

# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Missionaries of the Precious Blood  
St. George Deanery



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## MISSION STATEMENT

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.

## VISION STATEMENT

We enable spiritual formation and growth, support discipleship, provide outreach through community service, and build relationships, so we can build the Kingdom of God in Glandorf and around the world. Driven by the Gospel of Jesus Christ; we want to educate and promote respect for the dignity of life, encourage charity and justice, and embody the moral values of the church. Our mission is guided by Scripture and Traditions of our Catholic Faith and aligned with the mission of the Diocese of Toledo to make Holy Disciples, Holy Families, and Holy Vocations.

## 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.

# 2 FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MATT

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

I would like to wish all Great-great-grandmothers, great-grandmothers, grandmothers, mothers, and godmothers a Happy Mother's Day. Thank you for all that you do for your families and I pray that your families will honor you today in a special way.

Today we also celebrate the Solemnity of The Ascension of the Lord, after forty days after Jesus rose from the dead he ascended to heaven. Traditionally this feast would have been celebrated this past Thursday which would have been forty days after Easter, but the church has moved today's feast to today Sunday.

The Ascension, reminds me of a relay race and not the whole race but a particular moment in a relay race. That moment in the race where one runner in the race is completing their phase in the race and is placing the baton in the next runner's hand and is taking off to run their phase in the race. For a split second in the race both runners' hands are on the baton, and both are in certain sense are running in the race together. It has been while since I have been to a track meet to see this moment happen in a relay race, but even when I am there for this moment, this moment happens so fast, I am not sure if I would see it. But I have seen pictures from track meets and cameras are pretty good at catching this moment in a relay race.

So, if the Ascension is a relay race, who are the runners in the race? Running the first phase in the race is Jesus. Jesus in running the race proclaimed the Kingdom of God, drove out demons, healed those who were sick, reached out to those who were far away from God and brought them close, Jesus was crucified, and rose from the dead. Jesus in his ascending to heaven completes his mission, and as Jesus completes his phase of the race whose hands does he place the baton in? In the disciples' hands, in our hands and as Jesus places the baton in our hands, he tells us to "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever, believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not will be condemned" (Mark 16:15-16). The baton is in your hand, go out proclaim the gospel to every creature.

As I think of the baton of this race being placed in my hand and being sent out to proclaim the gospel, Jesus placed the baton in my hand, in different forms in my life like the Book of the Gospels when I was ordained a deacon or in the form of chalice and paten when I was ordained a priest. Today, I remember the first time that the baton was placed in my hand to run the race came from parents as they are the ones that first taught me to live the faith. On this Mother's Day, I am particularly grateful to my mother and the influence she has had on my faith. For as the gospel, the baton has been placed into my hands and I have taken off to run my portion of the race it has led me to do great things as Jesus said it would "they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover" (Mark 16:17-18). Who has placed the baton of faith in your hands, and what amazing things has it led you to do?



**MONDAY, May 13 Our Lady of Fatima**

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

**TUESDAY, May 14 St. Matthias, Apostle**

8:20am Rosary  
8:45am L/D Edwin Duling Family

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15 St. Isidore**

7:15am-7:45am Confession  
7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Norm Liebrecht(AN)  
6:30pm-7:30pm Adoration  
7:00pm-7:30 Confessions

**THURSDAY, MAY 16**

8:25am Rosary  
8:45am Joe Uphaus

**FRIDAY, MAY 17**

7:15am-7:45am Confession  
7:35am Rosary  
8:00am L/D Erford & Salome Oedy Family  
12:00pm Rosary  
6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal - Mary Ellen Halker

**SATURDAY, MAY 18 St. John I. Pope & Martyr**

7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Dana Vorst  
8:30am Confessions  
1:00pm Wedding  
4:00pm Confessions  
4:30pm L/D Edwin & Bertha Schroeder family  
Alvin & Gertrude Schmitz, Caroline Schmitz  
Oscar Burgei

**SUNDAY, MAY 19~Pencost**

7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Zac Cassidy, L/D Edwin & Luella Maag Family  
L/D Henry Eugene & Lois Doty Family, Richard Haselman,  
Greg Schnipke  
10:30am Tom Kaufman, John Kaufman, Cayla Fortman-Ross,  
L/D Bill Klausung Family, Jackie Klear-Massey  
L/D Donald & Beatrice Hovest Family, JoAnn Otto,  
Lauren Schneeg  
11:30am Baptism- Deacon Don

