

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16 3rd Sunday of Advent

‡ **MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE** ‡

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17

8:00 AM Rita & Ray Flaute

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18

8:00 AM Vesting 1st Grade

8:40 AM Poor Souls

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19

8:00 AM Sally Schierloh

6:00 PM L/D Val & Mary Korte Family, L/D Wilbert J & Ardella Niese Family

6:30 – 7:30 PM ADORATION

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20

8:40 AM Eileen Kindle

FRIDAY DECEMBER 21 St. Peter Canisius

6:00 AM Religious Freedom

8:00 AM L/D Arnold & Henrietta Landwehr Family

1:00 – 4:00 PM Adoration followed by Benedictions

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22

8:00 AM Mary Jane Smith (AN)

8:30 AM Confessions

4:30 PM L/D Eileen Schroeder Family, Dennis Hermiller (AN), Joyce Smith,

L/D Ruth Ann Stechschulte Family, L/D Cleo Schroeder Family, Norm & Donna Recker Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23 4th Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Tim Bockrath, Esther (Rooney) Trombley, Norm Birkemeyer, Mass in Thanksgiving

10:30 AM L/D Tom Balbaugh Family, L/D Cletus & Josephine Bockey Family, Lynn Schroeder, Sally Schierloh,

L/D James Buddelmeyer (AN) Family, Jay Gerding, L/D Ron Dickman Family, Cecilia Inkrott

6:30 PM Parish



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

“What ought we to do?” Let joy and gladness show forth in you. You are called to be the presence of Jesus. (Luke 3:10-18)

For those discerning a vocation to priesthood or the consecrated life, that they may be inspired by the joyful witness of those who are already dedicating their lives to God, we pray:

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - December 23 Mi 5:1-4 Heb 10:5-10 Lk 1:39-45

**From the
Desk of
Fr. Tony**

**3rd Sunday of Advent
DECEMBER 16, 2018**

In today's gospel John the Baptist is telling the people how to live. John tells the people to share their cloaks with each other, to share their food with each other. John told the tax collectors not to collect more money than prescribed. John told the soldiers not to practice extortion and not to falsely accuse anyone and to be satisfied with their wage. John's teaching was very much Christ like and many people thought that John the Baptist might be the Messiah.

John the Baptist tells the people that he is not the Christ. John says that he is not worthy to loosen the thongs of Jesus' sandals. John tells the people that one mightier than he is coming into the world. Jesus is the mighty one whom John is referring to. You can say that John the Baptist is the junior varsity and Jesus is the varsity. John the Baptist had a baptism of repentance and Jesus had a ministry of the word, healing, and total self-sacrifice. We will hear later that John will call Jesus, "The lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world." Please take time to go to confession this week if you have not done so. Let the Messiah heal and restore your soul for his coming. The best gift you can receive this Christmas is God's mercy, which brings wholeness, healing, and peace. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

INTERIOR CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATING & CRIB - will be setup, Sunday, December 23, at 1pm - by the special crew. Take down of Interior decorations/crib will be Sun., Jan. 13, at 1pm by the special crew.

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

4:00 PM Vigil of Christmas Family Liturgy (led by Children's Choir).

9:00 PM Mass - Choir

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

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

10:30 AM Mass (Choir) **Wednesday, Dec. 26 thru 28 – Rectory closed**

WEEKDAY SERVERS: Mon. 8:00am: Gary Recker, Pat Inkrott; **Tues. 8:40am:** Students; **Wed. 8:00am:** Mike Siefker, Jerry Hanneman;

Wed. 6:00pm: Diane Utrup, Tim Lehman; **Thurs. 8:40am:** Students; **Fri. 6:00am:** Jeff Schram, Joe Schroeder; **Fri. 8:00am:** Hayden

Kaufman, Faith Kehres, Abbygail Klass, Austin Koch; **Sat. 8:00am:** Peyton Kuhlman, Kylee Lehman, Carson Leopold, Ross Maag

WEDNESDAY 6:00pm Mass Lector: Chris Schroeder

NEXT SUNDAY December 23

SUNDAY SERVERS: **Sat. 4:30pm:** Genevieve Bennett, Isabella Bennett, Jaden Lehman, Emma Siefker; **Sun. 8:00am:** Nathan Maag, Emma Schmiedebusch, Addy Schmiedebusch, Connor Haselman; **Sun. 10:30am:** Jeramy Hermiller, Owen Kidd, Dylan Pester, Noah Utrup; **Sun. 6:30pm:** Abigail Hadding, Grace Hoffman, Logan Clark, Will Kaufman

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:30 Dan Siefker
Judy Siefker

