

### St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Missionaries of the Precious Blood

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# SHOWER HIM WITH LOVE AND PRAYER!

#### **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.

#### PARISHIONERS

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

WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH?

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

#### Call or email the Parish Office.

**CYO SPORTS** 

DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS - AII players must be members of the sponsoring parish and/or educational system of the parish in order to play on the parish team. PARISH POLICY FOR HIGH SCHOOL CYO Playing any sports this year? You are expected to attend both the Fall & Winter sessions of High School Religious Education Groups or Grade School CCD Classes---plus

weekend Saturday or Sunday Mass. This includes all players, coaches and their families. Attendance at these groups/classes will be monitored and reviewed. For each class missed, beyond 4 classes you will be sitting out one game. Parents, if your child is sick, please call or text Jenn Warnecke at 419 -302-8465 before class. This also includes the

#### PUTNAM COUNTY GRADE SCHOOL BOY'S & GIRL'S CYO SPORTING TEAMS. We

kindly ask the cooperation of all concerned as we implement this church policy for the good of our parish. Fr. Matt & Mike Karhoff

# **2** FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MATT

#### www.stjohnglandorf.org

Jesus's instruction in our scriptures today seems to be rather extreme if your hand or foot causes you to sin cut it off, if your eye causes you to sin pluck it out. If we are talking about body parts that cause sin, there are couple of parts you might also want to consider adding like the tongue among many other possible body parts. We hear that it is better to enter life crippled, maimed, or with one eye than being thrown into Gehenna with a whole body that has parts that cause sin. Is this instruction rather extreme instruction from Jesus to cut off body parts that cause sin literal or figurative. I would like to think of this instruction as being more figurative than literal or at least that I hope that it is. I mean as I think of my sins and body parts that would seem to be the culprit there would seem to be a lot that would get cut off and missing. But I do think this instruction is reminder for us that we are called to remove from our lives those things that cause us to sin, that keep us from Christ and sometimes this removing might mean taking some extreme measures.

Restoring to extreme measures to remove sin from our lives, I think is step most of us like the sound of and say we would have no problem doing. But I venture to guess when faced with reality of really needing remove something that is sinful from our lives can be struggle. Not because we do not want to get rid of it. But getting rid of sin in our lives can mean changing a habit, at times we do not want to do the work to get rid of it, at times it mean giving up a modern technology, and/or it could be embarrassing to get rid of it. But when we do take the extreme measure and get rid of what is causing the sin it is relief to our lives, we feel better.

Resorting to extreme measures at times can seem to not be necessary but when we do it brings about change and results. Athletes resort to extreme measures as part of their training, removing anything from their life that keeps them from competing well. All with the hope of being rewarded. About year ago, I stepped on the scale and really did not care for what it told me. The diocese offered priests to join a Fit From Faith program, so I decided to participate in the program. As I journeyed in the program, I

was asked to do things that seemed a little extreme like eating only what I needed, eating properly portioned meals, and even the week after Christmas I was told to fast from sweets. It was in doing these things that I now have a healthier version of myself and I feel better.

As we journey in this life, we go to extremes removing things from our lives to make us healthier and seeking some reward in this life. As we journey in this life may we also go to extremes removing from our lives those things that would keep us from obtaining our ultimate reward heaven.



