at the exits of the church.

Miracles of the Eucharist are miraculous divine interventions confirming faith in the real presence of the body and blood of the Lord in the Eucharist.

Please Join Us for an Experience You Won't Forget!

Ottawa K. of C. Fish/Clam Fry

Friday, March 17 serving 4:30-7:00pm.

**GLANDORF VOL. FIRE DEPT.
CHICKEN BBQ**

Today, Sunday, March. 12th, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, drive thru - in the Glandorf City Building. Pre-sale tickets can be purchased at Brooky's, Scoop on Main or from a fireman.

GLANDORF LIONS CLUB**Chicken BBQ or Pork Chop Dinner**

Sunday, March 26, 2023 from 11:00am—1:00pm at the Fire Station. \$10.00 per Dinner. Pre-sale tickets can be purchased at Brooky's, JT's Tavern and any Lion club member

**Putnam County Right to Life Garage and Bake Sale**

Tuesday, March 28th from 9 am to 7 pm, and Wednesday, March 29th, from 9 am to 3 pm at the Ottawa Knights of Columbus Hall. Please save your gently used items for us. All donated items and baked goods can be dropped off at the hall on Monday, March 27, from 9 am to 6 pm for baked goods and gently used items at the Ottawa K of C Hall (10759 Road H Ottawa, OH).

40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

From February 22 – April 2, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Toledo Women's Center at 1160 W Sylvania Ave, Toledo, OH 43612, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Kevin Jorrey at kjorrey@toledodiocese.org or go to www.40DaysForLife.com/Toledo to sign up to pray.

Interested in live performance of Moses at the famous Sight and Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA? Experience one of the Bible's most epic stories as Moses comes to life with massive sets, special effects and live animals in this new stage production. The trip also includes breakfast, 2 dinners, one featuring a dinner theatre production of "Dear Soldier Boy", and a steam train ride through Amish Country on the Strasburg Railroad. Dates are June 13-15, cost is \$649.00 ea. Proceeds benefit Ottawa Legion Baseball. For more info or to sign up please contact Cheryl Kersh, 419.890.8565.

AREA PENANCE SERVICES

- * Ottoville - Sunday, March 12th at 2:00pm
- * Ft. Jennings—Wednesday, March 15th at 7:00pm
- * Kalida - Tuesday, March 28 at 4:00pm and 7:00pm
- * Ottawa - Monday, April 3 at 4:00pm and 7:00pm

**Ottoville
Immaculate
Conception**

Sunday April 23 at 1:30pm in the Parish Center Banquet Room. Supplies and refreshments will be provided for only a \$10 fee at the door! Reservations are required by calling the parish office at 419-453-3513 by April 14th.

Senior Citizen PromSponsored by:
Youth Ministers & High School Teens
in the St George Deanery!!Wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt
and bring your favorite sunglasses!Free for all (age 21+)
Donations will be accepted**Sunday, March 26**
Leipsic St. Mary's Parish Center**4pm: Doors Open 5pm: Dinner**Please reserve your seat by March 22, 2023
by calling your parish office**Leipsic St. Mary Parish 2023 Lenten Mission**

Keith Nester is a former pastor/youth pastor with more than 20 years in full-time ministry. Keith served in United Methodist, Assemblies of God, and Evangelical Free churches in various roles. In 2017, after a 20 year long discernment process, Keith resigned his full-time ministry position and joined the Catholic Church. In October of 2018, Keith felt the call of God to write a book about what life is like for converts in their first year. The Convert's Guide to Roman Catholicism: Your first Year in the Church is a down to earth, realistic look at the transitions, obstacles, joys and challenges converts face in their first year in the Church. Keith hopes this book will help people who are making the transition into the Church to not only survive but thrive in their new home.

March 27-29 @ 7:00PM

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Pizza
Testimony
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GOOD LUCK TO OUR
CYO TEAMS THIS WEEKEND!!