8:00 Jean Bialecki
Linda Klass

10:30 Rose Warnecke
Gene Warnecke Choir – Jason Miller

6:30 Susan Schmitz, Teresa Duling
Bonnie Schroeder, Lori Schroeder

LECTORS

Ginnie Riepenhoff
Mary Rose Ellerbrock

Connie Cassidy
Sharon Meyer

Tim Hansen
Jeanne Schram

Nicole Ruhe
Greg Ruhe

SUNDAY GIFT BEARERS: **Sat. 4:30 pm:** Ken Hanneman Family; **Sun. 8:00 am:** Mike & Judy Niese; **Sun. 10:30am:** Ken Kaufman Family

DECEMBER SUNDAY USHERS: **Sat. 4:30 pm:** Don & Ginnie Riepenhoff; **Sun. 8:00 am:** Joe Riepenhoff, Jeff Duling; **Sun. 10:30 am:** Don & Joyce Giesige; **Sun. 6:30 pm:** Chris Hoehn

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 2

VIDEOGRAPHER –Sat. 4:30pm– Kristen Ellerbrock

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Cliff & Janet Schroeder

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

SUNDAY 6:30PM USHER SCHEDULES WERE E-MAILED OUT. Please check the whole schedule some of you may have to usher more than once for a 6:30pm Mass during 2019. Thank you so much for doing this for Fr. Tony and your St. John's Parish Family.

FAMILIES TO LIGHT ADVENT WREATH BEFORE MASS: next Sat., Dec. 22, 4:30pm: Sara & Duane Siefker Family; Sun. 23rd, 8:00am: Kurt & Nicole Ruhe Family; 10:30am: **need a family.** We are still in need of one family next weekend at the 10:30 Mass to light the Advent Wreath before Mass. Please call rectory 419-538-6928 or e-mail stjohns@bright.net!

RCIA - Interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Whether you've been Catholic all your life or curious about possibly becoming Catholic, please contact DeVon Dunlap to sign up: 419-538-6897 or stjohnshsccd@bright.net **Mon., Dec 17, 6:00-7:30pm,** **Topic: A Walk through the Mass: Exploring the Sacred Liturgy**

Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima - Marie Strauer is in charge of our parish's Pilgrim Virgin Statue, please call **419-538-6930** to reserve a week to have Our Lady come to your home.

Br. Jerry's address: Br. Jerry Schulte, C.P.P.S., St. Charles Center, 2860 US Route 127 Rm 207, Celina, OH 45822.

"Cultivate the virtue of humility, a virtue which I greatly urge you to develop." St. Gaspar del Bufalo

Adult Faith Information

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

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TICKETS for 2019 GRAND-orf Club were mailed out to all. 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 are in the racks in the church vestibules.

Thank you very much.

DECEMBER & 2018 GRANDorf winners were Nicole Siefker & Karen Lammers. Congratulations! **The other 2018 winners:** Mary Behrns, Dale & Deb Evers, Brandon Schroeder, Don Riepenhoff, Kelly Schmitz, Gina Riepenhoff, Lisa Meyer, Deb Schroeder, Jeff Schram, Paul & Marlene Kleman, Mary Behrns, Don Dehnart, Don Stechschulte, Leon Utrup, Lindsey Siefker, Lindsay Karhoff, Noah Utrup, Mary Siefker, Bill Goecke, Rev. Nathan Bockrath, Jeff Schnipke, Noah Utrup. **The next drawing will be January 13 the Baptism of our Lord with the new 2019 tickets along with the Outreach Breakfast in cafeteria! To be included in the Jan. 13 drawing, please return your tickets by Jan. 7.**

2019 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 are back in church on south radiator by confessional.** The grade school will be passed out in school this week.

Thank you to our indoor rectory Christmas decorating crew! The rectory looks fantastic! God bless you all!

Happy Advent! Merry Christmas!

DID YOU KNOW?

Dorothy Duling will celebrate her 100th birthday on December 16th; **Alvin Unverferth** will celebrate his 81st birthday on December 17th; **Melvin Hedrick** will celebrate his 80th birthday on December 18th; **Hannelore Verhoff** will celebrate her 88th birthday on December 22nd; **Jeanette Heckman** will celebrate her 89th birthday on December 24th; **Donald Jostpille** will celebrate his 86th birthday on December 25th; **HAPPY BIRTHDAY DOROTHY, ALVIN, MELVIN, HANNELORE, JEANETTE & DONALD!**



HOME TO GOD: Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of **Dr. Ronald Fessler**. Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Linda Brinkman** on the death of her loving father, Ronald.

PENANCE SERVICE: Ottawa - Mon., Dec. 17, 4:00 & 7:00 pm.

Grade School CCD Information

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION- Diane Utrup

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

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. You should have received the information packet in the mail. Thank you and may God bless your family and our parish family!

