

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 * Regular Mass or Confession times may change due to events, funerals or Holy Days.	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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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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Brent Kahle, Men's Society President

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

In our scriptures today we hear about two vineyards and what happens with these vineyards is bit unfortunate. In both vineyards fertile places are chosen, the soil was spaded and stones removed around them, both have a hedge and a tower built around them. Both vineyards are set up to have best success possible. But in one vineyard wild grapes come up so the tower and hedge get taken away, it is no longer weeded, it becomes a place of ruin. Similarly in the other vineyard the owner, after planting and building everything leases it and leaves for a journey but when harvest time comes, he sends servants to get some produce from his vineyard, the servants get beaten and killed. The tenants get put to death and the vineyard get rented to new tenants. Two stories about vineyards in scriptures today what is the point? What is the lesson?

In our scriptures today we hear the story of two separate vineyards, their stories are different, but the point is the same. Isiah speaks to the Israelites, about this vineyard to say God has heavily invested in you, given you the best of everything, and what have you done with it? Produced wild grapes, they have not lived up to God's expectation. Just as God had blessed the Israelites with best, God blessed each one of us with the best, the question for us is what how do we make the best out of what God has given us?

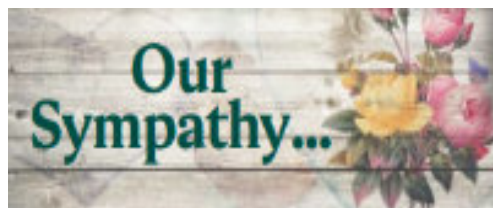
As I reflect on our scriptures today, I am reminded of the movie Home Alone. This is a movie that I like to watch at Christmas time. In the movie there is a scene in church where Kevin and the neighbor that shovels snow off the sidewalks have a conversation. A conversation where they both helped each other. In that conversation Kevin talks about a beautiful pair of roller skates he received, he would wear them and see himself in front of the mirror but never would truly use them because he was afraid, he might ruin them. He ended up out growing them and never got the chance to really use them. Sometimes I think we can do similar with the gifts God has given.

We can fear that by using the gifts God has given us we might ruin the gift. And yes, sometimes when we use the gift God has given us it can seem like we are ruining the gift. But we are not running the gift by using, it is being used. The gift is simply just being used and by being used it might wear out. And if it wears out, God typically blesses us with new and better gifts. The only way to ruin a gift that God has given us is to misuse or not use it like the tenants in our scriptures today. And like the tenants we can lose the gift.

There is a family story of Mom reading Dad's Bible and as Mom read, she would highlight and underline verses in the Bible. Dad did not care for Mom marking his Bible. Mom one day was telling Dad's Mom about marking in his Bible. Grandma's response was "at least it is being used". How are you making use out the gifts that God has given you?

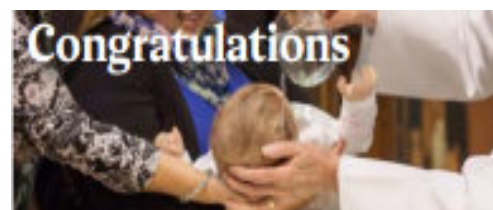


PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...



to the families, relatives, friends & neighbors of

RICK GOECKE



ON THE BAPTISM OF :

Corbin Ray, son of Stevan & Carrie Krendl

Emery Ann, daughter of Zachary & Brandi Hempling



III Hanna Lutman, daughter of Ron & Amy Lutman & **Grant Goecke**, of Sts. Peter & Paul, son of Kevin & Marsha Goecke

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

I Maggie Hoorman, daughter of Mark & Andrea Hoorman & **Dakota Warnimont**, of St. Nicholas, Miller City, son of Carl & Jane Warnimont



TO OUR PARISH FAMILY :

Aaron and Ava(Brickner) Rieman
Josh and Jenna Lutz

OFFERING SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

Loose	\$ 1,348.00
Adult Envelope	\$ 8,899.00
Maintenance	\$ 1,270.00
Children	\$ 298.10
Online Offering	\$ 2,098.75
Online Maintenance	\$ 225.00
Preschool	\$ 90.00
Total Collection	\$ 14,228.85

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.stjohnsglandorf.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 (3T), 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

Joseph A Karl Jr 10/4/14	Thomas E Hanneman 10/8/12
Alice J Palte 10/5/21	Harold J Brinkman 10/8/15
Katherine E Birkemeier 10/6/07	John J Macke 10/9/04
Beatrice D Nienberg 10/7/02	Kimberly Langhals 10/10/11
Karl H Kleman 10/7/16	Kenneth Maag 10/10/17
Edna C German 10/7/23	Juanita E Blankemeyer 10/10/18

GRAND-ORF CLUB



Drawing will be next Sunday, **October 13th** along with Coffee and Donuts **hosted by Doug and Andrea Giesige** in Room 15.

Extra tickets are in the racks in the Church Vestibules.

TRAVELING CHALICE

Part of the effort to pray for vocations in the diocese there is a traveling chalice and during the month of October the chalice is going to here at St. John's Glandorf. At the Parish Vocations Team meeting, I suggested while the chalice is here, publish short testimonials on the various vocations in the bulletin. Since I suggested, I thought it would be fair for me to share first.

