

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

*Missionaries of the Precious Blood
St. George Deanery*



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WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH?

- If you are interested in becoming a Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Usher, Funeral Server, Choir, Spirit and Song Group and any other way.
 - If Interested in becoming a member on our Finance Committee or Parish Council Committee. Please call the parish office for more information and to be put on the next ballot.
- Call or email the Parish Office.

PARISHIONERS

- New Members
 - Any status or address changes
 - To keep informed, register for Bulletin and Parish Notifications by email or visit St. John's website
- Call or email the Parish Office

DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS

All players must be members of the sponsoring parish and/or educational system of the parish in order to participate on that parish's team.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH POLICY FOR HIGH SCHOOL & GRADE SCHOOL CYO SPORTS

Is your child playing a CYO sport this year? Please note the following expectations:

High School Students:

Players are expected to attend **both the Fall and Winter sessions** of High School Religious Education Groups *and* attend **weekend Mass** on Saturday or Sunday.

Grade School Students:

Participants must regularly attend Grade School CCD classes and weekend Mass on Saturday and Sunday.

This policy applies to all **players, coaches, and their families** participating on any **Putnam County Grade School Boys' & Girls' CYO teams**.

Attendance will be monitored and reviewed.

- After **four missed classes**, each additional absence will result in the player sitting out **one game**.
- If your child is ill and cannot attend, please notify Jenn Warnecke at **419-302-8465** via call or text **before class**. We appreciate the cooperation of all families as we uphold this parish policy for the spiritual and communal good of our youth and parish.

Fr. Matt & Mary Ellen Klear

I have a riddle a snake mounted on pole is a modern-day symbol for what? Hint many of you are professionally trained and employed in this field. All of us make appointments to see and get help from people that are in this field. You see this symbol alongside emergency vehicles rush down the road with flashing lights and sirens to help those in need of this kind of help. A snake mounted on a pole is a symbol for what?



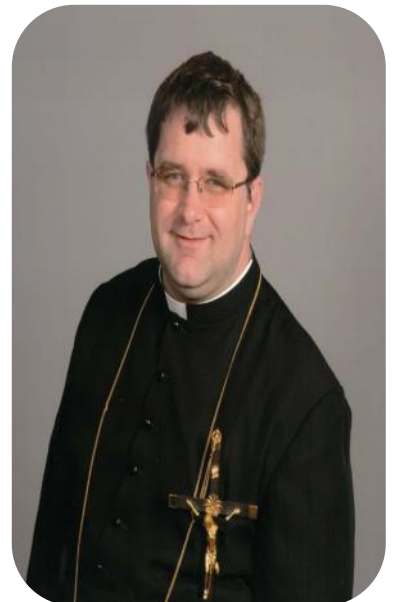
Our scriptures mention a snake mounted on a pole. The Israelites have been freed from slavery in Egypt, and now they are making their way to the promised land with Moses. As the Israelites make their way they complain about the food and water. The LORD got tired of hearing their complaining, so the LORD saraph servants (snakes) that bit the Israelites and those that got bitten died. The Israelites recognize their sin and "pray the LORD to take the serpents from us" (Numbers 21:7). God tells Moses to mount a saraph (snake) on a pole and if anyone has been bitten by it looks at it, that person will be saved. What was killing them, they are now to look at because it is going to restore life. A snake mounted on a pole is symbol for what?

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, to say that we celebrate the exaltation of the holy cross is to say that we celebrate the cross as a victory. In our modern-day Catholic experience, we take it for granted that the cross is a place of victory. As I sit at my desk typing this column I see a crucifix above my desk, as I look around my office, I see several other crosses and crucifixes, I even wear a cross around my neck, and Sunday after Mass I wear my Precious Blood Mission Cross. All these crosses and crucifixes are around us because they are signs of victory. But before the cross is a place of victory it is a place of defeat, the cross is an instrument of torture, the cross is a place of death, and not just death but most cruel and humiliating place. It is a place of horror and distress. To have a cross or crucifix up in your home or around your neck would have been offensive in the early church. A fish on the door was a sign for Christians before the cross.

The cross is a place of defeat and death but it from this place of defeat and death that we also find victory and life. The Israelites that were bitten and dying looked at the snake mounted on the pole were saved. Christ died on the cross and rose from the dead and has made the cross sign of life. How many of us, when we are hurt, facing defeat, and not sure where to turn, turn to the cross of Jesus Christ? Why? Because we have faith and believe, we have heard, we have experience ed and know the healing power and life that has come from when we have placed our wounds in the

wounds of Jesus Christ on at the foot of the crucifix. As we celebrate and exalt the Holy Cross today may we experience the life that comes from the Cross.