# **ABOUT OUR PARISH**

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 St. Jerome			SERVERS	
7:35am Rosary	Mon	8:00am	No Mass	
8:00am Communion Service-Mike Karhoff	Tue	8:40am	Students	
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1 St. Therese	Wed	8:00am	Jerry Hanneman, Jeff Schram	
8:20am Rosary	Thurs	8:40am	Students	
8:40am L/D Edwin Duling Family				
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2	Fri	8:00am	Gary Recker, Roger Schroeder	
7:15am-7:45am Confession	Sat	8:00am	Ella Siefker, Bennett Stechschult	
7:35am Rosary	Sat	4:30pm	Landyn Schulte, Aubrey Leopold,	, Austin Koch
8:00am L/D Joe Karl Jr Family	Sun	8:00am	Allison Kuhlman, Ethan Kuhlman	i, Peyton Kuhlman
6:30pm-8:15pm Adoration	Sun	10:00am	Jacob Schimmoeller, Izak Schimi	moeller - Benediction
7:45-8:15pm Confession	Sun		Aubrey Siefker, Jacob Schimmoe	
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3			EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS
8:20am Rosary	Sat	4:30pm	Diane Recker	Carole Schroeder
8:40am Bernard Meyer			Alicia Nussbaum	Kathy Schmitz
First FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4 St. Francis of Assisi 7:15am-7:45am Confession	Sun	8:00am	Mark Schroeder	Nicole Ruhe
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8:00am L/D Bob & Hilda Hovest Family, Mel Lammers,			Tammy Schroeder	Elizabeth Ruhe
L/D Gene & JoAnn Vonlehmden Family	Sun	10:30am	Jason Kleman	Dawn Giesige
12:00pm Rosary			Julie Pothast	Tony Schroeder
1:00pm-4:00pm Adoration/Benediction			GIFT BEARERS	5
First SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 St. Faustina	Sat	4:30pm	Gary & Kathy Moening	
7:35am Rosary			, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
8:00am Erford Oedy(AN), Br. Jerry Schulte	Sun		Steve & Linda Conn	
8:30am Confessions	Sun	10:30am	Mark & Ann Ellerbrock	
8:30am-4:30pm All Day Rosary			OCTOBER USHERS	
12:00pm Blessing of Pets	Sat	4:30pm	Richard Schmitz, Brady Laudick	
4:00pm Confessions	Sun		Bart Recker, Ken Kottenbrock	
4:30pm Dick & Doris Birkemeier, Alice Palte(AN), Esther Recker, Joan Giesige				
5:30pm-8:00am Adoration	Sun		Jerry Recker, Al Kaufman	
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6~27th Sunday in Ordinary Time			O MEADOWS: Gene & Rose War	necke
7:35am Rosary			R SUNDAY: 1	
8:00am L/D Cornelius Brinkman Family, L/D Lawrence Stoepfel Family,			SUNDAY: Tim & Mer Lehman	
Dan (Mose) Stechschulte			ERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Jeff &	
9:00am-10:00am Holy Hour			off, Bertie Hermiller, Mike & Judy N	liese,
10:00am Benediction	Lee &	Diane Rec	;Ker	
10:30am Dana Vorst, L/D Carl & Lucille Ellerbrock Family, Karen Otto,				
Mary Lou Niese				-
11:30am - 3:30pm SONday Fun Day				$\sim 00$

#### 4:00pm Coast to Coast Rosary



#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION (PRE CANA CLASS)



#### Sunday, November 3, 2024 at 8:00am.

This is a mandatory, 1-day class. If you haven't registered for this class at the office please do so by e-mailing admin@glandorfstjohns.com.

Engaged Couples

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Need to contact Fr. Matt 6 months before your marriage start your marriage preparation. It is your responsibility to call for an appointment or can't promise you a wedding here at St. John's.

# AROUND THE PARISH

#### SACRAMENTS BAPTISM

Instruction is necessary when this is your first child. To arrange a baptism or register for the parental baptism class, please contact the Parish Office.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS (by Deacon Don) Parish Center Room 15 9:00am –10:30am Upcoming classes:

#### MARRIAGES

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS (REQUIRED) 1-DAY CLASS organized by Dr. Craig and Wendy Imm in the Parish Center Cafeteria Sunday, November 3, 2024 at 8:00am

#### RECONCILATION (CONFESSION)

Wednesday 7:15am –7:45am, 7:45pm—8:15pm Friday 7:15am—7:45am Saturday 8:30am, 4:00pm—4:15pm ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

Contact the vocation office at the Toledo Diocese at 419-244-6711 ext. 4945 or e-mail psmith@toledodiocese.org or contact the vocation office at the Missionaries of the Precious Blood 937 -228-9263 or e-mail vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org.

#### EUCHARISTIC 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

Each week at Holy Mass we profess our belief in reciting the Nicene Creed. What does it mean when we say we believe in these statements/truths? We will take a look at each statement/truth of the creed and examine it's meaning through the use of the Faith and Life Series by Ignatius Press that is utilized in our parish religious education morning program, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade curriculum. For more information on this program, visit <u>https://</u> loc.ignatius.com/faithandlife/

<u>"And Became Man"</u> "Has not the Scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" (John 7:42)

The Old Testament prophesied that Jesus would be a descendant of David and would be born in Bethlehem in King David. Seventeen verses in the New Testament confirm that Jesus is a descendant of David, showing that Jesus is the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophesies and that He is the long-awaited Messiah.