VOCATION TESTIMONY

What most people do not realize in way I live two vocations simultaneously I am a priest, and I am a Missionary of the Precious Blood. But really these two vocations come together as one. In the morning as I button up my clergy shirt or cassock, I recite words of my religious profession "... I Matthew Thomas Keller of my own free will promise fidelity to the Society of the Precious Blood ... given myself entirely to the service of God for the rest of my life". After I put my clergy shirt or cassock on, I put my Mission Cross on or



some other Precious Blood insignia to remind myself and others that I am a priest and Missionary of the Precious Blood. Most you witness me living my vocation almost every day when I preside celebrate Mass, hear confessions or celebrate some sacrament, or I give a homily or teach the Catholic Faith in a particular way, or when I make time to be with you. But I also live my vocation in other ways that go unseen hours spent in prayer, time spent preparing a homily, or when I take time to visit with our retired members at St. Charles. The real witness of my vocation is all the way that God uses me to come present in people's lives.

Leading the FLOCK

BY BISHOP DANIEL E. THOMAS



"I will take the chalice of salvation and call on the name of the Lord" (Psalm 116:13)

These words are taken from the Psalm Response most often chosen for the Ritual Mass with the Ordination of priests. In fact, it was these very words we prayed this year during the ordination of our three new priests! These words express the sentiments of the psalmist who prays in thanksgiving that the Lord has heard his prayers and supplications. He writes: "Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live." In the Ordination Mass, as we pray these words, we thank the Lord for all he has done for us in the gift of new priests, we thank the Lord for all he has done for us in shedding his blood to save us, and we thank the Lord that our priests live to pour themselves out for us as did Jesus himself.



Just two years ago I wrote that the Eucharist and the Priesthood are inseparable and highlighted our great need for diocesan priests in the July 2023 *Leading the Flock* column. At that time, we introduced a new initiative for the Diocese of Toledo which invited everyone in our Diocese to pray one Hail Mary each day for an increase in priestly vocations, and to do some fasting or abstinence for the same intention. There is no doubt that your prayers and intentional fasting and abstinence are bearing fruit. Over a three-year period we've accepted 1, then last year 4, now this year 6 new seminarians! And more are coming!

Two years ago I observed: "While the challenges we face may seem daunting, I ask that you approach your prayer and fasting/penance for priestly vocations with **hope**. Just think, if every parish in our diocese sent just one man to the seminary every ten years, we would have 122 seminarians over a ten-year period. If just half of them were ordained priests, we would be ordaining an average of over 6 men per year! This would be a huge shift from our current 20-year average of less than 2 ordinations per year. Dare we hope?"

Now, we find ourselves in this Jubilee Year of Hope, called to be Pilgrims of Hope, and recognizing signs of hope! Please join with me in renewed prayer and renewed hope for priestly vocations!

As with our Diocesan Prayer, we are committed to praying for all holy vocations, conscious in particular of the need for deacons and consecrated women religious. Pope Saint John Paul II reminds us: "There can be no Eucharist without the priesthood." So in these final days of the month of July, dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus, I am renewing my call that every person in our diocese continue or begin to offer a daily Hail Mary, along with some weekly Friday observance of fast or abstinence, for the intention of priestly vocations for our diocese. We need men who are ready

and willing to take up the chalice of self-sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord, and to offer the Body and Blood of our Lord at Mass. We need men who are ready and willing to make present the Lord's Paschal Mystery both at the altar and in their very persons. We need more priests who are happy, holy, humble, healthy, and honest. We need more priests, and with God's grace and your prayers, more priestly vocations will come.

With that in mind, this month we are launching a new initiative in sending out, over time, to all our 122 parishes, two traveling "chalices" provided by our Knights of Columbus, for the purpose of inspiring prayers for vocations, in particular priestly vocations. These are actually replicas of chalices, with an artistic representation of the body and blood. One chalice will travel through the northern counties and the other chalice will travel through the southern counties of our 19 county diocese. My intention with this effort is to till the soil of our diocese with deep prayer asking,

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or better, begging the Lord to send more priests to serve in our local Church. Each chalice will spend one month on display in a prominent place in the parish church as a visible reminder for the parishioners intentionally to pray for holy vocations, with a particular emphasis on praying for priestly vocations. It may result that parishes and schools may take the initiative of having their own traveling "chalice," which could go from family to family and classroom to classroom, to pray for an increase in priestly vocations. I know some have started this already. May it continue!

It is so encouraging that we have 6 new seminarians for the Diocese of Toledo this year – the largest number of new seminarians in a decade! That raises our total number of seminarians to 14. We are already seeing the fruit of our intentional prayer, fasting and abstinence!

And where do such young men come from you might ask? They come most often from families and parishes that are striving for holiness; from families and parishes that encourage the young to serve the Church. You will find such young men at daily Mass, praying quietly in the church, attending Eucharistic adoration, stopping in for confession, or selflessly serving their neighbors. A daily habit of listening and talking with the Lord after reading from the Gospel of the day allows them to hear the voice of God, to more closely attend to the Will of God for their lives, and to act with courage and conviction.