A snake mounted on a pole is a symbol for what? Make your guesses this week, the answer will be in next week's column.



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Communion Service— Deacon Don

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16~Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian

8:15 am Rosary

8:40am Brother Jerry Schulte

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17~Sts. Robert & Hildegard

7:15am - 7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Mary Ann Schroeder

6:30pm-8:15pm Adoration

7:45-8:15pm Confession

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:15am Rosary

8:40am L/D Edwin Duling Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19~St. Januarius

7:15am - 7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Eleonor Unterbrink

12:00pm Rosary

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20~St. Andrew Kim

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Nancy & Joan Schmitz

8:30am Confession

4:00pm Confession

4:30pm L/D Tom & Edna Riepenhoff Family, Urban Lauf,
Cindy VanLoo, L/D Members of Maag & Sager Families,
L/D George & Marciel Schroeder Family,
L/D Richard & Jeanette Heckman Family,
L/D John M. Schroeder Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21~25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**Catechetical Sunday**

7:35am Rosary

8:00am L/D Joe Karl Jr. Family, Ranae Kahle, Samantha Nienberg

9:00-10:15am OCIA meeting - Snacks - TBD

10:30am Velma Balbaugh, L/D Ellie Schimmoeller Family,
L/D Tobe/Ellerbrock Families, John E. Kahle,

SERVERS**Mon 8:00am** No Mass**Tue 8:40am** Students**Wed 8:00am** Jerry Hanneman, Jeff Schram**Thurs 8:40am** Students**Fri 8:00am** Elton Schroeder, Roger Schroeder**Sat 8:00am** Keegan Tobe, Lincoln Kahle, Landry Wrasman, Mitchell Kottenbrock**Sat 4:30pm** Breyson Trombley, Riley Trombley, Maddox Stechschulte**Sun 8:00am** Carter Vorst, Ella Vorst, Caleb Schroeder**Sun 10:30am** Will Siefker, Zachary Schroeder, Grant Schroeder**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS****LECTORS****Sat 4:30pm** Doub Deitering

Diane Deitering

Clint Salisbury

Kelsie Salisbury

Sun 8:00am Deb Leopold

Deb Schroeder

Andy Gray

Deb Schroeder

Sun 10:30am Tara Gerding

Jane Moening

Paula Siebeneck

Tim Hansen

GIFT BEARERS**Sat 4:30pm** Ushers or ask a family**Sun 8:00am** Ushers or ask a family**Sun 10:30am** Ushers or ask a family**SEPTEMBER USHERS****Sat 4:30pm** Ray Diemer, Steve Brown, Noah Emmons, Sam Warnecke, Chase Maag**Sun 8:00am** Bryan Kaufman, Amy Kaufman**Sun 10:30am** Barry Maag, Ken Horstman**COMMUNION TO MEADOWS:** Suzy Brinkman, Paula Elchinger**COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY:** 8**ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY:** Henry & Jane Kaufman, Sharon Meyer

SEPTEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Bill & Suzanne Brinkman,
Cliff & Janet Schroeder, Ken & Paula Elchinger, Don & Elaine Inkrott,
Dan & Judy Siefker, Rachel Nienberg

EXCITING NEWS!**ST. JOHN'S PARISH
PICTORIALS ARE HERE!**

*Your 1ST opportunity to pick up your
pictorial will be at Sunday Fun Day in the
Parish Center.*

*If not able to pick up the book then,
watch the bulletin for future
opportunities.*

**** THE PARISH PICTORIALS WILL NOT BE
AVAILABLE TO PICK UP AT THE OFFICE AT
THIS TIME.**



**Next Weekend, September 20TH
and 21ST at all Masses.**

Each year, the Catholic Church in the United States designates the third Sunday in September as "Catechetical Sunday"—**a day on which to celebrate and pray for the Church's mission to teach the Gospel to all people.** Catechetical Sunday is **an opportunity to thank catechists for the work that they do.** It is also an opportunity for catechists to reflect on their call to share and live out their faith. On Catechetical Sunday, catechists are called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. All those who teach the Catholic faith and share the Church's teachings are catechists. Father Matt will give all catechists a blessing.



4 PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP

September 7, 2025

Offering

Loose	\$	747.55
Adult Envelope	\$	8,607.00
Children	\$	97.00
Maintenance	\$	340.00
Online Offering	\$	2,233.00
Online Maintenance	\$	169.00
PreSchool	\$	40.00
Catholic University	\$	55.00
Total Collection	\$	13,110.76

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

Give Online Today!

