

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2016 Fourth Sunday in Advent

‡ **MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE** ‡

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19

8:00 AM L/D Mel Hovest Family, Ron Dickman (AN)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

8:40AM L/D Don Siefker Family

12:00 PM Rosary for our Nation

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21 St. Peter Canisius

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

6:00 PM For the Poor Souls, Bernadette Bensman

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22

8:00 AM Albinus Miller

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23 St. John of Kanty

6:00 AM Religious Freedom

8:00 AM Leo Karhoff (AN)

8:30-11:30AM Adoration followed by Benediction

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

8:00 AM Martha Mary, Edward & Don Smith

8:30 AM CONFESSIONS

4:00 PM For the Parish Singing starts at 3:30pm

9:00 PM For the Parish Singing starts at 8:30pm

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

8:00 AM For the Parish

10:30 AM For the Parish Singing starts at 10:00am

6:30 PM For the Parish – music sing acapella



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

Open your mind and heart and listen to God's wisdom spoken in dreams, signs, and wonders. Mary and Joseph trusted and let God work through them. What about you? (Isaiah 35: 16, 10)

For seminarians, novices, and all those preparing for a life of ministry in the Church, we pray:

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY (Dec. 25th): Is. 52: 7-10; Heb. 1:1-6; Jn. 1: 1-18

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 18, 2016

**From the
desk of
Fr. Tony**

We see in today's gospel that Joseph was going to divorce Mary quietly. As we know, Mary was found with child before the marriage of Mary and Joseph. Joseph thought that Mary had a child out of wedlock. Joseph was ready to divorce Mary when an angel of God appeared to Joseph in a dream and told him not to be afraid to take Mary as his wife. So Joseph did as the angel of the Lord commanded him.

We must also listen to God's words and promptings in our lives. There may be times when we make up our minds and think this is the way I am going to go. But be open to the Holy Spirit because God may have different plans for you. God is full of surprises and he does want the best for us. Sometimes our decisions are not the best for us. Our decisions may be the best for us at the time but our decisions may not be the best for us in the long term. Jesus, please help us to change our minds at times for our own good and for the good of others. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

FAMILIES WHO LIT THE ADVENT WREATH BEFORE MASS:

Thank you to all the families who lit the Advent Wreath before Masses this year! You did a terrific job especially the little ones reading! God bless you all!

TODAY, SUNDAY, DEC. 18, 6:30PM MASS: SERVERS: Sydney Kleman, Carter and Collin Welch, Sam Schroeder; **LECTOR:** Ginnie Riepenhoff & Deb Schroeder; **DISTRIBUTORS:** Deb Schroeder need 4 more; **Usher:** Joe Schroeder.

WEEKDAY SERVERS: Mon. 8:00 AM: Gary Recker, Pat Inkrott; Tue. 8:40 AM: Students; Wed. 8:00 AM: Connie Schmitz, Jerry Hanneman; **Wed. 6:00PM:** Adults; **Thurs. 8:00 AM:** Zachary Diemer, Abbygail Klass, Garrett Klass, Abby Schroeder; Fri. 6:00 AM: Cliff Schroeder, Dan Turnwald; Fri. 8:00AM: Grace Dulle, Sydney Kleman, Zachary Schmitz, Adam Schmitz; Sat. 8:00 AM: Macy Ellerbrock, Mya Kuhlman, Kristy & Matthew Schneeg.

CHRISTMAS SERVERS: Sat. 4:00 PM: Kerri & Kristen Ellerbrock, Clay & Claire Inkrott; 9:00 PM: Grant Hovest, Chloe, Mitchel & Claire Schroeder; Sun. 8:00 AM: Dylan Leopold, Marissa Maag, Tayla Meyer, Evan Morman; 10:30 AM: Jeramy Hermiller, Owen Kidd, Carter & Colin Welch; 6:30 PM: Chance Fry, Johnathon Utrup, Dylan Birkemeier

CHRISTMAS LECTORS: Sat. 4:00 PM: Alex Hoehn, Jay Kaufman; 9:00 PM: Diane Nienberg, Jill Siefker; Sun. 8:00 AM: Connie Cassidy, Sharon Meyer; 10:30 AM: Tim Hansen, Curtis Weisenburger; 6:30 PM: Jeanne Schram