In the recent 2025 CARA report on newly ordained priests from around our country, we find the following insightful information:

- 89% said they were encouraged by someone to consider the call to the priesthood
- 78% of them spent time in Eucharistic Adoration before entering seminary
- 73% attended Catholic School, either elementary, high school, or college, before entering seminary
- 72% were servers at Mass growing up
- 72% said they pray the rosary
- 66% of the newly ordained priests said it was a priest specifically who encouraged them to consider the priesthood
- 66% of the new priests were in full time employment before entering seminary
- 50% attended public school, either elementary or high school
- 46% said they served as lectors at Mass
- 15% were homeschooled
- 6% were in the military prior to entering seminary

That report also shares that the loudest voice of discouragement for a man considering the call to the priesthood can be a family member. I want to reassure all our families that it is a source of joy and grace to have a priest in the family because the priest son or brother can be, for those close to the Church and those family members far



Five of the Diocese of Toledo's seminarians complete their Propaedeutic year with the traveling chalices.

removed from the Church, a genuine bridge to God. One of the most significant ways a family can support a young man considering the call to the priesthood is to promote the habit of daily prayer and openness to whatever God has in store for him, even if that may be different than what you might expect or desire for him. Openness of family members to welcome a priestly vocation may well be critical in a young man's discerning his vocation. Because God's plan is always the best plan for all our lives.

To any young man reading this column, I want to encourage you and assure you that being a priest is an amazing and rewarding life! It is a full life, a blessed life, and a life deep with meaning and purpose. Yes, you should have a natural desire for marriage and children, but if God is calling you to the priesthood, He will give you the grace joyfully to live out the life of chaste celibacy, obedience, and prayer. Quite simply, priesthood is a heroic adventure of selfless service in the person of Christ Jesus! I am confident more and more men are coming to see it as such! The same qualities that would make for a great husband and father are the same qualities we are looking for in candidates for the priesthood – loving, selfless and self-possessed, kind, prudent and sensitive, strong, faithful, dedicated to the poor and those in need, prayerful, patient, joyful, and courageous! Above all, we need men who are serious about their spiritual lives and about prayer, which brings interior peace and an abiding sense of God's presence.

Please join me in welcoming the travelling chalices throughout our diocese. May each parish take in the replica of the chalice of salvation, and may parishioners call on the name of the Lord. I am confident that these chalices will prompt us to pray for more young men who are ready and willing to respond to a priestly vocation, to take the chalice of salvation, and to call on the name of the Lord!

+ Daniel E. Thomas

Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas
Bishop of Toledo
July 25, 2025

CHURCH CALENDAR AND MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5~St. Faustina

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Communion Service– Deacon Don Inkrott

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6~St. Bruno

8:15am Rosary

8:40am Dana Vorst, Greg Hueve

1:00pm Funeral - Rick Goecke

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7~Our Lady of the Rosary

7:15am-7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Nick Schroeder

6:30pm-8:15pm Adoration

7:45-8:15pm Confession

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:15am Rosary

8:40am Don Riepenhoff, Tom Riepenhoff

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9~Sts. Denis & John Leonardi

7:15am-7:45am Confessions

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Celebrant's Intention

12:00pm Rosary

6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal-Julie Pothast

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Alice Siefker, Bev Siefker

8:30am Confessions

1:00pm Lutman/Goecke Wedding

4:00pm Confessions

4:30pm Bob & Carolyn Warnecke,

Donald & Donna Jean Halker, Velma Luttfiring,
Delores Annesser

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11~28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:35am Rosary

8:00am L/D Bill & Marilyn Schroeder Family,

Tom Kaufman, Jim Korte, Bernie Schnipke

10:30am Ruth Ellerbrock, L/D Ellerbrock - Recker Families,

L/D Floyd & LaDonna Family,

L/D Kenny Fortman Family, Lucy Morman

**2:00pm For the Confirmation Candidates
(Confirmation)**

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.

AROUND THE PARISH

SERVERS

Mon	8:00am	No Mass
Tues	8:40am	Students
Wed	8:00am	Jerry Hanneman, Jeff Schram
Thurs	8:40am	Students
Fri	8:00am	Ken & Paula Elchinger
Sat	8:00am	Kaylen Duling, Madalynn Schroeder, CJ Schroeder, Keegan Tobe
Sat	4:30pm	Adam Maag, Reese Karhoff, Emmett Karhoff
Sun	8:00am	Sydney Nienberg, Ace Nienberg, Ella Macke
Sun	10:30am	Landon Heckman, Alania Duling, Nolan Duling
Sun	2:00pm	Drew Lehman, Mattilyn Maag, Ty Wrasman, Carleigh Maag, Maddox Stechschulte, Isaac Ansley, Asher Rump

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

LECTORS

Sat	4:30pm	Mary Ellen Halker	Aubrey Leopold
		Louis Halker	Myah Bockrath
Sun	8:00am	Deb Burwell	Diane Nienberg
		Gretchen Schmitz	Janet Schroeder
Sun	10:30am	Tara Gerding	Cheryl Schimmoeller
		Rose Ellerbrock	Chris Birkemeier
		Matt Meyerhoffer-Choir	
Sun	2:00pm	Lindsay Duling, Julie Kahle	Kimberly Ansley
		Heather Haselman	Melissa Maag
		Tara Gerding, Aaron Kahle	

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	Ask a family or Ushers
Sun	10:30am	Ask a family or Ushers

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
Sun	2:00pm	Greg Nussbaum, Mark Maag, Alan Wrasman, Ken Kottenbrock, Matt Laudick, Dennis Dulle

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 1

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Edna & Diane Nienberg

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

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.stjohnsglandorf.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.