Visit our website to get the E-Giving Form to fill out and return to the Parish Office. It is located in the left side above the Menu options. www.stjohnlandorf.org

Heartbeat needs Diapers - size 3, size 5 or 6, Formula—any kind is helpful, Baby wipes.

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.

2025 GRAND-orf Club



2025 GRAND-orf Club drawing will be **September 14th** by **Andrea and Doug Giesige** their will be **no Coffee and Donuts**, but their will be a **meet and greet for Deacon Mike Karhoff after the 10:30am Mass**. Their will be light refreshments provided. Extra tickets are in the racks in the Church vestibules.

Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us

The past 20 years

Arnold A Maag 9/15/11	Margaret M Schmenk 9/19/00
James J Ricker 9/16/02	Marcella M Recker 9/19/01
William Hooker 9/16/08	Harry E Stechschulte 9/19/04
Timothy R Bockrath 9/16/12	Thomas A Ruhe 9/19/13
Jean Ann Rosengarten 9/16/19	Nathan J Pothast 9/20/08
Mary E Jancauskas 9/17/08	Alberta L Ruhe 9/20/17
Mary Lou T Ellerbrock 9/18/21	Kathleen Jones 9/20/24
Theresa A Buddelmeyer 9/19/00	

Please Include them in your prayers

BAPTIZED

Vienna Mae, daughter of Grant & Carly Hershberger

BANNS

I Aubrey Schnipke, of this parish, daughter of Steve & Misty Schnipke & **Connor Niese**, of Sts. Peter & Paul, son of Kevin & Connie Niese

Joint Parish/Finance Council Meeting April 29, 2025

Opening Prayer by Fr. Matt

Joint Parish & Finance Council Meeting Minutes from April 8, 2025 meeting were reviewed. Brian Grime made a motion to approve the minutes, Matt Bockrath seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Parish Council: Officers elected

Mary Ellen Klear – President
Doug Karhoff – Vice President
Beth Trombley – Secretary
Mary Ellen Klear – Religious Ed Representative
Charlie Schroeder – Maintenance Representative
Darla Lammers – Town Relations Representative
Clint Salisbury – Outreach Representative
Alicia Nussbaum – Liturgy Representative
Aubrey Leopold and Sam Warnecke – Student Representative

Joint Council

Grounds Committee

Pedestrian Crossing in front of church, discussion and planning continues to move forward. Mike Karhoff talked with Representative from ODOT and with ppl from Kalida to see how they did their crossings. He requested an application from ODOT for a program that would help fund project. PA System for the Parish Center is ordered, will be installed this summer. Side Windows and Back Window will be installed Thursday. Funded through donation.

Church Gutters need replaced, still working on getting quotes.

Northside handicap parking lot curb: continuing to explore options.

Mustard Seed- An agreement was reached and approved by the Diocese of Toledo for the church to purchase the Mustard Seed inventory chosen to continue and fixtures. Carole Schroeder will be added to the parish staff as she will be the Store Manager. Mary Rose Ellerbrock will also be hired to be the bookkeeper. The diocese would like to see return on investment within 5 years. The parish intends to open once the Diocese of Toledo creates the new entity.

Sunday Funday- Scheduled September 21, 2025. Tara Gerding will be working to gather individuals/groups to assist with the planning of this event. Parish Staff is still putting on the majority of the event. Parish Council will assist with drinks and Finance Council with counting money.

Mike Leach High Alter: Historical Committee is in support and has agreed to take the lead on this project. The diocese will need to review/approve the plan before proceeding. They meet in May to further discuss project.

Park Fest Float: Kim Ansley will be leading the design/creation of the float. She is open to ideas. Bryan Kaufman will provide the tractor and wagon.

New Business

Habitat for Humanity Apostles Build: Outreach will donate \$2,000, sign up to assist with meals for the workers and arrange volunteers to assist. Voted all in favor to proceed.

SACRAMENTS**BAPTISM**

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.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS (by Mike and Becky Karhoff)

Parish Center Room 15 9:00am –10:30am

Upcoming classes:

September 28, 2025, January 11, 2026,

May 17, 2026, September 27, 2026

MARRIAGES

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS (REQUIRED)

1-DAY CLASS organized by Dr. Craig and Wendy Imm in the Parish Center Cafeteria

Sunday, November 2, 2025 at 8:00am

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

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

Friday 7:15am—7:45am

Saturday 8:30am, 4:00pm—4:15pm

ANOIDING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office if you need a Priest for Anointing of the Sick or Last Rites. If a Sacramental Emergency call 419-778-9339.

