

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Missionaries of the Precious Blood
St. George Deanery



PARISH OFFICE BUSINESS HOURS

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

*Closed for Lunch from
12:30pm—1:30pm*

Phone: 419-538-6928

Fax 419-538-6147

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

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WEBSITE | WWW.STJOHNGLANDORF.ORG | **FACEBOOK** St. John the Baptist Catholic Church - Glandorf

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

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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Bryan Kaufman, Finance Committee Chairperson
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BAPTISMS

Contact the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism. One 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: September 20, 2026, 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 register.

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

MINISTRY 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

You have been invited to dinner, the best most unforgettable dinner you have ever had. As you arrive for the dinner, you will be properly greeted by the host who will offer to take your jacket. Before the meal is ready to be served and as the other invited guests arrive you will wait in a social area. You will exchange social pleasantries as you wait for the other invited guests to arrive. During this time appetizers will be served something salty and savory, something chilled and fresh to remind you of a spring day, something warm to warm you up from the cold outside, and something sweet to water the tastebuds to prepare you for what is to come. Be careful not to eat too much, during this time because remember you are just getting started.

After all the invited guests have arrived and have had the opportunity to get acquainted with each other the host will invite you to the dining room. In the dining room you will find a long table with chairs and places set up all around it and a place for each of the guests to sit. After everyone has taken their seat and prayed the before meal prayer, you will be served a salad of a fresh variety of greens, along with other complimentary fresh vegetables, berries, and herbs that will add flavor, along sometime crunchy and savory, and dressed just the way you like it. Then comes the main course featuring the finest cut of protein, perhaps a cut of beef cooked and seasoned just the way you like, with sauteed onions, peppers, mushrooms and a little catch from the sea. Served with sides that are not an afterthought but are meant to compliment and soak up the juices from the protein on the plate. After you complete the main course, you are going to be full and do not think you can eat another bite until the dessert comes out. It is going to come out picture perfectly and smell fabulous you will not be able to say 'no' and after you taste you will glad you did not. It will be the perfect finish to fill in the remaining cracks. This is the dinner that you are invited to, do I have your mouth watering? Do you accept the invitation or do you decline? It almost sounds too good to say 'no'.

Each time we come to Mass, we come in response to an invitation to a banquet that promises us the best. While we may accept the invitation, we are also aware of others who decline the invitation. Some because of health reasons and others because they do not have a way to get here but they really want to be here. Still others simply chose not to be here similar to those who reject the invitation wedding banquet in our scriptures today. Like those servants that invite people to the banquet and get rejected and mistreated for inviting them to the banquet, we are called on to invite people to the banquet, and we too can get rejected and mistreated in the same way. Also, like the servants in our scriptures when rejected were instructed to move on to invite others to come, we are called to do the same. Who is the Lord calling you to invite? Do we have the courage to move on to the next when rejected? When we accept the invitation to the banquet and come it is also equally important to come properly dressed to the banquet. As we hear in our scriptures the one not dressed in the wedding garment got thrown out. When we come to Mass we are called to be properly dressed in the clothes that we wear but also with clean hearts. As we accept the invitation, may we come properly dressed.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



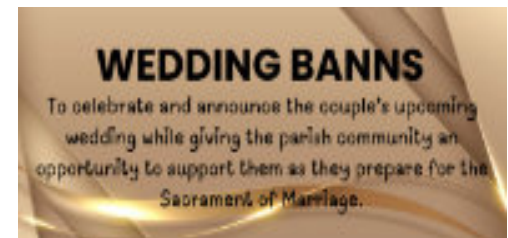
to the families, relatives, friends & neighbors of

**CLEO LIEBRECHT
LINDA LLEWELLYN
CARL LEHMAN**



ON THE BAPTISM OF :

Hank Anthony, son of Mason & Jessica Meyer



III Emma Brinkman, of this parish, daughter of Scott & Dianna Brinkman & **Hunter Miles**, son of Josh & Melissa Miles

II Maggie Hoorman, daughter of Mark & Andrea Hoorman & **Dakota**

Warnimont, of St. Nicholas, Miller City, son of Carl & Jane Warnimont

I Taylor Alt, daughter of late Rodney & Lisa Alt of St. Peter and Paul & **Trevor Siefker**, of St. John's the Baptist, son of Dennis & Tina Siefker



Grant & Hanna (Lutman) Goecke

CHURCH CALENDAR AND MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12~

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Mike Leach, L/D Harriet Behrns/Croy Families

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

8:15am Rosary

8:40am Communion Service- Deacon Mike Karhoff

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14~St. Callistus I

7:15am-7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Dave Schmitz, Lavon & Beverly Leis,
Alphonse & Clara Palte Family,
L/D John Weis Family

6:30pm-8:15pm Adoration

7:45-8:15pm Confession

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15~ St. Teresa of Jesus

8:15am Rosary

8:40am Paul "Smiley" Schulte Family, Deb Hovest Keller,
Brother Jerry Schulte

2:00pm Mass at the Ottawa Meadows~For the Poor Souls

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

~ St. Hedwig, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

7:15am-7:45am Confessions

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Eleanor Unterbrink

12:00pm Rosary

6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal-

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

~ St. Ignatius of Antioch

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Samantha Nienberg, Don Nienberg

8:30am Confessions

1:00pm Brinkman/Miles Wedding

4:00pm Confessions

4:30pm Dan Stechschulte, Audrey Lauf, Naomi Bellman,
L/D Robert & Alice Schroeder Family,
L/D Jerome & Alma Schmitz Family,
Nick Schroeder

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18~29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

~ World Mission Sunday ~ Feast of St. Gaspar

7:35am Rosary

8:00am L/D Don Recker Family, Zac and Paul Cassidy,
Rita Jane Bockrath

10:30am Ross Hansen(AN), Oscar & Marie Kuhlman,
L/D Francis & Mary Ann Hanneman Family,
Sheila & Craig Vorst Family

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.stjohnnglandorf.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 availability and not confirmed until approved by the Parish Office.