Catechism Corner

Virtue: Gratitude (Vice: Envy)

In today's Gospel we see the vice of envy with the tenants of the vineyard. They wanted the inheritance that didn't belong to them and they couldn't be happy for the one whom it belonged to. Instead of being grateful they get to help make a great vineyard, envy grew in their hearts which led to violence and resulted in killing the rightful heir of the inheritance.

Envy is seeing the achievements and blessings of others as a threat, and it can become a source of sorrow. It grows out of pride and works to poison our relationships. When we fail to look to God, we become consumed with ourselves, our looks, our achievements, and our possessions.

Most conflicts in the Bible are due to envy. Cain kills his brother Able out of jealousy. Joseph is attacked by his brothers and sold into slavery because they are envious that Joseph is their father's favorite. Saul is consumed with envy when David is anointed as the future king, and Saul realizes that his descendants will not rule as king. In all these stories, the blessings of one person cause painful hurt in another person due to the sin of envy.

The envious person feels sadness when something good happens to another, or they rejoice when something bad happens to another. Envy is the source of gossip. It swallows up real love and pulls us into a destructive competition. When envy grabs your heart, you feel that someone else's honor is your disgrace, or someone else's gift is only a reminder of what you don't have. One of the chief causes of envy is selfishness. It's only when we turn away from selfishness and practice thankfulness in every part of our life that we can move away from envy.

The virtue of gratitude is the antidote to the vice of envy. Instead of looking out on the world and seeing only yourself, we should look on the world and see the goodness of God! When we see the goodness in the world, our response should be thankfulness. All blessings are a reminder of God's goodness, not our failures. How do we work to turn from envy to gratitude?

First, we can practice genuinely admiring those we love. State what is good and wonderful about them, compliment them and work to stop thoughts of self-pity. Give thanks to God for the gifts He's given that person. Next, guard your tongue when you speak about other people. Gossiping is ugly and destructive. If you don't know if a story is true – don't share it. If the story showcases faults of another – don't share it. When you speak about someone else, make sure that what you are sharing is done with love and honesty. Also, give people the benefit of the doubt. Always assume the best about people, not the worst. Finally, stop comparing. God made us each unique with our own talents and gifts. We are not meant to have what others do. God doesn't compare us to others...we shouldn't do that either. Be grateful for the creativity of gifts He has given to each of us and have a joyful heart.

What matters to God is that we draw nearer to Him each day. It is impossible to draw near to God when our thoughts are consumed with envy and our lips are busy with gossip. Clear away space for God. Stop keeping score of your wins and losses and see everything, instead, as a gift freely given from a God who loves you.

Reflect: How have you compared yourself to others? Why is it such a waste of time to compare ourselves to others? Can you make a list of things to be grateful to God for? How long can you make your list?

Ministry Schedule

October 2026-September 2027

The ministry schedule was emailed. Please call the office if you do not receive the email.

Thank you for everything you have done for St. John's this past year and for once again saying "YES" to Jesus' call! We are truly blessed to have such dedicated Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors serving at our weekday and weekend Masses, as well as at special parish events.

A Special Thank You To:

**Bridget Fischer
Nichole Schroeder
Ken Hanneman
Kathy Schmiedbusch
Chris Hoehn
Elaine Inkrott**

for their many year(s) of faithful service to our parish!

Please join us in welcoming our new Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors:

**Cheryl Schimmoeller
Nichole Ruhe
Dale Verhoff
Barb Morman
Caroline Sarka**



CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT

All suspected or actual acts of physical or sexual child abuse, or neglect, must be reported to the Putnam County Job and Family Services by calling 567-376-3777.

Select "O" and ask to speak with someone from children's services and needing to make a referral. Hours are Monday- Thursday, 7AM to 4:30 PM, and Friday 7 AM to Noon. If incident is after hours, please call the Sheriff's Department at 419-523-3208. They will contact the caseworker on call and the caseworker will get back to the one reporting the incident--leave your contact number with the Sheriff Department person. The person who witnessed or was told is to be the person to make the call. Report incident to the Diocese of Toledo after

County Caseworker has been notified by calling the Diocese of Toledo Victim Assistance Coordinator at 419-244-6711, ext 4880. Notify Pastor, if not already notified. With Pastor's discretion, next call parents and give basic information, while not disclosing any personal information. If abuse is by a teacher, parish staff, or volunteer, report incident to Diocese of Toledo after County Caseworker has been notified.

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.

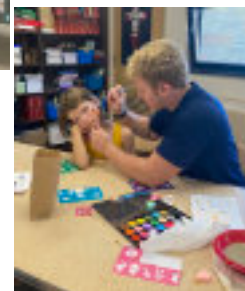
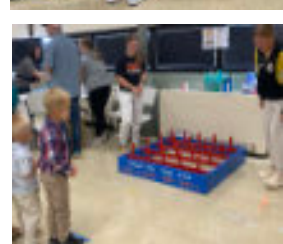
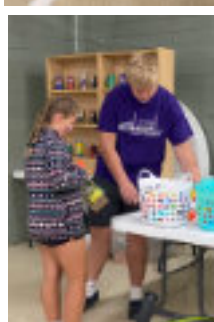
WE ARE HIRING

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



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/blades)
- ❄ Sign up as an individual or sign up as the lead for a group. Ministry groups, family groups, friend groups, all are welcome! (must be 18 to run the lawn tractors)
- ❄ Add your contact phone number to the list.

