St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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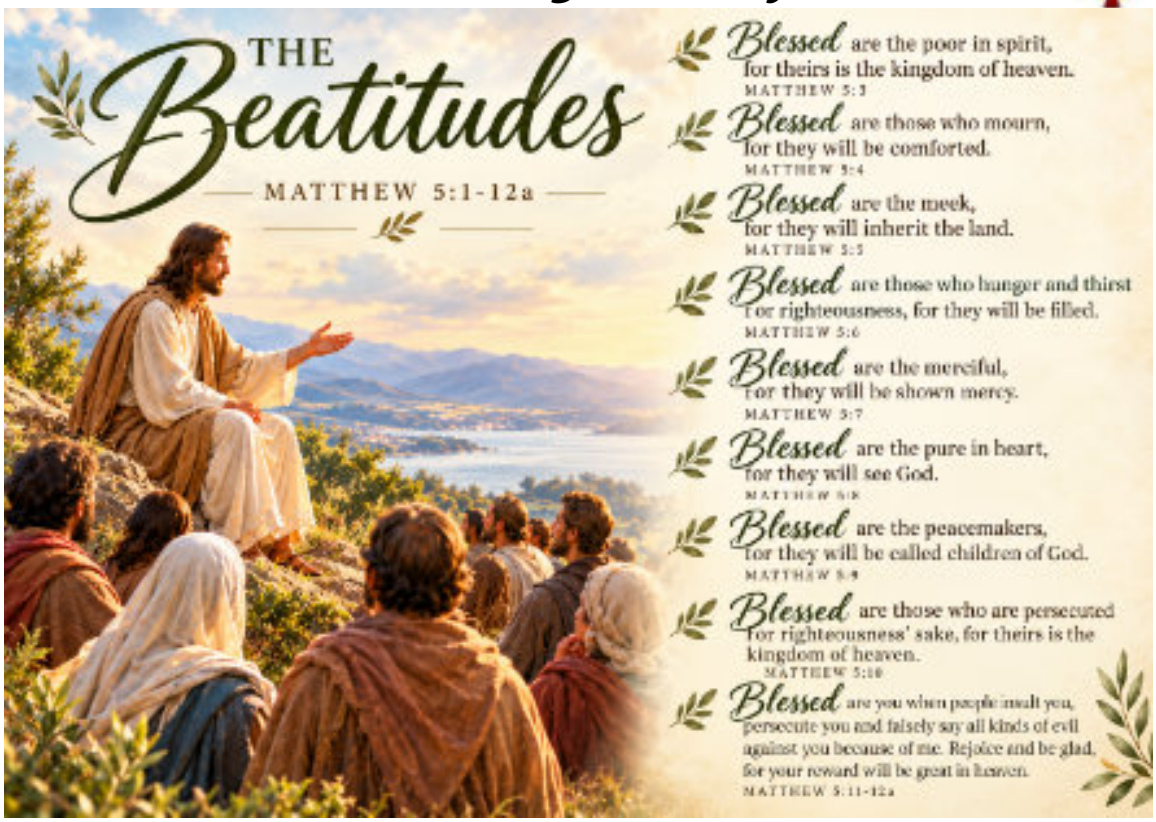
PARISH OFFICE BUSINESS HOURS

Monday-Friday,
9:00am - 5:00pm

Closed for Lunch from 12:30pm—1:30pm

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Sacramental Emergencies :
419-778-9339



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.

OUR VISION

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.



Holy Mass*	Daily Mass*	Communion Service*	Reconcilation*
			WED 7:15AM - 7:45AM
SAT VIGIL	**WED, FRI, SAT**	**MON** 8:00AM	**WED** 7:45PM - 8:15PM
4:30PM	8:00AM	** Regular Mass or Confession times may change due to events, funerals or Holy Days.*	**FRI** 7:15AM - 7:45AM
			SAT 8:30AM
SUNDAY	**TUE, THU**		**SAT** 4:00PM
8:00AM, 10:30AM	8:40AM		

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Live Stream | Go to Youtube search for glandorf st. john's catholic church live stream, find red live button , click on picture

INFORMATION CENTER

Eucharistic Adoration

WED 6:30PM - 8:15PM
FRI 1:00PM-4:00PM First Friday each month concluding with Benediction
SAT 5:30PM through Sunday at 8:00AM on First Saturday and Holy Hour from 9:00am - 10:00am

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BAPTISMS
Contact the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism. 0ne baptismal class required for your first child.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS (by Deacon Mike and Becky Karhoff)
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.
Parish Center Room 15 11:45am –1:15pm
Upcoming classes: January 10, 2027, May 16, 2027, September 19, 2027

MARRIAGES
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 on Sunday, November 1, 2026 at 8:00am. Call the Parish Office to registered.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Contact 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 419-214-4945 or e-mail dkidd@toledodiocese.org or contact the vocation office at the Missionaries of the Precious Blood 937-228-9263 or e-mail vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org.

THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (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, participants receive instruction and formation so they may discern, through reflection and prayer, whether they are being called to enter the Catholic Church. If you would like more information or would like to register, please contact Mindy Recker at **419-538-6928** or email Mindy Recker at **passociate@glandorfstjohns.com**.

NEW MEMBERS All are Welcome! Contact the Parish Office to get the New Member Registration Forms. Call 419-538-6928

MINISTY OF CARE FOR HOMEBOUND To receive the Eucharist at home contact the Parish Office

ST. JOHN'S BULLETIN To automatically begin receiving our parish bulletin and other notifications. Call the Parish Office

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MATT

People often ask me who my favorite saint is? This may sound a little strange, but this is a hard question for me to answer. Because there are a lot of saints that I have learned about, that I find inspiring. Answering the question of who is my favorite saint is a little bit like answering the question who is my favorite member of my family? I love each member of my family but there are some members of my family I tend to spend more time with, and I know a little better than others. Each member of my family has different gifts, talents, and abilities and sometimes I need help and depending on what I need help with I will ask the family member to help based on their gifts and talents. I will also admit there are some members of my family I get along with better than others. While these classifications may be true to describe the members of my family, I do not necessarily consider these classifications to be determiners for who my favorite family member is. As I think of my family and saints there some saints, I know better than others like St. Gaspar, I am Missionary of the Precious Blood, he is our founder, I spent quite a bit of time studying his life. But there are other saints I find inspiring like the many hours St. John Vianney spent in the confessional, St. Monicia praying in tears for the conversation of St. Augustine, how St. Isidore would come to Mass before going to work on the farm and when he worked it looked three men working in the field. Or I think saints in the church that are considered doctors like St. Thomas Aquinas the wisdom that he has and continues to share with the church. There are many other saints that I could share that I find equally inspiring.

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints. Today we celebrate All Saints the witness of the faith of men and women throughout our church's history. Today we remember saints who are famous and those that are not well known. Today we are beginning National Vocations Awareness Week, and I cannot think of any perfect way to begin this week with celebrating All Saints. Because as we celebrate All Saints, we also honor all vocations because we have saints that were popes, bishops, priests, and deacons, but also celebrate saints who are religious sisters and brothers, saints who were married like Jochiam and Ann, and saints who are single.