**SERVERS**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Communion Service - no servers needed
<b>Tue</b>	<b>8:45am</b>	Students
<b>Wed</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Jerry Hanneman, Jeff Schram
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>8:45am</b>	Students
<b>Fri</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Elton Schroeder, Roger Schroeder
<b>Sat</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Mylie Bockrath, Nolan Grime, Ryland Ellerbrock
<b>Sat</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	Riley Trombley, Noah Schroeder, Landyn Schulte Thurifer - Ethan Weis
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Owen Morman, Zachary Horstman, Morgan Maag Thurifer - Hayden Kaufman
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	Grant Leopold, Dylan Siefker, Will Siefker Thurifer - Cole Morman

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

<b>Sat</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	Doug Deitering Diane Deitering	<b>LECTORS</b> Sharon Meyer Chris Schroeder
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Deb Leopold Deb Schroeder	Andy Gray Deb Schroeder
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	Tara Gerding Jane Moening	Mary Ellen Klear Dan Klear

**GIFT BEARERS**

<b>Sat</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	Tom & Kellie Nienberg
<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	Rodney & Jenny Warnecke
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	Jerry & Amy Hermiller

**MAY USHERS**

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

**COMMUNION TO MEADOWS:** Suze Brinkman, Paula Elchinger

**COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY:** 6

**ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY:** Edna & Diane Nienberg

**MAY FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS:** Deb & Joe Schroeder, Michelle Horstman, Alice Diemer, Mary Rose Ellerbrock, Jerry & Rachel Recker

**CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT**

All suspected or actual acts of physical or sexual child abuse, or neglect, must be reported to the Putnam County Job and Family Services by calling 567-376-3777. Select "O" and ask to speak with someone from children's services and needing to make a referral. Hours are Monday- Thursday, 7AM to 4:30 PM, and Friday 7 AM to Noon. If incident is after hours, please call the Sheriff's Department at 419-523-3208. They will contact the caseworker on call and the caseworker will get back to the one reporting the incident--leave your contact number with the Sheriff Department person. The person who witnessed or was told is to be the person to make the call. Report incident to the Diocese of Toledo after County Caseworker has been notified by calling the Diocese of Toledo Victim Assistance Coordinator at 419-244-6711, ext 4880. Notify Pastor, if not already notified. With Pastor's discretion, next call parents and give basic information, while not disclosing any personal information. If abuse is by a teacher, parish staff, or volunteer, report incident to Diocese of Toledo after County Caseworker has been notified.

**MINISTERS ARE NEEDED FOR HOME-BOUND PARISHIONERS**

We are in need of volunteers to bring communion once a month to someone who is home-bound due to illness or cannot drive to attend Mass on Saturday/Sunday. If you are interested in and/or have questions about volunteering for this ministry, please e-mail Rose Warnecke at [rwarneck@bright.net](mailto:rwarneck@bright.net)

*Parental Baptism Class*



Sunday, May 19, 2024 from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in Room 22 in the parish center presented by Don Inkrott.

Pre-register by calling St. John's Rectory 419-538-6928.. Next class will be September 15, 2024.

# 4 ABOUT OUR PARISH

## 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 19, 2024 (Room 22)**, and September 15

### 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 3, 2024 at 8:00am

### RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Wednesday 7:15am –7:45am, 7:00pm—7:30pm

Friday 7:15am—7:45am

Saturday 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—7:30pm

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

### May Crowning Prayer Service for the Home

#### GATHERING SONG-Immaculate Mary

Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing. You reign now in heaven with Jesus our King.  
**Refrain:** Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria! Ave, Ave, Maria In heaven the blessed your glory proclaim; On earth we your children invoke your fair name. (Refrain)

We pray for our Mother, the Church upon earth, And bless holy Mary, the land of our birth. (Refrain)

#### OPENING PRAYER

O God, who have been pleased to gladden the world By the Resurrection of you Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, Grant, we pray, that through his Mother, the Virgin Mary, We may receive the joys of everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### SCRIPTURE READING- LUKE 1:46-55

A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to Luke  
*Glory to You, O Lord.*

Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For he has looked upon his lowly servant; From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, and has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he remembered the promise of his mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever." Mary remained with Elizabeth about three months and then returned to her home. The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.*