How will this work?

- 1 When someone in the group notices the forecast calling for snow, send a group text.
- 2 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.
- 3 Show up to lend a hand.
- 4 The rest of the group can stand-by until the next need arises.
- 5 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!

THANK YOU FOR COMING OUT AND/OR SUPPORTING SON DAY FUN DAY THIS YEAR!



A HUGE THANK YOU!

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped make SonDay Fun Day such a wonderful and successful event! We are truly grateful for the time, talent, generosity, and support of so many people.

A special thank-you to:

- All of our St. John's ministries and area businesses for their amazing raffle baskets and generous donations.
- To the anonymous donors of the beef and pork
- The Glandorf Park Board for allowing us to use several items for the event.
- Joe & Deb Schroeder, Ed & Tammy Schmitz, and their team for selling tickets and organizing the Reverse Raffle.
- The Ottawa-Glandorf Jaycees for providing the trailer for cooking hamburgers and frying French fries.
- Tim Sarka for organizing the food items and to the That Man Is You group for providing the workers.
- Deacon Don and his team for making the amazing turtle soup.
- 1820 BrewWerks for their support.
- The Finance Committee and Parish Council for organizing and running the drinks.
- The Little Flower group, led by Heather Haselman, for organizing the crafts and face painting.
- Our high school students and adults who volunteered their time and helped wherever they were needed.
- Everyone who donated delicious baked goods for the Bake Goods Wheel, and the Altar Rosary members who worked the booth.
- Paula Siebeneck for advertising the event.
- Mindy Recker and her helpers for working in the ticket room.
- Joe Schroeder for making sure we had electricity.
- Joe Schroeder, Mark Kaufman, and their team for setting up the fencing around the property.
- Our janitorial staff for all their hard work before, during, and after the event.

A VERY SPECIAL THANK-YOU!

We want to give a very special and heartfelt thank-you to **Tara Gerding**, who led the SonDay Fun Day Committee. Tara dedicated countless hours to coordinating, planning, organizing, communicating, and bringing all the many pieces of this event together. Her leadership, commitment, and willingness to give so generously of her time helped make SonDay Fun Day the wonderful day it was.

Thank you, Tara, for taking the lead and for all the love, energy, and hard work you poured into making this event a success!

We are also incredibly grateful to the entire SonDay Fun Day Committee — **Ashley Duling, Mindy Recker, Tammy Schmitz, Nichole Schroeder, Joe Schroeder, Tim Sarka, and Michelle Horstman** — and to their loving families for supporting them throughout the many hours of preparation and work that went into the event.

We are so blessed by the generosity and dedication of our St. John's community! It truly takes a parish family working together to make an event like this happen. Thank you for helping make SonDay Fun Day such a joyful day of fellowship, fun, and support for our parish!

**Thank you to everyone who came out
and/or supported this event!**



50/50 Winners

- 1st place - Cindy Schroeder
- 2nd place - Darlene Trentman
- 3rd place - Diane Schroeder

Beef Raffle Winners

- Fr. Eric Kaufman, Loreen Ruhe, Jenna Burgei, Jenny & Whitey Warnecke, Craig & Wendy Imm, Doug Karhoff, Norm Duling, Norm Duling

Pork Raffle Winners

- Debra & Joe Schroeder, Mel Nomina, Kim Ansley, Janice Kaufman

WINNERS REVERSE RAFFLE

- 1st place - Jeff Schulte
- 2nd place - Nichole Schroeder
- 3rd place - Jeff Schram
- 4th place - Jeff Duling
- 5th place - Fr. Matt Keller

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\$100.00 winners throughout drawing

Jay Miller, Dan Klear, Ginnie Riepenhoff, Ron & Teresa Duling, Allison Schroeder, Fr. Eric Kaufman

Pew of Choice Winners

Emily Kempf, Casey Siefker, Jenna Burgei, Shannon & Betsy Maag (3), Jenny & Whitey Warnecke, Craig & Wendy Imm, Brad Schroeder, Kim & Wes Lammers

Raffle Basket Winners

Beth Hempfling, Elaine Balbaugh, Joseph Karl Schroeder, Mary Rose Ellerbrock, Amy Hemiller, Roger Nienberg, Ruth Ellerbrock, Renee Leopold, Britnee Reynolds, Cindy Schroeder, Andrew Schroeder, Zach Horstman, Mary Rose Ellerbrock, Theresa Macke, Haley Kuhlman, Kristin Duling, Beth Hempfling, Joannette (Elton) Schroeder, Wesley Schiavoni, Alex Macke, Ginny Schroeder, Gerald & Betty Schroeder, Matt & Ann Bockrath, Gene/Rose Warnecke, Jason Miller, Britnee Reynolds, Jean Mayer, Henry/Jane Kaufman, Kristin Collins, Karen Warnecke, Karissa Schroeder, Kensi Nussbaum, Jane Schimmoller, Traci Scherfich, Karen Maag, Austin Sebeneck, Dana Schroeder, Brent Kahle, Becky Schroeder, Paula Eichinger, Jeff Ellerbrock