HOLY ORDERS AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Contact the vocation office at the Toledo Diocese at 419-214-4945 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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 6:30pm—8:15pm

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

1st Saturday 5:30pm - 8:00am

INITIATION OF ADULTS INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA/OCIA)

Is a journey through which interested adults and older children are welcomed and gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic Faith, Sacraments, Worship and way of life. In response to their inquiries, these people are properly instructed so that you can discern (through reflection and prayer) whether you are indeed called to Catholicism. If you would like more information or want to register please contact the Parish Office. The next session will start in the fall.

Catechism Corner**Order of Christian Initiation, the Dismissal**

In last week's Catechism Corner, the basics of OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) was explained. It was mentioned in that article that at some point, those whom have not been baptized will leave the Mass after the Liturgy of the Word to break open the Word in a private session. This will not occur until those whom are inquiring make their first public statement of accepting to be on this journey through the Rite of Acceptance or Welcoming. The first time this Rite is being offered is in December. Note, there will be other times this Rite is offered, according to those who start the journey at a different time and their depending upon their readiness.

Question: Why will some of those in OCIA leave Mass while others won't?

You will see after the Liturgy of the Word, some of those in OCIA will leave the Mass. It's important to note, there are two different distinctions for being received into the Church based upon the inquirer's current spiritual status: those who have already been baptized ("Candidates") and those who are not yet baptized ("Catechumens"). It is the Catechumens who will be dismissed.

There are two main reasons Catechumens are dismissed. First, they participate in the Liturgy of the Word to hear the Word and be fed by Christ present in that Word and assembly. After hearing the Scripture readings and the homily, the catechumens are dismissed for "Breaking open the Word", in which they will reflect on the days readings and discuss how they apply to their lives. They "share their joy and spiritual exercises" that they received from Christ in that Word. Their dismissal is similar, then, to the dismissal the baptized receive at the end of Mass: "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord." They are in a sense being commissioned, sent out. The dismissal is a time for reflection, prayer and faith-sharing that flows from God's Word. It is not to *learn more information* about the faith.

The second reason for the dismissal is regarding the fact that the Catechumens have not yet received the Sacrament of Baptism, and therefore, they are not yet members of the "priestly people of God". When a person is baptized, they receive the same mission as Christ: priest, prophet and king. As priest, all the baptized participate in the Sacrifice of the altar. Since the Catechumens have not yet been baptized, they do not participate in this re-enactment of Christ's sacrifice.

The Candidates (those who have already been baptized), stay for the entire Mass for two main reasons. First, their valid baptism has already made them a member of the order of the faithful. Although they are not yet in full communion with the Catholic Church, their baptism gives them the right, and the duty, to pray the prayers of the faithful: the Creed, the Universal Prayers and the Eucharistic Prayer. This experience is their primary form of liturgical formation as they prepare for full communion.

This dismissal is an awaking for all those at Mass. For those who have been fully initiated, it's an awaking to the appreciation of the graces we are blessed to receive with each Holy Eucharist. For the catechumens, it's an awaking to know... there is so much more to come!



**TURN IN YOUR
RAFFLE
TICKETS
FOR A CHANCE
TO WIN!**

A FUN DAY FOR ALL TO COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE
THE SON OF GOD WHILE ENJOYING FELLOWSHIP AND FRIENDS!

Sunday, September 21, 2025

11:30am - 3:30pm

St. John's Parish Center

109 N MAIN STREET, GLANDORF, OHIO

**GAMES - FOOD - INFLATABLES
SAINT PARADE - REVERSE RAFFLE
FUN FOR ALL AGES!**

**EXTRA
TICKETS ARE
IN THE BACK
VESTIBLES.**

DEACON DON'S TURTLE SOUP WILL BE SERVED ALONG WITH OTHER
FOOD AND DRINKS BY OG JAYCEES AND 1820 BREWWERKS



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC
CHURCH NEEDS YOUR HELP TO MAKE
THIS EVENT A SUCCESS.



**WE HAVE 20 FUN CARNIVAL GAMES
AND TWO VOLUNTEER SHIFTS -
PICK THE ONE THAT WORKS BEST
FOR YOU!**

SHIFT 1: 11:15AM -1:15PM

SHIFT 2: 1:15PM -3:30PM

on Sunday, September 21, 2025

St. John's Parish Center

ANY ADULTS OR STUDENT IN THE
8TH THRU 12TH GRADE.