The **Incarnation** is the mystery when God took on human nature (became man) in the Person of Jesus Christ, to achieve the salvation of mankind. According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "The Son of God assumed a human nature [became man] in order to accomplish our salvation in it [a human nature]." (*CCC* 461)

In order to reopen the gates of heaven, a perfect sacrifice had to be made. Only Jesus, the Son of God, was able to be the perfect sacrifice for mankind. Therefore, Jesus had to become one of us. Because God has become closer to us, we are now closer to God.

Jesus is one Person with two natures. The Second Person of the Trinity, the Son of God, retained his divine nature and remained a divine Person, but also took on a human nature. Jesus is both God and man: two natures in one Divine Person. Jesus remained *fully God and became fully man*. (This quality of the two natures is called "Hypostatic Union".)

It is a great honor for us that God chose to become human. We share in a great dignity because of the humanity of Christ, and all that we are and do can be offered as gifts back to God, to give him great glory. In obedience to the Jewish law, Joseph and Mary took baby Jesus to the temple to be presented to the Lord. This is thus called the **Presentation**. The Holy Spirit revealed to Simeon at the temple that Jesus was the long awaited for Messiah. Simeon predicted that Jesus would bring God's grace to all men, not only the Jews, but he also warned Mary that one day she would suffer with Jesus: "Your own heart shall be pierced by a sword."

The Holy Family teaches us important lessons about ourselves and our role in our own families. 1) We must always try to <u>accept God's will in our lives</u>. We should all be willing to do what God wants without question. 2) <u>Do the job you are meant</u> to do in your family. Families are happiest when they work together for the good of a family. We are even called to obey our parents. Jesus always did this. Being obedient may not be easy, but it trains us to be obedient to the Lord. 3) <u>Make God a member of your family</u>. The family whose lives are centered on God is a happy family. This does not mean there won't be trials or the need for sacrifices. Look around your home...is there a crucifix, statue or picture of Jesus (and one of Mary) in the part of the house where you spend the most time together? Does your family pray together? 4) <u>Do good for others as a family</u>. Many families find a way to help someone in need. The Holy Family, the greatest of all families, shows us how to live better lives in our own Christian families.

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# PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

#### <u>Offering</u>

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Loose	\$ 779.00
Adult Envelope	\$ 7,870.14
Children	\$ 124.00
Maintenance	\$ 450.00
Online Offering	\$ 2,157.00
Online Maintenance	\$ 179.00
Pre-School	\$ 125.00
Catholic University	\$ 10.00
Total Collection	\$ 12,715.87

September 22, 2024

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.stjohnglandorf.org

Heartbeat needs Baby wipes, 0-3 month plain white onesies, Enfamil formulas, Infant, Gentlease & Plant Based,

*Heartbeat Hours:* Tuesday 1-5pm and located on 1225 E. Third St. in Ottawa.

Foods Needed at the Ottawa Food Pantry: pineapple, salad dressing, jelly. Note: Monetary gifts are also welcome. (Send in care of Trinity UM Church, 137 N. Pratt, Ottawa)



#### Perpetuate the Gift

Please give in support of Our Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund. If you want to contribute, the envelopes are located in the back vestibules. Thank you for your support!



#### 2024 GRAND-orf Club

Drawing and coffee & donuts by Craig and Kristin Duling will be **Oct 13th in the Parish Center Cafeteia.** Extra tickets are in the racks in the church vestibules.

#### CONSECRATION OF THE ELECTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mary Immaculate, living tabernacle of the Divinity, where the eternal Wisdom lies hidden to be adored and served by angels and men; Queen of heaven and of earth, beneath whose sway are subject all things that are lower than God; Patroness of the United States of America, sorrowful and mindful of our own sinfulness and the sins of our nation,

sorrowful and mindful of our own sinfulness and the sins of our nation, we come to thee, our refuge and hope.

Knowing that our country cannot be saved by our own works, and mindful of how much our nation has departed from the ways of thy Son, we humbly ask that thou wouldst turn thine eyes upon our country to bring about its conversion.

We consecrate to thee the integrity of the upcoming election and its outcome, so that what is spiritually and morally best for the citizens of our country may be accomplished, and that all of those who are elected would govern according to the spiritual and moral principles which will

bring our nation into conformity with the teachings of thy Son. Give grace to the citizens of this land so that they will choose leaders according to the Sacred Heart of thy Son, that His glory may be made manifest, lest we be given the leaders we deserve.