OCTOBER

is the Month of the

Holy Rosary

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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. PADRE PIO

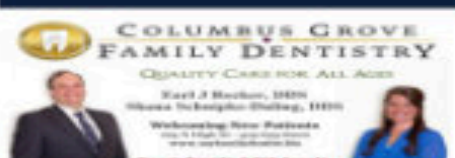
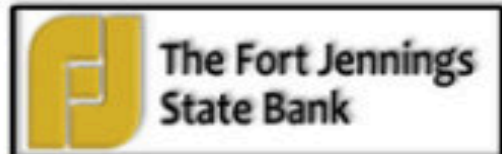
*May the Holy Rosary
bring peace to your heart,
strength to your faith,
and a deeper love for Jesus
through the hands of Mary.*

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Who Sponsored our Parish Festival!**

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

Join us for That Man Is You!

Saturday, October 10th 6:00-7:30 AM in the Cafeteria Wednesday, October 7th 7:00-8:30 PM in room 22.

SESSION 5
(Sat. 10/10 & Wed. 10/14)

"REVELATION OF THE FATHER"
Man in Communion

Presenter: Steve Bollman
Man made for communion. Strength in fatherly service. Protecting and providing life. Daily sacrifices matter. Revealing the Father's mercy. Presence over self-preservation.

Coleissions 1:15, Romans 5:5, 14, Genesis 2:7, 21-22, John 1:14, 5:26, 14:6-10, Ephesians 2:4.

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

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

TODAY IS DAY 20
of our 100 days praying for Peace.

Prayer of Reconciliation Before a Meeting
St. Mary White, O.P.S.

Loving God,
We gather here today
People united in the Precious Blood.
As we speak our truth
And listen to each other,
Open our hearts
And enlighten our minds.
Let our conversation reflect
You, presence, your wisdom,
And your abiding love.
Enable us to instruments
Of reconciliation and healing
That is so needed in our world today.
We pray, as always, in Jesus' name.

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: SEVEN EVANGELICALS, TEN DAYS, THIRTY-THREE FOR PEACE.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, PRAY FOR US!

"Stand on its promises, for day will be called 'Day of God'."

Little Flower Girls' Club
Bake Sale
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH!
8AM-12PM
IN THE CITY BUILDING
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

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 prayer to achieve peace and avoid the war. The Immaculate Heart was a central theme.

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

"... People were afraid they were asking for their own lives. They must not offend Our Lady 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.

Just SHOW UP AND Fill Your Cup
Faith Friendship Community

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

OCT 3RD **Soctober Fest** **NO CLASS**

OCT 10TH **Homecoming** **NO CLASS**

OCT 17TH **Crafts** **CHILDREN WELCOME**

OCT 24TH **Scripture and Discussion**

OCT 31ST **Halloween** **NO CLASS**

We can't wait to see you!

Joyful Tuesdays
(and Catholic and Patriotic!)

Faith, Fun and Fellowship!
Love of God, Love of Neighbor, Love of Country

Tuesday evening events of faith, fellowship and fun at the Parish Cafeteria at Glandorf St. John the Baptist Church parish center. Faith Focus will be at 6:30 pm and then Fellowship Focus from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. The Faith Focus will vary per night. There will be a main Fellowship Focus for each night, but stay around and chat, adults can walk and talk in the hallways, play cards, or pray some more, etc. There is room for everyone!

Tues., Oct. 6
6:30 pm Faith Focus: "Independence Day" - Fr. Mike Schmitz Video and "Catholic" - Fr. Mark Beard Video
7:00 pm Fellowship Focus: **CardiGame Night**
Cards: Euchre, Solo, Pinochle or Five-Cents-Per-Chip poker. Everything you need will be provided (except your coins).

Tues., Oct. 13
6:30 pm Faith Focus: **Joyful (Scripture) Rosary**
7:00 pm Fellowship Focus: **American Sign Language Class 1 (of 2)**
American Sign Language Classes: These two classes will cover over 150 words of beginning vocabulary of American Sign Language. This vocabulary is for toddlers through seniors. There will be a lot of helpful memory hints, games and activities.

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.

50/50 **50/50**
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!



Confirmation Mass will be Sunday, October 11th at 2:00 p.m. with Bishop Thomas officiating. Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates to be confirmed this year as they make their final preparations to receive this great Sacrament. **COME HOLY SPIRIT**, enkindle in them the fire of your love! This year's Confirmation Candidates are:

Ava Ansley	Caroline Imm	Braxton Oliver	Mason Verhoff
Hunter Blankemeyer	Lincoln Kahle	Lachlan Pavel	Maya Vorst
Isabella Bockrath	Quinn Kidd	Brooklyn Recker	Noah Wahrer
Lucas Bockrath	Trevor Kleman	Juliet Rump	Brylee Wilson
Thomas Brickner	Mitchell Kottenbrock	Cooper Schey	William wolke
Taten Brinkman	Kaitlyn Kuhlman	Jocelyn Schroeder	Landry Wrasman
Cohen Burgei	Max Laudick	Andrew Schroeder	
Addicyn Davis	Victoria Lehman	Quinn Schroeder	
Kaylen Duling	Jacob Leopold	CJ Schroeder	
Connor Ellerbrock	Jack Maag	Griffin Schumaker	
Kadon Frey	Jacoby Maag	Jerin Siefker	
Nolan Gerding	Isabella Macke	Ashton Stechschulte	
Luke Haselman	Connor Mayhew	Bennett Stechschulte	
Drew Hermiller	Graham Miller	Brynley Stechschulte	
Braxton Hutchison	Mason Miller	Kayden Trombley	
Audrey Imm	Tripp Niese	Jace Vennekotter	

HIGH SCHOOL CCD

NO HIGH SCHOOL CCD WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 7 DUE TO HOMECOMING WEEK.
WE WILL RESUME WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 14.

