

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 PALM SUNDAY PASSION OF THE LORD

† **MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE** †

MONDAY, APRIL 6

8:00 AM Earl Swetland (AN), Brian Wasserman, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

TUESDAY, APRIL 7

8:00 AM Alberta Utrup, For the Poor Souls, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

8:00 AM Agnes Sehlhorst, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

THURSDAY, APRIL 9 OUR LORD'S SUPPER

7:00 PM L/D Joe Karl Family, Poor Souls, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19 - **Closed to public**

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 10 PASSION OF OUR LORD

12:00 PM Rosary

1:15 PM Passion of Our Lord – Divine Mercy - **Closed to public**

Divine Mercy Chaplet following the service

4:00 PM Confessions – rectory garage drive-thru (stay in your car)

No Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 11

8:00 AM Confessions – rectory garage drive-thru (stay in your car)

9:00 AM Decorate Church 11:00am Church open

12:00 PM Rosary

2:30 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet

8:00 PM For the Parish Easter Vigil Mass – **Closed to public**

SUNDAY, APRIL 12 THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

8:00 AM For the Parish - **Closed to public**

12:00 PM Rosary

2:30 PM Divine Merch Chaplet

Mass at Sat. 4:30pm, Sun. 10:30 & 6:30pm Cancelled – Mass intentions will be at 8:00am on Sunday for these Masses.

Are you willing to stay with Jesus/with others through difficult times? Pray for the strength to endure hardships. (Matthew 27: 11-54)

For countries that suffer from war, oppression, and poverty, may dedicated missionaries help to alleviate the suffering, we pray

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 12 Acts 10: 34a, 37-43; Col. 3: 1-4; Jn. 20: 1-9

From the Desk of Fr. Tony

Today we remember Jesus going into Jerusalem on a donkey. Jesus comes into Jerusalem meek and mild. He does not come on a war horse. Horses are majestic and stately. Jesus comes into Jerusalem on a beast of burden, a donkey. This tells much about Christ's personality and what he expects from his followers. Jesus is not narcissistic but humble. This humble Jesus comes into Jerusalem and he is greeted with much fan fare but soon this same crowd will turn on him and yell for his crucifixion. How quickly we turn on Christ. It is not just the people in today's gospel but you and me also. You may say, "I never turned on Christ." But each time we give into sin, we turn our backs to Christ. Each time we give into fear, we turn on Christ. Jesus is the source of all life.

I know that some of you have watched Mel Gibson's movie the "Passion." I encourage you to watch it alone. If you want to watch it as a family that is good also but watching it alone makes Christ's passion very personal.

Now we begin Holy Week. I will remember this Holy Week the rest of my life. (Continued on next column)

Being bored and alone is a type of suffering. This is difficult for you and me because we are used to going and doing things all the time. To slow down and have no tasks to do is a type of suffering. Christ is calling you and me into a deeper relationship with him. Let us go to the foot of the cross and ponder and meditate on the crucifix. Look at Christ's Precious Blood. See his agony. Look at his wounds. Let us read the book of the crucifix this week.

God bless you all. Fr. Tony

Remember Those Who Have Gone Before Us-April 5 - 11

Steven T Ellerbrock 4/5/85	Charles P Maenle 4/8/82
Beatrice L Inkrott 4/5/17	Elmer Jerwers 4/8/92
Dorothy Hovest 4/5/19	Sharon Steyer 4/8/03
Earle M Swetland 4/6/15	Claire Marie Wrasman 4/8/08



Please cut out and post on your front door.

As the Hebrews put the blood of unblemished lambs on the door post to protect them from the angel of the death, the church is asking us to put His water and blood on our entry doors. This picture signifies the water & blood coming from Jesus' side and how much we need His mercy.

Jesus, I trust in you!

Note from Fr. Tony

I will be having Mass once each day at 8:00am including Saturday & Sunday. The Mass intentions for the day will be offered. The Saturday 4:30pm Mass Intentions will be said on the Sunday Morning Mass at 8:00. The church will be locked until 9:00am Monday thru Saturday. No one may attend these Masses. Please stay home and watch on TV Glandorf Cable Channel 3. Or if you don't have Glandorf cable please watch other Masses on EWTN or Toledo stations.

The church will be open for individual prayer HOLY WEEK

Monday thru Thursday - 9:00am – 5:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY – Closed all Day

HOLY SATURDAY - 11:00am – 3:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY - closed all day

The north handicapped door will be the only door unlocked. **Please also exit through that door when you leave.**

On the weekends there will be bulletins available at handicapped door only

Please do not enter the sanctuary area. You may go to Blessed Virgin & St. Joseph's Shrines to light votive lights if you wish.