SERVERS

Mon	8:00am	Elton Schroeder, TBD
Tues	8:40am	No Mass
Wed	8:00am	Dale & Jeanne Crumrine
Thurs	8:40am	Students
Fri	8:00am	Elton Schroeder, Roger Schroeder
Sat	8:00am	Luke Bockrath, Chase Ellerbrock, Daniel Karhoff, Ashton Stechschulte
Sat	4:30pm	Maddox Stechschulte, Lauren Weis, Ayvrie Schulte
Sun	8:00am	Carleigh Maag, Noah Leopold, Anderson Lammers
Sun	10:30am	Quin Crumrine, Lochlan Brinkman, Logan Birkemeier

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

LECTORS

Sat	4:30pm	Doug Deitering	Sharon Meyer
		Diane Deitering	Chris Schroeder
Sun	8:00am	Deb Leopold	Andy Gray
		Deb Schroeder	Deb Schroeder
Sun	10:30am	Tara Gerding	Mary Ellen Klear
		Jane Moening	Dan Klear
		Emily Heckman-Choir	

2026-2027 Ministry Schedule will be emailed out on Monday, September 21st. If you do not receive the email, you can find it on our website. This schedule will start the weekend of October 3rd and 4th.

GIFT BEARERS - To sign up for a Mass click the link below <https://tinyurl.com/2sujmrrn> or scan QR code below.



Sat	4:30pm	Ask a family or Ushers
Sun	8:00am	Neil and Brooke Cassidy
Sun	10:30am	Craig and Wendy Imm

OCTOBER USHERS

Sat	4:30pm	Richard Schmitz, Brady Laudick, Connor Schimmoeller
Sun	8:00am	Elton Schroeder, Joe Schroeder
Sun	10:30am	Bryant Diemer, Corey Diemer

COMMUNION TO MEADOWS: Deb Burwell, Diane Nienberg
COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 2

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Cliff & Janet Schroeder

OCTOBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Jeff & Jeanne Schram, Ginnie Riepenhoff, Bertie Hermiller, Judy Niese, Lee & Diane Recker

OCTOBER MASS COUNT 2026

We need to report Saturday and Sunday Mass attendance to the Toledo Diocese. Starting next weekend Saturday, October 3rd and 4th, the ushers will count all people present at every Mass. This will include servers, Fr. Matt, Deacon Don or Deacon Mike, choir & babies in arms. Thank you very much.

OFFERING

OCTOBER 4, 2026

Loose	\$ 805.00
Adult Envelope	\$ 8,461.00
Maintenance	\$ 375.00
Children	\$ 140.00
Online Offering	\$ 2,098.75
Online Maintenance	\$ 225.00
Preschool	\$ 10.00
Catholic University	\$ 250.00
Total Collection	\$ 12,364.75

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.stjohnlandorf.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, Pullups Girls (2T/3T) Winter sleepers- Boys (3)T, Girls (4T), Winter pants - Girls newborn—prefer solid colors, Boys Tennis Shoes (size 4, 5, 6, 7) Baby wash, shampoo, diaper ointment, 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

Arthur T Landwehr 10/11/16	Peggy Osting 10/15/01
James A Rosengarten 10/12/13	Anna M Meyer 10/15/24
Ty M Conn 10/12/18	Joseph E Stechschulte 10/16/10
Michael E Leach 10/13/24	Alphonse A Palte 10/17/00
Clarence W Pohl 10/14/09	James H Ellerbrock 10/17/05
Edna M Lauer 10/14/14	Oscar L Kuhlman 10/17/08
Ruth Ann Stechschulte 10/14/17	



GRAND-ORF CLUB

Drawing will be this Sunday, **October 11th** along with Coffee and Donuts **hosted by Doug and Andrea Giesige** in Room 15.

Extra tickets are in the racks in the Church Vestibules.



ONE IN CHRIST, *Untied in Mission*

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY OCTOBER 18, 2026

(The envelopes will be in the pews next weekend for you to fill out and return.)

"Let us be charitable about the missions, remembering that the Lord who said: 'Go teach all nations' is the same Lord who bewailed: 'I have mercy on the multitudes.'"

-Blessed Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen



National Director
The Pontifical Mission Societies USA
(1950-196)

Help Pope Leo Help Missionaries!

Mission belongs to the entire Church. Every baptized person is called to share God's love through prayer, generosity, and witness. Inspired by the dedication of missionaries around the world, we continue working together so that the message of Christ may reach every community, especially those most in need.

The collection helps priests in the missions carry out their work to spread the Gospel, like Father and later Bishop Robert Prevost, OSA, in Peru.

"I would like to thank the Pontifical Mission Societies for their service to missionary cooperation, which I experienced with gratitude during my ministry in Peru."

- Pope Leo XIV (Jan 25, 2026)

Catechism Corner

Virtue: Zeal for the Mission (Vice: Sloth)

In today's Gospel we see the king invites many to the feast, but they were indifferent and rejected the invitation. The king then sends for those who are hungry...hungry for acceptance, hungry for what the king is offering. He offered a place at the table to fill not only their physical bodies, but also their spiritual bodies. This is the same invitation to the Feast of the Lord when He invites us to come to His table to Feast on what will sustain us spiritually.