As we celebrate All Saints today, we are also called to become saints, in our scriptures today we hear of the 144,000 marked with the seal of the servants of God. We want the seal of servant of God; how do we get the seal? By following the example of the saints. When we think of following the example we think of doing exactly what a saint did. That sounds good but that is not exactly possible. Because of many of the saints' example we look to lived hundreds to thousands of years ago and the condition of their world is different than our current situation. Practically all of them lived somewhere other than Glandorf, Ohio. In our scriptures today we hear Jesus teach the beatitudes to the crowd. The saints we celebrate today lived the Beatitudes and we can also live them. The beatitudes are both a beautiful teaching that makes us feel good and at the same time a vague teaching it is not always clear on how to live or understand. The beatitudes are a consistent teaching but also adapt to meet the needs of our time. Like the saint we celebrate today who lived the beatitudes, may we live the beatitudes so that we can earn the stamp of servant of God.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



to the families, relatives, friends & neighbors of

JOANN KUCK



III Kayleigh Halker, of this parish, daugher of Matthew & Colleen Halker & **Andru Hannigan**, son of Josh & Tiffany Hannigan

II Shaylin Dulle, of this parish, daughter of Zeb & Janine Dulle & **Emmitt Maag**, of this parish, son of Randy & Erin Maag

I Isabella Bennett, of this parish, daughter of Brian & Stacey Bennett & **Nicholas McCormack**, of All Saints, New Riegel, son of Robert & Michelle McCormack



Trevor & Taylor (Alt) Siefker



ON THE BAPTISM OF :
Holland Kristine, daughter of Austin & Emily Niese
Bentley Allen, Son of Jacob & Abigail Schmitz



TO OUR PARISH FAMILY :
Hunter and Emma Miles

NEXT WEEK SCHEDULE

CHURCH CALENDAR AND MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2~All Souls's Day
7:35am Rosary
8:00am Communion Service-Deacon Mike Karhoff
7:00pm For the Poor Souls

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3~St Martin de Pomes
7:00am - 7:00pm Adoration
8:15am Rosary
8:40am Nick Schroeder

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4~St Charles Borromeo
7:15am-7:45am Confession
7:35am Rosary
8:00am Oscar Schnipke
11:00am JoAnn Kuck Funeral
6:30pm-8:15pm Adoration
7:45-8:15pm Confession

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5
8:15am Rosaryzz
8:40am Joe & JoAnn Niese
2:00pm Mass at the Ottawa Meadows

FIRST FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6
7:15am-7:45am Confessions
7:35am Rosary
8:00am L/D Bert & Irene Ellerbrock Family
L/D Bob & Hilda Hovest Family
12:00pm Rosary
1:00pm - 4:00pm Adoration/Benediction
6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal-Mary Ellen Halker

FIRST SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7
7:35am Rosary
8:00am Teresa Kleman
8:30am Confessions
8:30am - 4:30pm All day Rosary
1:30pm Hannigan/Halker Wedding
4:00pm Confessions
4:30pm Alvin & Gertrude Schmitz, Jeff King,
Denny Horstman, Larry & Ginny Kirkendall,
L/D Marcus Roof Family
5:30pm -11:59pm Adoration

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8~Thirty-second Sunday
12:00am - 8:00am Adoration
8:00am L/D Mary Agnes Schnipke Family,
Sheila & Craig Vorst & Family,
L/D Eugene & JoAnn Otto, Lauren Schneeg,
Zac Cassidy, Paul Cassidy, Jr.,
Michael & Angela Maag, Kimberly Redman
9:00am - 10:00am Holy Hour concluding with Benediction
10:30am Karl Buerger (AN),L/D Albert & Angela Maag,
Mike Niese,Teresa Kleman, Thomas VanOss,
Michael Byrne
11:30am Baptism

SERVERS			
Mon	8:00am	No Mass	
Mon	7:00pm	Ethan Weis, Ty Wrasman, Mylie Bockrath-Thurifer~Landry Wrasman	
Tues	8:40am	Students	
Wed	8:00am	Jerry Hanneman, Jeff Schram	
Thurs	8:40am	Students	
Fri	8:00am	Gary Recker, Roger Schroeder	
Sat	8:00am	Nolan Gerding,Reese Miller, Graham Miller, Audrey Niese	
Sat	4:30pm	Mattilyn Maag, Ryland Ellerbrock, Royce Ellerbrock-Thurifer~Ace Nienberg	
Sun	8:00am	Ella Vorst, Carter Vorst, AJ Siefker	
Sun	10:00am	Miles Niese, Thurifer~Nolan Duling	
Sun	10:30am	Miles Niese, James Niese, Grant Maag-Thurifer~Nolan Duling	
		EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS
Mon	7:00pm	Doug Karhoff	Doug Karhoff
		Mary Rose Ellerbrock	Mary Rose Ellerbrock
Sat	4:30pm	Diane Recker	Carole Schroeder
		Alicia Nussbaum	Kathy Schmitz
Sun	8:00am	Deb Burwell	Diane Nienberg
		Gretchen Schmitz	Janet Schroeder
Sun	10:30am	Tara Gerding	Kim Ansley
		Rose Ellerbrock	Jay Rump
		Matt Meyerhoffer-Choir	
GIFT BEARERS - To sign up for a Mass click the link below https://tinyurl.com/2sujmrrn or scan QR code below.			
Mon	7:00pm	Eric & Tracy Kaufman	
Sat	4:30pm	Lee & Diane Recker	
Sun	8:00am	Cory & Heather Haselman	
Sun	10:30am	Ben & Tara Gerding	
NOVEMBER USHERS			
Sat	4:30pm	Roger Koch, Logan Koch, Connor Koch	
Sun	8:00am	Bart Recker, Ken Kottenbrock	
Sun	10:30am	Dennis Dulle, Mike Stechschulte	

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 5
ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Henry & Jane Kaufman, Sharon Meyer
NOVEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS:Deb & Mike Ebbeskotte, Betty Nienberg, Carol Kaufman, Diane Utrup, Steve & Deb Leopold, Linda Schroeder

Mass Intention(s)

Remember a loved one or make your special prayer intentions known at Mass by filling out a Mass Intention Request Form or stop by the Parish office and we can help you complete the form. The form is located on our website (www.stjohnglandorf.org) under Parish Forms called Mass Intention Request Form.pdf or in the back vestibules of Church. Complete the Mass Request Form and bring or drop it off at the Parish Office. The Parish Office will schedule the Mass Intentions and let you know what you owe. Also, the dates are subject to availablity and not confirmed until approved by the Parish Office.
http://www.stjohnglandorf.org/Resources/ParishForms/Mass%20Intention%20Request%20Form.pdf

PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

OFFERING
OCTOBER 25, 2026

Loose	$	922.00
Adult Envelope	$	7,210.00
Maintenance	$	150.00
Children	$	168.00
Online Offering	$	2,098.75
Online Maintenance	$	226.25
All Souls	$	40.00
All Saints	$	20.00
Preschool	$	110.00
Assumption of Mary	$	10.00
Total Collection	**$**	**10,955.00**

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

WANT TO GIVE ONLINE

Fill out the E-Giving Form found on our website (www.stjohnglandorf.org) and turn the completed form into the Parish Office. The form is located on the left hand side above the Menu options and it looks like this. 

