

SUNDAY DECEMBER 10, 2017 2nd Sunday of Advent

† MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE †

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11 St. Damasus

8:00 AM Poor Souls

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:40 AM Dan Stechschulte

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13 St Lucy

8:00 AM Karl Kleman

6:00 PM L/D Anna Marie & Cy Kahle Family

6:30-8:30 PM Adoration

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14 St. John of the Cross

8:40 AM Else Burgei

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

6:00 AM Religious Freedom

8:00 AM L/D Charles Siefker Family, John Yaufman (AN)

1:00-4:00PM Adoration followed by Benediction

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

8:00 AM Leonard & Rosemary Kuhlman

8:30 AM Confessions

4:30 PM George Kuhbander, Nellie (AN), Richard, John & Charlie Maag, Hazel & Roy Leap, L/D Gilbert & Sally Morman Family, Margaret & Alberta Morman, Jacob M. Schroeder, Carl Stechschulte, Vicki Verhoff, L/D Virgil & Mary Recker Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17 3rd Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Donald S. Recker, Lorene Fuerst (AN)

10:30 AM L/D Floyd & LaDonna Meyer Family, Ray & Rita Flaute, Ted & L/D Don & Mildred Hermiller Family, Deb Cavanaugh, Mary Jane Noll

5:00 PM Rosary & Benediction

6:30 PM For the Parish



Please keep our seminarian, Curtis Weisenburger in your prayers. He is studying at the Pontifical North American College in Rome. (letters/cards only):

Pontifical North American College no packages to this address

Attn: Curtis Weisenburger

00120 Vatican City State

Europe Rome Italy

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

God calls us to proclaim the Good News. How do you share that Good News? Pray for the grace to be a faith-filled witness of God's love. (Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11)

For the courage to proclaim God's Word of comfort and compassion, we pray.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY Dec 17 Is 61:1:2a, 10-11 1Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28(8)

**From the
desk of
Fr. Tony**

**2nd Sunday of Advent
DECEMBER 10, 2017**

Today we see John the Baptist telling the people, "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." John the Baptist was very humble. He knew his place when it came to preparing the way for Christ. John knew that he was to set the scene for Christ's ministry. John would proclaim this Messiah to the world and the world would never

be the same when Christ began his ministry.

John's ministry was very important. You can say that he was the opening act for a bigger band. Jesus was the main attraction and John did all he could to build Christ up. Remember John the Baptist confronting King Herod and telling King Herod that it was inappropriate for him to marry his sister-in-law. John was getting the world ready for Christ's expectations. John proclaimed a baptism of repentance and many people did repent of their sins. We to are called to prepare the way for Christ. Please make an effort to go to confession during this advent season. Check the bulletin for times throughout the county. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

WEEKDAY SERVERS: Mon. 8:00 AM: Gene Warnecke, Ron Leopold; **Tues. 8:40 AM:** Students; **Wed. 8:00 AM:** Elton Schroeder & Jeanette Schroeder; **Wed. 6:00PM** Mary Ellen Halker, Roger Schroeder; **Thurs.8:40 AM:** Students; **Fri. 6AM:** Jeff Schram, Joe Schroeder; **Fri. 8:00AM** Ken & Paula Elchinger; **Sat. 8AM:** Mason Welch, Megan Welch, Myka Aldrich, Alivia Balbaugh

WEDNESDAY 6:00PM LECTOR – Kim Rieman

NEXT SUNDAY – DEC 17

SERVERS: Sat. 4:30 PM Cory Warnecke Abby Warnecke, Austin Foppe, Kerri Ellerbrock; Sun. 8:00 AM Kristy Schneeg, Matthew Schneeg, Lindsey Schneeg, Alex Hoehn; 10:30 AM: Zachary Diemer, Tyler Recker, Sam Schroeder; 6:30 PM: Hailey Morman, Madalyn Morman, Katelyn Yoder, Dylan Leopold

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

LECTORS

4:30 Doug Deitering Diane Deitering	Sharon Meyer Cari Homan
8:00 Deb Leopold Steve Leopold	Br. Jerry Deb Schroeder
10:30 Julie Grismore Jane Moening, Choir Dennis Burgei	Diana Meyer Jay Rump
6:30 Rose Warnecke, Gene Warnecke, Joyce Giesige, Deb Schroeder	Don Giesige Dawn Giesige

COMMUNION TO MEADOWS: Karen Parker & Deb Burwell

New Lector Workbooks for 2018 Liturgical Year which begins this weekend the First Sunday of Advent, Dec. 3rd are available in the server's sacristy. Please stop to pick yours up after any Mass. Thank you!