CHRISTMAS EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: Sat. 4:00 PM: Melida Bockrath, Sharon Brown, Leah Hunt, Kyle Verhoff, Hannah Meyer, Michelle Tegenkamp, Kristen Ellerbrock, Babe & Lou; 9:00 PM: Dennis & Linda Moening, Teresa Duling, Kelly Morman, Deb Schroeder, Tom & Gretchen Schmitz, Cheryl Schimmoeeller, Chris Hoehn, Doug Karhoff(Choir); Sun. 8:00 AM: Jean Bialecki, Linda Klass, Connie Dehnart, Heather Haselman, Chris Schroeder, Deb Burwell, Kathy Schmiedebusch; 10:30 AM: Rose & Gene Warnecke, Elaine Gerding, Paula Elchinger, Marge Nienberg, Chelsea Ricker, Lori Klausung, Tony Schroeder(choir); 6:30PM: Jeff & Jeanne Schram.

CHRISTMAS GIFT BEARERS: Sat. 4:00 PM: Greg & Anne Schroeder Family; 9:00 PM: Jim & Ginny Schroeder Family; Sun. 8:00 AM: Tim & Jean Collet Family; 10:30 AM: Jerry & Amy Hermiller Family

CHRISTMAS USHERS: Sat. 4:00 PM: Kenneth Schroeder, Robert Verhoff, Ace & Amy Unverferth; Brian Grime & Richard Schmitz; 9:00 PM: Chris & Tim Hoehn; Jane & Henry Kaufman; Joe Fortman & Bart Recker; Sun. 8:00 AM: Joe Riepenhoff & Jeff Duling; Mark Maag & Al Wrasman; Don & Ginnie Riepenhoff; 10:30 AM: Jerry Recker, Al Hueve; Don & Joyce Giesige; Barry Maag, Ken Horstman; 6:30 PM: Don & Joyce Giesige.

COUNTERS FOR CHRISTMAS: 2

Videographer –Sat. 4:00 PM – Kristen Ellerbrock

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Arnold & Teresa Borgelt Family

December Funeral Rosary leaders: Shirley & Oscar Schnipke, Carolyn Tobe, Diane Nienberg, Connie & Don Dehnart, Joann Schroeder, & Jim Recker.

Glandorf St. John's Capital Campaign Update: (12/9/2016)

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

Goal: \$1,274,500

Pledged: \$773,391 Paid: \$654,261

Fantastic!!! Thank you to all who have supported our Capital Campaign so far. We appreciate it greatly!

- Please mark your donations to the capital campaign as either "One-Time Donation" or "Payment Plan Donation", if you signed up for a payment plan.

- Capital Campaign Donations can be made multiple times and at anytime.

- Everyone's help is needed, please help support the future of our parish.

"**ST JOHN'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**" forms are in **the racks back in church.** **Stock** can also be donated to the stock donation forms. You can pick up at the rectory or have forms emailed to you.

"We know very well that everything comes from God, and we ourselves are nothing at all."

St. Gaspar del Bufalo

Adult Faith Information

Jeanette Schroeder - Coordinator

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

Start the New Year off Right

By Signing Up for

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible helps you uncover the story woven through Scripture with its clever narrative approach and ingenious color-coded *Bible Timeline*. It is a great way to get the "big picture" of the bible and see how our Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture. You'll see how the Bible reveals God's loving plan for your life, and you will learn helpful ways to put your faith into practice. The study includes a series of eight informative and engaging half-hour videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be followed by a lively group discussion.

Come Join Us

Bring Your Bible – Bring a Friend

Monday evenings 7-8:15 PM

Jan. 9, 23, Feb.6, 20, March 6, 20, April 3, 17

Or Friday Mornings 9:45 - 11:00 AM

Jan.13, 27, Feb.10, 24, March 10, 24, April 7, 21

St. John the Baptist Parish Center

For more information or to sign up, call

Jeanette at 419-538-6740 or email

jmschroeder51@gmail.com

Materials cost \$20.00

Payable at first session



TICKETS for 2017 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 & 2016 GRANDorf winners were Rosemary Siefker & Brad Riepenhoff. Congratulations! **The other 2016 winners:** Noah Utrup, James Recker, Kathy Verhoff, Robert Hanneman, Doris Rosengarten, Gail Bockrath, Deanna Ward, Edward Schnipke, Evelyn Palte, Constance Maag, Alice Diemer, Alan J. Miller, Roger Koch, Ron Leopold, Allen Theisen, Pat Jostpille, Todd Leopold, Ryan Duling, Kathy Verhoff, James Recker, Jason Schnipke, & Alberta Utrup. **Next drawing will be Jan. 8, 2017 with new 2017 tickets. To be included in the Jan. 8 drawing, please return your tickets by Jan. 5.**

BANNS: II Darcy Rieman, daughter of Bill & Elaine Schmiedebusch and Michael Fortman, son of Tom and the late Karen Fortman.