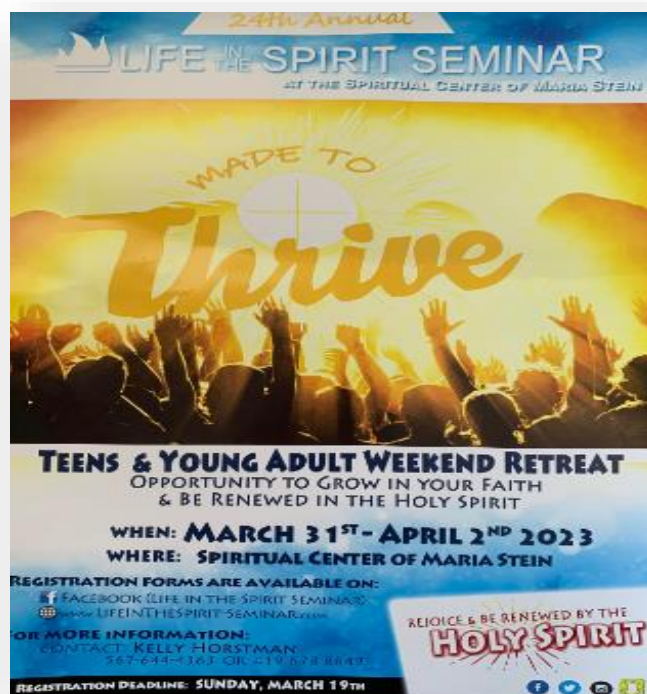
2022-2023 PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

March 20 7PM (Parishioners) March 22 7PM (Non-Parishioners)

For details see parish website, Facebook or call preschool!

SAVE THE DATE!

St. John's Preschool Spring Quarter Auction:
Friday March 31, 7PM



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Please mail all forms directly to the rectory address (listed on the form) or drop them off in the mail slot located on the rectory garage door. . New this year is an online registration option. All payments must still be mailed or dropped off at the rectory to guarantee your child's spot. The registration deadline is **March 16th**. Due to limited space, any forms received after the deadline are not guaranteed a spot. Many adult helpers are needed to bring small groups of kids from one station to another. Please consider helping and having FUN with us this first week of June!

CYO BASKETBALL

BOY'S: STATE TOURNAMENT

Birkemeyer: 6:30pm, Friday, March 10 @Lehman Catholic Gym 2 vs.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, McCartyville

Winner plays 9:00am, Saturday, March 11 @Lehman Catholic Gym 1

Meyer: 6:30pm, Friday, March 10 @Lehman Catholic Gym 1 vs. St. Mary of the Falls, Cleveland

Winner plays 9:00am, Saturday, March 11 @Lehman Catholic Gym 2

GIRL'S STATE TOURNAMENT

8:00pm, Friday, March 10 @Ft. Loramie

Winners plays 10:30am, Saturday, March 11 @ Ft. Loramie





February 28, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Peace be with you! As Catholics, we are committed to protecting the sanctity of human life no matter the circumstances or stage of development. We live this out by, among other things, accompanying the poor and needy, refugees and immigrants, prisoners on death row, young mothers, and children.

In Ohio, the dignity of life in its earliest stages is threatened by groups proposing an amendment to Ohio's Constitution for the November 2023 ballot that would enshrine and expand abortion at the expense of protections for preborn children and women. The Church must not be silent and cannot remain on the sidelines when confronted with such a clear threat to human life. This proposal demands a response, and we strongly encourage Catholics and all people of good will in Ohio to work against including the proposed amendment for the November ballot and, if it appears on the ballot, vote against the amendment to prevent countless deaths of preborn, innocent children.

Our Holy Father Pope Francis reminds us that "Our defense of the innocent unborn ... needs to be clear, firm and passionate, for at stake is the dignity of a human life, which is always sacred and demands love for each person, regardless of his or her stage of development" (*Gaudete et Exsultate*, no. 101). Our commitment to protecting and promoting life includes providing resources and accompanying women during and after pregnancy through our numerous social service agencies, schools, and parishes. This commitment also includes rejecting abortion expansion, which only perpetuates a throwaway culture that does not value human life.

The Catholic Conference of Ohio will be collaborating with statewide organizations, and diocesan respect life offices will be seeking volunteers to help coordinate a campaign at every parish. More information and materials will become available as we mobilize to oppose the proposed amendment on the November 2023 ballot.