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FA9AF2FA1FFC25-58122434-sonday>

SIGN UP FOR A SHIFT (OR BOTH!) AND JOIN US IN
CREATING A FUN -FILLED DAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILIES.

LOOKING FOR DESSERTS FOR THE BAKED GOODS WHEEL



PLEASE CHECK THE BACK OF
THE CHURCH FOR THE SIGN-UP
SHEET. .

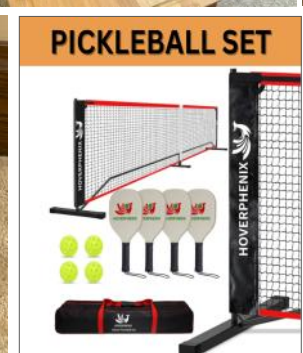
DESSERTS CAN BE DROPPED OFF
BETWEEN 8AM AND 10:30AM ON
THE DAY OF THE EVENT
(SEPTEMBER 21ST).

**THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO
MAKE SUNDAY FUNDAY
POSSIBLE!**

7 TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT'S UP FOR GRABS!



**JOIN US
for
your
chance
to WIN!**



8 AROUND THE PARISH



Attention ALL MEN!!!!
Join us on for That Man Is You
Saturday, Sept 20th, 6-7:30am in the Cafeteria or
Wednesday, Sept 17th, 7-8:30pm in room 22. This is the 1st Wednesday Session for the Fall.

For more information, contact
Mike Karhoff @ mbkarhoff@bright.net

SESSION 2 (Sat 9/20,
Wed. 9/24)

**BECOMING A MAN
AFTER GOD'S OWN
HEART" – The Price
of Failed
Leadership**



Presenter: Mark Hartfiel.
Fidelity Statistics.
Consequences of Infidelity.
The Story of King David.
Family, Children and Church
Affected by Infidelity. The
Media's Role in Forming
Society. Shocking Media
Statistics. The Issue is Failed
Male Leadership. Psalms 51,
2 Samuel 12:1-14, 1
Chronicles 22:8.



Just Show Up and Fill Your Cup
Beginning Saturday, September 13th, 2025
St. John the Baptist Parish Center – Room 15
8:45 AM (following the 8:00 AM Mass)
Join us for fellowship, faith, and inspiration each
Saturday morning!

September Topics:

- September 13th: Catholic Speed Friending Meeting
- September 20th: Finding Peace Through Silence and Stillness
- September 27th: The 7 Sorrows of Mary

Guest: Christine Schroeder
Guest Speaker: Reagan Godsil

Come as you are - grow in faith, friendship, and community.


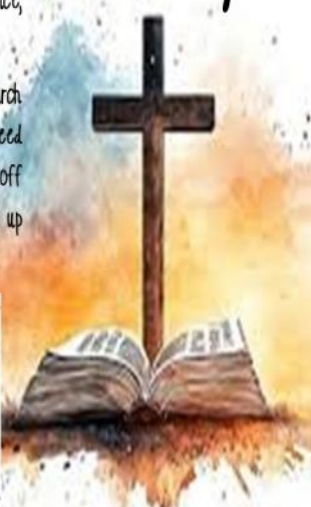
OCIA Snack Help

We are looking for volunteers to bring breakfast-type snacks for our Sunday learning sessions. If you enjoy sharing your favorite treats or simply want to contribute, this is a great way to help out! Snack ideas may be cinnamon rolls, boiled eggs, donuts, bagels, muffins, granola bar, fresh fruit, juice, etc. Any snack would be appreciated!

The meetings will be on Sundays at 9:00 am in the church basement ("undercroft"), starting September 7th. You will need to provide snacks for 10 people. Snacks can be dropped off at 8:45am. Any leftovers or containers should be picked up after the 10:30 Mass around 11:30am.

To sign up to bring a snack, click the QR code and choose your date.

Thank you for your generosity!


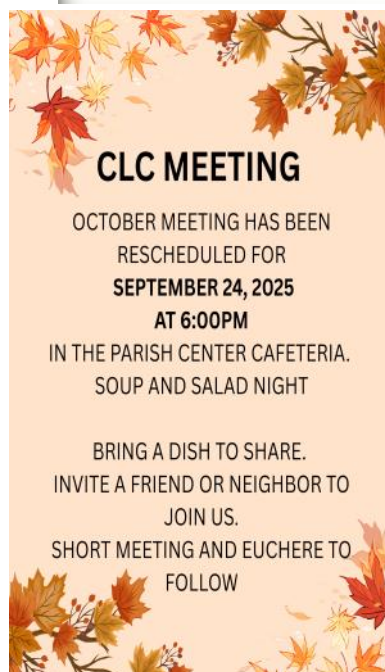
OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Journey of Faith

OCIA is a process to introduce non-Catholics, or non-Christians to Christ and the teachings of the Catholic Church. The goal is to lead others into a personal relationship with Christ and a conversion of heart from a life of sin to a life of grace. We assist them in being fully initiated into the Church – if Christ leads them down this path. Inquirers can start at any time throughout the year, whenever God is calling.