DID YOU KNOW? Hannelore Verhoff will celebrate her 86th birthday on Thurs., Dec. 22nd; Beatrice Inkrott will celebrate her 98th birthday on Fri., Dec. 23rd; Richard Lauer will celebrate his 89th birthday on Sat., Dec. 24th; Jeanette Heckman will celebrate her 87th birthday on Sat., Dec. 24th; Donald Jostpille will celebrate his 84th birthday on Sun., Dec. 25th; and William Koch will celebrate his 90th birthday on Mon., Dec. 26th; **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO HANNELORE, BEATRICE, RICHARD, JEANETTE, DONALD & WILLIAM!**

Grade School CCD Information

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Diane Utrup
Contact me in the Religious Ed Office 419-538-6335 from 7:30am – noon

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. 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!

Special K – next class time is Wed, Dec. 21 at 6pm

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 CCD Class - The winter session starts on January 11th. **God bless you and please keep our students and catechists in your prayers!**

Message from Colleen Halker Youth Director

Youth Group Meeting today, Sunday, December 18 from 6-8 pm. Please bring a \$5 gift wrapped if you would like, this will be for a game. See you there.

MADALYN LEHMAN- Youth President **KADIE HEMPFLING** – Pres. Elect



HOME TO GOD: Please remember in your Masses and prayers the souls of **Dolores Schroeder & Ronald Ellerbrock**. Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Gerald, Virgil, Pat, Phyllis, Dorothy & Norman** on the death of their loving mother, Dolores; and to **Chad & Brad Ellerbrock** on the death of their loving father, Ronald.

PENANCE SERVICES IN THE OFFING: Ottawa - Mon., Dec. 19, 4:00 & 7:00 pm; Columbus Grove – Wed., Dec. 21, 7:00pm.

Please keep in your prayers our St. John's parishioner **Curtis Weisenburger**, who is a seminarian at **The Pontifical College Josephinum**. His address is: **7625 N. High St., Columbus, OH 43235**

Church fiber-glassing and painting will be starting January 3, 2017. Starting January 2nd we will be having Mass in the gym on the weekends and weekday mornings. For the weekend Masses all doors will be unlocked except the preschool end and the kitchen door. For the weekday morning Masses please enter the gym through the lobby doors or the front south door by the stage. On Monday, Wednesday and Fridays after the 8:00am Mass please do not walk through the halls during CCD class time until 9:15am for security purposes. Thank you very much!

GIRL'S CYO BASKETBALL: today, Sun., Dec. 18th, 2:15pm at Ottoville

BOY'S CYO BASKETBALL: A TEAM: today, Dec. 18th, 1:00pm home with Miller City. **B TEAM:** today, Dec. 18th, 2:15pm home with Miller City.

FERVORINO –

The child born to Jesus and Mary was named Emmanuel, which means “God is with us.” Every child is EMMANUAL, reminding us “God is with us.” Children are signs of God’s continuing presence in our lives.

ATTENTION TO ALL VOLUNTEERS OF THE PARISH WHO WORK WITH CHILDREN! The diocese mandates that all who work with children need to setup a Virtus account online and take the online workshop, online background check and sign expectation form every 5 years. If you plan to work with children as a volunteer during 2017 please e-mail stjohns@bright.net You are responsible to complete these requirements to be compliant with the diocese and the Dallas Charter for Protecting Youth and Those Who Serve Them”.

For all employees and volunteers please check your e-mails Virtus will be sending you an e-mail if your requirements will be expiring.

ROSARY FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION Today, Sunday, December 18, 5:00 PM here at St. John’s.

The Holy Rosary for our Nation – Tuesday, December 20th at noon in Glandorf St. John’s Church.

ADVENT Project– If you would like to help out Heartbeat this year, please take an angel ornament off the tree in the back of the church or pick up a baby bottle and then return them before Christmas. If you wish to make out a check please make it payable to: Heartbeat of Lima. You can also drop in the collection. Thank you very much.

The Ottawa K of C Newsletters are in the rack back in church.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima - Marie Strauer is in charge of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue, please call [419-538-6930](tel:419-538-6930) to reserve a week to have Our Lady come to your home.