GIFT BEARERS: Sat. 4:30 PM Tom & Kelly Nienberg Family; Sun. 8:00AM John Inkrott Family; Sun. 10:30AM Joe Recker Family

DECEMBER SUNDAY USHERS: Sat. 4:30 PM Mary Rose & Kevin Ellerbrock; Sun. 8:00 AM: Chris & Tim Hoehn; 10:30AM: Kristen & Matthew Heffner; 6:30 PM: Joe Schroeder

COUNTERS: #1

VIDEOGRAPHER: Sat. 4:30 PM: Emily Hamel

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Edna & Diane Nienberg

DECEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Shirley & Oscar Schnipke, Carolyn Tobe, Diane Nienberg, Connie & Don Dehnart, JoAnn Schroeder, Jim Recker

FAMILIES TO LIGHT ADVENT WREATH BEFORE MASS: next Sat., Dec. 16th, 4:30pm: Matt & Amber Laudick Family; Sun. 17th, 8:00am: Brent & Carole Schroeder family; 10:30am: Greg & Tricia Brinkman Family. We are still in need of volunteers for next Saturday 4:30pm to light the Advent Wreath before Mass. Please call rectory 529-6928 or e-mail stjohns@bright.net!

Parish Christmas Cards: Christmas cards, featuring snow scenes of the church and Marian shrine, can be purchased at the Mustard Seed. 10 cards for \$12. Thanks. (Liturgical Decorating Committee)

2018 ADULT CHURCH ENVELOPES: You should receive your envelopes in the mail bi-monthly. If you don't receive envelopes and want/were missed by mistake please call the rectory. **The church envelopes for High School, Special-K, & home schooled are back in church on south radiator by confessional.** The grade school will be passed out in school next week.

The Meadows of Ottawa invites the community to our 3rd Annual fundraiser today, Sunday, December 10th 11:00am-1:00pm at The Meadows of Ottawa. Donations Welcome, Live Reindeer, Mr & Mrs Claus, Face Painting, Appetizers, Prize Raffles. All proceeds benefit Putnam County Cancer Assistance Program.

"Whenever you can, look after the poor prisoners, the sick in the hospital: great blessings will be showered upon you."

St. Gaspar del Bufalo

Adult Faith Information

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

Formed.org will be coming to our parish soon! You will have unlimited digital access to a vast library of Catholic movies, ebooks, video series and audio talks. At this time Formed is offering a 7 day free trial if you want to check it out.

More details later.



HOME TO GOD: Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of **Mary Jane Noll**. Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Mary Lou Rieman & Dale Gerding** on the death of their loving sister, Mary Jane.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED IN CHRIST:

Aubrie Layne Bogart, daughter of Jesse & Gabrielle Martin; Kya Shelbie Bogart, daughter of Jesse & Gabrielle Martin
CONGRATULATIONS TO PARENTS & GODPARENTS!

DID YOU KNOW? Dorothy Duling will celebrate her 99th birthday on Dec. 16th and Alvin Unverferth will celebrate his 80th birthday on Dec 17th. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY DOROTHY and ALVIN!**

BANNIS: I **Michelle Giesswein** of this parish, daughter of Henry & Jane Kaufman and **Jeff Schroeder** of this parish, son of Andrew & Germaine Schroeder.

GOD BLESS THE NEWLY WEDDED: Mr. & Mrs. Tanner (Heather Deitering) Morris

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISH FAMILY: Bradley & Leigh (Brock) Kreinbrink and their daughter Ayla



TICKETS for 2018 GRAND-orf Club were mailed out to you. 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 gold tickets are in the racks in the church vestibules. **The December drawing along with coffee & donuts is today, Sunday, December 10 in Room 15 in the parish center.** Thank you very much.