Trusting in the providential care of God the Father and thy maternal care, we have perfect confidence that thou will take care of us and will not leave us forsaken. O Mary Immaculate, pray for us. Amen.



#### Please Include them in your prayers

#### OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of our faithful departed . Our sincere sympathy is extended to their families, relatives, friends & neighbors of ....

Katie Jones

#### WEDDING BANN

I Devon Warnecke, of this parish, daughter of Wade & Tracy Warnecke & Brandon Meyer, of this parish, son of Doug & Lynn Meyer

#### NEWLY WEDDED Richard & Samantha (Freeman) Knowlton

#### NEWLY BAPTIZED

Addison Kate Imm, daughter of Cory & Morgan Imm Kade O'Riley Brubaker, son of Riley & Madyson Brubaker



#### CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

Lee and Diane Recker

#### Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us The past 20 years

Dolores T Recker 9/29/01 Mary Christine Chia 9/29/15 Karen S Fortman 9/30/13 Richard J Heckman 10/1/06 Richard F Birkemeier 10/2/23 Daniel Stechschulte 10/3/12 Joseph A Karl Jr 10/4/14 Alice J Palte 10/5/21

# PRAY FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

## PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY September 29, 2024

#### A VOCATION MUST BE NURTURED

For a lifetime, not just until ordination or the taking of vows. You can help nurture the vocations of priests by praying, listening, and expressing appreciation. A life of service needs support from those served.

Please honor Priests, especially Fr. Matt on this special day.



A Prayer for Vocations

God, who chose the apostles to make disciples of all nations and who by baptism and confirmation have called us to build up your Holy Church, we implore you to choose among us, your children, many priests and religious who will love you with their whole hearts and will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved by all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Sucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday, 6:30pm-8:15pm

• First Friday, October 4th 1:00pm - 4:00pm. Benediction starting at 4:00pm Sign-up sheet is available on the radiator back in church or sign up on line using the following link <u>https://rb.gy/r5zd69</u>

First Saturday, October 5th and 6th

After 4:30pm Mass until 8:00am on Sunday morning.

Sign-up sheet is available on the radiator back in church or sign up on line using the following link <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4EAAAB2BA7F85-51435468-adoration#/">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4EAAAB2BA7F85-51435468-adoration#/</a>

 Holy Hour, October 6th from 9:00am-10:00am. Benediction starting at 9:55am. Theme will be on Mary. 1st 20 minutes will be a guided meditation. The meditation will be located at the exits of Church.

We would like at least two people signed up for each hour. If you can't make it to church to sign in, please call Katie Verhoff 480-236-7305.

Come and spend time with our lord.







# SONday FUN DAY & AROUND THE PARISH



If anyone is interested in making baked goods for the Baked Goods Wheel. There is a sign up sheet in the back of Church.

On October 6, 2024, please drop off your dessert in the parish center cafeteria from 10:00am - 11:30am.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



COAST TO COAST ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY

COME SAY THE ROSARY IN THE MARIAN SHRINE ACROSS THE STREET FROM ST. JOHN'S CHURCH OCTOBER 6, 2024, 4:00PM

IF IT RAINS JOIN US IN CHURCH

SONDAY Fun Day is over at 3:30. Bring the Family, a Rosary, a chair or blanket, and let's pray for our Country. God wants to hear from Us!

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14



# SONday Fun Day

# WE'RE EXCITED TO GIVE YOU A PEEK AT SOME OF THE AMAZING THEMED BASKETS YOU COULD WIN!



























#### BLESSING FOR YOUR PETS OCTOBER 5, 2024 AT NOON IN FRONT OF THE PARISH CENTER BY THE SIGN. FOR THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, FR. MATT WILL BLESS YOUR PETS!





PLEASE JOIN THE 2024 FATIMA PUBLIC ROSARYII <u>12:00 Noon October 12, 2024</u> St John's Glandorf Church - At the Shrine -(Bring a lawn chair if you wish to sit and pray – If the weather is uncomfortable we will go in the church) Please Call Sandl Glanz: 419-969-4260 with questions.