Special K – next class time is Wed, Dec. 19 at 6pm

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!

Next High school CCD class will be on January 9th, 2019. Have a Merry Christmas!

Wednesday Adoration this week 6:30 – 7:30pm. until January 9th.

Message from Colleen Halker Youth Director

Happy Advent and Merry Christmas to all!

Youth President - **ALLISON SIEFKER**

GIRL'S CYO BASKETBALL: today, Sun., Dec.16, 1:00pm @Glandorf with Miller City

BOY'S CYO BASKETBALL: today, Sun., Dec 16, **A TEAM:** 2:15pm @Glandorf with St. Charles;

B1 TEAM: 1:00pm @Ottoville; **B2 TEAM:** 3:30am @Glandorf with Ottawa

A Family is needed for the *Lighting of the Advent Wreath* for Sunday Mass during Advent **Dec. 23, 10:30** here at St. John's. If you are interested, please call the rectory 419-538-6928. Thank you!

Practice for the Christmas Eve 4:00 Mass for students is:

Monday Dec. 17 4:30-6:00pm

Wed., Dec. 19 7:30-8:45pm

Sat., Dec. 22 11:30am-1:00pm

Yes, you are still able to join us in singing at this Holy Mass! Any questions please call Jeannie Verhoff 419/538-6255

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!

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROLING TO SHUT-INS by Parish Council/Finance Committee members on Tue., Dec. 18, 6:00 pm., meet in the rectory garage. Family members and parishioners are welcome.

ADVENT PUBLIC ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST during Advent Friday, (Dec. 21) 1:00 – 4:00 pm *followed by Benediction.*

Remember Those Who Have Gone Before Us –Dec 16-22

Shirley Marie Giesken 12/16/06	Edward M Bockrath 12/19/86
Adelaide Tobe 12/16/87	Jodi L Kaufman 12/19/85
Martha Maag 12/17/96	Florence Doepker 12/20/96
Gertrude Stechschulte 12/18/05	George Hoffman 12/21/96
Elmer Karhoff 12/18/01	Mary D Maag 12/21/88
Irene Gerdeman 12/18/97	Ralph Weber 12/21/87
Emma C Sommers 12/18/82	James E Buddelmeyer 12/22/17
Ronald B Dickman 12/19/03	Dennis E Hermiller 12/22/16
Caspar Schmenk 12/19/91	Anna M Kuhlman 12/22/99
Mary A Korte 12/19/89	

FERVORINO - *Are you the one who will give guidance to the children in your life or must they look to TV sitcoms, films, videos and music lyrics for direction? Are you the one? Will you be the one?*

Glandorf Lions Club is collecting eye glasses and has a box in the back of church by the main middle doors on a card table if people would like to donate their old glasses.

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church Blood Drive- Wednesday, December 26, 2018, 12:00pm to 6:00pm, Cafeteria, 320 North Locust St, Ottawa. For an appointment, please call the Putnam County ARC office at 419-523-4810 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: STSPETER&PAUL

Retrouvaille- Is your marriage going down the right road... or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based and catholic origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get our relationship back on track. For more information about our January 25-27th Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: Robin & Jeff @419-481-1116 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE WHO BID AND WON THE RESERVED SEATING FOR OUR CHRISTMAS MASSES AT OUR ST. BONIFEST SILENT AUCTION: ***CHRISTMAS EVE 4:00PM-*** Amber Laudick – 1st Pew on St. Joseph Side & Parking Spot; Kristen Gerding-Heffner – 3rd Pew of St. Joseph Side & Parking Spot; Sharon Verhoff – 3rd Pew of Blessed Virgin Side & Parking Spot. ***CHRISTMAS EVE 9:00PM-*** Cheryl Schimmoeller– 1st Pew on St. Joseph Side & Parking Spot; Brian Bennett – 3rd Pew of Blessed Virgin Side & Parking Spot; Lynne Dulle – 1st Pew gallery on St. Joseph Side & Parking Spot. ***CHRISTMAS 10:30AM:*** Deb Bryant – 1st Pew on St. Joseph Side & Parking Spot; Tom Nienberg – 3rd Pew of Blessed Virgin Side & Parking Spot; Deb Bryant – 2nd Pew St. Joseph's side & Parking Spot. **RESERVED PARKING FOR ONE CAR INCLUDED WITH YOUR PEW WILL BE IN THE RECTORY PARKING LOT.** *Please note that no other pews may be reserved by placing coats in pew. Thank you for your cooperation!*

March for Life 2019 in Washington DC Meeting for all Marchers on January 3rd at 7pm. *Answer the call ~ Defend Life!*

Do you want to lose weight and be fed spiritually? Come explore the Light Weigh 12-week Catholic Bible Study program which will be held at Glandorf St. John's Parish Center for 12 consecutive Mondays (January 7- March 25) from 7-8:30 pm. This program is recommended by priests, doctors, nurses & Prevention Magazine for weight-loss and health. There are no weigh-ins ! View the Light Weigh Orientation video at: www.lightweigh.com and click on Light Weigh One King Orientation Video on the right side of the screen, halfway down. If you are interested in joining the group, please call Sue Leopold (419-538-6914) by December 21 to order your program materials and join this life changing program!