Why didn't those invited by the king go to the feast? Perhaps they truly had other obligations, but it could have also been due to the vice of sloth, a spiritual laziness or indifference. In today's world, sloth is easily accepted as a way of life. People are encouraged to excel at school, sports, and jobs, but the spiritual is seen as pretty unimportant. Instead of seeking after God and His truth, we are taught to tolerate everything and believe nothing.

Sloth corrupts and spoils every corner of our life. If we are too lazy to seek God, how can we know His love? How can we really believe in Him and walk in faith? How can we escape the cage of pride and envy if we aren't willing to even try to find something bigger and more important than ourselves? Sloth lies to us, claiming that there is no truth, so why waste time looking for it? Without Truth, our life loses direction and meaning.

In contrary, zeal is great energy or enthusiasm. Zeal for the mission is having a great desire and accompanying enthusiasm to promote the Kingdom of God. In the Bible, every character that encounters God is sent out on mission. It is because of their zeal that they were able to complete the mission they were sent out on. Even Jesus, after instructing His disciples for a time, sent them out on mission to preach the Gospel and do works in His name.

Mission gives us a purpose for our life. We don't have to worry about what mission has been entrusted to us...for God will reveal it to us when it's time. Perhaps your mission is to be a parent or spouse and raise children. Perhaps your mission is to minister to the sick or bring them communion. Perhaps you are being sent to spread the Faith through writing or speaking. Perhaps your mission is to educate children or adults in the faith or even run in political office to create good moral laws. Zeal for God is necessary in order to hear the call of mission.

How do we grow in zeal for God? First, we must be connected to Him through daily prayer. We speak and listen to God; God listens and speaks to us. Eucharistic Adoration is a perfect place to connect with God and grow in His love – producing more zeal for Him. Next, we must receive the Sacraments regularly: the Eucharist and Confession will give strength to overcome sloth (or any other vice). Finally, we must truly try to love our neighbor through practicing other virtues such as charity, forgiveness, and generosity. Christ Himself tells us He is present within each person, therefore, "what we do to other we do to [Him]." When we show love for others, we show love for God and our zeal grows.

Everyone baptized into the faith has a mission. Draw closer to God so that He can show you your mission. God won't shout over the noise of our world, but He is patient, waiting for you. Finally, even though we are called to work zealously, we are not called to be successful, only faithful. God alone determines what success is. Whatever you do... don't grow slack in your love of God... grow in zeal.

Reflect: When have you been spiritually lazy? Why? How can you overcome this next time? Do you have any idea what your mission from God may be? Spend time in prayer asking Him to reveal this to you.

Source: "The Virtues for Catholic Youth" by Catholic Sprouts



Marriage Preparation
(PRE CANA CLASS)

Sunday, November 1, 2026
at 8:00am

This is a mandatory, 1-day class for all couples that are getting married. If you haven't registered for this class, please do so

by e-mailing passociate@glandorfstjohns.com
or calling the office.



WE ARE HIRING

Are you looking for a part-time opportunity?
Do you have some experience with maintenance and repairs?
Would you like to join the Maintenance Crew at St John's?

Apply Now

Give Deacon Mike a call to discuss more details 419-796-0763



ARE YOU READY for Snow?!

How would you like to help the parish by helping out with snow removal?

- Anytime it snows, weekdays and weekends, the parish sidewalks and steps need to be cleared.
- We are looking for individuals or groups to sign up for snow days! (typically 6-8am)
- We have all the equipment, we just need the laborers! (Training provided for lawn tractor/blower/blade)
- Sign up as an individual or sign up as the lead for a group. Ministry groups, family groups, friend groups, all are welcomed! (must be 18 to run the lawn tractor)
- Add your contact phone number to the list.

How will this work?

- When someone in the group notices the forecast calling for snow, send a group text.
- If you are available to help at the requested date/time, send a response in the group. The goal is to have 3-5 people for each weather event.
- Show up to lend a hand.
- The rest of the group can stand by until the next need arises.
- The more names/numbers we have on the list the easier it should be to share in the work! We hope to have at least 25-30 contacts.

Sign up at the [Jotform link below](#).
More details are provided on the sign-up page.

THANK YOU!



VOCATION TESTIMONY

Deacon Mike Karhoff – Ordained Sept 13, 2025

What vocation is God calling you to? We are ALL called to a vocation by God. You might even say that our vocation call develops over time. We are all called to the vocation of holiness at our baptism. My vocation developed first as a call to married life. Becky and I have been married nearly 33 years! Our married vocational life has grown as parents of six children, three of which have begun their vocations as married couples, and five grandchildren and, God willing, many more in the future!