#### LITANY OF THE BLESSED MOTHER

**Lord, have mercy** *Lord, have mercy*

**Christ, have mercy** *Christ, have mercy*

**Lord, have mercy** *Lord, have mercy*

**God our Father in Heaven** *have mercy on us*

**God the Son, Redeemer of the world** *have mercy on us*

**God the Holy Spirit** *have mercy on us*

**Holy Trinity, one God** *have mercy on us*

**Holy Mary** *pray for us*

**Holy Mother of God** *pray for us*

**Most honored of virgins** *pray for us*

**Mother of Christ** *pray for us*

**Mother of the Church** *pray for us*

**Mother of divine grace** *pray for us*

**Mother most pure** *pray for us*

**Mother of chaste love** *pray for us*

**Mother and virgin** *pray for us*

**Sinless Mother** *pray for us*

**Dearest of Mothers** *pray for us*

**Model of motherhood** *pray for us*

**Mother of good counsel** *pray for us*

**Mother of our Creator** *pray for us*

**Virgin most wise** *pray for us*

**Virgin rightly praised** *pray for us*

**Virgin rightly renowned** *pray for us*

**Virgin most powerful** *pray for us*

**Virgin gentle in mercy** *pray for us*

**Faithful Virgin** *pray for us*

**Mirror of justice** *pray for us*

**Throne of wisdom** *pray for us*

**Cause of our joy** *pray for us*

**Shrine of the Spirit** *pray for us*

**Glorious of Israel** *pray for us*

**Vessel of selfless devotion** *pray for us*

**Mystical Rose** *pray for us*

**Tower of David** *pray for us*

**Tower of ivory** *pray for us*

**House of gold** *pray for us*

**Ark of the covenant** *pray for us*

**Gate of heaven** *pray for us*

**Morning star** *pray for us*

**Health of the sick** *pray for us*

**Refuge of sinners** *pray for us*

**Comfort of the troubled** *pray for us*

**Help of Christians** *pray for us*

**Queen of angels** *pray for us*

**Queen of patriarchs and prophets** *pray for us*

**Queen of apostles and martyrs** *pray for us*

**Queen of confessors and virgins** *pray for us*

**Queen of all saints** *pray for us*

**Queen conceived without sin** *pray for us*

**Queen assumed into heaven** *pray for us*

**Queen of the rosary** *pray for us*

**Queen of peace** *pray for us*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world** *spare us, O Lord*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world** *Graciously hear us, O Lord.*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world** *have mercy on us*

**Pray for us, Holy Mother of God** *That we may become worthy of the promises of Christ.*

#### Crowning of the Blessed Mother

#### Prayer - The Hail Mary

#### Ending Song—

Hail holy Queen enthroned above, O Maria! Hail Mother of mercy and of love, O Maria!  
Refrain: Triumph all ye cherubim! Sing with us ye seraphim! Heav'n and earth resound the hymn: Salve, Salve, Salve Regina!  
Our life, our sweetness here below, O Maria! Our hope in sorrow and in woe, O Maria! (Refrain)  
And when our life breath leaves us, O Maria! Show us thy Son, Christ Jesus, O Maria! (Refrain)

STEWARDSHIP		May 5, 2024
<b>Offering</b>		
Loose	\$	1,507.00
Adult Envelope	\$	9,537.51
Children	\$	330.05
Maintenance	\$	1,925.00
Online Giving	\$	2,290.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,589.56</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.stjohnsglandorf.org](http://www.stjohnsglandorf.org)

**Heartbeat** needs Baby Wipes and Formula: Gerber Soothe Pro (Purple can)

*Heartbeat Hours:* Tuesday 1-5pm and Thursday 9-1pm

**Foods Needed at the Ottawa Food Pantry:** pineapple, mandarin oranges, pears, ready to eat soup, pancake mix, pop tarts or breakfast bars, boxed or canned potatoes, rice, dry beans, canned pasta, egg noodles, condiments, salad dressing, sloppy joe sauce, hamburger helper, spaghetti sauce, snacks.

Note: Monetary gifts are also welcome. (Send in care of Trinity UM Church, 137 N. Pratt, Ottawa)

## Our Blessed Mother

As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us. Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved. (Lumen Gentium, no. 53)

Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and ... all His commands are observed." The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf.

*(United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)*

## Please Include them in your prayers

### WEDDING BANN

**III Rachel Warnecke**, of this parish, daughter of Dan & Janet Warnecke & **Brady Laudick**, St. Michael's, Kalida, son of Jon & Jill Laudick

**I Jordan Verhoff**, of this parish, son of Sharon & Randy Verhoff & **Taylor Kuenzli**, of St. Christopher, Columbus, daughter of Bryan & Andrea Kuenzli

### NEWLY WEDDED

**Collin & Claire (Schroeder) Fortman**

## Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us

*The past 20 years*

Mark R Ellerbrock 5/12/17  
Joseph W Hageman 5/13/08  
Gerald J Brinkman 5/14/05  
Irene M Yaufman 5/15/07  
Nancy J Schmitz 5/15/14

Francis H Maag 5/16/11  
Melvin R Hedrick 5/16/21  
Loretta M Gerdeman 5/17/08  
Dana K Vorst 5/18/22

COUNTLESS LIVES ARE TOUCHED BY EVERY CONTRIBUTION TO THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL THEMED YESTERDAY, TODAY AND FOREVER. CHILDREN, SEMINARY STUDENTS, THE SICK AND AGED, THE NEEDY—THEY ALL DEPEND ON OUR GENEROSITY. FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE COME ALIVE THROUGH THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL. THANK YOU FOR PLEDGING TODAY TO HELP MEET OUR PARISH GOAL AND ASSURE THE CONTINUATION OF THESE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON MINISTRIES FUNDED BY THE APPEAL, VISIT [ACATOLEDO.ORG](http://ACATOLEDO.ORG). THANK YOU!