Glandorf School History book from 1887 to 1964 on sale now for \$75 purchase from Evelyn Palte.

Christ Our Light at the Shrine - Make plans to visit the Shrine December 20-28. Every evening, 6-8pm, there will be music, lights, and a display Hot chocolate and an opportunity to place a candle for the Christ Child will be available each night except Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Take a moment with family and friends to enjoy the Real Reason for the Season. Sorrowful Mother Shrine, 4106 State Route 269, Bellevue, OH 44811-9793. Fr. Harry would love to see you!

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS Sun., Jan. 6, 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.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend provides a chance for couples to spend time together, apart from the distractions and tensions of everyday life, with your focus on each other and your relationship. It's a time for you and your spouse to get away, to rediscover each other, and to supercharge your relationship for an entire weekend. The next weekend is January 18-20, 2019 in Perrysburg. For info or to apply for a weekend, go to www.wwme.org or contact Brian & Chris Schroeder at 419-538-7210 or bschroeder@bright.net.

"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!

PARISHIONERS IN REST HOMES WHO WOULD APPRECIATE A CHRISTMAS CARD FROM YOU: MEADOWS OF OTTAWA, 147 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa: Michael Hovest, Pat Chamberlin, Robert Lally, Delphine Burwell, Doris Rosengarten, Charles Kistler, Agnes Karhoff, Mary Lou Ricker, Agnes Sager, Ruth Kuhlman, Marilyn Gulker, Dorothy Ellerbrock; MEADOWS OF KALIDA, P.O. Box 388, Kalida, OH 45853: Jerry Schmitz, Ann Bockrath, Margaret Siefker, Hannelore Verhoff, MEADOWS OF LEIPSIC, 901 E. Main St., Leipsic: Mary Ellen Kuhbander, Pat Hovest, Rita Morman, Doris Morman, James & Wilma Hohenbrink; HILTY MEMORIAL, 5570 St. Rt. 12, Pandora 45877: Mary Margaret Bockrath PUTNAM HERITAGE ASSISTED LIVING, 1380 N. Locust St, Ottawa, OH 45875: Rita Maas, Roger Hovest.

2018 New Year's Eve raffle at the Ottawa K of C. \$50 per ticket - win \$3000. Mass at 4:30, followed by cocktails at 5:30, meal at 6:30. All proceeds for the scholarship fund for the K of C. For more info call Pat 419-235-1991.

Dance Aerobics starts Wed., Jan. 2nd, 7:30pm -8:30pm at St. John's Gym. Please bring an exercise mat & weights. This class will be every Wednesday - cost for class is \$3. The instructor is Holly Flueckiger. Any questions please contact Sandy Meyer at [419-615-8403](tel:419-615-8403) or Jill Karhoff at [419-615-0085](tel:419-615-0085).

Glandorf St. John's Liturgical Decorating Committee - 2019 Parish Calendars and Christmas Cards will be for sale at The Mustard Seed; now thru Sat., Jan. 19th - \$18 per calendar; \$12 per pack of cards (10 in a pack) ****SPECIAL DEAL:** (1) 2019 Parish Calendar with (1) pack of Christmas Cards for only **\$25 (\$5 Savings)**

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

STEWARDSHIP

Adults \$9,284.00 Auto Electronic Giving \$1,026.00 Loose \$1,312.00 Children \$209.26 Total: \$11,831.26
Dec. 2nd – Adults/Children \$841.00 Loose \$458.00

Heartbeat supplies needed: wipes and size 4 & 5 diapers. Heartbeat box is located in south vestibule of church.

NEW ITEMS NEEDED at the FOOD PANTRY graham crackers, French cut green beans, boxed potatoes, instant mashed potatoes, boxed rice dishes, rice, ready to eat soup (Progresso or Chunky), regular size cereal (not family size), snacks, tomato sauce, kidney beans The Food Pantry is also in need of EMPTY dish soap bottles (24oz or smaller) and hair shampoo/conditioner bottles. Please put them in the Food Pantry box in the back of church. Thank you for your continued support. It is greatly appreciated!

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 2019 dates are January 6, May 5, September 8, 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 3-4, 2018

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.)