Please remember the rules to stay at least 6 feet from each other, if you have any symptoms of sickness (flu, cold or any other sickness) please do not (do not) go to church. Please stay home and pray. Stay safe and keep others safe. The church will be disinfected.

All of the area Penance Services have been cancelled.

Fr. Tony will be having **confessions on GOOD FRIDAY AT 4:00pm: - THE LIGHT IS ON and HOLY SATURDAY, Apr. 11 – 8:00am: THE LIGHT IS ON.** Or you may call him for an appointment at 419-890-6012. He will be having drive-thru confessions.

He will be located on the south side (in the first bay) in the rectory garage. Please drive in on the out-going lane of the rectory driveway. Drive up to the first bay (do not get out of your car) if you have a cell phone please call Fr. Tony's cell 419-890-6012 for him to hear your confession. If you don't have a cell phone please roll down your window. If you have others in your car please have them get out of the car and walk away from the car until you are finished. If they wish to go to confession please get out of the car, step away (give the next person the cell phone, get in the car and close the door). Continue until all have gone to confession. When finished please go out the south drive (which is usually the in-coming lane). For Confessions only we will make this change in the driveway.

Please continue to listen to the news and check your e-mails for updates on practices here in the parish. If we all work together we will make it through the terrible pandemic. Jesus, Mary & Joseph please keep us all safe.

Fr. Tony Fortman, C.P.P.S.

"It is not so much what Jesus suffered as it is the love that he demonstrated in his suffering for us that obliges us and even forces us to love him in return." St. Gaspar del Bufalo

Adult Faith Information

Jeanette Schroeder - Coordinator

Diana Meyer, Jeanne Schram, Marlene Kleman, Deacon Don and Elaine Inkrott

Join us for an 8-week Parish Study during Lent

LECTIO: MARY (The Bible and the Mother of God)

that draws on the book

"JESUS and the JEWISH ROOTS of MARY"

Is cancelled for now

To Create a new FORMED account

1. Visit [FORMED.org](https://www.formed.org)
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
4. Find your parish by name, zip, or parish code 7MJPM6
5. Enter your email - and you're in!

Already have a FORMED account

1. Visit [FORMED.org](https://www.formed.org)
 2. Click Sign In
 3. Enter your email
 4. Click the link sent to your email
 5. You're in! No more passwords
- Have questions? Call 419-890-3724

Next Women of Grace will be at a later date.

The family of Sharon & Elmer Meyer, Abby & Derek Blake would like to thank all of you for your prayers that were lifted up for their family during the unexpected loss of their little Levi Ronald Blake. They ask that you remember to hug your loved ones, we never know if it will be the last time. Our prayers remain with all of you!

BANNIS: I & II Dana Rosselit of this parish, daughter of Kim & Lori Rosselit & Brad Racer of this parish, son of David & Lisa Racer.

DID YOU KNOW?

Maxine Karl will celebrate her 83rd birthday on April 10th
Betty Recker will celebrate her 85th birthday on April 11th

Kathleen Roof will celebrate her 80th birthday on April 10th
HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAXINE, KATHLEEN & BETTY!

2020 DIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL: Our parish goal this year is \$39,000 pledged \$17,054.58. The Theme is *“On Course With Christ - Gratitude · Prayer · Service”* Hopefully, you received your envelope in the mail. If you don't receive one there are extra envelopes in the racks back in church. Thanks! To learn more about the appeal visit: www.Toledodiocese.org/ACA
God bless you all, Fr. Tony

RCIA CLASSES: Cancelled - Please keep Quinten Wessel in prayer as he enters into this next phase. Quinten, our prayers are with you!

TMIY Cancelled

C.L. OF C. NEWS: The Good Friday Bake Sale is cancelled and the 50-50 drawing will be held at a later date.

Ottawa Glandorf High School Dinner Theater has been cancelled

Ottawa K of C will not be having their Fish Fry on Friday nights anymore.

Altar Rosary Mother/Daughter/Women Banquet has been cancelled

Grade School CCD Information

Diane Utrup, Elementary Coordinator stjohnsreled@bright.net.

Jr. High CCD Information

Message from Mindy Recker for Jr. High Coordinator email at stjohnsjrhighccd@gmail.com

High School CCD Information

Message from Ruth Gerding Coordinator of High School CCD:

e-mail me at stjohnshsccd@gmail.com

Colleen Halker Youth Director colleen_halker@yahoo.com

Ohio Bishops Continue Suspension of All Publicly Celebrated Masses Through May 3, 2020.
Glandorf St. John's First Holy Communion is postponed until a later date.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS today, Sun., Apr. 5, 1:00pm, in the church. Not open to the public. Please watch on Glandorf Cable channel 3.

