

ADVENT - ANGEL TREE

Our tree is set up at the main entrance of the church. If you would like to help this year, please take an **angel ornament** from the tree, purchase the baby item written on it and then put it in the box near the tree. These items will be donated to *Heartbeat*, an organization that helps new mothers and fathers. The **baby bottles** are also located by the tree. If you would like to make a *monetary donation* to *Heartbeat*, take a bottle home and read the information on the bottle. Please return the filled bottle to the Heartbeat box that is located by the tree any Sunday before Christmas. *You could also put any monetary donations in a labeled envelope and put it in the collection basket.* Thank you for helping babies during this time when we remember Baby Jesus' birth.



Please pass the word that the Heartbeat Pregnancy Center in Ottawa is now open. It is located at 1225 East Third Street.

The hours are on Mondays 10:00-1:00 and Wednesdays 1:00-4:00.

Please call 419-523-1150 for appointments.

THE HEARTBEAT PREGNANCY CENTER PUTNAM COUNTY IS OPEN!

Mondays 10:00-1:00 and Wednesdays 1:00-4:00

These hours will be extended as needed

**We are located at 1225 E. Third Street,
Ottawa, Ohio**

We provide a confidential setting for the women and men that are in our center.

We offer free pregnancy testing

Ultrasounds (at our Lima office)

Parenting Programs- Cherished Hearts and The Fatherhood Program.

Incentive points are earned through our programs. The points can be used in our boutique to purchase much needed items for your children, such as diapers, formula, clothing, shoes, toys

We are here to help with children up to age three

Appointments needed - Please call 419 523-1150



Heartbeat Pregnancy Center does not charge for any of the items or services that are provided!

DECEMBER 1, 2019 First Sunday of Advent

† MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE †

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

8:00 AM Poor Souls
10:00 AM Funeral – Kenneth Kleman

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3 St Francis Xavier

8:00 AM Vesting
8:40 AM Grace Suever
4:00 PM Penance Service – Lector – Mary Ellen Klear
7:00 PM Penance Service – Lector – Jay Rump

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4 St. John Damascene

8:00 AM Tom Siebeneck, Leonard & Rosemary Kuhlman
6:00 PM Eleanor & Lavern Hermiller
6:30-8:30 PM Adoration

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

8:40 AM Thomas & Mary Margaret Bockrath

FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6 St. Nicholas

6:00 AM Religious Freedom
8:00 AM Mass in Thanksgiving, Mark Offerle
12:00 PM Rosary
1:00 – 4:00pm Adoration followed by Benediction

FIRST SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 St. Ambrose

8:00 AM World Peace
4:30 PM L/D George Kuhbander Family, L/D Alberta & Leander Moening Family, L/D Edmund & Dolores Schroeder Family,
Virgil & Mary Lammers, Craig Evers, Kenny Meyer

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM L/D Mel Nienberg Family, Esther (Rooney) Trombley, L/D Ken Schortgen Family, Gene & Paul Weis, Rita M. Maag,
Kenneth Kleman
10:30 AM Ken Ellerbrock (AN), L/D Harold Kaufman Family, Richard Coressel, Hannelore Verhoff
6:30 PM Daryl Hunt (AN)

If you know of anyone who cannot attend Mass on Sundays and would like communion brought to them please call the rectory.

Stay awake! The Lord is coming. Be ready! (Matthew 24:37-44)

That during this time of Advent we will discover the presence of God in many ways, we pray.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY Dec 8 Is 11:1-10 Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12

**From the
Desk of
Fr. Tony**

**DECEMBER 1
First Sunday of Advent**

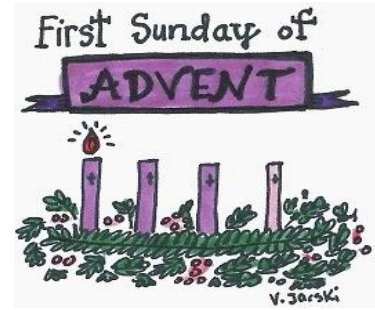
Today we begin the first Sunday of Advent. There are two themes that keep being repeated during this season, we need to be ready for Jesus' return or our own death. Both are going to happen but we do not know when. Is Jesus mean because he does not give us a heads up on our death date or his second coming? Jesus just tells us to be ready. If you are not ready then you will be in a difficult situation. Jesus is warning us if we do not follow his commands.