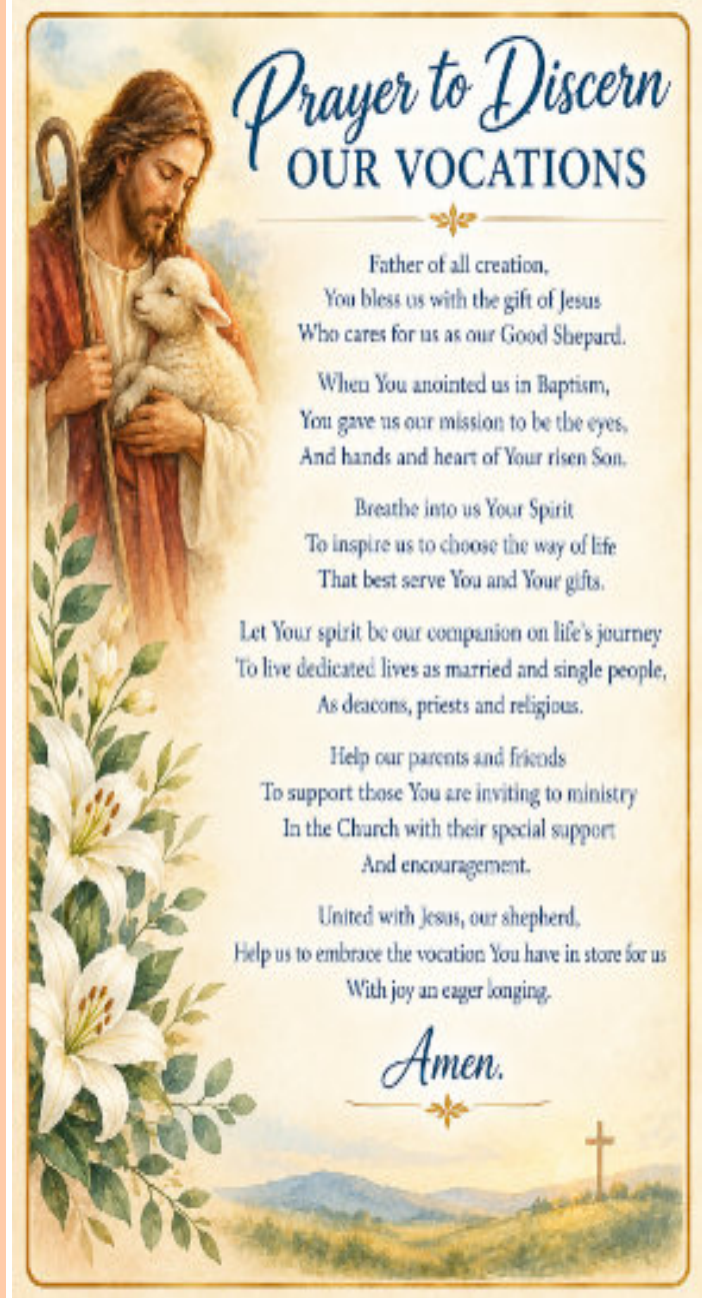


As if the vocation of married life isn't joyful enough, God called me to the vocation of the permanent diaconate. I was ordained on September 13, 2025 by Bishop Daniel E Thomas at the Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo.

My vocation as a Deacon is one of service and charity. Ministry as a Deacon has been a blessing to me and my family. I have been able to assist at Masses both on the weekends and during the week. I have led many Monday morning communion services. I have preached the homily multiple times. I have led benediction and stations of the cross for our parish and also for the kids in CCD. I have assisted for family and friend's wedding Masses and several funeral Masses. I have baptized new members into the church, including our youngest grandchild! I also assisted in many of the Lenten liturgies and helped with all of the Holy Week liturgies. Serving the church has been a wonderful experience and I look forward to serving you and the St John parish for many years to come!

Fun Facts about Deacons:

- Did you know Deacons are ordained by receiving the Sacrament of Holy Orders? Every Priest and Bishop are first ordained as a Deacon. Priests are ordained to celebrate the Eucharist, offer sacraments, and lead the community. Deacons are ordained for service to help the priest and church.
- Did you know there are three degrees of ordination in the Catholic Church? Diaconate, Presbyterate, and Episcopate better known as Deacon, Priest, and Bishop.
- Did you know if a Deacon is assisting at mass, they are to read the gospel, not the priest or even the bishop or pope?
- Did you know a married man can be ordained a Deacon, but he cannot remarry after being ordained?
- Sacramentally, a Deacon can perform baptisms and officiate a Catholic marriage ceremony.



BULLETIN REQUESTS

If you would like to have an announcement, event, or other information included in the bulletin, please submit your request by Tuesday afternoon for consideration in that week's bulletin.

Please send all bulletin requests to admin@glandorfstjohns.com.

Requests will be included as space allows and must support and align with St. John's mission and ministry.



OCTOBER
is the Month of the
Holy Rosary

During this special month, let us turn to Our Lady and pray the Rosary with greater faith, confidence and devotion.

"The Rosary is a powerful weapon to put the demons to flight and to keep oneself from sin."
— ST. PATRICK POOL

May the Holy Rosary bring peace to your heart, strength to your faith, and a deeper love for Jesus through the hands of Mary.



Thank You!

FOR YOUR OVERWHELMING SUPPORT!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported our **Little Flower Bake Sale!**

Your generous donations, purchases, and encouragement helped make the sale a wonderful success.

We are truly grateful for the kindness and generosity of our St. John's parish family and community.

Thank you for helping make our Little Flower Bake Sale such a success!

Baked with Love




YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN
A 100-DAY Pilgrimage FOR PEACE
— PRAY • TRUST • HOPE —



» TODAY IS DAY 27 «
of our 100-day Pilgrimage for Peace.

Prayer of Discernment
Fr. Barry Fisher, C.P.P.S.

O God of Wisdom, grant me the grace of discernment.
As I contemplate our world,
Give me eyes to see the pain, the poverty, the violence;
Give me ear to hear the cry of the wounded, the suffering,
And the marginalized.
Give me, O Merciful God, a compassionate heart
To reach out to my sisters and brothers in their need;
Free me from all that binds me and shake me from my comfort zones,
That I might enjoy that liberation of Spirit
Which makes possible a response to the cry of the blood.