We, the Catholic Bishops of Ohio, stand with you, our faithful, in our commitment in the name of the Lord of Life, to each human person from conception to natural death. Let us unite in fasting and offering this prayer:

God our loving Father, grant wisdom to those who govern us, compassion and courage to those who work to defend human life, and safety and care to every human being. For you alone who formed us in our mothers' wombs, and who call us home to heaven, are God, for ever and ever. Amen.

With you in Christ Jesus,

Most Rev. Dennis M. Schnurr
Archdiocese of Cincinnati

Most Rev. Edward C. Malesic
Diocese of Cleveland

Most Rev. Michael G. Woost
Diocese of Cleveland

Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas
Diocese of Toledo

Most Rev. Jeffrey M. Monforton
Diocese of Steubenville

Most Rev. J. Michael Botean
Romanian Catholic Eparchy
of St. George in Canton

Most Rev. Earl K. Fernandes
Diocese of Columbus

Most Rev. David J. Bonnar
Diocese of Youngstown

Most Rev. Bohdan J. Danylo
Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy
of St. Josaphat in Parma

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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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+ Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto (February 2023)

Hi Everyone,

I hope you are doing well. My internship year here at St. Joan of Arc is going great and passing by quickly. Before we all know it, the end of another school year will be here. Thank you for your continued prayers and support. Please know of my prayers for you also.

Well, since my last letter in November, we seminarians on the internship year went back to the seminary in mid-November for a workshop week. That week the seminary hosted some fantastic talks for us on topics like public and personnel communication, Project Rachel (a ministry that helps those affected by abortion), NFP (Natural Family Planning), Courage/Encourage (helps people with same-sex attraction), Heaven's Gain Ministry (helps those dealing with the loss of a child), and more.

In January, I organized a bus trip from my internship parish in Toledo to Glandorf to tour the church while the Christmas decorations were still up. The fifty people on the bus trip loved the church and the tour, the parish museum, the Marian Shrine, the Mustard Seed – really the whole community. I heard so many of them talk about how they were just amazed by the parish and the village. When we returned to Toledo, they were all smiles as they got off the bus.

I have given several talks here at the parish and to other groups lately, with more to come, but a reoccurring theme is that most of them are dealing with vocations. Whether I'm sharing my personal vocation story (which the Virgin Mary has a huge part in), explaining and promoting vocations, or both. One thing I realized is that if I have a vocation story or a story of my faith journey, so does everyone else. Take time to ask others to share their own story of faith or their vocation story.

Lastly, I recently returned from my retreat at the Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine in Hanceville, Alabama. This beautiful shrine was started by Mother Angelica, who, for those who do not know, also started the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN). My time there at the shrine with our Eucharistic Lord was amazing. It was by far the best retreat I have been on. It was my check-up appointment with God. For we go to the doctors for our yearly check-ups for our bodies; well, a retreat is like that, but for the soul. How often do we allow ourselves to check in with God? This retreat showed me the importance of taking time at least once a year, especially as a future priest, to leave the daily routine behind and rest, pray, and love the Lord. Again, it was just me, God, and a fantastic book called *Our Divine Friend*. One of the Visitation Sisters in Toledo mentioned this book to me, and I am delighted they did. The book was written in 1932 by Redemptorist priest Rev. Joseph Schryvers, C.Ss.R. It focuses on meditations on divine love and Christ, the eternal truth. I will definitely reread this book, for I took away so many great insights. Some of which I will leave you with here.