I can remember when my parents warned my brother and me about our behavior. If we did not behave my brother and I had to pay the consequences. One time my family went down to Florida. My dad's aunt lived down there. My parents warned my brother and I if we did not behave in front of my dad's aunt and uncle, my parents would shave our heads. That made me take notice.

Jesus says today, "Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come. Jesus is telling us or warning us that he will judge us according to our Christian walk. We need to be ready. I know that some Christian churches believe the "Left behind series." That God takes his chosen people up to heaven and the rest are left behind on earth to suffer. This is called the rapture. They believe this will happen at Jesus' second coming. As Catholics we believe the opposite, we want to be left behind. Catholics do not believe in the rapture. Catholics believe when Jesus comes again heaven will be connected to earth. Those who are left behind on earth will experience this peace.

Allow this Advent Season to prepare you for Jesus' second coming or your own death. Take time to read the gospels, pray the rosary, and Precious Blood Chaplet. Don't take it to easy, put yourself out there to serve others. You will not regret being proactive in prayer and service. God bless you all. Fr. Tony Fortman

WELCOMING RCIA – today, Sunday, The First Sunday of Advent at the 10:30am Mass we welcome into our Church Community our RCIA Candidate **Quinton Wessel who will be brought into the Church at the Easter Vigil.** Please continue to keep these RCIA members in your prayers.



WEEKDAY SERVERS: Mon. 8:00 am: Gary Recker, Pat Inkrott; Tue. 8:40 am: Students; Wed. 8:00 am: Mike Siefker, Jerry Hanneman; Wed. 6:00 pm: Diane Utrup, Tim Lehman; Thu. 8:40 am: Students; Fri. 6:00 am: Jeff Schram, Joe Schroeder; Fri. 8:00am: Ken & Paula Elchinger; Sat. 8:00am: Dylan Siefker, Owen Schumaker, Landyn Schulte, Ben Schroeder

WEDNESDAY 6:00pm Lector – Kathy Schmitz

NEXT SUNDAY – December 8

SUNDAY SERVERS: Sat. 4:30 PM: Chase Faber, Kayleigh Halker, Emma Hoffman, Grace Hoffman;
Sun. 8:00 am: Anthony Kahle Dylan Leopold Tyler Leopold, Brad Maag; Sun. 10:30 am: Cy Rump, Sam Schroeder, Mathew Schroeder
Ashlyn Siefker; Sun. 6:30 am: Garrett Schroeder, Chloe Schroeder, Mitchel Schroeder, Lauren K. Siefker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:30 Diane Recker
Lee Recker

8:00 Thomas Schmitz
Gretchen Schmitz

10:30 Sue Bellman
Edna Nienberg Choir Cliff Schroeder

LECTORS

Kim Rieman
Kathy Schmitz

Diane Nienberg
Jill Siefker

Janet Schroeder
Doug Karhoff

Tim Hansen
Mary Rose Ellerbrock

6:30 **Matt Meyerhoffer, Rachel Recker**
Kathleen Roof, Marge Nienberg

New 6:30 pm Mass Minister Schedule has been e-mailed out.

SUNDAY GIFT BEARERS: Sat. 4:30 pm: Robert & Sandy Verhoff Family; Sun. 8:00 am: Greg & Loreen Ruhe Family;
Sun. 10:30 am: Mark W & Ann Ellerbrock Family

DECEMBER SUNDAY USHERS: Sat. 4:30 pm: Nicholas Lehman, Bruce Schroeder; Sun. 8:00 am: Brian Inkrott, Gary Moening;
Sun. 10:30 am: Barry Maag, Ken Horstman; Sun. 6:30 pm: Tony Maag

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 7

VIDEOGRAPHER: 4:30 pm: Will Schroeder

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Rick & Jane Williams

DECEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Shirley & Oscar Schnipke, Diane Nienberg, Connie & Don Dehnart, Jo Ann Schroeder, Jim Recker

FAMILIES TO LIGHT ADVENT WREATH BEFORE MASS: next **Sat., Dec. 7, 4:30pm:** Tim & Sarah Faber Family; **Sun., Dec. 8, 8:00am,** Greg & Tricia Brinkman family; **10:30 AM –** Brian & Audrey Benning family.