JENNY WARNECKE

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.P.P.S. and St. John the Baptist Parish Council & Finance Committee

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
FREE PLAY
PIZZA, DRINKS, SNACKS PROVIDED

WHAT IS FAMILY ADORATION?

- Enjoy this special opportunity to introduce your children to all ages in adoring Jesus with other parish families
- You can stay as long as you'd like!
- Candles, soft whistles, & holding in Our Jesus went to ALL the little children to come to Him!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
BROOKE CASSIDY @ 419-253-4111
SHANA DULING @ 419-825-8989

OCTOBER 3RD - PARISH CENTER
NOVEMBER 7TH - PARISH CENTER
DECEMBER 5TH - ADORATION ONLY
JANUARY 2ND - ADORATION ONLY
FEBRUARY 6TH - PARISH CENTER
MARCH 6TH - PARISH CENTER
APRIL 3RD - GLANDORF PARK
MAY 1ST - PARISH CENTER

Glandorf Youth Group Grades 7-12

A D O R A T I O N

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

15 AROUND THE AREA AND GENERAL INFORMATION



Putnam County Right to Life

will be meeting on **Tuesday, October 6 at 7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Center of St. Michael Catholic Church in Kalida. **All are welcome.**

LED BY THE 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FATHER ROMALD WARMWORTH ASSEMBLY

ROSARY

FOR the SAFETY and UNITY of OUR NATION

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH
APRIL THRU OCTOBER @ 7:30PM

ST. RITA'S ROSARY WALK
620 E. BLAKE OTTAWA (GLANDORF)

Box of Joy

BY CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

ONCE AGAIN THIS YEAR, HOLY FAMILY RADIO WILL BE SPONSORING THE BOX OF JOY PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM SEVERE POVERTY IN GUATEMALA, HAITI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, EL SALVADOR, GRENADA, HONDURAS, NICARAGUA AND PERU. PRIESTS THROUGH YOUR GREGGORY, HOLY FAMILY RADIO PROVIDES 1,500 GIFT BOXES OF THE 19418 TOTAL BOXES BY CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH THROUGH THE BOX OF JOY PROGRAM. YOU CAN ENSURE THESE CHILDREN ARE NOT DEPRIVED OF CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS THIS YEAR. BY PACKING A GIFT BOX AND SPONSORING THE COST OF ITS SHIPMENT (BAG OR BOX), YOU CAN DELIVER A BOX OF JOY TO A CHILD OVERSEAS WHO WOULD OTHERWISE RECEIVE NOTHING.

PLEASE JOIN HOLY FAMILY RADIO IN SUPPORTING THIS GREAT CAUSE BY PARTICIPATING! GIFT BOXES AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ARE AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH, AND **PAID BOXES CAN BE RETURNED THERE AT ANY TIME UP THROUGH NOVEMBER 10TH AFTER 10:30 AM MASS.**

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: JESSICA HARRIS BY PHONE/TEXT AT 616-332-8821 OR BY E-MAIL AT JHARRIS@GREGGORYRADIO.COM OR TO THE WEBSITE AT WWW.BOXOFGOY.COM/US/ENGLISH

THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO GET YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN INVOLVED IN GIFT GIVING TO THE POOREST OF THE POOR.

Knights of Columbus

Newsletters are available in the back of Church.

The Mustard Seed at St. John's

150 Church Street in Glandorf
419-538-7220

Stop in and shop at your local Catholic gift and book store

Open
Tues 9-5 Wed 10-6
Thurs 9-5 Fri 9-4
Sat after 8am Mass -12:30

St. Catherine's Embrace Miscarriage and Infant Loss Memorial Mass

All are welcome at this special Mass, whether your loss was recent or years ago. Those outside Putnam County are also warmly invited.

This Mass will fulfill the regular Sunday obligation.

Join us October 14th @ 4:30pm
St. Anthony of Padua
514 West Sycamore St
Columbus Grove, OH

CATHOLIC COUNSELING SERVICES

Feeling depressed 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 main parish office at 419-421-2646 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

MISCARRIAGE KITS

In Affiliation with Morgan's Place Cemetery Sidney, Ohio

If you experience a loss at home, miscarriage kits are available at no cost to help families preserve the opportunity to honor and remember their baby. Support is available 24 hours a day.

Contact Wendy Imm
614-634-1043
15291 Road 14L, Columbus Grove, Ohio 43030

Information & Guidance
Resources are available to help families understand their options, ask questions, and navigate the next steps following a pregnancy loss.