Help me to be the voice of those who have no voice.
Grant me the courage to make others aware of the plight of the poor and suffering.
In a world often insensitive and complacent,
Caught up in a web of self-interest, consumerism, and materialism,
Kindle within me the desire to raise a prophetic voice
That calls others to accountability and responsibility for those in need.

Give me a discerning heart to know how to respond to the cry of the Blood.
Make me a living chalice to carry the Precious Blood to the ends of the earth,
Applying its saving balm to the woundedness and brokenness around me.

Where there is brokenness, may I bring the Blood of reconciliation;
Where there is loneliness, may I bring the Blood of covenant;
Where there is despair, may I bring the Blood of hope;
Where there is selfishness, may I bring the Blood of unconditional love;
Where there is disdain, may I bring the Blood of dignity;
Where there is marginalization, may I bring the Blood of inclusion.

May I find nourishment and strength for my journey of compassion
At the Table of the Eucharist;
In the Word broken open
And in your Body and Blood shared in a spirit of companionship and care.

May I pour out my life each day with generosity and love to further
That "new order of things that Christ brought about in the shedding of His Precious Blood!"
Amen.

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
for peace, asking Our Lady, Queen of Peace, to pray for us as we pray for peace in our families, our communities, our nation, and throughout the world.

ONE ROSARY. ONE INTENTION. 100 DAYS. TOGETHER FOR PEACE.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, PRAY FOR US!

«Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.»



Congratulations ON YOUR CONFIRMATION!

*To the newly confirmed in the Sacrament of Confirmation,
we pray for the continued blessings to be upon them.
May they reflect the love of Christ into this world
and work to make His glory known.*

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Come, Holy Spirit!

FILL THEIR HEARTS WITH YOUR GIFTS,
GUIDE THEIR STEPS, AND HELP THEM
TO LIVE AS FAITHFUL WITNESSES OF CHRIST.



TMIY

THAT MAN IS YOU
BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART



Join us for That Man Is You!

 Saturday, October 17th
6:00-7:30 AM
in the Cafeteria

OR

 Wednesday, October 14th
7:00-8:30 PM
in room 22.

SESSION 6
(Sat. 10/17 & Wed. 10/21)
"REVELATION OF THE FATHER"
Woman in Communion

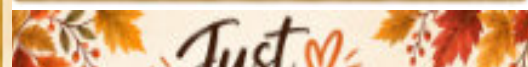
Presenter: **Steve Bollman**

Woman as sacred gift. Reverence for feminine dignity.
Communion through mutual trust. Gratitude instead of use.
Purity of heart and vision. Love entrusted to woman.

Colossians 1:15, Romans 5:5, Genesis 2:7, 21-22,
Luke 1:35, John 19:22, Acts 17:28.



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



Just SHOW UP AND Fill Your Cup

Faith Friendship Community

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

OCT 3 RD	Soctober Fest NO CLASS	
OCT 10 TH	Homecoming NO CLASS	
OCT 17 TH	Crafts CHILDREN WELCOME	
OCT 24 TH	Scripture and Discussion	
OCT 31 ST	Halloween NO CLASS	

We can't wait to see you!

Our Lady of Fatima

traveling parish statue will be in church on the 13th of each month May thru October to commemorate the apparitions which occurred in Fatima, Portugal in 1917.

Our Lady urged the children to continue to pray the Rosary daily and highlighted the need for penance to achieve peace and an end to the war. The Immaculate Heart was a central theme.

"I want a chapel built here in my house. I want you to continue saying the Rosary every day."

"... People must amend their lives and ask pardon for their sins. They must not offend Our Lord anymore, for he is already too much offended!"

Then the "Miracle of the Sun" occurred, as Our Lady promised.

Please stop in the Church and pray a rosary on October 13th.



Joyful Tuesdays

(and Catholic and Patriotic!)

Faith, Fun and Fellowship!

Love of God, Love of Neighbor, Love of Country

At the cafeteria at Glandorf St. John parish center.

There will be a Scripture Rosary at 6:30 pm, then fellowship and fun from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Come for either one or both!

FREE American Sign Language Classes

Tues., Oct. 13
 6:30 pm Faith Focus: Joyful (Scripture) Rosary
 7:00 pm Fellowship Focus: American Sign Language Class 1 (of 2)

Learn words of beginning vocabulary of ASL. vocabulary is for toddlers through seniors. These classes will be utilizing a lot of helpful memory hints, games and activities. You don't need to attend the previous class.

Tues., Oct. 20
 6:30 pm Faith: Glorious (Scripture) Rosary
 7:00 pm Fellowship Focus: American Sign Language Class 2 (of 2)




Altar Rosary Society

BINGO

& Bake Sale



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2026

1:00 PM • St. John's Parish Center Gym

Doors Open at 12:30 PM

OVER 100 DOOR PRIZES!

50/50 DRAWING!

BAKE SALE DONATIONS

All women of the parish 18 years of age or older are asked to donate **2 baked goods OR \$5.**

Baked goods or money may be dropped off at the front entrance of St. John's Hall on the morning of **October 18th** after 7:30 AM.

Money may also be placed in an envelope marked **"ARS Bake Sale"** with the weekly collection.

50/50 TICKETS

50/50 tickets are available in the back of the church.

They can be returned at:

- BINGO
- Or in the weekly collection in an envelope marked "ARS Bingo 50/50."

Bring a friend & join us for a fun afternoon!

Everyone is welcome!