Contact Mindy Recker for more information.
Rectory #419.538.6928 • Cell # 419.615.8926

CLC MEETING

OCTOBER MEETING HAS BEEN
RESCHEDULED FOR
SEPTEMBER 24, 2025
AT 6:00PM
IN THE PARISH CENTER CAFETERIA.
SOUP AND SALAD NIGHT

BRING A DISH TO SHARE.
INVITE A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR TO
JOIN US.
SHORT MEETING AND EUCHERE TO
FOLLOW

Ladies of Leisure Social Club

Third Wednesday each month.
Two Event Times: 1:00-4:00 or 6:00-9:00

@ The Parish Center, Cafeteria in Gandorf

Play cards, Games, or Crafts
(Please Bring your own supplies.)
BYOB and snacks.

Casual, FREE Event
Come alone or with friends.
Enjoy a few hours of laughs & friendship.

Questions call: Jill Gerding 419-538-6942
Sponsored by St. John's Alter Rosary Society



The Piecemaker's Sewing Group

TUESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 23RD,
FROM 7:00PM - 8:30PM
IN THE OLD SCIENCE ROOM

We will be stringing ribbons through bags and putting together kits, and possibly cutting out bag patterns. We still accept colorful cotton fabric and dark colored flannel fabric, colored washcloths, and gallon plastic bags but not zipper top bags. Anyone interesting in helping is always welcome.

If you have any questions, please contact Diana Meyer at 419-538-6437. Thanks for all you do to help those in need!

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another," 1 Peter 4: 10



Parental Baptism Class

Sunday, September 28, 2025
from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in Room 15 in the parish center
presented by Mike and Becky Karhoff
Pre-register by calling St. John's Rectory
419-538-6928.

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.

Thank You!

to EVERYONE WHO HELPED WITH THE FLOATS
IN THE PARADE!
YOU ALL DID AN AMAZING JOB!



10 AROUND THE PARISH AND AREA

ADULT FAITH

Our next meeting will be
Tuesday,
September 16, 2025
at 9:30am
In Room 15 in the Parish Center
Anyone is invited

If you can not come to meeting
but have any ideas, contact

Jeanne Schram

(419-796-0622)



A FAMILY DAY
KEEPING THE SABBATH HOLY
& THE FAMILY TOGETHER



Sunday, September 28th * 2:00 till Dusk *

620 E. Blake St., Ottawa OH

Parking assist Provided

Questions: contact@christthekingcenter.org



2:00pm Activities for Young and Old
Fishing Derby - Bible Bingo - Face Painting -
Chalk Drawing - Outdoor Games - Take a walk ...
Prizes * Drawings

4:00pm OUTDOOR MASS UNDER THE TENT

5:00pm Dinner * Sample some Do Good Restaurant Food. *
Grab a Brat, Hot dog, Salads, Desserts, Ice Cream.
Drinks: Bring a cooler...Lemonade & water provided.
Some Seating available or bring your lawn chairs.

6:15pm Family Rosary around the Rosary Path.

7:00pm Watch the Sunset and sit around a campfire



ANXIETY WORKSHOP

Saturday, September 27 | 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Do you have overwhelming anxiety? It doesn't have to be this way! Join Alyssa Siebeneck MA, LPC for a workshop on tangible ways to calm anxiety.

You will ...

- Gain evidenced-based techniques from a licensed professional counselor.
- Learn practical ways to engage your brain and nervous system to calm and retrain anxiety responses.
- Explore potential everyday sources of anxiety.

Participation will be limited to 30 people. RSVP before **September 20** by using the QR code. The cost is \$89 per person. This event will be held in the St. Joseph Room.

Email thewellmentality@gmail.com with any questions.