**AROUND THE PARISH** 

Our Lady of Fatima Oct. 13, <u>1917</u> marked the last Marian apparition in Fátima and the day on which thousands of people bore witness to the miracle of the dancing sun — a miracle that shattered the prevalent belief at the time that God was no longer relevant. This year is the 107 Anniversary of Fatima.

Our very own Fatima Statue will be in St. John's Church. Gaturday October 12, 8:30am till 8:00pm. Gunday October 13, 7:00am till 8:00pm.

COME! Pray for Our Families, Our Communities, Our Nation, & Our World. Spend time in Prayer as a Family or Individually. Mary hears our Prayers!

Into packets and prayer books will be available to use an/or take home.

We would like to invite all the adult women of St. John the Baptist Glandorf to a <u>Welcome Retreat</u> Weekend!

Begins on Saturday November 16 @ 8am & ends on Sunday November 17 @ 4pm.

The <u>Welcome</u> experience helps people discover what is missing in their lives and what to do about.

Welcome is an experience that helps teach you how to draw closer to Jesus Christ.

Free to attend. Meals provided. Casual dress. This is not an overnight retreat.

#### What are the benefits of going on a WELCOME

**<u>RETREAT?</u>** You will find the answer to four important questions: Who am I? What am I here for? What matters most? What matters least?

Use the QR code to sign up or call Amy Owens with questions. 419-615-8024

Be who God

meant you to be

and you will set

the world on fire!" Saint Catherine

of Siena





ALTAR ROSARY BINGO & BAKE SALE

> SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024 1:00PM PARISH CENTER GYM

OVER 100 DOOR PRIZES & 50/50 DRAWING

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS (WOMEN OF THE PARISH 18 YEARS AND OLDER) ARE ASKED TO DONATE TWO BAKED ITEMS OR \$5

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# AROUND THE PARISH



Attention ALL MEN!!!! Join us on for That Man Is You (TMIY) Saturday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 6-7:30am in the Cafeteria or Wednesday, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7-8:30pm in room 22.

For more information, contact Mike Karhoff @ mbkarhoff@bright.net, 419-796-0763

TMIY "APOSTLES OF THE NEW SPRINGTIME" - The Ascension (Mysteries of the Rosary - Glorious Mysteries) (Sat. 10/5, Wed. 10/9) (session 4)

Presenter: Mark Hartfiel: New Era in the Church, Jesus is at the Father's Right Hand, A Place is Prepared for us, We are Not Orphans, Heaven is Our Ultimate Destiny. John 14:3-6, John 20:17, Acts 1:9-11.

#### **CLC MEMBERS**

Tuesday, October 1, 20234 6:00pm in the Parish Center Cafeteria. Soup & Salad, meeting & Cards to follow. Bring a friend or neighbor !



#### SOULCORE BODY MIND SOUL

Join Chris Schroeder, with Restore 23, to nourish body, mind & soul with a prayer experience that combines the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching and functional movement. \*No fitness level, age or experience required.\*

> Suggested donation: \$10/session Registration required Call/text Chris at #419-230-2953 to sign-up

Thursdays, Oct. 17 & 24; Nov. 7 & 14 7:45 - 8:45 PM Glandorf St. John's Parish Center Cafeteria

## ST. JOHN'S 2025 PARISH PICTORIAL To Order additional Parish Pictorials

If you had your family picture taken by Universal Church SCAN ME TO Directories you will receive a free St. John's Parish Pictorial. If SIGN UP you submitted a family photo you will need to purchase a St. John's Parish Pictorial. If you would like additional copies of St

John's Parish Pictorial then you will need to order them. The cost for St. John's Parish Pictorial is \$25.00 per copy. Payment is due, when you pick up your additional Parish Pictorials from the office. We will publish in the bulletin when the additional copies will be available for pick up. You will have one month to pick up the books you requested. After this period. we cannot guarantee that the books will still be available. Please make arrangements to collect your books or call the office to make special arrangements when the time comes.

If you ordered an additional Parish Pictorial at the appointment or called the office before o8/25/2024, we already added you to the list. If you want to confirm or have questions call the office.

OR CLICK THE LINK https://form.jotform.com/242345304164146



Newsletters are available in the back of Church.



contact Brad Rump by phone/text at 419-722-9437 or by e-mail at brump@ustires.org or go to the website at www.crosscatholic.org/box-of-joy/. This is a great way to get your children and grandchildren involved in gift giving to the Poorest of the Poor.

# YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT

2ND GRADE PARENTS

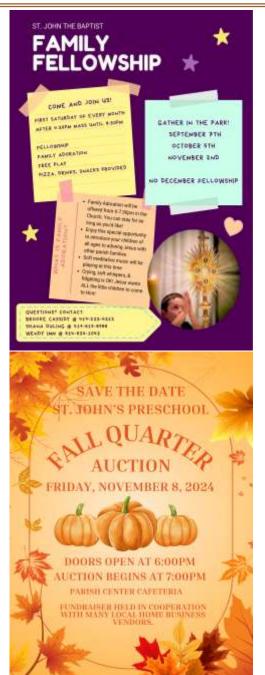
## IST RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH AT 6:30PM. IN THE PARISH CENTER CAFETERIA

# WOND KURNES

High School CCD Reminder

No high school CCD next week, Wednesday, October 2nd.



Confirmation Candidates

Please pray for our Confirmation Candidates as they continue to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on November 3rd. Let us pray that their hearts are softened and open to allow all the grace God wishes to bestow upon them so that they may become true disciples of Christ and living witnesses of His infinite goodness. Come Holy Spirit!

Isaac Ansley H Logan Birkemeier H Gavin Bockrath Kya Bogart H Ella Brady Cole Carrera Alaina Duling Maci Ellerbrock Owen Ellerbrock Owen Ellerbrock Trey Ellerbrock Will Evans Brooke Felkey Claire Haselman

Hudson Heitmeyer Brynn Hohenbrink Grant Kaufman Whitney Kaufman Knox Kidd Jonathan Klear Lydia Lammers Mason McKee Mattilyn Maag Riley Maag Chase Meyer Emmit Miller Megan Miller

er Lee Moening k Alayna Okuley Alexis Parys n Caleb Pulfer Easton Rader Carson Recker Megan Recker Chloe Schey Caleb Schroeder Ella Schroeder Kamryn Schroeder Wyatt Schroeder

Zachary Schroeder Ayvrie Schulte Landon Stechschulte Maddox Stechschulte Breyson Trombley Clare Turnwald Calista Vennekotter Collin Verhoff Mallory Verhoff Mya Wagner Lauren Weis Ty Wrasman

Come Holy Spirit!



# AROUND THE AREA



#### Exciting News, Father Matt is thinking about going!

Join with Missionaries of the Precious Blood their Companions and friends on an eight day pilgrimage to Rome and the Italian towns that are an important part of our history as we celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope, June 28-July 5, 2025.

For more information or to register go to

https://petersway.com/1250.html



# Putnam County Right to Life



Putnam County Right to Life will be meeting on Tuesday, October 1 at 7:30 pm in Kalida St. Michael's Church basement. All are welcome.



October 2024

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge Chairman, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

We are living in an exciting time of revival. Our National Eucharistic Congress, and the Eucharistic processions that led to it, involved hundreds of thousands of Catholics who will never be the same. The revival continues, and is so needed, especially in our efforts to defend human life.

Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist, gives us the fullness of life. He calls each of us to respect that gift of life in every human person. While we live in a society that offen rejects those who are weak, fragile, or vulnerable, they are the most in need of our care and protection. Pope Francis reminds us that "every child who, rather than being born, is condemned unjustly to being aborted, bears the face of Jesus Christ, bears the face of the Lord, who even before he was bern, and then just after birth, experienced the world's rejection."

The law and millions of our brothers and sisters have yet to recognize this reality. We thankfully no longer live under the regime of Roe v. Wade. and our elected officials are now empowered to reduce or end abortion. But what we now see is that fifty years of virtually unlimited abortion has tragically created a national mindset where many Americans have become comfortable with some amount of abortion. This allows the abortion industry to continue to provide any amount of abortion. Given this challenge, the U.S. bishops have affirmed that, while it is important to address all the ways in which human life is threatened, "abortion remains our pre-eminent priority as it directly attacks our most vulnerable brothers and sisters, destroying more than a million lives each year in our country alone."

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In a tragic way, abortion has become the preemiment priority for others as well. We see many politicians celebrating the destruction of preborn children, and protecting access to abortion, even up until the moment of birth. Few leaders are standing up to limit the harm of chemical abortion (abortion pills) to mothers and children, which is now the most common form of abortion. And heading into the November elections, as many as ten states face gravely evil ballot initiatives that woold enshrine abortion in their state constitutions.