ADORATION

**Glandorf Youth Group
Grades 7-12**



Where: Church
When: October 18th
Time: after 10:30 Mass
What: A Damascus-Style Day of Adoration
✚ Live Worship Music
✚ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
✚ Guided Prayer & Reflection
✚ Time to Encounter Jesus
✚ Come as you are. Leave renewed.

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 10:00AM /
IN THE CHURCH BALCONY
ON NOVEMBER 8TH, 15TH, 22ND, 29TH
AND DECEMBER 13TH, 20TH

ANYONE IS WELCOMED AT ANY TIME!

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT
with Father David Kidd, Director
Office for Diocesan Priestly Vocations

For Catholic men ages 18 to 35, who are open to considering a call to the priesthood or religious life.

This weekend of reflection is an opportunity for young men to learn practical methods of prayer and discernment that will help them better understand God's plan for their life.

November 20, 2026 5pm - November 22, 2026 1pm

Diocese Retreat Center, 1958 DeSales Drive, Brooklyn, NY 49230 Cost: \$40

For more information, contact Father David Kidd, Office for Discernment & Priestly Vocations: dkidd@preciousbloodus.org, 419-214-1954, www.preciousblood.org

To register, contact Maria Thiel, mtiel@preciousbloodus.org, 800-214-6923



Diocese of Toledo

St. John the Baptist Catholic Preschool

(419) 538-6264 | GlandorfStJohnsPreschool.com

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!



Logos for various sponsors: The People's House, Daisy Lee, St. John's Catholic Preschool, Non-Profit, The Mustard Seed, PIC, and others.

Missionaries of the Precious Blood
UNITED STATES PROVINCE



"God saved us and called us to a holy life..." (2 Timothy 1:9)

Each of us is called by God to a holy life. Throughout the journey of life, we grow in our awareness of our vocation, this call to holiness, and what it means for us to be a part of the living body of Christ. With discerning hearts, we listen for the voice of Jesus calling us to "Follow me."

"Called" is not a place to find answers. Instead, we invite you to explore, listen, and ponder the many and varied ways God is calling you grow in a deeper awareness of his love for you. Whether you are discerning for yourself, helping someone else, or working to create an environment of discernment within your ministry, we invite you to journey with us through the stories, events, and resources provided here every two months.

Our hope? That each of us will take another step to "live in a manner worthy of the call you have received," building unity in the body of Christ. (John 4:19)
Whether you are just starting to ask, "What is God's call for me?" or a seasoned veteran of the spiritual life, we pray you will be inspired through the time you spend with us. Welcome to "Called".

<https://www.preciousbloodus.org/vocation>



Take Time to Rediscover Each Other

Register for our upcoming Northwest Ohio/Toledo Weekend in Adrian Michigan Call 419-481-1116 for more information

Next Weekend scheduled for
January 29th-31st 2027
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- Work to resolve conflict in healthier more productive way.
- Increase your commitment and your closeness to each other

A Retrouvaille Weekend will help you get back to what matters

Scan QR Code



St. Catherine's Embrace Miscarriage and Infant Loss

Memorial Mass

All are welcome at this special Mass, whether you lost a baby or loved one.

Free outside Masses during the week (included)

The Mass will follow the regular Sunday liturgy.

Join us October 15th @ 9:30pm

- St. Anthony of Padua
- 816 West Sycamore St
- Columbus Grove, OH

or call 419-538-7220 for more information



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BY CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

ONCE AGAIN THIS YEAR, HOLY FAMILY MARY WOULD BE SPONSORING THE BOX OF JOY PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM SEVERE POVERTY IN GUATEMALA, HAITI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, EL SALVADOR, GUINIA, HONDURAS, MALAWI AND PERU. THROUGH YOUR GENEROSITY, HOLY FAMILY MARY PROVIDES 1200 GIFT BOXES OF THE GUILTY TOTAL SORROWY CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH THROUGH THE BOX OF JOY PROGRAM. YOU CAN ENSURE THESE CHILDREN ARE NOT DEPRIVED OF CHRISTMAS BLISS THIS YEAR BY PROVIDING A GIFT BOX AND SPONSORING THE COST OF FREIGHT (BAGGAGE FEE). YOU CAN DELIVER A BOX OF JOY TO A CHILD IN NEED BY MAIL OR BY PERSONAL DELIVERY.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE BOX OF JOY PROGRAM! WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT. ALL GIFT BOXES AND MATERIALS INFORMATION ARE AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF OUR CATHOLIC OUTREACH. PLEASE BOXES CAN BE SET UP THROUGH ANY TIME UP THROUGH NOVEMBER 15th AFTER 11AM AM.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT OUR WEBSITE AND DONATE AT: 419-538-7220 OR GO TO WWW.BOXOFGOY.COM



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

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



CATHOLIC COUNSELING SERVICES

Finding yourself during the Christmas season?
Struggling with the loss of a loved one?
Dealing with marital problems?
Experiencing gender identity issues?

If you or someone you love might benefit from counseling, confidential professional Catholic counseling, rooted in our Catholic faith, is now available at Findlay St. Michael Parish.

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



Mass Connects Us to Each Other

Did you know that volunteering as a family to bring up the offertory at Mass is a beautiful way to deepen your connection to God and to each other?

Parishioners can sign up today by scanning the QR Code!

SIGN UP




St. Catherine's Embrace

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

Please call the rectory
419-538-6928



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Mary, Mother of Life



When the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary to tell her that she would conceive and bear a son, Mary responded with her fiat, “May it be done to me according to your word” (Lk 1:38). Mary conceives Christ in her womb, becoming the mother of God, the mother of Jesus. Jesus himself tells us that he is “the way and the truth and the life” (Jn 14:6). In becoming the mother of Jesus, Mary becomes the *mother of life*. Mary’s acceptance in this unforeseen moment demonstrates how each of us must welcome the gift of new human life, even when that gift is unexpected or calls us to make sacrifices.