SOUP & PIE DAY
Ottawa Senior Center
September 18, 2025
11:00 AM- 2:00 PM

Location: 1035 East Third St.
Ottawa, Ohio 45875

Menu includes choice of:

Beef Vegetable Soup or Bean with Ham Soup - cooked over an open fire in cast iron kettles
Fruity Chicken Salad Tray
Pulled Bar-be-que pork Tray
Assorted Homemade Pies
Drinks

Eat inside or outside

Bob Clark will provide music outside in the gazebo

Carry outs are available by calling 419-523-5593

Want to take the night off cooking?
Sunday, October 12th
11.30am-2.30 pm

Come support Glandorf's own Chase Maag in his Eagle Scout project funding for a chicken bbq on Sunday Oct 12th 11.30-2.30 all drive thru, how convenient! Rear of Glandorf Parish Center. You can text Chase @567-376-5382 or get tickets at the scoop on main or the Bombshelter!

Your support is greatly appreciated!!

Join us for the **2025 OHIO MARCH FOR LIFE** in
Columbus, **October 3, 2025**.

The event sponsored by the Center for Christian Virtue will be held at the Ohio Statehouse, Columbus. The event begins with a Pre Rally Concert at 10 a.m. followed by an 11 a.m. Rally; the March for Life then begins at noon. The Ottawa K of C has generously partnered with us to schedule a bus which will leave Sacred Heart New Bavaria Parking lot at 6:45 a.m. and the Ottawa Walmart at 7:15 a.m. and will return approximately 3:30 to 5 p.m. Call or text Eileen at 419-231-2994 to reserve your seat. Transportation costs for students are \$10; adults \$20. Storage space under the bus allows passengers to bring a chair to accommodate anyone preferring to sit during the hour-long Rally. The noon time March (walk) for Life is optional; those unable to walk the distance may opt out of this portion of the event. Your support at the rally is greatly appreciated.

2025 OUTDOOR ROSARY RALLY

Please join us at a public rosary rally in honor of our Lady of Fatima at 12:00 noon on Saturday October 11, 2025 at Continental St John the Baptist Church. We will pray for the repentance and conversion of our great nation, asking God to save America through the rosary of his most Holy Mother. Please bring your own lawn chair. If you have any questions contact Joyce Verhoff at 419-601-5566 or ronjoyceverhoff@gmail.com

The Transitus of Saint Francis

Come and pray as we mark the *transitus*, or "passing," of Francis to eternal life.

Friday, October 3, 2025
7:00 pm
Original Shrine Church

Basilica & National Shrine of
Our Lady of Consolation
315 Clay St., Carey, OH 43316

All are invited!
A reception will follow in the
Office Building.



Solemnity of Saint Francis of Assisi

Saturday, October 4, 2025

Hope & Healing Mass
11:00 am in the Upper Basilica

Full Shrine Devotions
2:00 pm in the Upper Basilica

Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated within Mass.
Following Mass, all may receive a blessing
with the Relic of the True Cross.

Lunch, served by the Knights of Columbus,
will be available from 11:30am-1:30pm in the Shrine Cafeteria.
A donation of \$7.00 is suggested.

Celebrating 150 Years of the Miraculous Statue of Our Lady
and the 100th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church



What is it?

A country-themed fall dance (not a square dance)
with DJ - Gabe von der Embse.
Wear your best country casual attire!

Who?

Flyers sent to parishes in our deanery and
Putnam County parishes for young adults 18-30

What kind of music?

Fast dance songs and some line dancing (pop,
country, rock, etc.)

Raffle

Many fun items! Tickets \$1.00 (Cash only)

General Info.

Light snacks and drinks will be provided.
Cornhole and card games will also be available.
Photography by Veronica's Portraits.

Further questions?

Contact Madison Bowerman at madisonbowerman18@gmail.com

Proceeds to benefit the
Women's Resource Center

PRO-LIFE HARVEST DANCE

YOUNG ADULTS 18-30

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
7 - 11 PM
\$12.00 (CASH ONLY)

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
750 BRIGHT RD, FINDLAY

COUNTRY CASUAL-
JEANS, PLAID SHIRTS, DRESSES,
AND SWEATERS

Questions? Contact Madison Bowerman
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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 @ 419-422-2646 and
ask to be transferred to the Catholic
Counseling services.



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 QR code:

<https://tinyurl.com/2dss8wpy>



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Already have a FORMED account.

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Have questions?

Call 419-890-3724

**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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Contact Wendy Imm, BSN CFPCP
for more information at 614-634-
1043 or
divinegracefertilitycare@gmail.com

The Holy Cross

Today we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation, or Triumph, of the Holy Cross on which Our Lord died. The cross was an instrument of torture used to punish criminals and to show other people what would happen to them too, if they broke the Roman laws. Our Lord used the cross for a different reason though. He offered His sufferings on the cross to repay for the sins of everyone else in the world. He died in a place where many people could see Him so that they could see and know how much He loves us.