Our goal this year is **\$45,834.00**

Total pledged and paid **\$38,033.71**

We are **82.98%** of goal

St. John's 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal rebate check for 50% of the amount raised over your parish goal last year is \$6, 645.52. Thank you for your support!

PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER YOUR DONATION.

## THANK YOU

We extend our deepest gratitude to Father Matt, Tammy Schmitz, Cheryl Schimmoeller, Deb Burwell and Carole Schroeder and especially the parents for being a part of this significant milestone in the First Communicant's spiritual journey. Your kindness and encouragement have been a guiding light to them as they took this important step in their faith. We pray that God's grace continues to bless you abundantly and that our shared journey of faith brings us closer together. Thank you once again for your love and support.



# TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE ORDINATION

Deacons Travis Kahle, Eric Kaufman, and Kevin McGraw were ordained to the transitional diaconate on Saturday, May 18, 2024. Meet the newest transitional deacons of the Diocese of Toledo!



## Deacon Travis Kahle

My name is Travis Kahle and my home parish is St. Mary's in Bluffton. I grew up in a Catholic household and am the oldest of three siblings. I graduated from Pandora-Gilboa High School in 2005 and studied Philosophy at St. Joseph's College (IN). After college I spent a few years in Columbus, OH working a few different jobs including as a musician. In 2014, I returned home to help care for my father in his last year battling with ALS. During this time, I experienced a reinvigoration of my faith life and began seriously discerning the priesthood. I completed an MA in Healthcare Mission Leadership from Loyola University Chicago and got some experience with hospital chaplaincy at Mercy Health in Lima while also leading the high school youth ministry at my home parish. I began my seminary studies in Cincinnati in 2018 and God has blessed me immensely since then. I am so grateful to our Lord for the great gift of calling me to this vocation and to our diocese for supporting me in my formation. The many prayers of the faithful in our diocese who love and support the priesthood have won for me much grace and help along my journey. Blessed Mother, intercede for us and draw us closer to the heart of our savior Jesus Christ!



## Deacon Eric Kaufman

My name is Eric Kaufman, and my home parish is St. John the Baptist in Glandorf. From an early age a strong work ethic, caring for others, and the spirit of volunteerism in giving back for the greater good was instilled in me. It was these values, along with the love from family and the community, and the physical and spiritual beauty of the Catholic faith, that my Catholic faith and love for Christ grew.

After graduating high school and then receiving a degree in Computer Aided Design (CAD), I started working for PRO-TEC Coating Company in Leipsic. It was now in my twenties that I gave back even more to the parish and community. From serving on the Parish Council, heading our Capital Campaign Committee, the parish history committee, and the liturgical decorating group, to being a member of the Ottawa-Glandorf Jaycees, Glandorf Lions Club, and serving on the Glandorf Village Council for four and a half years, until I entered the seminary at the age of thirty.

I am currently enrolled in theology studies at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati. Throughout my time in discernment and formation, Mary, especially under her title of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, has had an amazing impact on my spiritual life in leading me closer to her son, and it is Jesus then who has led me to the vocation and mission that he has for me. For I always keep in mind the last words of Mary, recorded in the scriptures to the servants at the Wedding at Cana. "Do whatever he tells you." (John 2:5), reminding all of us to always listen to the Lord and do whatever he tells us.



## Deacon Kevin McGraw

Hello! I am from Elida, Ohio and my home parish is St. Charles Borromeo in Lima. My parents are Tom and Kathy McGraw. My brother Ryan, his wife Jill, and my niece Rori live in Delaware, Ohio. I also have a sibling who died prior to birth and, please God, is in heaven. I went to Elida Local Schools through high school, graduating in 2006. I attended BGSU (Class of 2011) and while there, after having fallen out of even a minimal practice of the Faith, I had an encounter with Jesus Christ through the campus ministry of St. Thomas More University Parish and Newman Center, and the Lord transformed my life. I grew in love and in zeal for Christ and His Church.

In 2013, it seemed that the Lord may be calling me to not only priesthood, but perhaps the consecrated life as well, so I began formation to become a Redemptorist priest. However, in 2019, the Lord led me out of Redemptorist formation, and I began working as an associate campus minister at the Catholic Campus Ministry serving the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, Virginia. My discernment continued there for the next two years. In 2021, on the Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas (Jan 28), I began the process and on the Memorial of St. Catherine of Siena (April 29), I became a seminarian affiliated with the Diocese of Toledo. In August 2021, I started at Theology II at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati.