THIS WEEK IS HOLY WEEK – Triduum There will be a 7:00pm Mass on Holy Thursday, 1:15pm Passion of our Lord on Good Friday, 8:00pm Easter Vigil on Saturday, and 8:00am Mass on Easter Sunday. **All Masses/Services are closed to the public. Please watch on Glandorf Cable Channel 3.**

CONFESSIONS: Fr. Tony will have confessions on **GOOD FRIDAY AT 4:00pm, And HOLY SATURDAY, Apr. 11 – 8:00am.** Please read his note in the second column on procedure for confession for rectory garage drive-thru.

Our Seminarian, Eric Kaufman, is home. He will have Adoration and night prayers Monday thru Thursday from 7:00 – 8:00pm in church. Not opened to the public. Please watch on Glandorf Cable Channel 3.

FERVORINO - The cruel death of Jesus tells us bad things can and do happen to very good people. It also tells us God is present during the suffering. Bad things happen but God does not abandon us.

2020 Glandorf, St. John's VBS Update

Due to the current pandemic and government restrictions, our vacation bible school committee has paused our preparations. After Easter, we'll decide if we can hold it this year, but would likely be moved to AUGUST 3rd-6th. If we're able to go forward we'll reopen registration. Because the rectory is currently closed, please hold onto registration forms for now so we don't have to worry about refunds if it doesn't happen... If you have already turned it in, we will keep it until a decision has been made. Thanks for your understanding. Keep praying!

2020 PICTORIAL DIRECTORY – We received word from Life Touch that they are temporarily closed because of the Covid-19. They will be back in office around June. Our books will be delayed until possibly the end of summer. Just so you are aware!

APRIL GRANDorf Drawing (two chances each month to win \$500) will be today, Sun., Apr. 5. The Coffee & Donuts is cancelled for the month of April. Next drawing Sun., May 10.

After discussion, the Benning Scholarship will not be offered to this year's seniors.

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 5 – The blessing of palms will be at the 8:00am Mass. The church will be locked all day on Sunday. Please stop by on Monday thru Thursday to pick up your palms at **The north handicapped door which will be the only door unlocked. Please also exit through that door when you leave.**

On the weekends there will be bulletins available at handicapped door only.

No ministers needed for this Mass. Please stay home and watch Glandorf Channel 3.

Alms Giving – to take the place of our food drive this year you may put a monetary gift in a plain envelope mark it “FOOD PANTRY” and we will see that they get it. Either mail it to Box 48, Glandorf or drop it in the mail slot on the rectory southside walk-thru door.

Observance of Palm Sunday 2020 – Bishop Thomas:

The celebrations of these most holy days of the church year require a pastoral attentiveness so that the saving events commemorated are carried out with faith and devotion and the faithful have access to them in whatever way is possible. All possible electronic and spiritual resources are to be made available to the faithful to enter into these days which commemorate the greatest mysteries of our redemption.

In general:

- There will be no public celebrations of Palm Sunday and of the Sacred Paschal Triduum. The faithful should be strongly encouraged to view or listen to a livestream/broadcast of these liturgies and make a spiritual communion.

- A very limited number of ministers (a server, a lector, organist) who are considered necessary to exercise a particular role may be present, provided that their health is not compromised and they give their consent and proper social distancing is practiced. However, there is to be no congregation present.

If there are no necessary ministers present, the priest celebrant is to adapt the following guidelines according to his circumstances.

- We all need to be aware that ecclesial or governmental restrictions may be altered at any moment and prudent judgement will need to prevail when celebrating these most sacred liturgies with the upmost reverence and decorum.

For the Masses/Services between now and Easter Sunday the ministers/servers/ushers scheduled for each Mass will not be needed since we have a locked church during this time. Thank you for your patience! Our prayers are with all of you to stay safe!

Men's Society Election of Officers -postponed until later date.

If you are interested in the Sept. 2020 pilgrimage to Greece and the Greek Isles with Fr Tony, there are only **5 spots left**. Please visit www.pilgrimages.com/frfortman to sign up and to view an itinerary. If you have questions, or need assistance in signing up, please call Cheryl Kersh at 419.890.8565 or email cherylkersh@gmail.com.