We are still in need of 2 families for Dec. 15, 8:00 AM & December 21, 4:30pm.

Please call 419-538-6928 or e-mail stjohns@bright.net!

Thank you to all who so graciously volunteered to light the Advent Wreath!

Thank you to our cafeteria & outdoor Christmas decorating crews! We had a great turnout! You did a fabulous job in short order! Thank you very much for making our St. John's cafeteria & parish grounds beautiful for the coming of Baby Jesus! God bless you all!

Advent Angel Tree and baby bottles for Heartbeat: Our parish will be participating in this project again this year. Look for the tree this weekend and insert in the bulletin!

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROLING TO SHUT-INS by Parish Council/Finance Committee members on Wed., Dec. 4, 6:30 pm., meet in the rectory garage. Family members and parishioners are welcome.

DECEMBER 1, 2019 First Sunday of Advent

FERVORINO - *Jesus advises: "Stay awake, watch out, and pray for the strength to hold your ground" when "fearful and bewildering signs" appear threatening your family. Resist being "fearful;" fear cripples! Instead "pray for the strength" to be courageous.*

RCIA CLASSES Monday, December 2, 6:00 – 7:30pm in cafeteria.

Topic: Sacraments/Explanation of the Immaculate Conception Holyday - These sessions are open to all interested persons – those wishing to become a Catholic and for Catholics who wish to up-date themselves. We welcome you. If you are interested please call the rectory 419-538-6928 to sign up. Today, Sunday – Rite of Acceptance at 10:30 Mass.

SPECIAL-K CCD CLASS – Wed., Dec. 4, 6:00pm.

"Practice humility always, and may it be your delight."

St. Gaspar del Bufalo

Adult Faith Information

Jeanette Schroeder - Coordinator
Diana Meyer, Jeanne Schram, Marlene Kleman, Deacon Don and Elaine Inkrott

Advent by Candlelight Presents

Mary Beth Weisenburger speaking on
“Mary, Elizabeth and Friends:
The Art (and Science) of Accompaniment”
Tonight Sunday, Dec. 1st @ 7:00pm
in St. John’s Parish Center
All **WOMEN** are invited

If you would still like to come.
Please contact/text Jeanette @ 419-890-3724 or
email jmschroeder51@gmail.com

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Next Women of Grace will be Thurs., Dec. 5, from 9:30 – 11:00am.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THE FIRST SATURDAY, after 4:30 Mass until 8:00 on Sunday mornings. Saturday/Sunday, Dec. 7th/8th. Sign-up sheet is available on the radiator back in church this week. 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

BANNES: I **Madison Stechschulte** of Sts. Peter & Paul, Ottawa, daughter of Stephen & Michelle Stechschulte and **Wyatt Karhoff** of this parish, son of Michael & Becky Karhoff
II **Leah Buchhop** of this parish, daughter of David & Sandra Diehl and **Kyle Maag** of this parish, son of Kevin & Pamela Maag

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISH FAMILY:

Cory & Emily (Schnipke) Fischer; Nathan & Megan (Schroeder) Ellerbrock and their children Nora & Nolan.



HOME TO GOD: Please remember in your Masses and prayers the souls of **Richard Coressel, Hannelore Verhoff, Kenneth Kleman & Rita M. Maag**. Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Laura Coressel** on the death of her loving husband, Richard; to **Greg Verhoff** on the death of his loving mother Hannelore; to **Betty, Joe, Kevin, Amy Kleman** on the death of their loved one, Ken; and to **Kevin & Brad Maag** on the death of their loving mother, Rita.

DID YOU KNOW?

Lucille Knueven will celebrate her 93rd birthday on December 4
Karl Ellerbrock will celebrate his 82nd birthday on December 7
Donald Stechschulte will celebrate his 81st birthday on December 7
HAPPY BIRTHDAY LUCILLE, KARL & DONALD

Grade School CCD Information

Message from Diane Utrup, Elementary Coordinator (Grades K-5), contact me at 419-538-6335 or stjohnsreled@bright.net.