Friday, Dec. 23 - Rectory offices closed

Saturday, Dec. 24 ~ Christmas Eve

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

9:00 PM Mass - Choir

Sunday, Dec. 25 ~ Christmas Day

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

10:30 AM Mass (Choir)

6:30 PM Mass (no organ music singing acapella)

Monday, Dec. 26 - Rectory offices closed

St. John’s evening Mass for “Christmas Day” next Sunday, December 25th will be at 6:30pm. Fr. Tony will be in need of 1 lector & 3 Distributors. Please e-mail or call the rectory if you can help! No music will be needed. Please pass the word on to your relatives & friends.

Catholic Young Adult Group in Putnam County: Young adults (18-39), join us every other Monday night for food, fellowship, prayer and learning more about our Catholic faith together. Join us, newcomers are always welcome! Contact Adam Schroeder 419-615-9863 or Neil & Brooke Cassidy 419-302-4959 brookemariēcassidy@gmail.com



RCIA CLASS: No class this week. Next class is Tue., Jan. 3rd.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS Sun., Jan. 22, 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in room 2 on the north end in 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 14, 2017.**

4:00 Christmas Eve Children's Mass practices on Mon., Dec. 19, 6:30 – 8:00pm; Wed., Dec. 21, 6:45 – 8:30pm; Fri., Dec. 23, 1-3pm. All students 6th grade through High School are still welcome to join and participate. Questions please call Jeannie Verhoff 419-538-6255

ADVENT PUBLIC ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST Friday, (Dec. 23) 8:30 – 11:30AM *followed by Benediction.* Make an extra effort to spend personal/family time before the Lord.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE WHO BID AND WON THE RESERVED SEATING FOR OUR CHRISTMAS MASSES AT OUR ST. BONIFEST SILENT AUCTION: CHRISTMAS EVE 4:00PM- 2nd row on Blessed Virgin side: Travis & Shana Duling Family; 1st row on St. Joseph’s side: Duane & Sara Siefker family; pew of choice – 3rd pew from front on St. Joseph’s side: Dale & Ruth Gerding Family.

CHRISTMAS EVE 9:00PM- pew of choice – 1st pew in gallery on Blessed Virgin side: James & Lynne Dulle family; 2nd row on Blessed Virgin side: Brian & Stacy Bennet Family; 1st row on St. Joseph’s side: Dale & Cheryl Schimmoeller Family.

CHRISTMAS 10:30AM: 2nd row on Blessed Virgin side: Linda Schroeder Family. *Please note that no other pews may be reserved by placing coats in pew. Thank you for your cooperation!*

Glandorf St. John’s Men’s Society Christmas party on Sat., Jan. 14th at the Glandorf Rod and Gun Club... doors will open at 5:30 and we will begin serving an all-you-can-eat fish fry for \$10 (your dues is also covered in the \$10) starting at 6:30... we will also be offering \$1 drinks all night, a 50/50 drawing and some great raffle prizes.

Important Notice: Please stop by the Mustard Seed for your Christmas shopping. There is a large selection of items at reduced prices now till Sat., Dec. 24th till 1:00pm.

Hours for The Mustard Seed: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday open 9 to 5. Wednesday 12 to 8. Saturday 8 to 1. 419-538-7220 or 419-523-5732.

2017 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 by Pieta statue on south side by confessional.** The grade school will be passed out in school.

Revised Nursing Home List: New residents are in **bold**

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, Else Burgei, Juanita Blankemeyer, Robert Lally, Alberta Ruhe, Delphine Burwell, Ralph Kaufman, Doris Rosengarten, Helen Honigfort, Charlie Kistler, Mary Lou Ricker, **Agnes Karhoff, & Donna Recker**; **MEADOWS OF KALIDA, P.O. Box 388, Kalida, OH 45853:** Jerry Schmitz, Ann Bockrath, Dennis Hermiller; **MEADOWS OF LEIPSIC, 901 E. Main St., Leipsic:** Harold Pothast, Mary Ellen Kuhbander; **HILTY MEMORIAL, 5570 St. Rt. 12, Pandora 45877:** Beatrice Inkrott & Mary Margaret Bockrath; **PUTNAM HERITAGE ASSISTED LIVING, 1380 N. Locust St, Ottawa, OH 45875:** Eileen Kindle, Kathryn Meyer, Rita Maas & Dorothy Kleman.