- That is all perfection is: to love God and by His love be transformed into Him...It means the ineffable (indescribable) union of your soul with God, He in you and you in Him (Pg. 19, Sec. 5)
- Heaven and hell have their eyes fixed on me watching all the movements of my heart, to see whether it beats for God, or His enemy, Satan. (Pg. 22, Sec. 7)
- Cultivate constantly in your soul an utter distrust of self, and an absolute confidence in God. (Pg. 47, Sec. 1)
- The more you empty your heart of earthly things and expand it by holy desires, the more God will fill it. (Pg. 69, Sec. 9)
- Oh! That first meeting face to face with Christ! Oh! That first encounter of the Eye of the Almighty! – Shall this first look be one of benevolence (compassion) or one of reproach (reprimand); a look of reprobation or one of salvation? A smile from a friend and brother, or a lightning-flash of malediction? (Pg. 125, Sec. 6)
- And you, soul so greatly loved, resolve today to console the heart of Jesus, and promise that you will try to bring other souls to Him. (Pg. 239, Sec. 10)
- It is not enough for Jesus to stay as our host in the holy tabernacle; He wishes, moreover, to dwell within our very selves...In order to reach our hearts, whose love He longs for, He makes Himself our food, so as to become part of the very essence of our being; He penetrates to the center of our human nature, envelops our powers, purifies them, fills them and transforms them. (Pg. 252-253, Sec. 3)
- Eucharistic Jesus! It is You Who draw all loving souls, Who fascinate pure souls, Who stimulate generous souls, lift up fallen souls, and console penitent souls! (Pg. 271, Sec. 15)
- An attentive soul, little by little, recognizes the voice of Jesus. (Pg. 334, Sec. 7)
- Real prayer is voiced in the depths of the heart...it is a cry of the heart, a simple turning towards God. (Pg. 390, Sec. 6)
- Banish from your mind the false idea that you can find rest in this world. You are not here below to enjoy God, but to love Him by working, suffering, and struggling. Enjoyment is the reward of perseverance. (Pg. 410, Sec. 5)
- JESUS, I LOVE YOU!!

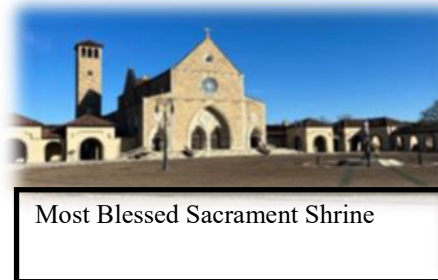
May you have a Blessed Lent, and God Bless!

Sem. Eric Kaufman

St. Joan of Arc Parish

Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine & the chapel at the retreat house

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Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine



START A NEW HABIT - SPEND TIME WITH GOD'S WORDS

3rd SUNDAY LENT LESSON ON LECTIO DIVINA – DIVINE PRAYER

Lectio divina is a method of praying the Scriptures. What better way to get to know God than by spending time with God's spoken word? The practice of *lectio divina* traces its roots back to the early centuries in the Church. By the sixth century, St. Benedict had made it a regular practice in most monasteries. Today *lectio divina* is a widely held practice by many laymen and laywomen. *Lectio divina* is a slow, rhythmic reading and praying of a Scripture passage. You pick a passage and read it. Notice what arises within you as you read it. Then you read it again, and then again, noticing what words and phrases grab your heart and noticing the feelings that arise. You respond to God about whatever is stirring within as you read and pray with the passage. Finally, you rest and let God respond and speak to you.

Let's consider the formal steps. To begin, you might open with a short prayer, (see Holy Spirit Prayer below). Ask God to guide your prayer time. Try to silence your mind and put off the cares of the day. You could make an act of Faith, Hope, and Charity. Simply; Lord I believe in You help my unbelief, Lord I Hope in You increase my Trust in You, Lord I Love You show me how to love You more. Then do the following:

READ - Slowly and thoughtfully, read the Scripture passage the first time.

Did a word or phrase capture your attention and grab your heart? Linger with it whenever this happens.

REFLECT - Slowly and prayerfully, read the passage again. What is God saying to you in this passage? offering you? asking you? What feelings are arising within you?

RESPOND - Slowly and prayerfully, read the passage again. Respond to God from your heart. Speak to God of your feelings and insights. Offer these to God.

REST - Possibly read the passage another time. Sit quietly in God's presence, asking, "What are you saying to me?" Rest in God's love and listen.

CONCRETE RESOLUTION - What is God calling you to do with what He has said to you. Practice a virtue like generosity, apologize to someone, do a kind act for someone who may have come to mind during your prayer time etc. As you end your prayer period, you might close with an Our Father or another short prayer. It might be helpful to *jot down in a journal what arose during this time. What did you say to God, and what did God offer you?*

Come Holy Spirit Prayer:

Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful, enkindle in us the fire of your love, send forth your Spirit and we shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth

O God, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit, help us to know what is truly right and always rejoice in his consolation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

3rd Sunday Lent

Reading I

Ex 17:3-7

In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and our livestock?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? a little more and they will stone me!" The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in front of the people, along with some of the elders of Israel, holding in your hand, as you go, the staff with which you struck the river. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel. The place was called Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?"