Jr. High CCD Information

Message from Mindy Recker for Jr. High Coordinator (Grades 6-8), please call 419-538-6897 or email at stjohnsjrhighccd@gmail.com

High School CCD Information

Message from Ruth Gerding Coordinator of High School CCD: If you have any questions or need to get a hold of me, please call 419-538-6897 or e-mail me at stjohnshsccd@gmail.com Thanks!

High school CCD Wed., Dec. 4, 7:00pm. See you there!

Wednesday Adoration will be from 6:30 to 8:30.

Message from Colleen Halker Youth Director

HURRY! We have some spots left. If you didn't already, please schedule your portrait setting on one of the following dates. We would like 100% participation! The following dates are open to schedule: December 16th & 18th. Thank you very much!

Just so you are aware the background for your photo will be TAN.

If you wish to submit a family picture please do so by December 10th. Please drop off at rectory or e-mail to stjohns@bright.net . If you e-mail please call to let us know so we make sure we received your photo.

Family Photo entrance to the parish center will be on the back northeast side of parish center (Brockman St) enter through the door to the old science room entrance and follow the signs.

To schedule your appointment, please go on our parish website www.stjohnglandorf.org and click on the link:

<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/yrdxmbng/>

If you have any questions about scheduling your appointment please call Karen Lammers at 419-233-3035

2020 PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY COMMITTEE:

Chairlady – Karen Lammers

Marcia Kleman, Mary Ellen Klear, Betty Schroeder, Josie Duling, Stacy Meyer, Sue Duling & Chris Kahle. Family photos to be taken Nov.- Dec. 2019

NOTICE – Church will be locked at **5:00pm** during the week unless there is a scheduled event going on in church.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS Sun., Jan. 5, 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in Room 15 in the parish center presented by Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling St. John's Rectory 419-538-6928. Stop by rectory to pick up your book. **Next class will be May 17, 2020.**

Christmas Eve 4:00pm Mass for Students in grades 6-12 are invited to join! We will be having practice Mon., Dec. 2nd & 9th, 6:30 – 8:00pm in church. Any questions please call Jeannie Verhoff 419-538-6255 or text @ 419-236-0996. All are welcome! Thank you! Hope to see you!

CLC/ALTAR ROSARY CHRISTMAS PARTY -Wed., Dec. 4, **6:00** in the parish center cafeteria.

Families needed for the **Lighting of the Advent Wreath** for Sunday Mass during Advent - **We are still in need of volunteers for** Dec. 15, 8:00 AM & December 21, 4:30pm. If you are interested, please call the rectory 419-538-6928.

FIRST FRIDAY, DEC. 6, 6:00 AM & 8:00 AM Mass, Novena, & Divine Mercy. **12:00 (Noon) Rosary. 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Public Adoration of the Eucharist closing with Benediction at 4:00pm.** Come and pray for the needs of our Church!

FIRST SATURDAY, DEC. 7, 8:00 AM Mass with confession following. Remember the all-day rosary. If you need a sub for praying the rosary, there is a list of subs back on the bulletin board in the center vestibule.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IS NOT A HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION This feast day will be observed on Mon., Dec. 9 since Dec. 8 is the First Sunday of Advent. For those who wish to attend Mass Fr. Tony will have 8:00am & 4:30pm on Monday for the Immaculate Conception.

Mustard Seed Gift Shop- Hours: Tues, Thurs, & Fri. 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Wed 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Sat 8:00 a.m. - 1:00pm
Store 419-538-7220 Brenda Maag 419-235-3106 Julie Barlage 419-303-5366

Soulcore: There will be **NO** December session. Classes will resume on Sat. Jan. 4th at 6:30 am in the Performing Arts Center studio in Glandorf Parish Center. I apologize for any inconvenience. Any questions, please feel free to contact Chris Schroeder at 419-230-2953.

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.

PENANCE SERVICES IN THE OFFING: Glandorf – Tue., Dec. 3, 4:00 & 7:00pm; Miller City – Wed., Dec. 4, 7:00 pm; Leipsic – Thur., Dec. 5, 7:00pm; Ottoville - Sun., Dec. 8, 2:00 p.m.; Kalida – Tue., Dec. 10, 4:00 & 7:00 pm; Ft. Jennings - Wed., Dec. 11, 7:00 pm; Columbus Grove – Thurs., Dec. 12, 7:00pm; Ottawa - Mon., Dec. 16, 4:00 & 7:00 pm.