MAKE A DIFFERENCE - SUPPORT HEARTBEAT AND OTTAWA FOOD PANTY

HEARTBEAT: Boys and Girls: Diapers – Preemies, Size 5 Pullups Boys (2T/3T) Winter sleepers- Boys (3)T, Winter Boy Outfits 2T & 4T, Winter Boy Shirts 3T, Winter Girls Pants - NB (prefer solid colors), Boys Tennis Shoes (size 4, 5, 6, 7 (toddler sizes) Baby wash, shampoo, diaper rash ointment, Child Toothbrushes, sippy cups, teething toys/rings. There is a box in the south entrance of the Church for Heartbeat donations which will be picked up and taken to the Lima office periodically.
Heartbeat Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00am—5:00pm at 421 S. Cable Rd, Lima, OH 45805.

OTTAWA FOOD PANTRY:ITEMS NEEDED: Jelly, Hamburger Helper, sloppy Joe, pickle relish, mayonnaise,Miracle Whip, protein bars,Boxed or bag cookie mix, Canned potatoes mandarin organs,variety ready to eat souped it not. Hicken noodle soup, cereal bars pop tarts. Salad dressing, cereal chicken and beef stock ,egg noodles No Mac & cheese Thank you for your generosity!
2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, 11:30am to 2:00pm
Trinity United Methodist Church, 137 N Pratt St, Ottawa, OH
We need more volunteers!
Glandorf Parish supplies workers for **October and April**
Monday is set up day - 9:00 to noon or when we are finished
Tuesday is distribution day - 11:00 to 2:30 or finished cleaning up
The more people we have makes for shorter times
If interested in volunteering, just let me know or just show up!

We NEED someone who would pick up food in Lima on Mondays with a trailer at 9:30. You would deliver the load to the church and help unload. We also need someone beside myself to attend quarterly committee meetings.
Sandy Racer has been in charge as long as I can remember and wants to retire. She will train someone if interested. Is Jesus calling you to help? Questions or you plan on helping call or text Marlene 419-303-6531.

Pray for Those Who Have Gone Before Us

The Past 20 years

Dorothy H Kuhlman 11/3/03	Bernard E Jerwers 11/5/12
Phillip W Gerding 11/3/04	Elizabeth K Burgei 11/5/17
Dean R Shalter 11/4/02	Glenn L Deters 11/5/19
Leona R Kleman 11/4/03	Donald J Unterbrink 11/6/00
Paul A German 11/4/15	Mary Jane Leopold 11/6/15
	Jeffrey J King 11/6/20

2026 GRAND-ORF CLUB



Next Drawing will be Sunday, November 8th by **Mary and Clete Birkemeier**. No Coffee and Donuts due to an Outreach Breakfast on that day.
Extra tickets are in the racks in the Church Vestibules.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Change to All Souls' Envelope Donations

Beginning this year the Poor Souls' envelope on November 2nd, all donations received through these envelopes will be directed toward the perpetual care of our cemeteries.
This change is being made in accordance with our new Mass Intention Policy.
Thank you for your understanding and continued generosity in helping us care for our parish cemeteries. If you have any questions call the office.



Catechism Corner

Virtue: Faith (Vice: Doubt)

In this week's readings, we hear from John about an incredible vision he has about the holiness of God and His Kingdom. He tells what he sees, and it can be unbelievable. Hearing of these visions can leave someone in disbelief and doubt what John told was real.

We are taught quite young to question nearly everything, to demand proof and evidence before we believe. In fact, isn't it foolish to believe too quickly? In the Bible, we see character after character saying to God, "Oh really, well prove it!"

One of the most memorable bible characters is known as "Thomas the Doubter, Thomas the Apostle. Although other members of Jesus' inner circle were claiming Jesus had risen from the dead and that they had seen Him, Thomas said, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in His hands and put my finger into the nail-marks and put my hand in His side, I will not believe." A week later, however, Jesus once again appeared to the disciples, and this time Thomas was present. Knowing of Thomas' doubt, Jesus went up to him and invited Thomas to put his finger into His wounds so that he might believe. Overcome with emotion, Thomas fell to his knees and declared, "My Lord and my God!"

Thomas got the proof he needed, but what proof do the rest of us have? After appearing to Thomas, Jesus speaks to the rest of us, as we heard in today's Gospel saying, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Blessed are those to believe without proof. Blessed are those who choose faith, and remain faithful because they trust God.

Faith is a leap of trust. We trust that God is good and that even though we might not be able to see the Risen Lord, we have experienced His goodness. We believe that He is who He says He is. When we doubt, we doubt not only the details and facts of our religion, but we doubt the very goodness of God. And the goodness of God is the foundation of everything. The Catechism tells us, "We believe in God and believe all that He has said and revealed to us." Everything. Not some things, not some times…everything, all the time.

Even with all the studying and understanding, we still need to make that final leap that declares, "Yes Lord, I believe! You are the Truth." But believing is where we begin, not where we end.

If I really believe that God is good, that He sent His Son for the salvation of my soul, that He created me for a purpose, and is guiding me still with His Holy Spirit, then I can't just believe. I need to allow the Lord to utterly change who I am and direct where I go.

Deeply rooted in the virtue of faith is the act of trust. A faithful person entrusts his or her life, completely and totally, into the hands of God. Once fear and doubt are cleared away, the love of God is able to wash over us and we can experience His goodness. We live in this goodness by trusting God with the big and the small parts of our lives, day after day.

To walk by faith is to follow where God leads, even if we are asked to enter scary or difficult situations to do His work. We trust that God is good, that He will never abandon us, that He has a plan and that He can work through us, imperfect as we are.

The Bible reminds us that we are called to walk by faith, not by sight. We will likely never get the concrete proof of placing our hands within the wounds of Christ, at least not in this life. We might not be able to see the entire path ahead of us. And yet we trust that God is there, leading us through the darkness because we believe in Him and we believe in His love.

"We are not called to be successful, but faithful." ~ St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

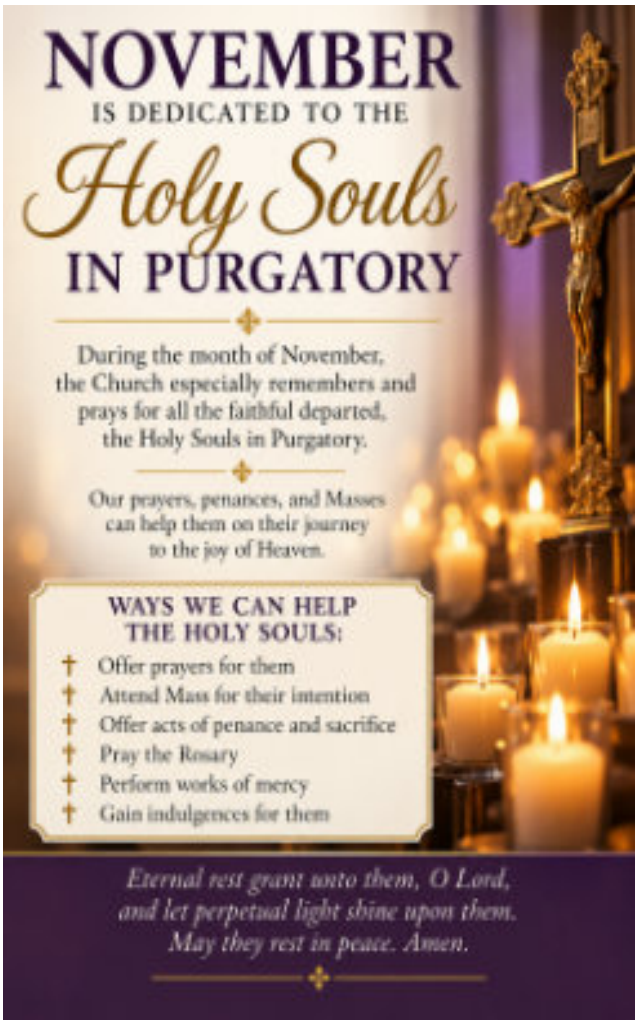
Reflection: Do you find it hard to believe in things without proof? Is there a person in your life that has amazing faith in God? How can you tell?