Pope St. John Paul II's words resonate today: "we are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the 'culture of death' and the 'culture of life' ... we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life."<sup>6</sup>

And so we need a revival of prayer and action:

 We must renew our commitment to work for the legal protection of every human life, frum conception to natural death, and to vote for candidates who will defend the life and dignity of the human person.



October is Respect Life Month and you're invited to an Open House at regional pregnancy resource center, Heartbeat of Lima, on Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup> from 11am-2pm at the Cable Road location. Come see the life-affirming education programs, health services, and abortion-alternatives they provide across our region. You can also join pregnancy centers and Catholics nationwide by praying a novena for the protection of human life from conception to natural death from October 22nd through the 30th.

Heartbeat of Lima is seeking a caring Christian for full-time Administrative Assistant at this exciting, growing, and impactful ministry. The ideal candidate would be excellent at multi-tasking and have a welcoming and loving Christian disposition toward customer service and visitors. The position will focus on reception duties, scheduling, document organization & creation, social media posting & collaboration, and providing project support to directors. This position is full-time and on-site at our Lima office. Visit <u>support.heartbeatoflima.org</u> or their facebook page for the full job description and application instructions.

- We must call for policies that assist women and their children in need, while also continuing to help mothers in our own communities through local pregnancy help centers and our nationwide, parish-based initiative, Walking with Mome in Nerd.
- We must likewise continue to extend the hand of compassion to all who are suffering from participation in abortion, through the Church's abortion healing ministries like Project Rachel Ministry.
- Most importantly, we must rededicate ourselves to fervent prayer on behalf of life.

I invite all Catholics to join me in a concerted effort of prayer between now and our national elections, by daily praying our Respect Life Month "Prayer for Life to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament":

Josus, you came that we might have lifeand have it in abundance. Together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you form us in our mothers' wombs and call as to love you for all eternity. As your most precious gift of human life is attacked, draw us ever closer to your Real Presence in the Eucharist. Dispel the darkness of the culture of death, for you are the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it. By the power of your Eucharistic Presence, kelp as to defend the life of every human person at every stage. Transform our hearts to protect and cherish all whose lives are most vulnerable. For you are God, forever and ever. Ansen.



Through the graces of this revival, may we witness, work, and vote so that all children in the womb will be protected in law and welcomed in kive, and that all mothers and families will be strengthened by our support and accompaniment.

For information on October Respect Life Month, visit https://www.respectfile.org/.

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# Dignity of the Human Person



n their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the Catholic bishops of the United States identify the four main principles of the Church's social teaching and apply them to some concrete issues. This is not to tell the faithful for whom or against whom to vote, but instead to help them form their consciences in accordance with God's truth as they approach this oftenchallenging decision. The four main principles are the Dignity of the Human Person, the Common Good, Solidarity, and Subsidiarity. They are all interrelated. This bulletin focuses on the Dignity of the Human Person, and the other three principles are covered in three other bulletins in this series. -+

Because each human person is created in the image and likeness of God, each one of us possesses innate and inviolable human dignity. This dignity is present in each person from the moment of their conception and throughout their lives. As Pope Francis has emphasized, human dignity is central to building a society in which we are "brothers and sisters all."

"The dignity of the human person is the foundation for a moral vision of society."



Providing Education on the CREIGHTON MODEL Fertility Care™ System to Empower Women and Couples to UNDERSTAND, MAINTAIN, and APPRECIATE their Health and Fertility <u>in a way that is cooperative with our Catholic</u> <u>faith</u>. Contact Wendy Imm, BSN CFCP for more information at 614-634-1043 or divinegracefertilitycare@gmail.com Every human being has the right to live with dignity and to develop integrally; this fundamental right cannot be denied by any country. People have this right even if they are unproductive, or were born with or developed limitations. This does not detract from their great dignity as human persons, a dignity based not on circumstances but on the intrinsic worth of their being. Unless this basic principle is upheld, there will be no future either for fraternity or for the survival of humanity.<sup>2</sup>

#### Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, no. 107

The dignity of the human person is the foundation for a moral vision of society. As we seek to imitate the Good Samaritan and become neighbor to all, we must work to protect the dignity of all, especially those who are most vulnerable.