In the 300's AD, St. Helena, who was a Christian queen, went to Jerusalem to find the cross of Jesus. She found three crosses there so she decided to test to see which was Christ's. A very sick woman touched each cross. When she touched the third one she was healed instantly! They had found the cross of Christ!

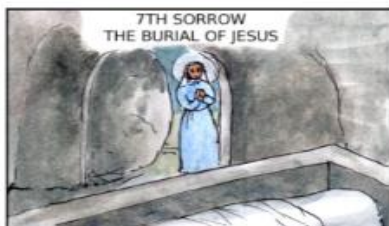
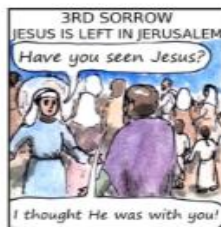


In hoc signo, vinces! Saint Helena's son Constantine was not a Christian yet, but when he was about to go to war he had a vision of the cross and heard the words "In this sign you shall conquer!" So he had crosses drawn on all the flags and shields, and he won the battle. Then he believed in Jesus and became a Christian.

Answer to Word-Find: Saint Helena

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Our Lady of Sorrows September 15

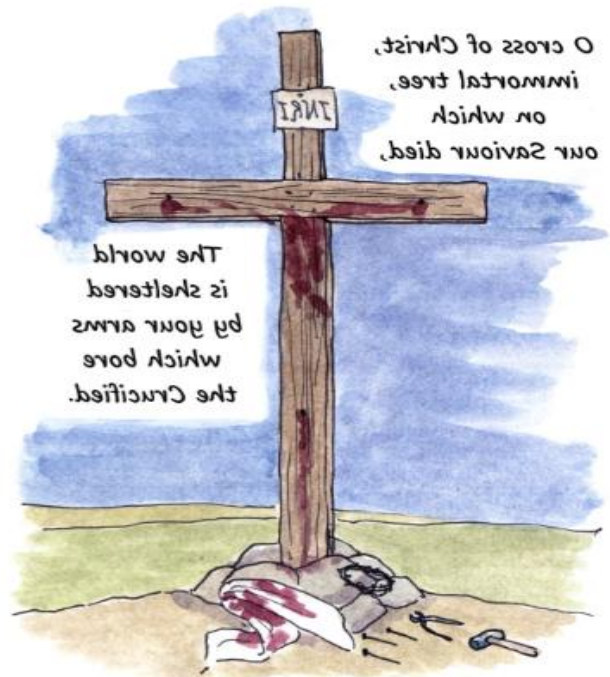


WHEN YOU REALLY LOVE SOMEONE YOU WILL FEEL SAD WHEN THEY ARE HURT. OUR LADY LOVED JESUS MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE EVER COULD, AND SHE ALSO SUFFERED MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE. BUT SHE WAS HAPPY TO SUFFER FOR JESUS. WE SHOULD PRAY TO OUR LADY TO HELP US TO LOVE OUR LORD, EVEN IF WE HAVE TO SUFFER.

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The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
September 14th, 2025



Today is a special feast day when we celebrate the cross on which Jesus died.

Look in the mirror to find the words of a hymn that tells us about what the cross means to us.

Word-find: The Holy Cross

CALVARYMARYH
PCROSSSTHREE
LADJESUSLITA
ADAMSAVIOROV
CHRNTCHEVERY
EEKCARRYEETN
GATESINSDFUA
OVIFKFATHERI
DEMRYIHELLEL
LNEEECHILLNE
OFFEREDIEDAD



Find all the words in CAPITALS in the puzzle. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

After ADAM and Eve sinned, the world needed a SAVIOUR who would FREE us from the punishment we deserved in HELL. JESUS, Who was the Son of GOD, LOVED us so much that He OFFERED His life to God the FATHER as a SACRIFICE for our SINS.

When the TIME came for Jesus to die, the HEAVY wooden cross was placed on His shoulders. He was forced to CARRY it to the top of the HILL. EVERY step was TORTURE. He FELL several times, and met His holy mother MARY along the way.

Finally He came to CALVARY, also called the PLACE of the Skull. The soldiers NAILED Him to the CROSS and lifted it up. The SKY became DARK as Jesus hung there for THREE hours. Finally He DIED. His soul went to God and He opened the GATES of HEAVEN.

Who found Jesus' cross after it had been buried for 300 years? _____