New Lector Workbooks for 2020 Liturgical Year which begins the First Sunday of Advent, Dec. 1st are available in the server's sacristy. Please stop to pick yours up after any Mass. Thank you!

TMIY "THE FIGHT OF FAITH", YEAR 7, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 6AM-730AM in the cafeteria
WEEK 12- THE BATTLE AGAINST DICTATORSHIP OF NOICE

- . SPEAKER: JOHN SABLAN
- . DEAFENING NOISE
- . SILENCE IS WHAT A MAN NEEDS
- . MAN DEFINED IN SILENCE
- . THE FRUIT OF SILENCE
- . INTO GREAT SILENCE
- . MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH GOD

SPIRIT & SONG GROUP PRACTICE on Tue., Dec. 10, 7:00 – 8:15 for the 4:30pm Mass on Dec. 14.



TICKETS for 2020 GRAND-orf Club will be mailed out this week. Please watch for them! For **\$12 per ticket** you will have **two chances each month to win \$500**. During the Holidays you may have ample opportunities to sell those tickets. Let's do our best inviting others, too, to share in the potential for benefits of our GRAND-orf Club Raffle. Extra tickets will be in the racks in the church vestibules. Thank you very much. **The last 2019 drawing is next Sunday, December 8 cafeteria.**

"NEEDY FAMILIES" Since this is the time for thanksgiving and giving we would like to help our needy families. If you know of a needy family who would like to be included in the parish "Needy Families Collection" please call the rectory. Thank you!

Trinity United Methodist Christmas School Sign-up. All preschool children (at least age 3 and toilet-trained) of the Ottawa-Glandorf area are invited to attend Ecumenical Christmas School December 2-6, 2019. There is a \$10 registration fee. Forms are back in the racks in the church vestibules. Adult volunteers both young and old are always needed - contact Nancy McBride-419-523-4698 or Becky Leader-419-969-0981.

Remember Those Who Have Gone Before Us-Dec 1-7

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| Carolyn S Schmursal 12/1/18 | Lucille Sager 12/5/98 |
| Martin Westrick 12/2/01 | Stephen J Molnar 12/5/99 |
| Lucy P Rieman 12/2/04 | Theresa Schroeder 12/6/96 |
| Omer Meyer 12/3/98 | John (Jack) Nienberg 12/6/01 |
| Gerald Utrup 12/3/18 | Walter H Schweller 12/6/07 |
| Lawrence H Birkemeier 12/5/82 | Kenneth H Ellerbrock 12/6/16 |
| Leo Jerwers 12/5/93 | Kenneth B Eversole 12/7/80 |

The Sorrowful Mother Shrine will have First Sunday Afternoon Devotions today, Sunday, December 1, 2019 at 2:30 pm. We will be doing the Christmas Stations. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Christmas Stations of the Cross, Benediction and Final Blessing with the Relic of the True Cross. Sorrowful Mother Shrine, 4106 State Route 269, Bellevue, Ohio 44811. Call 419-483-3435 x 101 for more information. Handicap/Wheelchair accessible.

Holiday Bazaar & Bake Sale on December 4th & 5th, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Sponsored by The Ottawa Senior Citizens Association, Inc., 1035 East Third Street, Ottawa. Lunch served from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM **Wednesday the 4th menu:** Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, B-B-Q pork Sandwich, Hot Dogs - plain or southern style, Brats Sandwich, Homemade desserts and Drinks

Thursday the 5th menu: Potato Soup, Egg Salad Sandwich, Hot Dogs - plain or southern style, Brats Sandwich, Homemade Desserts and Drinks

STEWARDSHIP

November 24th Collection

Adults \$5,975.00 Auto Electronic Giving \$1,026.00

Loose \$1,133.00 Children \$134.93 Total: \$8,268.93

November 17th – Adults/Children \$1,719.00 Loose \$436.00

Heartbeat needs size 4 & 5 diapers

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



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

GLANDORF, OHIO

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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, Jan. 5th, 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 2- 3, 2019.

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.P.P.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.)