Source: Catholic Sprouts

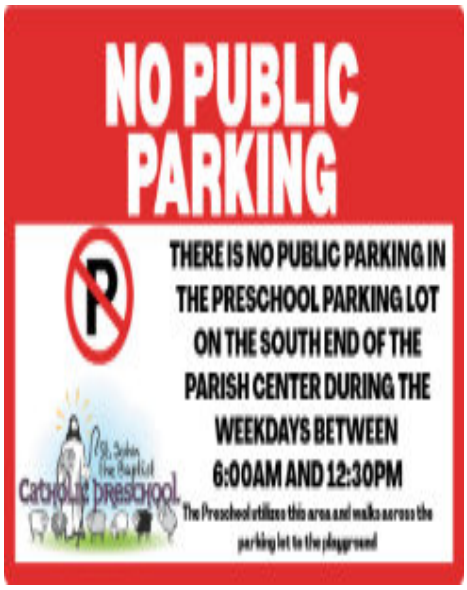


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All Souls' Day
Remember • Pray • Honor
St. John's Memorial Mass for the deceased parishioners this past year will be
Monday, November 2, 2026 at the 7:00pm Mass.
May all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
All are Welcome to Come.


NOVEMBER
IS DEDICATED TO THE
Holy Souls
IN PURGATORY
During the month of November, the Church especially remembers and prays for all the faithful departed, the Holy Souls in Purgatory.
Our prayers, penances, and Masses can help them on their journey to the joy of Heaven.
WAYS WE CAN HELP THE HOLY SOULS:
Offer prayers for them
Attend Mass for their intention
Offer acts of penance and sacrifice
Pray the Rosary
Perform works of mercy
Gain indulgences for them
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.


Outreach Breakfast
FRESH Whole-Hog Sausage Breakfast Fundraiser
St. John the Baptist Outreach
Sunday, Nov 8th
9:00 am - 12:00 Noon
Glandorf St. John's Parish Hall
Free Will Donation
Drive-Thru Available
East on Church Street,
South on Brockman Street
Proceeds benefit:
A. the Precious Blood missions in Tanzania (Nestory's homeland)
B. Local families in need


NO PUBLIC PARKING
THERE IS NO PUBLIC PARKING IN THE PRESCHOOL PARKING LOT ON THE SOUTH END OF THE PARISH CENTER DURING THE WEEKDAYS BETWEEN 6:00AM AND 12:30PM
St. John the Baptist Catholic Preschool
The Preschool utilizes this area and walks across the parking lot to the playground


Everyone is Invited!
to the
Blessing
of the
St. Cecilia Statue
in the
Music Garden
November 8th at Noon

VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

VOCATION TESTIMONY

I am Sister Edna Michel, a Sister of St. Francis of Tiffin, Ohio. I think I was born with a Franciscan heartand that was confirmed when I met the Franciscan Sisters in Miller City Elementary School. I was born into a farm family from St. Isadore, Cuba and grew up loving the outdoors – all forms of nature. My dad's birthday was October 4 th , the Feast of St. Francis and I inherited from both parents qualities so characteristic of this saint: friendliness, gentleness, love of the earth, and compassion for those society often leaves behind
.I was drawn to be a Sister at a very young age, but I was pretty sure about it by the time I made my First Communion. I didn't understand "vocation" then, but I wanted to be like the Sister-teachers I had in school. A few youthful "crushes" on guys made me think twice if this is what I really wanted, but the desire persisted. To give my life to Christ in service to God's people was still the deepest desire of my heart. I think that's the way God calls. Sometimes we resist for a while, but finally we give in because it's the only way we will really be at peace – because that's what we were created for and God keeps calling until we listen.
Most people know that Sisters take three vows: poverty, celibate chastity and obedience, but many of them question their value; it sounds like a lot of giving up: sex, children, possessions, ownership; independence, control and decision-making. Having been a Sister for 58 years, I can attest to the truth that all of us who make vows, whether in marriage, priesthood or religious life, grow into their full richness only by living them.

• Poverty is really based on God's abundance and a growing trust that God who watches over the lilies of the field will also watch out for me/us. We live simply, taking from the earth only what we need so that others may also have what they need. Poverty frees us to live in confident hope.

• Celibate chastity is not a renunciation of love, intimacy and deep friendship; we all need that to thrive. Making the decision to abstain from genital sex "forces" our erotic energy to go to deeper levels of respect and self-disclosure and actually can lead to stronger personal bonding between people. (Ask any couple who agrees not to have sex until they are married). Celibacy also frees us to open our hearts to love many people in ways that imitate the way Jesus loved.

• Obedience is really a commitment to listen attentively to the Holy Spirit. We do that personally and then we "run it past" others to get their view on a decision we are
contemplating. I do not experience religious obedience as "do what you are told and don't ask questions." It's more about aligning my will with God's will and that takes discernment with others. It takes faith to trust that through this communal listening, the right path will open for us, a path which will lead to further growth and the common good.

As a Sister, I live in community with others who share a call similar to mine, and also want to offer themselves in loving service. We take time daily to pray, to reflect on the words of the gospel, privately and in common. We are attentive to the needs of the world and juxtapose Jesus' teaching … and that guides the decisions we make and the stances we take. Yes, being a Sister is a beautiful, fulfilling way to live.



"Prayer for vocations is the responsibility of the entire Church. Ofen times we think that vocations will come from somewhere else, and yet God invites us to consider that he is raising up vocations to priesthood, consecrated life, and the permanent diaconate from within our own communities, even our own families. Our willingness to invite those within our own communities and families to consider that God may be calling them to Priesthood or consecrated life will bear abundant fruit in the Church and bring great joy and happiness to those called. We want what is best for our children; even more so does God desire their happiness." (Bishop Michael F. Burbidge, chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations.)



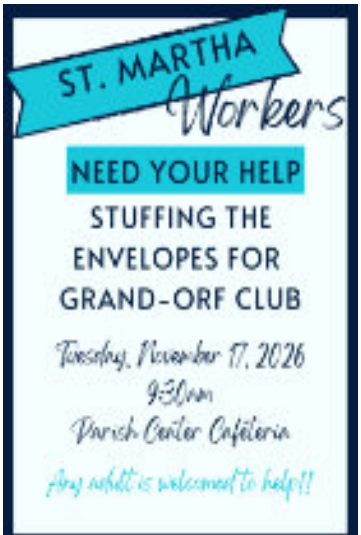

Adoration on Election Day
November 3, 2026
7:00 AM – 7:00 PM
7:00 AM | Morning Prayer & Exposition
12:00 | Rosary
3:00 | Divine Mercy Chaplet
7:00 PM | Evening Prayer & Benediction
https://tinyurl.com/4tkvauad


Eucharistic Adoration in November
NEED 2 PEOPLE TO BE WITH JESUS EVERY HOUR!
SCHEDULE
EVERY WEDNESDAY
FIRST FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH
FIRST SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH AND 8TH
HOLY HOUR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH
9:00AM - 10:00AM
HOW TO SIGN UP CLICK THE LINK OR SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW
https://tinyurl.com/mr2nhehd
https://tinyurl.com/5d2d7ms


Sunday Morning HOLY HOUR
November 8, 9:00-10:00
Prayer Focus
The Needy in Our Community: the sick, those who are financially needy, the Holy Souls in Purgatory.


YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN
A 100-DAY Pilgrimage FOR PEACE
PRAY • TRUST • HOPE
TODAY IS DAY 48
of our 100-day Pilgrimage for Peace.
We're getting close to the halfway point!
Prayer to Begin a Precious Blood Gathering
Fr. Mark Miller, C.PP.S.
WE BEGIN September 15
Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows
WE END December 24
As we celebrate the Birth of the Prince of Peace
HOW TO PARTICIPATE
SIMPLY PRAY ONE ROSARY EACH DAY
Our Lady, Queen of Peace, PRAY FOR US!
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."


How to Respond in Faith in times of Emergency and Crisis
Catholic Care for the Sick and Dying
November is National Hospice and Palliative Care Month, an opportunity to educate the faithful on the dignity of human life and the importance of compassionate care for those who are seriously ill or nearing the end of life.
Please join us
Saturday, Nov. 14, 9-10:30 AM
at St. John's Parish Center
Speakers:
Dr. Mary Ann Myers
local Catholic doctor that has extensive experience with hospice
Pat Oedy-Murray
certified In Catholic bioethics and one of the diocesan consultants in this area.


ST. MARTHA Workers
NEED YOUR HELP
STUFFING THE ENVELOPES FOR GRAND-ORF CLUB
Tuesday, November 17, 2026
9:30am
Parish Center Cafeteria
Any adult is welcome to help!!


CEMETERY FALL CLEANUP
ATTENTION PARISHIONERS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO AN

Appreciation Meal

for All of St. John's Volunteers

Sunday, November 15th
at 11:30am
in the Parish Center

You can enter to win two different door prizes!

We would like to **Thank You** for saying "YES" to help spread God's love to St. John's Parishioners.

This dinner is for anyone who volunteers in our parish and their spouses.

Many Hands Make a Stronger Parish

Our Volunteers Include:

- Parish Council
- Finance Committee
- Parish Center renovators & cleaners
- St. Joseph's & St. Martha's workers
- SUNday Fun Day Committee and anyone who volunteered at SUNday Fun Day
- Church decorating Committee
- Choir
- Server Trainers
- Adult Servers
- Lector Trainer
- rosary prayers before Masses & for funerals
- Distributor Trainers
- Lectors
- Extraordinary Ministers
- Ushers
- Spirit & Song Group
- Nursing Home Mass helpers
- Funeral Meal helpers
- Funeral planning person
- RCIA/DCIA Team
- High School OCD facilitators
- Adult Faith Group
- Volunteers of OCD
- Pre-school Committee
- Little Flower Leaders
- After Rosary & Men's Society Officers
- Cemetery Committee
- Marriage Prep. Leaders
- Marriage Prep. Coordinator
- FMI Mentor Couples
- Wedding Rehearsal Coordinators
- VBS Team
- CYO Coaches H.S./grade school
- those who lock & unlock church
- Scout Leaders
- rectory helpers
- envelope/bulletin stuffers
- St. John's Food Pantry workers

Please RSVP by Friday, November 6th

Call (419) 538-6928

Email admin@glandorfstjohns.com

or Click on the link

https://form.jotform.com/262854165553160

TMIY

THAT MAN IS YOU

BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

Join us for That Man Is You!

Saturday, November 7th
6:00–7:30 AM
in the Cafeteria

OR

Wednesday, November 4th
7:00–8:30 PM
in room 22.

SESSION 9
(Sat. 11/7 & Wed. 11/11)
"REVELATION OF THE FATHER"
Remember Your First Love

Presenter: **Mark Hartfiel** and **Jamie Gonzales**

Remembering first love. Revelation as examination. Repentance and renewed action. Love made concrete. Marriage rekindled daily. Family as sacred mission.

Revelation 2:2-7.

For more information, contact
Deacon Mike Karhoff
mkarhoff@GlandorfStJohns.com

Joyful Tuesdays

(and Catholic and Patriotic!)

Faith, Fun and Fellowship!

At the cafeteria at Glandorf St. John parish center.

Tuesday, Nov. 3

Sauerkraut Balls and Drinks Night



Drinks provided (Water, non-alcoholic and alcoholic drinks, or mix your own) Famous Kiwanis Sauerkraut Balls with Thousand Island dressing.

To have alcohol, you must be 21 or older. Bring your ID.

6:30 pm Faith Focus: "Catholic Heroes III"
Fulton Sheen; Our Lady of Champion: America's Only Approved Marian Apparition; Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton: The First U.S. Born Saint; Perry Como.



"Stop the World: I Want to Get On" - Fulton Sheen Video

7:30 - 8:30 pm Fellowship Focus: Game\Card Night or just hang out



Tues., Nov. 10

Pretzel Bites and Drinks Night

Pretzel bites and drinks provided (Water, non-alcoholic and alcoholic drinks, or mix your own)

To have alcohol, you must be 21 or older. Bring your ID.

6:30 - 7:30 pm Faith Focus: "Catholic Heroes IV"
Videos on Mother Angelica, Daniel Carroll: America's First Catholic Congressman; Kendrick Castillo, school shooting hero\victim and possible Saint; Father Leo Heinrichs: Protector of the Holy Eucharist



"Happiness is a Rainbow" - Fulton Sheen

7:30 - 8:30 pm Fellowship Focus: Game\Card night or just hang out



CALLING ALL FAMILIES!

Join in our cherished Advent tradition and take part in lighting the Advent wreath at Mass.

This is a wonderful way for families to prepare their hearts for Christmas together!

NOVEMBER 28 – DECEMBER 20
At all Masses



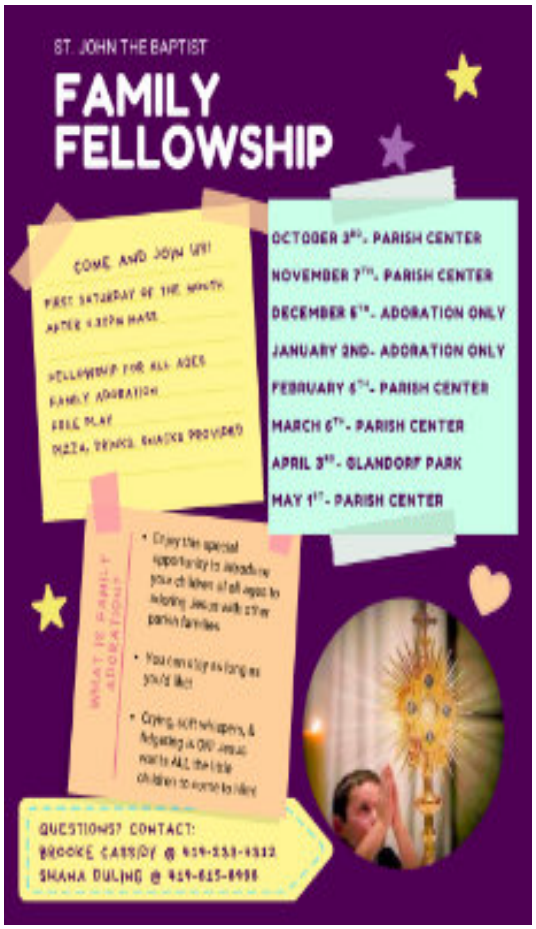
HOW TO SIGN UP

- Simply call the parish office or sign up online using the link or by scanning the QR code.
- Choose a Mass time that works best for your family.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FA9AF2FA1FFC25-66934159-2026

SPOTS ARE LIMITED, SO DON'T WAIT!