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 FROM HOME)

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

S.Sgt. Eric Knueven, 12615 Scarlet Sage, San Antonio, TX 78253

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

Tyler McFarland, 390 Legacy Lades Way, Aberdeen NC 28315

Lcpl Jacob Zmyslo, 7th COMM BN CEM, Unit 35608 FPO, AP 96385-5608

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 in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about our January 27-29th Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: Lon and Shelly @ 419-841-1116 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com

Ohio Death Penalty Set to Resume January 12, 2017

In January of 2015, the State of Ohio announced a moratorium on the use of the death penalty due to the lack of availability of required drugs. This moratorium is set to be lifted on January 12, 2017, with the execution of Ronald Phillips.

Bishop Daniel E. Thomas urges all Catholics and people of good will to take five steps to abolish the death penalty in the State of Ohio:

1. **Pray** for the victims of crime, those facing execution, and those working in the criminal justice system;
2. **Reach out** to the families of those affected by violent crime by bringing Christ's love and compassion;
3. **Learn** about the Church's teaching on capital punishment and educate others in this vital area of concern by visiting: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/death-penalty-capital-punishment/index.cfm>;
4. **Advocate** for the end of the death penalty by sending a postcard and by calling Governor John Kasich at: 614-466-3555, urging clemency for all 139 individuals on death row in the State of Ohio.
5. **Join us** for a Candlelight Prayer Vigil for the abolition of the death penalty, on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 6 p.m. at St. Francis de Sales Chapel, 501 Cherry St., Toledo OH 43604.

For more information, contact Nick Lyster, Justice Ministry Coordinator at nlyster@toledodiocese.org

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR THAT PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT? HOW ABOUT A GLANDORF FIRE DEPARTMENT COOKBOOK? If you would like one, please call Deb Evers 419-538-6974. Thank you very much!

If you are **interested in becoming a priest or brother** of the **Missionaries of the Precious Blood** please contact the Vocations Office: vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org or connect with us on Facebook: [Vocation Ministries Facebook Page](#). Or call Rev. Vince Wirtner, C.P.P.S. @ 937-228-9263.

Crime Victim Services is inviting you to our training. “Understanding Fraud Through Financial Literacy: Part 2”. Learn how to tell if an investment professional is licensed; warning signs of fraud and scams; House Bill 24; and how the Ohio Division of Securities can assist victims of investment fraud. The training will be held on December 20, 2016 from 1pm to 3pm at Crime Victim Services, 330 N. Elizabeth Street, Lima, OH 45801 or 5:30pm to 7:30pm at the Putnam County Educational Service Center, 124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa, OH 45875. CEU credits will be provided for counselors and social workers. Anyone in the community is welcome. Contact Becca Peckinpaugh for registration at 419-523-1111.

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 21/22, 2017**, please contact Eric Kaufman (419-306-5697).

“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. **If you would like to donate to this needy cause please use a plain white envelope and mark it “Needy Families Collection” and drop in the collection. Thank you!**

New Year's Eve party at the Ottawa K of C for their Scholarship Fund – chance to win \$3000 and more BIG prizes. There will be a Catholic Mass at the hall at 4:30. (Open to ticket holders only). 5:30 cocktails begin, 6:30 a wedding style meal will be served. \$50.00 a ticket. Tickets call Pat 419-235-1991 or Dan 419-439-0468.

Dance Aerobics: The start date is January 4th (Wednesday) at 7:30pm to 8:30pm at St. John Parish Gym. The cost is \$3.00 for the class & bring an exercise mat & weights. Any questions - contact Sandy Meyer at 419-615-8403 or Jill Karhoff at 419-615-0085.

STEWARDSHIP

Adults \$7,752.00 Auto Electronic Giving \$778.00 Loose \$1,401.00 Children \$177.77 Total: \$10,108.77
Dec. 4th: \$869.57

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

Please help support the area food pantry by placing non-perishable food items in the box in the north vestibule of church. NEEDED: Mixed vegetables, kidney beans, creamed corn, fruit cocktail, mandarin oranges, pineapple, boxed or bagged pasta (but NOT spaghetti).

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



St. John the Baptist

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St. George Deanery

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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 2017 dates are Jan. 22 in room 2, May 14, Sept. 17, 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 - Only Catholic St. John's parishioners are eligible to play CYO sports for our St. John's teams.

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 & Brian Schroeder – Council Pres.)