In my years of seminary formation, I have strived to respond generously to the Lord's call, and I am happy where He has led! I am grateful for your prayers and support upon ordination as a transitional deacon and moving towards priestly ordination next year!

*Please keep our newest transitional deacons and all seminarians in your prayers!*

Parishioners, family members and friends are invited to



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 With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God  
**The Diocese of Toledo**  
 joyfully requests the honor of your presence at the  
 Ordination to the Order of Deacons of  
**Travis J. Kahle**  
**Eric T. Kaufman**  
**Kevin M. McGraw**  
 through the Imposition of Hands and the Invocation of the Holy Spirit by  
**Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas**  
 Bishop of Toledo  
 Saturday, the eighteenth of May, in the year of Our Lord  
 two thousand twenty-four at ten o'clock in the morning  
**Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral**  
 2535 Collingwood Blvd c/s Toledo, Ohio 43610  
*— Light Reception following the Ordination Liturgy in the  
 Monsignor Bernard E. Smith Auditorium —*



**ON SUNDAY, MAY 19TH,  
 ERIC KAUFMAN WILL BE THE DEACON OF THE MASS AND WILL BE  
 PREACHING THE HOMILY AT THE 8:00A.M. AND 10:30A.M. MASSES  
 AT ST. JOHN'S IN GLANDORF.**

**YOU ARE ALSO INVITED TO A MEET AND GREET IN THE PARISH  
 CENTER CAFETERIA BETWEEN 9:00AM -10:00AM**

Receive the Gospel of Christ whose herald you  
 have become. Believe what you read, teach what  
 you believe, and practice what you teach.

*Rite of Ordination of Deacons*



**Note: If you are not able to go to Our Lady, Queen of the Most  
 Holy Rosary Cathedral, the ordinations will be live-streamed!  
 Watch at [toledopriesthood.org](http://toledopriesthood.org).**

As Eric Kaufman prepares for Ordination to the Diaconate next weekend. Just a little tidbit about the Sacraments of Holy Orders.

- First it is a sacrament of service.
- Second it is a sacrament of ordering, the church organizing herself, holy ordering. As part of that holy ordering there are three orders (hence it is Holy Orders, not Holy Order) that are a part of the Sacrament of Holy Orders
  - the Order of the Episcopate-Bishops,
  - the Order of the Presbyterate-priests,
  - the order of the diaconate-deacons
- and there is a rank among the orders with Bishops being highest rank in the order the Catechism says it is "fullness of the sacrament of Holy Orders" and deacons being the lowest in rank of the orders.
- Each man in the Sacrament of Holy Orders starts in the lowest rank of orders and with time puts on the next order in the rank
- Next weekend when Eric Kaufman is Ordained a Deacon, he will take on the
  - Order of the Diaconate
  - And next year God willing when he will be Ordained a Priest, he will not stop being a deacon but will also take on the Order of the Presbyterate

## PARISH CENTER ACTIVITIES

Every Second Sunday of the Month

Today, May 12, 2024



**COFFEE AND DONUTS AND  
 GRAND-OF CLUB**

located in Rm 15 after 8:00am and  
 10:30am Masses by **Doug and Andrea  
 Giesige**



**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.

## LADIES OF LEISURE SOCIAL (L.O.L.s.)

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

Come for Old Fashioned visiting while playing cards, games or crafting.

**Every Third Wednesday  
 of each month.**

Two Event Times: 1:00- 4:00  
 OR 6:00- 9:00

**@ The Parish Center cafe in Glandorf.**

You Are Welcome To ...  
 Play board games  
 Play cards  
 Dominos, Dice  
 Knitting, Crafting,  
 Mahjong Game, Etc.  
 (Please bring your own Supplies & Games)

You can Bring Your Own Beverage & snack.

**FREE EVENT  
 NO MEMBERSHIP FEE**

*"It's a place to gather with friends and neighbors without having to clean house." HA HA*

Questions OR to Reserve A Table, Contact Jill Gerding 419-538-6942

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St. John the Baptist ~ Glandorf



# Summer Faith Adventure

**Mission:** To get our children outside and off screens while growing in faith and "Going in peace, to glorify the Lord by our lives" as we are each called to do at the end of every Mass!

**Where:** St. John the Baptist Parish, Glandorf Church and Parish Center

**When:** Tuesdays: June 11, 18, 25; July 16, 23, 30 8am (Begin with Mass) - 1pm)

**What:** Mass, Bible study (discuss Mass readings, homily, etc. at an age appropriate level), Saints, Holy Moments/Virtues, plus activities such as crafts and helping around the community and parish. There will be times for breaks, lunch, snacks, and play.