Glandorf St. John's Capital Campaign Update: (12/4/2017)

"Sharing Our Faith, Preserving Our Heritage, Securing Our Future" Thank you for Sharing your Time, Talents, & Treasure!

Pledged: \$855,431 Paid: \$821,143: Expense- Conrad Schmitt Studios Contract paid in full: \$685,000. Additional money collected will be used for Capital Campaign projects needed. Fantastic!! Those of you who are making pledge payments please continue to do so. Thank you to all who have supported our Capital Campaign. We appreciate it greatly! Fr. Tony

GIRL'S CYO BASKETBALL: Sun., Dec 10, 3:30pm Miller City @Glandorf

BOY'S CYO BASKETBALL: Sun., Dec 10

A TEAM: 2:15pm, Miller City @Glandorf

B TEAM: 1:00pm, Kalida @Glandorf

C TEAM: 1:00pm @Ottawa 4th Street

PENANCE SERVICES IN THE OFFING: Ottoville – today, Sun., Dec. 10, 2:00 p.m.; Kalida – Tue., Dec. 12, 4:00 & 7:00 pm; Ft. Jennings - Wed., Dec. 13, 7:00 pm; Ottawa - Mon., Dec. 18, 4:00 & 7:00 pm; Columbus Grove – Tue., Dec. 19, 7:00pm.

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROLING TO SHUT-INS by Parish Council/Finance Committee members on Mon., Dec. 11, 6:00 pm., meet in the rectory garage. Family members and parishioners are welcome.

Grade School CCD Information

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION- Diane Utrup

Contact me at stjohnsreled@bright.net or in the Religious Ed Office 419-538-6335.

Food Drive for the Putnam County Food Pantry - - AWESOME job during November of donating food for the hunger here in our county. We collected a total of 2,430 items! What a blessing you have given to those in need!! Thank you so much for your generosity.

GRAND-orf Drawing – please pray about participating in this raffle, if you have not been already. All the proceeds go to the maintenance and upkeep of the Parish Center building where so many wonderful things take place, including morning CCD for your children. Look for the information packet to be coming to you in the mail. Thank you and may God bless your family and our parish family!

Jr. High & High School CCD Information

Message from DeVon Dunlap Coordinator of High School CCD: *If you have any questions or need to get a hold of me, please call the HS CCD office at 419-538-6897 or e-mail. stjohnshsccd@bright.net Thanks!*

High School Students & Parents: on Dec. 13th @ 7pm in the Parish Center. Please be to class on time for attendance. Sheriff Brian Siefker joins our CCD night, speaking on "The Heroin and Opioid Epidemic". This talk is geared specifically to both students *and* parents. The talk begins at 7:15pm in the Parish Center Gym.

This is our last class until January 3 when our new sessions begin.

God bless you and please keep our students and catechists in your prayers!

Wednesday Adoration 6:30 – 8:30 PM Adoration this week.

Message from Colleen Halker Youth Director

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: High School Winter Fun Day

Wed. Dec. 27th Time: 5 to 8pm, Place: Ottawa YMCA

Please join us for food, laughter and fun! We will be hosting a 4 vs 4 volleyball tournament! If you are planning on swimming girls must wear a t-shirt over their bathing suit if your midriff shows and no speedos for the guys please. \$10 per person.

Afterwards there is a Lock-in at St. Anthony's, Columbus Grove. Registration/medical forms will be available soon.

KADIE HEMPFLING – Youth President

INTERIOR CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATING & CRIB will be set up next Sun, Dec. 17, 1:00 PM by select crew. All are welcome! No lights will be turned on till Christmas Eve Mass. *The crib & decorations will be taken down after the Baptism of Jesus.*

Attention Men of the Parish: Have you been thinking about participating in the Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) weekend retreat but are just unsure if it's for you or have been putting it off? Why not make this the year you experience the power of the Holy Spirit at work in you? To make your reservation or learn more about this life-changing retreat to be held on January 13/14, 2018, please contact Bryan Kaufman (419-231-4809).