Additional Miscarriage Kit Locations & Resources
<http://www.morgansplacecemetery.com/our-locations-and-features>

WILLAMETTE WaveCAST App

BLUETOOTH HEARING ASSISTANCE NOW AVAILABLE IN CHURCH

- Connect to wireless internet: ASSISTED LISTENING SYSTEM Password: stjohnsound
- Download the WaveCAST APP
- Upon opening the app it will prompt you with No Internet Connection and ask if you want to use cellular. Choose "KEEP USING WIFI"
- The channel St. 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.

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 Diocese, regardless of faith affiliation, who have lost a child from miscarriage, stillbirth, or infant death.

Please call the rectory
419-538-6928

DIVINE GRACE FERTILITY CARE

Providing Education on the CREIGHTON MODUL FertilityCare System

To Empower Women and Couples to UNDERSTAND, MAINTAIN, and APPRECIATE their Health and Fertility in a way that is congruent with our Catholic faith.

Contact Wendy Imm, RN, CPCP for more information:
614-634-1043 • divinegracefertilitycare@gmail.com

Tenants of the Vineyard

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the parable of the vineyard that was leased out to tenants. When the owner's servants came to collect the pay, the tenants beat them. When the owner sent his son, they killed the son because they thought they would be able to take the vineyard if the son was dead.



This story is about God's people. For hundreds of years God cared for His people, leaving leaders in charge. But when He sent His Son Jesus, the leaders did not respect Him.

In fact, they killed Him on the cross! God's people were like the vineyard and the leaders were like the tenants who killed the son.



In a way your life is like a vineyard too. God has given it to you and cared for you all your life. When God wants you to do something for Him, you have the choice of doing what He asks or being like the bad tenants and refusing. Whenever we don't do what is right, we are offending Jesus. But you don't want to be like those bad tenants, do you? Make sure that everything you do is for God!

GOD GAVE ME TALENTS TO HELP OTHERS...

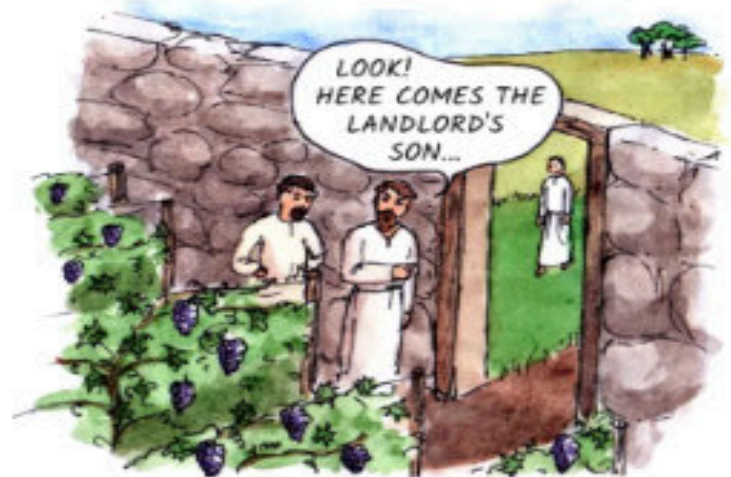


Answer to Word-Find puzzle: They killed him.

www.thekidsbulletin.com

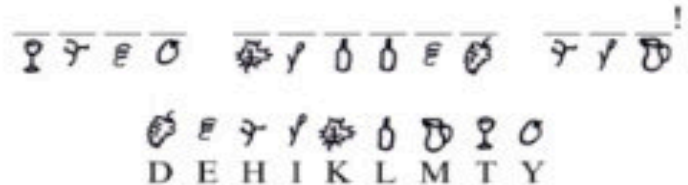
The Kids' Bulletin

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4th, 2026



What did the bad tenants do when the owner's son came to get the produce?

Use the code below to find out.



Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska October 5



OUR LORD USED SAINT FAUSTINA, WHO HAD BEEN A SIMPLE COUNTRY GIRL, TO TEACH THE WHOLE WORLD ABOUT HIS GREAT MERCY. SHE WROTE WHAT HAPPENED IN HER VISIONS IN NOTEBOOKS. ONE OF THE GREATEST PRAYERS THAT JESUS GAVE HER WAS THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.

The Evil Tenants Word-Find



Find the words that are in CAPITALS in the puzzle and use the left-over letters to fill in the blanks:

DGWITOPDSON
EVINEYARDSW
AENHNPRESSI
TSEEARASETL
HEIRNOBPROL
RINITDLEVLN
EZATSUECAEE
WEGATCHTND
IDANBEATTSS
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Jesus told this PARABLE: There was a landowner who planted a VINEYARD and built a tower and a WINE PRESS. When he went away, he LEASED it to tenants. In time, he sent SERVANTS to get his PRODUCE, but the tenants BEAT one, killed one, and STONED another. The man sent more servants, but the TENANTS did the same thing AGAIN. Finally, he sent his SON, thinking that they would RESPECT him at least. But the tenants saw the son coming and said, "Here comes the HEIR. If we kill him we can get his INHERITANCE!" So they SEIZED him, THREW him out and KILLED him too!

Jesus asked, "What will the land OWNER do when he COMES?"

The people said, "Put the tenants to DEATH and lease the vineyard to tenants who WILL pay."