An Act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Pope Francis's Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen. *(Adapted from [Vatican News](#).)*

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS Sun., May 17, 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in **room 15** in parish center presented by Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling St. John's 419-538-6928. Stop by rectory to pick up your book. **Next class–Sept 20, 2019.**

CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION 2020-2021- Looking for a preschool with kindergarten readiness AND a Catholic faith curriculum? Glandorf St. John's Catholic Preschool registration sessions **are postponed until a later date**. Registration forms are available in the church literature racks, St. John's Website, or by contacting the preschool at 419 538 6264. 2 day, 3 day and **NEW 5 day sessions** are available!

Ottawa-Glandorf Schools Kindergarten Screening and Parent Orientation has been postponed until a later date.

Mustard Seed Gift Shop- is closed until the pandemic is over. Keep praying!

Brenda Maag 419-235-3106

Julie Barlage 419-303-5366

STEWARDSHIP

March 29TH Collection

Adults \$ Auto Electronic Giving \$1,026.00
Loose \$ Children \$ Total: \$1,026.00

Heartbeat needs size 4 & 5 diapers & boys/girls 3–6 month winter clothes

Thanks for sharing your treasure, time, & talent with your
St. John's parish family! We are most grateful!



APRIL 5, 2020 PALM SUNDAY

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

GLANDORF, OHIO

St. George Deanery

Missionaries of the Precious Blood

REV. TONY FORTMAN, C.P.P.S.

Pastor

BR. JERRY SCHWIETERMAN, C.P.P.S.

Pastoral Minister

DEACON DONALD INKROTT

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Coordinator of Grade School K-5 Religious Education

MINDY RECKER

Coordinator of Jr Hi 6-8 Religious Education

RUTH GERDING

Coordinator of High School Religious Education

COLLEEN HALKER

Youth Director

LORI RUMP

Pre-School Administrator/Lead Teacher

DANIEL ELLERBROCK

Music Director/Organist

JOE SCHROEDER

Maintenance

MARK KAUFMAN – Parish Center

LOUIE HALKER – Church

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JEFF GERDING

Cemetery Caretaker-Manager

BRENDA RECKER

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REGISTRATION New members should register as soon as possible. Moving out? - please inform the rectory.

INTERESTED IN SERVING YOUR PARISH? If you are interested in becoming a Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Usher or in any other way please call the rectory 419-538-6928.

PARENT SESSIONS are required by the Toledo Diocese for Infant Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist, and First Penance.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS – the classes for 2020 will be Sundays, May 17th, and Sept. 20th, from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in room 15, in the parish center - presented by Deacon Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling rectory.

ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY at Noon on First Fridays of the month.

WEDDINGS The Toledo Diocese requests all dates be set at the rectory at least 6 months in advance. **Pre-Marriage Class required.** Parties who recently joined our parish who do not live within our parish boundaries, or who do not belong to a family already registered in the parish; need to be aware that we cannot schedule a wedding date until six months after the time of registration. The normal six month preparation period would apply from that point. Normally only parishioners and those related to our parishioners marry here. Any other person needs prior permission of his/her pastor.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS The Diocese of Toledo has a marriage preparation class, entitled "A Joy-Filled Marriage." This is a mandatory, two-day class. St. John's class will be November 7 & 8, 2020.

DO YOU HAVE YOUR LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT COMPLETED? DID YOU REMEMBER YOUR PARISH, ST. JOHN'S?

SACRAMENTAL RECONCILIATION: PENANCE Saturdays 8:30am & 4:00pm.

Br. Jerry's address: Br. Jerry Schulte, C.PP.S., St. Charles Center, 2860 US Route 127 Rm 107, Celina, OH 45822

For high school CCD perfect attendance - in order to receive the \$50 award for **perfect attendance** at the end of your senior year you must attend every CCD class on time and the entire class with no excuses except attending a parish sponsored event.

DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS – All 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 CYO HIGH SCHOOL & PUTNAM COUNTY GRADE SCHOOL BOY'S & GIRL'S SPORTING TEAMS ANNOUNCEMENT: 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 (which is not an excused absence) you will be sitting out one game.—**To play CYO sports, the following are the only excused absences from CCD: sickness, death in family, college visitation day, parish sponsored event, sport tournament games only with O-G athletes/fans involved, and work (up to 3 missed CCD classes due to work).** After the third absence due to work, the player is not permitted to play in a game until he/she returns to CCD class. All other reasons are unexcused. Parents, if your child is sick, please call his/her teacher/leader before class. If necessary, the Parish Council will review attendance or unexcused absence issues on an individual basis. We kindly ask the cooperation of all concerned as we implement this church policy for the good of our parish. (Fr. Tony— pastor & Brenda Recker – Council Pres.)