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!

FERVORINO – *Like John the Baptist, every parent "prepares the way of the Lord" in the hearts of their children. Advent is a good time to ask; "Do I help or hinder my children to know Jesus?"*

4:00 Christmas Eve Mass practices for students in grades 6-12 will be as follows: Tuesday Dec. 12---5:15-6:30; Thursday Dec. 14--5:15-6:30; Sat. Dec. 16---10:45am-Noon; Tues. Dec. 19--4:30--6:00. Any questions please call Jeannie Verhoff 419-538-6255

Young adults (18-39), join us on the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month at Adam Schroeder's house for food, fellowship, prayer and to learn more about our Catholic faith. Newcomers are always welcome! Find us on facebook: Putnam County Young Adult Group or Contact Adam Schroeder [419-615-9863](tel:419-615-9863) or Neil & Brooke Cassidy [419-302-4959](tel:419-302-4959) brookemariemcassidy@gmail.com

ADVENT PUBLIC ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST during Advent Fridays, (Dec. 15) 1:00 – 4:00 pm *followed by Benediction.* Make an extra effort to spend personal/family time before the Lord.

Family still needed for the *Lighting of the Advent Wreath* for Sunday Mass during Advent **Dec. 23 at 4:30pm Mass** here at St. John's. If interested, please call the rectory 419-538-6928.

PARISHIONERS IN REST HOMES WHO WOULD APPRECIATE A CHRISTMAS CARD FROM YOU: MEADOWS OF OTTAWA, 147 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa: Michael Hovest, Sally Schierloh, Pat Chamberlin, Mary Ann Hanneman, Juanita Blankemeyer, Robert Lally, Delphine Burwell, Ralph Kaufman, Doris Rosengarten, Charlie Kistler, Agnes Karhoff & Mary Lou Ricker

MEADOWS OF KALIDA, P.O. Box 388, Kalida, OH 45853: Jerry Schmitz, Ann Bockrath, Margaret Siefker, **Sandy Dulle**

MEADOWS OF LEIPSIC, 901 E. Main St., Leipsic: Harold Pothast, Mary Ellen Kuhbander & Pat Heurman

HILTY MEMORIAL, 5570 St. Rt. 12, Pandora 45877: Mary Margaret Bockrath

PUTNAM HERITAGE ASSISTED LIVING, 1380 N. Locust St, Ottawa, OH 45875: Kathryn Meyer, Rita Maas

If we missed anyone please call the rectory. Thank you!

SERVICE MEN & WOMEN we are updating our military list. Please inform the rectory 419-538-6928 of any son/daughter if they are still active/inactive/or going to be active, any change of personnel or address changes. Thank you!

NEWLY UPDATED LIST OF OUR MILITARY (AWAY FROMHOME)

Major Darek Schmiedebusch, 6314 Chaucer View Circle, Alexandria, VA 22304

Justin McFarland, 283 Twin Lakes Dr. Destin, Fl. 32541

Tyler McFarland, 116 Hightower Lane, Aberdeen NC 28315

Lois Hermiller's son: **SGT Jacob Zmyslo** 2d Maintenance BN ELMA Co/WIRE, PSC Box 20127

Camp Lejeune, NC 28542-0127

Sunday, Dec. 24 ~ Christmas Eve - Rectory offices closed

4:00 PM Vigil of Christmas Family Liturgy (led by Folk Group).

9:00 PM Mass - Choir

There will NOT be a 6:30PM Mass on Sunday the 24th

Monday, Dec. 25 ~ Christmas Day - Rectory offices closed

8:00 AM Mass - No incense (Congregational singing)

10:30 AM Mass (Choir) **Tuesday, Dec. 26 – Rectory offices closed**

Dance Aerobics will start Wednesday January 3rd at 7:30pm to 8:30pm at St. John's Parish Gym. Please bring an exercise mat & weights. This class will be every Wednesday & the cost for the class is \$3.00. The instructor is Holly Flueckiger. Any question please contacts Sandy Meyer at 419-615-8403 or Jill Karhoff at 419-615-0085.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS Sun., Jan. 14, 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in **the church basement** 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 13, 2018.**