As we engage in the public square with a wellformed conscience;

We work to protect the most vulnerable—children in the womb who are in danger of abortion—while also standing in radical solidarity with mothers.<sup>3</sup> Building on their bond of flesh and kinship, and on the network of family, neighbor, and community relationships in which they are situated, the Church actively assists mothers and their children to have a brighter future.



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- We continue to protect the dignity of our sister or brother who is elderly, disabled, or ill by strongly rejecting euthanasia and assisted suicide. These practices are symptoms of a "throw-away culture," in which children of God of inestimable worth are cast aside as worthless.<sup>4</sup>
- Likewise, we must recognize the inherent dignity of the migrant and refugee. In our country now, that means comprehensive immigration reform that offers a path to citizenship, treats immigrant workers fairly, prevents the separation of families, maintains the integrity of our borders, respects the rule of law, and addresses the factors that compel people to leave their own countries.
- We support the dignity of the person, created male or female; therefore, we oppose a gender ideology that fails to recognize the difference and reciprocity between man and woman.<sup>5</sup>
- Racism attacks the dignity of the human person by denying that we are all equally made in the image of God, so we must overcome racism in our hearts as well as in our systems and institutions.<sup>6</sup>
- We continue to seek reform of the criminal justice system and to end the use of the death penalty. We support common sense measures to reduce gun violence.<sup>7</sup>
- Finally, we seek to prevent and remedy any aspects of an "economy of exclusion,"<sup>6</sup> which "does not hesitate to exploit, discard, and even kill human beings,"<sup>9</sup> and to work instead toward an "economy of communion" rooted in ethical concern.<sup>10</sup>

"Social friendship and universal fraternity" Pope Francis writes, "necessarily call for an acknowledgement of *the worth of every human person*, always and everywhere."<sup>11</sup> Through our political participation, our accompaniment of those in need, and the witness of our daily lives, may we support the worth of every person, created in God's image.

This bulletin insert along with five others was approved by the body of U.S. bishops in November 2023. Find this and more complementary resources at www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

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1 Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti (On Fraternity and Social Friendship), no. 8. 2 Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, no. 107. See also: Pope Benedict XVI, Caritas in Veritate (Charity in Truth), no. 45. 3 USCCB, "Letter and Policy Recommendations Supporting Women and Children," October 26, 2022. 4 St. John Paul II, Evangelium Vitae (The Gospel of Life), nos. 8, 15, 18, 23, 94. See also: Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti nos. 18-21. 5 Pope Francis, Amoris Laeritia (The Joy of Love), no. 56. 6 United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love, 3-8. 7 Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, nos. 263-270. See also: Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, no. 84. 8 Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium (Joy of the Gospel), no. 53. 9 Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, no. 22. 10 Pope Benedict XVI, Caritas in Veritate, nos. 45-47. 11 Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, no. 106.



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Guardian Angels

On October 2nd we celebrate the feast STOP! of the Guardian Angels. Did you You KNOW know that God has an angel STERUNG specially looking after you? Is A God gave you a guardian angel to help guard you against

temptation and danger.

Angels are pure spirits. Even though we draw them like people with wings, they don't have bodies, so they don't take up space. They can see and understand much more than we can, and they know God much better than we do, too. They are very powerful and can help us very much.

We should try to talk to our Guardian Angel every day. Thank your angel for looking after you, and ask him to keep protecting you from evil. Here is a good prayer you can say every day:

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, Ever this day be at my side to light, to guard, to rule and guide. From sinful state O keep me free, and at death's hour my helper be. Amen.

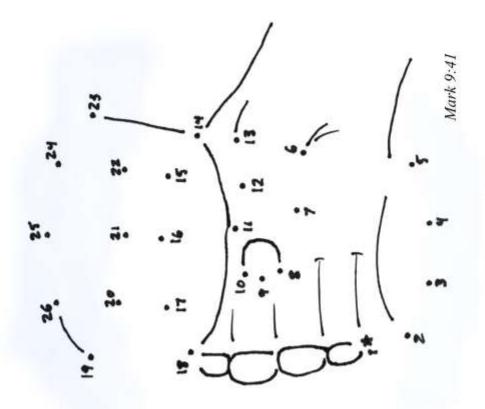
Answer to Word-Find: (It is better) to suffer than to sin.

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What is it? Connect the dots to find out! Jesus says in today's Gospel reading that anyone who gives one to someone for His sake will receive their just reward.

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