Let's journey through Advent together as a parish family, bringing light and hope into our hearts and our community.


ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
FAMILY FELLOWSHIP
COME AND JOIN US!
FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
AFTER 4:30PM MASS
FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL AGES
FAMILY ADORATION
BIBLE PLAY
PIZZA, DRINKS, SNACKS PROVIDED
OCTOBER 3RD- PARISH CENTER
NOVEMBER 7TH- PARISH CENTER
DECEMBER 6TH- ADORATION ONLY
JANUARY 2ND- ADORATION ONLY
FEBRUARY 6TH- PARISH CENTER
MARCH 6TH- PARISH CENTER
APRIL 3RD- GLANDORF PARK
MAY 1ST- PARISH CENTER
WHAT IS FAMILY ADORATION?
QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
BROOKE CASSIDY @ 419-233-4332
SHANA DULING @ 419-615-8988


YOUTH CHOIR
FOR CHRISTMAS EVE MASS
DECEMBER 24, 2026 AT 4:00PM
ANY STUDENTS 5TH GRADE AND UP, INCLUDING COLLEGE STUDENTS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SING FOR THE 4:00 CHRISTMAS EVE MASS?
PRACTICE SCHEDULE
SUNDAY MORNINGS
FROM 9:15AM TIL 9:45AM
IN THE CHURCH BALCONY
ON NOVEMBER 8TH (WILL BE IN ROOM 15 IN PARISH CENTER) 15TH, 22ND, 29TH
AND DECEMBER 13TH, 20TH
ANYONE IS WELCOMED AT ANY TIME!


St. John the Baptist
Catholic Preschool
(419) 538-6264 /GlandorfStJohnsPreschool
Quarter Auction & Vendor Fundraiser
Friday November 6th 2026 at 6:00 PM
Quarter Auction begins at 7:00
Glandorf St. John's Parish Center
$15 Ticket Includes an Auction Paddle and
1 entry ticket for "Extra Auction Money"
Reserve a table with 8 tickets for $10 more
Additional paddles are available for $2
50/50 Drawing & Door Prizes
Adults Only Please
Tickets available at the
Preschool or reserve your tickets in advance
and pick them up at the door
Remember to bring your quarters!
BID
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QUARTER AUCTION

St. John's CYO Sports Eligibility & Participation Policy

All players must be members of St. John the Baptist Parish and/or enrolled in the CCD classes to participate on a St. John the Baptist CYO team. Participation in CYO sports is a privilege that comes with responsibilities to our parish, our faith, and our community. The Eucharist is why our parish exists and is the foundation of our Catholic faith.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

To be eligible to participate in CYO sports, high school students must:

- Be enrolled in High School Religious Education (CCD) before the first class of the school year.
- Attend both the Fall and Winter semesters of High School Religious Education.
- Attend a Saturday evening or Sunday Catholic Mass.
- Attend one hour of Adoration during Eucharistic Sunday, generally held on the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time.
- Complete five hours of service to St. John the Baptist Parish during the year.

GRADE SCHOOL STUDENTS

To be eligible to participate in CYO sports, grade school students must:

- Regularly attend Grade School Religious Education (CCD) classes.

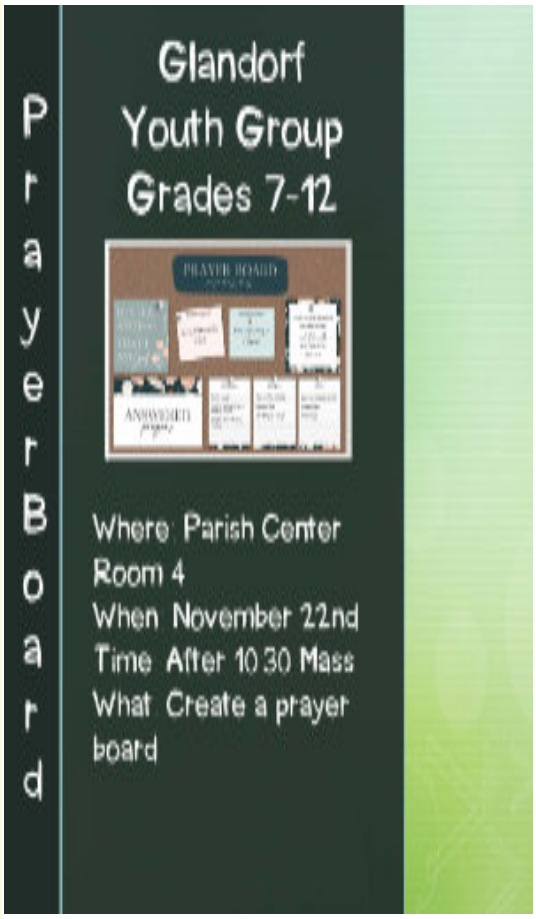
Attend a Saturday evening or Sunday Catholic Mass.

CLASS ATTENDANCE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

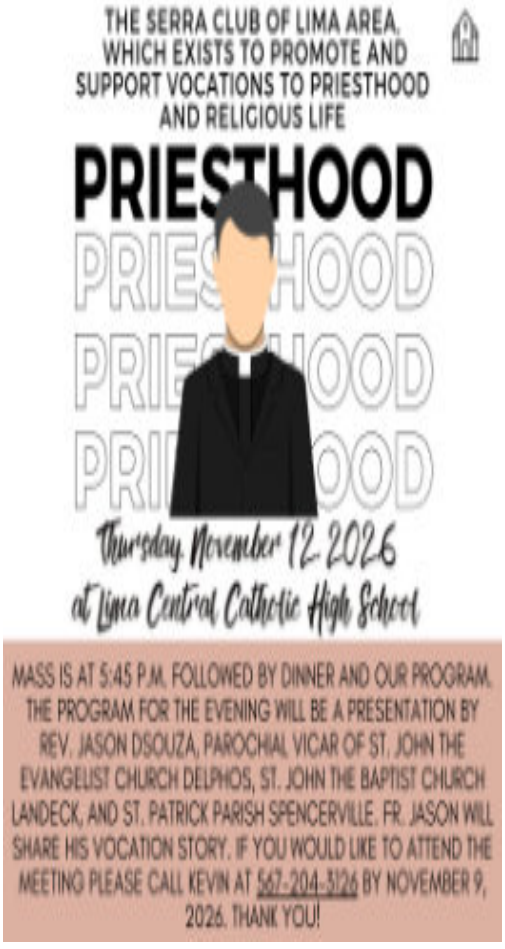
- Attendance at all Religious Education (CCD) classes will be monitored and reviewed.
- After three missed classes, each additional absence will result in the player sitting out one game for each additional class missed.
- If a student is ill and unable to attend class, parents should notify the appropriate Religious Education instructor or coordinator before class whenever possible.
- Attendance will reset at the end of each team's season for the respective sport.