Eve was called the “mother of all the living” (Gen 3:20). Unfortunately, her disobedience brought sin into the world. In contrast Mary, through her obedience to God, gives birth to our Salvation. Mary becomes the New Eve—the new mother of all the living. Her fiat gives us an example of perfect docility and cooperation with the will of God.

At the Annunciation, when Mary learns that her elderly cousin Elizabeth is six months pregnant, she travels in haste to visit Elizabeth, spending the next three months at her side, even while pregnant herself. In her selfless service to Elizabeth, the Blessed Mother perfectly models how we are called to accompany expectant mothers as they prepare to welcome new life into the world.

Mary’s role as the Mother of Life extends from the Annunciation all the way to the Crucifixion. On

Oh Mary, “Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life.”

Evangelium vitae

Calvary, Mary stands at the foot of the Cross with Saint John. The Gospel tells us: “When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, ‘Woman, behold, your son.’ Then he said to the disciple, ‘Behold, your mother.’ And from that hour the disciple took her into his home” (Jn 19:26-27).

With his final breaths on the Cross, Jesus entrusts Mary and the Beloved Disciple to one another, and by extension establishes a maternal relationship between Mary and the Church. Jesus’ words are addressed not only to Saint John, but to each one of us. In this moment, the physical mother of Jesus becomes the spiritual mother of the Church and all the faithful. Saint John goes on to take Mary into his home and cares for her as she advances in age, demonstrating our responsibility to continue our care for human life, from conception to natural death. Mary, who taught us how to nurture human life, becomes the recipient of that same honor and care.

The life of the Blessed Mother teaches us to respect each human life in every stage and circumstance. Mary is our model for upholding the sanctity of all human life. O Mary, “Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life.”¹

¹ Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 105.

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Faithful Citizenship

*Forming Our Conscience to
Vote with Faith*



"It is in the faithful fulfilment of duty — to God and country — that Catholics are called to continue to serve the nation, as leaven for the growth of a civilization of love (cf. Mt 13:33)."

- Pope Leo XIV

Role of the Faithful Citizen in Political Life

We are responsible for learning more about Catholic teachings and traditions and seeking trustworthy sources about the issues facing our communities. By turning to God in prayer and forming our consciences before we carry out our civic duty to vote, we can better pursue the common good and thus obey the command of our Lord to love our neighbors.¹

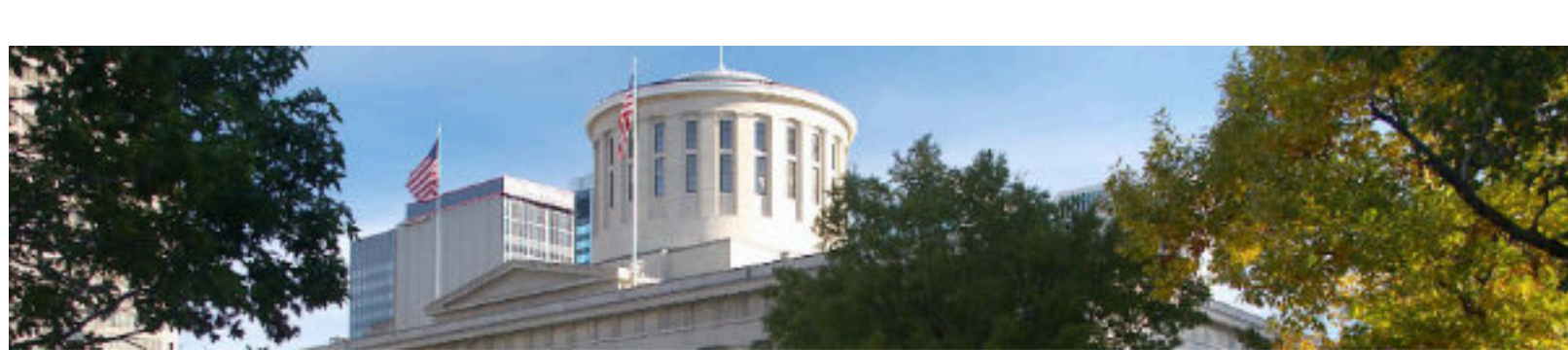
Bringing Our Faith to Public Policy

Faithful citizenship guides Catholics and others of goodwill to promote the common good, where all in society may thrive and reach their God-given potential. To place our faith above partisan and political criteria is to acknowledge that faith, not a political party or candidate, is at the heart of developing our conscience.

The first step is living a life rooted in **prayer, scripture, sacraments** and **study**. Ahead of researching candidates and learning the issues, consider the following:

- **Prayer:** How often do I pray? How might the Lord be calling me to deepen my prayer life with Him?
- **Scripture:** How often do I pray with or read Sacred Scripture? How might the Lord be calling me to spend more time with His Word?
- **Sacraments:** How often do I frequent the Sacraments? How might the Lord be calling me to encounter Him more often in the Sacraments, particularly in Holy Communion and Confession?
- **Study:** In what ways do I seek to grow in my understanding of the Catholic faith and what I profess to believe? How might the Lord be calling me to deepen my understanding of the faith, and in what ways can I do that?