If you have questions, please contact Nichole Schroeder 419-303-7252

## Preschool Corner

**PRESCHOOL SUBSTITUTE  
TEACHERS/AIDES NEEDED  
FOR OUR MORNING PROGRAM**

Must have a high school diploma and must love working with children! Please contact Lori at Glandorf St. John's Preschool if you are interested in helping us out. 419-538-6264, [preschool@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:preschool@glandorfstjohns.com) or through Facebook. Thank you!



## Vacation Bible School Volunteer Meeting

THERE WILL BE A VBS VOLUNTEER MEETING ON SUNDAY, MAY 19 AT 11:45 (AFTER 10:30 MASS) IN ROOM 22 IN THE PARISH CENTER TO FIND OUT HOW YOU WILL BE HELPING AT VBS. CREW LEADERS WILL BE RECEIVING CREW MEMBER LISTS AND INSTRUCTION PACKETS. THANKS!

### ATTENTION TO ALL VOLUNTEERS OF THE PARISH WHO WORK WITH CHILDREN!

The diocese mandates that all who work with children need to setup a Virtus account online and take the online workshop, online background check and sign standards form every 5 years. If you plan to work with children as a volunteer during 2024 please e-mail [admin@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:admin@glandorfstjohns.com). You are responsible to complete these requirements to be compliant with the diocese and the Dallas Charter for Protecting Youth and Those Who Serve Them". For all employees and volunteers please check your e-mails Virtus will be sending you an e-mail if your requirements will be expiring. If you changed your e-mail address please logon to Virtus and update. Please let us know here at the rectory also of your new e-mail address.

### Glandorf Community Park Memorial Donations

include Deter's Park 12" x 12" black granite plaques, benches and trees. The Main Park also has memorial shelter house tiles and benches still available. For donation questions, please email [glandorfpark@gmail.com](mailto:glandorfpark@gmail.com).



*Come Help St. John's  
CCD Program!*

Do you have an hour to spare in the morning? Would you like to start your day sharing your love of Jesus with children and get paid a little too? Does your employer offer you time off for volunteer work? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please consider joining our Glandorf, St. John's CCD family!

If you love your Catholic Faith, believe in the Teachings of the Magisterium, love learning more about the teachings of the Church, want to grow in relationship with Jesus and think it's important that the next generation grow in relationship with Christ, you qualify to teach CCD!

Are you nervous about speaking to a classroom of students? Do you think you don't know enough about the Catholic Faith? No worries! We use a curriculum that completely guides you through the lessons! If you'd like to learn more or come observe what we do while school is still in session, call the Coordinators of Religious Education, Tammy Schmitz and Mindy Recker!





## YOUNG ADULTS LADIES NIGHT

Thursday, May 23  
6:30 Social  
7:00 Glass Painting  
Cost \$5

Bring a snack & your drink of choice!

**\*RSVP Required for supplies BY May 21st**  
mwilhelm137@gmail.com

Location: The brick house across from the Holy Family Catholic Church in New Cleveland, on St. Rt. 109, 5 miles north of Ottawa.  
Just come in the side door where the light is on!  
Park in the Church lot.

Hosted by Putnam Catholic Young Adult Ladies



### PRAY FOR OUR BISHOP AND PRIESTS

The priests of the Diocese of Toledo will gather with Bishop Daniel E. Thomas for their bi-annual Convocation from June 17-20, 2024. Once again, the convocation will be at Sawmill Creek Resort, Huron, Ohio. The bishop has the expectation that all active diocesan priests will be joining him for the full duration of the Convocation. Therefore, daily Mass schedules and priests' office hours throughout the diocese will be altered to accommodate the participation of all active priests in the convocation. The convocation provides our priests the opportunity to be together for spiritual nourishment, prayer, fellowship, and recreation. Please remember to pray for all of them, that their priestly fidelity, unity, and identity will continue to be renewed and deepened.

### HOMESCHOOL MASS

Come together with Bishop Daniel Thomas for the 2024 Homeschool Mass scheduled for **Tuesday, June 4th, at 7:00 pm at Rosary Cathedral**, in Toledo. This special event is open to all homeschooling families. We will celebrate 8th grade and graduating high school senior homeschoolers at the end of Mass. If you wish to take part in this Mass and have a 8th grade or high school graduate, kindly reach out to Monica Depinet at [homeschoolmasstoledo@gmail.com](mailto:homeschoolmasstoledo@gmail.com). If you would like to stay for the reception following the Mass, we kindly ask that you bring something to share.