We appreciate the cooperation of our players and families as we uphold these expectations for the spiritual and communal good of our youth and parish.

Fr. Matt Keller, C.PP.S. and St. John the Baptist Parish Council & Finance Committee







2026 Advent School



Glandorf St. John's is excited to offer a Sunday School session that will run throughout the Advent season to help our youngsters learn about the birth of Jesus.

Who: Preschool & Pre-K students
Where: Glandorf, Parish Center Room 8
When: During 10:30am mass
November 29th, December 6th, 13th, 20th

We are asking for a $5/kid donation to cover the cost of supplies (but you will not be turned away if you can not donate).

Please submit this form to the drop box at the Parish Center Rectory by November 1, 2026 so we can plan our supplies accordingly. Thank you for allowing us to teach your children!

Child(ren)'s Name(s) & Age(s)_____

Parents _____

Phone Number_____

Allergies?_____

☐ Please check if you DO NOT want your child's picture in the bulletin.
☐ Please check if you DO NOT want your child's picture on St. John's FB page.

*The committee will be looking for two new helpers for the 2027/2028 school year. Typically it involves one planning meeting and 4 / 5 Sunday sessions during Advent & Lent. Please reach out to Kari Gray 419-230-2782 for details.

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Friday, November 6th, Chicken/Fish Fry Serving from 4:30 – 7:00pm

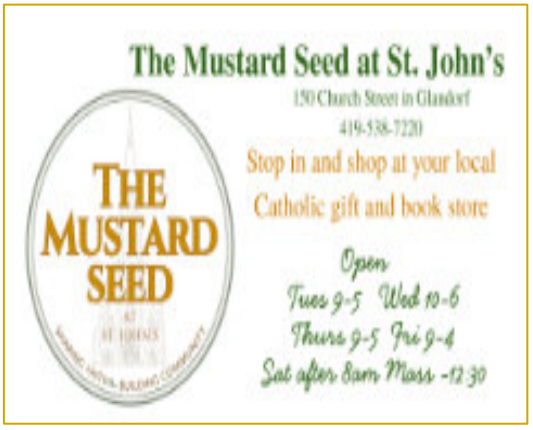
SPRINGS IN THE DESERT

A Catholic infertility ministry, is hosting monthly meetings to accompany women struggling with infertility and loss. We offer a place of respite and solidarity- a place to acknowledge the pain and complex emotions associated with infertility. Our next meeting will be held **Thursday, November 5th** at **7:30 pm** in the St. Joseph, Fort Jennings church basement. All women of the parish & surrounding parishes are invited to join us. *You do not need to have attended any previous meetings- new faces are welcome at any time!* For more information, contact Laura Tenwalde at (419)303-5752. It is our honor to walk with you!

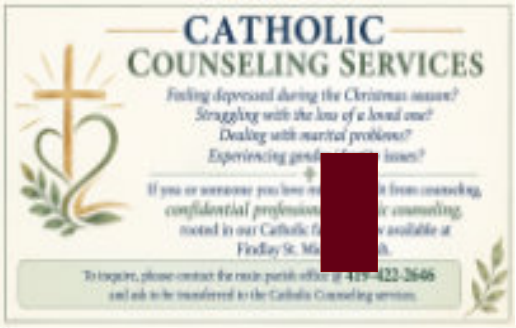
















The Challenge of Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

FORMING CONSCIENCES FOR FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

Part II of II: Making Moral Choices and Applying Our Principles

This brief document is Part II of a summary of the US bishops' reflection, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, which complements the teaching of bishops in dioceses and states.

Part I of the summary of the US bishops' reflection, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, considered the core principles that underlie Catholic engagement in the political realm. Part II is a consideration of the process by which these principles are applied to the act of voting and taking positions on policy issues. It begins with the general consideration of the nature of conscience and the role of prudence. The application of prudential judgment does not mean that all choices are equally valid or that the bishops' guidance and that of other church leaders is just another political opinion or policy preference among many others. Rather, Catholics are urged to listen carefully to the Church's teachers when they apply Catholic social teaching to specific proposals and situations.

How Does the Church Help the Catholic Faithful to Speak About Political and Social Questions?

A Well-Formed Conscience

The Church equips its members to address political questions by helping them develop well-formed consciences. "Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act. . . . [Every person] is obliged to follow faithfully what he [or she] knows to be just and right" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1778). We Catholics have a lifelong obligation to form our consciences in accord with human reason, enlightened by the teaching of Christ as it comes to us through the Church.

The Virtue of Prudence

The Church also encourages Catholics to develop the virtue of prudence, which enables us "to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1806). Prudence shapes and informs our ability to deliberate over available alternatives, to determine what is most fitting to a specific context, and to act. Prudence must be accompanied by courage, which calls us to act. As Catholics seek to advance the common good, we must carefully discern which public policies are morally sound. At times, Catholics may choose different ways to respond to social problems, but we cannot differ on our obligation to protect human life and dignity and help build, through moral means, a more just and peaceful world.

Doing Good and Avoiding Evil

There are some things we must never do, as individuals or as a society, because they are always incompatible with love of God and neighbor. These intrinsically evil acts must always be rejected and never supported. A preeminent example is the intentional taking of innocent human life, as in abortion. Similarly, human cloning, destructive research on human embryos, and other acts that directly violate the sanctity and dignity of human life including genocide, torture, and the targeting of noncombatants in acts of terror or war, can never be justified. Nor can violations of human dignity, such as acts of racism, treating workers as mere means to an end, deliberately subjecting workers to subhuman living conditions, treating the poor as disposable, or redefining marriage to deny its essential meaning, ever be justified.

Opposition to intrinsically evil acts also prompts us to recognize our positive duty to contribute to the common good and act in solidarity with those in need. Both opposing evil and doing good are essential. As St. John Paul II said, "The fact that only the negative commandments oblige always and under all circumstances does not mean that in the moral life prohibitions are more important than the obligation to do good indicated by the positive commandment."[1] The basic right to life implies and is linked to other human rights such as a right to the goods that every person needs to live and thrive—including food, shelter, health care, education, and meaningful work.

Avoiding Two Temptations

Two temptations in public life can distort the Church's defense of human life and dignity: The first is a moral equivalence that makes no ethical distinctions between different kinds of issues involving human life and dignity. The direct and intentional destruction of innocent human life from the moment of conception until natural death is always wrong and is not just one issue among many. It must always be opposed. The second is the misuse of these necessary moral distinctions as a way of dismissing or ignoring other serious threats to human life and dignity. Racism and other unjust discrimination, the use of the death penalty, resorting to unjust war, environmental degradation, the use of torture, war crimes, the failure to respond to those who are suffering from hunger or a lack of health care or housing, pornography, human trafficking, redefining civil marriage, compromising religious liberty,

or unjust immigration policies are all serious moral issues that challenge our consciences and require us to act.

Making Moral Choices

The bishops do not tell Catholics how to vote; the responsibility to make political choices rests with each person and his or her properly formed conscience, aided by prudence. This exercise of conscience begins with always opposing policies that violate human life or weaken its protection.