¹ *The Role of the Church in American Political Life*, USCCB
For more resources on Faithful Citizenship, visit usccb.org/faithbeforepolitics



From Conscience to Concrete Action

Forming our conscience includes understanding and embracing the Church's social doctrine. [Catholic social teaching](#) offers a refreshing, hope-filled perspective on current affairs because it is rooted in Scripture and articulated through Church Tradition. Catholics can examine current public policy issues through the lens of Church teaching rather than partisan stances.

- Uphold the Dignity of Human Life
- Support Catholic Schools, Students, & Parents
- Protect the Poor & Vulnerable
- Promote Marriage & Family Life
- Advocate for Affordable & Accessible Health Care
- Protect Religious Liberty
- Care for the Environment

Catholic voters should evaluate the extent to which candidates hold a position on these principles and public policy themes, particularly the dignity of all human life.

Being “Media Mindful” in Evaluations

Being “media mindful” means constantly asking questions of information. As you evaluate issues and candidates prior to voting, ask yourself:

- Is this information complete or could it lack important context?
- Is there more information I need to make an informed decision on this issue or candidate?
- Does the content align with issues the Church is calling Catholics to be attentive to?
- Does this political content respect human dignity and other people?

No single source will provide a complete—or even the most accurate—picture of a candidate's qualifications and positions. You may wish to check a candidate's website, voting records, campaign finance records, social media accounts, and local news sources.

What will Ohioans be voting on in the 2026 election?

Federal:

- One of two U.S. Senate seats
- All 15 Ohio seats in the U.S. House of Representatives

State:

- Issue 3: Constitutional amendment on Voter IDs
- Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Treasurer, and Auditor
- 17 of 33 Ohio Senate seats
- All 99 Ohio House of Representatives seats
- Two of seven seats on the Ohio Supreme Court

Local:

- County and municipal government positions
- Judicial seats for regional and local courts
- Board members for local school districts
- Local ballot issues

Additional Resources

[OhioCathConf.org/Voting](https://ohiocathconf.org/voting) - information on Issue 3, voting in Ohio, and faithful citizenship.

[USCCB.org/FaithBeforePolitics](https://usccb.org/faith-before-politics) - resources on *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*.

[VoteOhio.Gov](https://voteohio.gov) - access voter registration, polling locations, absentee voting, and more.



Imagine that you live in a great kingdom with a king and queen and many other great people. You hear that the king's son is going to get married and there will be a great wedding feast. All the lords and ladies and rich land owners are invited. On the day of the wedding the servants go out to call the guests to the wedding, but all those important people refuse to go! They say they are too busy with other things, and can't be bothered to go!

Now imagine that you are one of the children in a poor family that lives down a back street. Suddenly you hear people calling out that the king has invited your family to the feast! What excitement! Everybody puts on their best clothes and goes to the castle. In a little while the king comes in and you see him pointing to a man who isn't dressed neatly, and hasn't washed his face or brushed his hair. He sends the man out of the hall.



This is the story that Jesus told about the kingdom of Heaven. Many important people have been invited, but they have decided that they were too busy with other things. But the King has invited us too! We should rejoice and "dress" our souls by being the best we can be! Don't be a half-hearted Christian!

WHY AREN'T YOU PROPERLY DRESSED?

Answers to front page: Everyone's invited! Answers to True or False: 1. False 2. True 3. True 4. False 5. True 6. True 7. True

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SERAPHIN WAS BORN TO A POOR FAMILY IN ITALY. HE SPENT HIS YOUTH LOOKING AFTER SHEEP AND PRAYING.



WHEN HIS PARENTS DIED, HIS OLDER BROTHER TREATED HIM BADLY.

Get back out to your sheep!



WHEN HE TURNED 16, SERAPHIN JOINED THE FRANCISCANS.



HE DID SIMPLE WORK, AND WAS DEVOTED TO OUR LADY.



EVERY DAY HE SPENT THREE HOURS WITH JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.



EVEN THOUGH HE HAD NEVER BEEN TO SCHOOL, IMPORTANT MEN CAME TO SERAPHIN FOR ADVICE.

I need your advice for my family...



SAINT SERAPHIN WAS KIND TO EVERYONE. HE LED A HOLY BUT HIDDEN LIFE, AND DIED WHEN HE WAS SIXTY-FOUR, IN 1604.

SAINT SERAPHIN NEVER DID ANYTHING GREAT OR IMPORTANT, BUT HE DID EVERYTHING WITH GREAT LOVE FOR GOD. HE TRIED TO BE LIKE SAINT FRANCIS IN HIS ZEAL AND LOVE OF THE POOR. LIKE SAINT SERAPHIN, WE CAN IMITATE THE SAINTS AND DO EVERY LITTLE THING OUT OF LOVE OF GOD.

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 11th, 2026



The king sent his servants to call all the people in the street to his son's wedding. Follow the road on the map from the castle's courtyard all the way to the farmland. The people in the houses next to the road you pass are invited to the wedding.

You can colour in the houses if you like.
Who was invited to the feast?

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus compares the kingdom of Heaven to a king giving a wedding feast for his son. What happened in the story? See if you know which of these are true statements and which are false:

1. The first time the servants went out to call those who were invited, all the guests came. True or false?
2. When the king sent out the second group of servants, some people didn't come, but went off to their farms and businesses. True or false?
3. Some people mistreated and even killed the servants. True or false?
4. The king decided that nobody else was worthy to come to his son's wedding. True or false?
5. The king decided to send his servants out into the streets to call everyone to come to the wedding. True or false?
6. When the servants called the people in the streets, they all came and filled the banquet hall. True or false?
7. When the king came in to look at his guests and found one that wasn't dressed for the wedding, he had him thrown out of the place. True or false?