## SUMMER OF SCRIPTURE

### BIBLE STUDY FOR GIRLS


Strengthen your faith this summer by joining a weekly Bible study filled with fun activities, prayer, scripture, and more!

#### TOPICS

- Learning from the mustard seed
- Living St. Therese's "little way"
- The power of Mary's intercession
- Spreading God's word in a world that doesn't want to hear it
- Knowing about God vs. knowing God

#### DETAILS

- \$15 per girl
  - covers cost of activity materials
- Ages 14-21
- TIME: Sunday nights at 7:30
- FIRST MEETING: Sunday, June 2nd
- LOCATION: Glandorf Shelter House (closest to the parking lot)



**Don't put your faith on PAUSE this summer**

#### ACTIVITIES

- Clay pot painting
- Flower bouquet making
- Rosary making
- Bible verse rock painting
- Prayer boards

#### IF INTERESTED...

Contact Lauryn Bockrath at 567-376-0841 to RSVP




## SOULCORE

BODY MIND SOUL

Join Chris Schroeder, with Restore 23, to nourish body, mind & soul with a prayer experience that combines the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching and functional movement.

*\*No fitness level, age or experience required.\**  
Registration required, \$10/session  
Call Chris at #419-230-2953 to sign-up

Sat. June 1, 9-10 AM  
Sat. June 15, 9-10 AM  
Sat. July 27, 9-10 AM  
Sat. Aug. 10, 9-10 AM  
Sat. Aug. 24, 9-10 AM



## W-Holy & Healthy: Cardinal Virtues

*\*Free Zoom event\**  
June 17, 2024  
8:00 - 9:00 pm

Join Wendy Imm (Divine Grace Fertility Care) & Christine Schroeder (Restore 23) as they discuss the book "Art of Living" by Edward Sri and how the 4 cardinal virtues (temperance, prudence, **justice** & fortitude) can apply to women's health, wellness and fertility.

To register: call/text Wendy at #614.634.1043 with name and email address

This is the 3rd in a series of 4 free Zoom events; previous attendance is NOT required.  
Book available to purchase at The Mustard Seed in Glandorf if you'd like to follow along.

JEREMIAH 29:11



Restore 23 presents..  
**Cooking with Christ: Summer Son-shine**

*"Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce." - Jeremiah 29:5*

Come and explore ways to nourish our minds, bodies and souls with fruits of the soil and light from the "Son"

When: Sat., June 8  
11 am - 1 pm  
Where: 620 E Blake St. Ottawa

To register: Email [Christine@Restore23.net](mailto:Christine@Restore23.net)  
OR text #419.230.2953  
\$25 per person/  
\$15 per person for Restore 23 clients

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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



**EXCITING NEWS!**

*It's time for St. John's*  
**PARISH PICTORIAL**

*St. John's dates for  
 photography will be:*

**August 13-17, 2024**

**August 20-24, 2024**

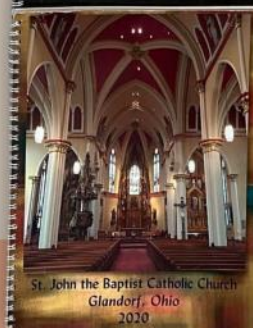
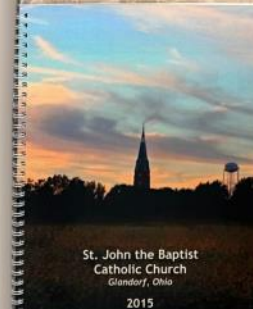
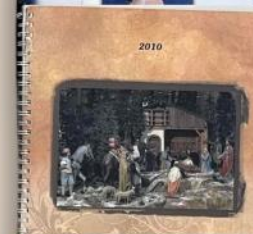
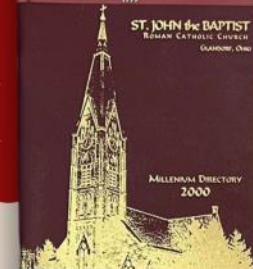
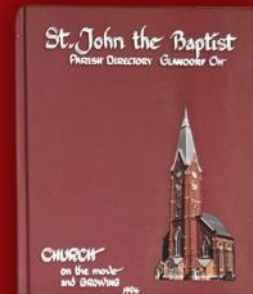
**September 3-7, 2024**

St. John's has selected Universal Church Directories to help us with our new church directory. Our directory will not be complete without you and/or your family.

- More details on scheduling your professional photography appointment coming soon!
- Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8x 10 portrait and directory.
- Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church!

**We need volunteers to help with the sign-up process for our families.**

**Please contact: Marlene Beckett at 419- 303-6531.**



# Jesus has gone back into Heaven!

Forty days after Jesus rose from the dead He went with His followers to the top of a mountain, where he told them to wait for the coming of the Holy Spirit, and then he went up through the clouds and returned to God the Father in Heaven.