Remember Those Who Have Gone Before Us – Dec 10-16

Dolores P Schroeder 12/10/16	Lawrence Rieman 12/13/83
Raymond J Schmitz 12/10/03	Lois Mae Hoyt 12/14/14
Veronica Borgelt 12/11/88	Kenneth Schroeder 12/14/01
John J Brinkman 12/12/14	Paul Moreno 12/15/11
Leroy A Ellerbrock 12/12/14	Felix J Gerdeman 12/15/94
Raymond Schimmoeller 12/12/83	Clara I Schroeder 12/15/89
Marcile A Schmitz 12/13/08	Shirley Marie Giesken 12/16/06
Cole Michael Foppe 12/13/98	Adelaide Tobe 12/16/87

The Missionaries of the Precious Blood will host a presentation, **“Holy Family: Migrant Family,”** at St. Charles Center on Tue. Dec. 12, at 10:30am in the Gaspar Room. The program, which will be presented by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Office of Catholic Social Action, will explore the question, “What is our responsibility to our immigrant and refugee brothers and sisters?” Presenters will look at the issue through scripture & Catholic social teaching. It is free and open to the public.

Bulletin and Parish Notification emails: If you would like to receive the bulletin and other parish notifications via email, please let us know by sending an email to stjohns@bright.net

A Wish for the New Year: The New Year is often a time of reflection, re-examining, setting goals, and looking ahead. It is the perfect time to reflect on your marriage relationship as well. If one of your goals is to deepen your love and enhance your marriage, a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend** may be just what you're looking for. The weekends are for married couples with good, great, and even so-so marriages who want to enrich their marriages, and are designed to expand and deepen the joys of married life. Weekends are a time to concentrate exclusively on one another, giving you the opportunity to enhance your communication, develop a deeper appreciation of each other and strengthen your bond. The next weekend being offered within the Diocese is scheduled for January 12-14, 2018 in Perrysburg, OH. For more information or to register for an upcoming weekend, please contact Brian & Chris Schroeder at 419-538-7210 or bcschroeder@bright.net.

The St. John's Piecemakers' Sewing Group WILL MEET on Tuesday evening, January 16th, 2018, from 7:00-9:00pm in the old Science Room. Bring your scissors, sewing machine, serger, mat boards and rotary cutters. We accept any dark cotton fabrics and dark flannel fabrics to use in the girls kits as well as gallon ziplock bags, washcloths and small soaps. Thanks for all you do to help others.

The Mustard Seed hours: Tues, Thurs and Fri open 9:00 to 5:00; Wed 12 to 8pm; Saturday 8:00am to 1:00pm. **Store 419-538-7220 Brenda Maag 419-235-3106 Julie Barlage 419-303-5366**

The Salvation Army is in need of volunteers to ring the bell at Kohls Market & Wal-Mart in Ottawa on December 15/16, 22/23. If you are interested please call LeAnn 419-303-6226 or Steve Carr 419-302-3247

Paulding Divine Mercy Parish to host Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit. A travelling exhibit of Eucharistic miracles from around the world will be on display from December 9th through December 28th at Divine Mercy Catholic Church, 315 N Main Street, Paulding OH. For more information, call the parish office at 419-399-2576. Viewing hours in the Paulding Church Basement will be Saturday December 9th from 4 to 7 p.m., Sundays from 8-6 pm, weekdays from 8am to 6 pm.

“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!

STEWARDSHIP

Adults \$8,457.00 Auto Electronic Giving \$778.00 Loose \$1,008.00 Children \$135.39 Total: \$10,378.39
Nov. 26th - \$871.00

Heartbeat supplies needed: wipes and diapers. Heartbeat box is located in south vestibule of church.

The OTTAWA FOOD PANTRY Monetary donations are always welcome.

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



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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 – Classes are from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, The 2018 dates are January 14, in church basement, May 13 & September 9, in room 15, in the parish center - presented by Deacon Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling rectory.

ROSARY & BENEDICTION 5:00pm every third Sunday 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 4-5, 2017

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.

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 & Jeff Ellerbrock – Council Pres.)