When morally flawed laws already exist, prudential judgment is needed to determine how to do what is possible to restore justice—even if partially or gradually—without ever abandoning a moral commitment to full protection for all human life from conception to natural death (see St. John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*, no. 73).

Prudential judgment is also needed to determine the best way to promote the common good in areas such as housing, health care, and immigration. When church leaders make judgments about how to apply Catholic teaching to specific policies, this may not carry the same binding authority as universal moral principles but cannot be dismissed as one political opinion among others. These moral applications should inform the consciences and guide the actions of Catholics.

As Catholics we are not single-issue voters. A candidate's position on a single issue is not sufficient to guarantee a voter's support. Yet a candidate's position on a single issue that involves an intrinsic evil, such as support for legal abortion or the promotion of racism, may legitimately lead a voter to disqualify a candidate from receiving support.[1]

What Public Policies Should Concern Catholics Most?

As Catholics, we are led to raise questions about political life other than those that concentrate on individual, material well-being. We focus more broadly on what protects or threatens the dignity of every human life. Catholic teaching challenges voters and candidates, citizens and elected officials, to consider the moral and ethical dimensions of public policy issues. In light of ethical principles, we bishops offer the following policy goals that we hope will guide Catholics as they form their consciences and reflect on the moral dimensions of their public choices:

- Address the preeminent requirement to protect **human life**—by restricting and bringing to an end the destruction of unborn children through abortion and providing women in crisis pregnancies with the supports they need. End the following practices: the use of euthanasia and assisted suicide to deal with the burdens of illness and disability; the destruction of human embryos in the name of research; the use of the death penalty to combat crime; and the imprudent resort to war to address international disputes.
- Protect the fundamental understanding of **marriage** as the life-long and faithful union of one man and one woman as the central institution of society; promote the complementarity of the sexes and reject false "gender" ideologies; provide better support for family life morally, socially, and economically, so that our nation helps parents raise their children with respect for life, sound moral values, and an ethic of stewardship and responsibility.
- Achieve comprehensive **immigration** reform that offers a path to citizenship, treats immigrant workers fairly, prevents the separation of families, maintains the integrity of our borders, respects the rule of law, and addresses the factors that compel people to leave their own countries.
- Help families and children overcome **poverty** and ensure access to and choice in **education**, as well as decent work at fair, living wages and adequate assistance for the vulnerable in our nation, while also helping to overcome widespread hunger and poverty around the world, especially in the policy areas of development assistance, debt relief, and international trade.
- Ensure full conscience protection and **religious freedom** for individuals and groups to meet social needs, and so enable families, community groups, economic structures, and government to work together to overcome poverty, pursue the common good, and care for creation.
- Provide **health care** while respecting human life, human dignity, and religious freedom in our health care system.
- Continue to oppose policies that reflect racism, hostility toward immigrants, religious bigotry, and other forms of **unjust discrimination**.
- Establish and comply with moral limits on the use of **military force**—examining for what purposes it may be used, under what authority, and at what human cost—with a special view to seeking a responsible and effective response for ending the persecution of Christians and other religious minorities in the Middle East and other parts of the world.
- Join with others **around the world** to pursue peace, protect human rights and religious liberty, and advance economic justice and care for creation.

Notes

1. *Veritatis Splendor*, no. 52.

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All Saints' Day



Today is a special feast day in the Church. We celebrate all the people who followed God on earth and are now in Heaven.

Tomorrow, November 2nd, is the feast of All Souls. It is a special day when we remember all the people who are still in Purgatory.



While we are alive we try to love God and do what He asks so that when we die we can go to Heaven to be with Him.

We can also help the souls in Purgatory. They are suffering because they have to make up for the sins they did when they were on earth. They can't go to Heaven until their souls are clean. We can help them by offering prayers and sacrifices to God for them.



The Saints in Heaven loved and served God and made up for their sins. We can pray to them and they can pray to God for us, to help us get to Heaven too!

Saints on the front page: Back row: St. Francis of Assisi, St. Peter, St. Joseph, St. Maximilian Kolbe. Front row: St. Joan of Arc, St. Therese of Lisieux, Our Lady Mary, St. Juan Diego Valasquez, St. Maria Goretti. Absent to the festivities Pacific: He is sad!

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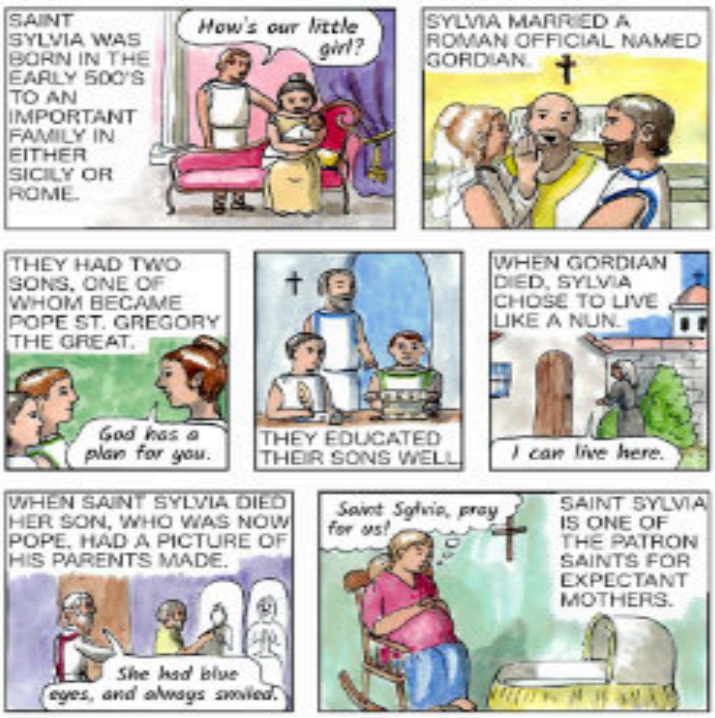
Feast of All Saints
November 1, 2026



Today we celebrate all the people that are in Heaven with God. We call these people 'saints.' They were normal people like us who chose to follow God.

Here are some saints that you can colour. Do you know who they are?

Saint Sylvia of Rome
November 5



SAINT SYLVIA'S STORY REMINDS US OF HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR PARENTS TO TEACH THEIR CHILDREN WELL. PRAY FOR YOUR PARENTS SO GOD WILL GIVE THEM THE GRACE THEY NEED TO HELP YOU, AND YOU CAN PRAY TO ST. SYLVIA FOR ANY PREGNANT MOTHERS YOU KNOW!

thekidsbulletin@gmail.com

The Beatitudes Puzzle

Match the first and second parts of each of the beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12) and then use the letters in the same order to fill in the blanks at the end.

1. Blessed are the poor in spirit, [B]
2. Blessed are they who mourn, [ ]
3. Blessed are the meek, [ ]
4. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, [ ]
5. Blessed are the merciful, [ ]
6. Blessed are the clean of heart, [ ]
7. Blessed are the peacemakers, [ ]
8. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, [ ]



T ...for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
A ...for they will inherit the land.
B ...for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
S ...for they will be satisfied.
E ...for they will be comforted.
I ...for they will see God.
N ...for they will be called children of God.
A ...for they will be shown mercy.

Living the Beatitudes will help me

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