But Jesus isn't gone forever! He is still with us every time we go to Mass, in Holy Communion. He will also come again at the end of the world.

Sometimes someone that we love goes away from us too. Sometimes people move away, or we move away from our friends. Sometimes people that we love die.

But we know that we will see our friends again, and we will be with the people who died when we die and go to Heaven.



Today let us celebrate Jesus returning to the Father in Heaven, and remember that we hope to join them some day!

Answers to Psalm 47 Cross-Word:  
Down: 1 high, 2 awesome, 4 to, 5 trumped, 7 earth, 9 sing.  
Across: 2 all, 3 great, 6 over, 8 most, 10 praise, 11 king.

# The Kids' Bulletin

## Feast of the Ascension

May 9th or Sunday May 12th, 2024

Forty days after Jesus rose from the dead he went up a hill with His followers and disappeared through the clouds and went up into Heaven.



Jesus had promised to send a Comforter to them after He left them.

Can you find your way through the cloud maze?



# Saint Isidore the Farmer

May 15



ISIDORE WAS BORN IN MADRID, SPAIN, IN 1070. HE WAS TOO POOR TO GO TO SCHOOL, BUT WHEN HE WAS OLD ENOUGH HE WENT TO WORK FOR A FARMER.



HE WORKED FOR THE FARMER ALL HIS LIFE. ISIDORE MARRIED A GOOD WOMAN CALLED MARIA.



THEY HAD A BABY BOY, BUT HE DIED. ISIDORE AND MARIA TRUSTED THAT GOD WAS LOOKING AFTER HIM.



Our Father, who art in Heaven...

ISIDORE WENT TO MASS EVERY DAY. HE PRAYED AS HE WORKED.



AT A PARISH DINNER, AS THE BEGGARS HE HAD INVITED ATE THE FOOD, MORE FOOD KEPT COMING!

We should have run out by now!



ISIDORE BECAME KNOWN FOR HIS HOLINESS, AND STORIES OF MIRACLES WERE TOLD OF HIM.

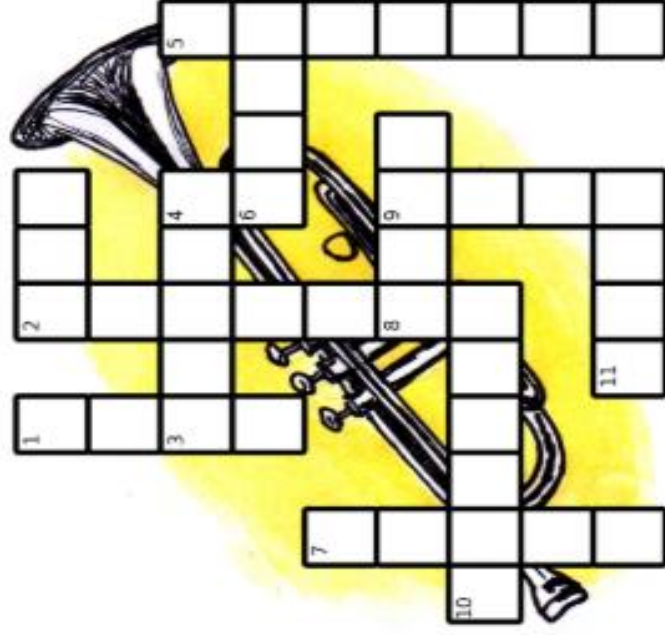
If you need prayers, ask Isidore to pray for you!



SAINT ISIDORE WORKED HARD AND SERVED GOD ALL HIS LIFE. HE DIED PEACEFULLY AT AGE 60.

SAINT ISIDORE WAS A HUMBLE MAN. HE DID SIMPLE WORK AND NEVER SEEMED IMPORTANT. HE JUST TRIED TO BE HOLY AND HELP THOSE AROUND HIM. BUT HE LOVED GOD SO MUCH THAT HE WAS A SAINT. AFTER HE DIED HIS BODY WAS FOUND INCORRUPT. SOON HE BECAME ONE OF THE BEST KNOWN SAINTS.

## Psalm 47 Cross-Word



Unscramble the words in CAPITAL letters. Then you can fit them into the puzzle. (A means across and D means down.)

LAL (2A) you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God with cries of gladness, For the Lord, the SOMT (8A) HHGI (1D), the EMOSAEW (2D), is the TREAG (3A) king VROE (6A) all the HTREA (7D).

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; the Lord, amid UMPRET (5D) blasts. GISEN (9D) praise OT (4D) God, sing praise; Sing SIEARP (10A) to our INKG (11A), sing praise.