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PARISHIONERS

- **New Members**
- Any status or address changes To keep informed, register for Bulletin and Parish Notifications by email or visit St. John's website Call or email the Parish Office

SNOW EMERGENCY LEVELS

Diocese of Toledo Snow Emergency Policy: "Whenever a county/city within the Diocese of Toledo is placed under a Level 3 Snow Emergency, during which all roadways are closed to nonemergency personnel, the Catholic Churches within that geographic region will cancel the scheduled Saturday Vigil, Sunday, or Holy Day Masses. Roman Catholics in that region, therefore, are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass. If Masses are cancelled, Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via television, radio, or internet, making a spiritual Communion.

If Putnam County is ever under a Level 3 Snow Emergency the regular Mass times will be canceled here at St. John's. There will be a Mass at Noon, if you can get here safely you are welcome. If not, we encourage you to watch it on cable channel 3 or on our Youtube page. Level 1 and Level 2 if you can get here safely you are welcome.

WANT TO GET INVOLVED **IN OUR PARISH?**

- If you are interested in becoming a Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Usher, Funeral Server, Choir, Spirit and Song Group and any other way.
- If Interested in becoming a member on our Finance Committee or Parish Council Committee. Please call the parish office for more information and to be put on the next ballot.

Call or email the Parish Office.

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MATT

www.stjohnglandorf.org

Two weeks ago, we celebrated the Solemnity of the Epiphany and at the conclusion of the Story of the Epiphany the magi did not return to Herod, but they returned to their home by a different route. Because the magi had an encounter with Christ it caused them to live their lives differently. Our scriptures today continue with this theme an encounter with Christ causing to live differently.

Jesus in our scriptures today after John had been arrested began his public ministry. Jesus begins his ministry by preaching the message "The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15). Repent, the message calling for a change of heart, a call to live differently. Our scriptures today do not exactly say how the people responded to Jesus message. But we can conclude that Jesus words had an effect on Simon, Andrew, James, and John. Because Jesus called out to them follow him and he would make them fishers of men. Just like the magi returning home by a different. Simon, Andrew, James, and John left their fishing boats, nets, and father and followed Christ. Talk about a dramatic a call to live differently after an encounter with Christ.

Jonah, lived a long time before Jesus and never had an experience of Jesus. Like Jesus, Jonah was chosen by God to preach a message to Ninevites "Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed" (Jonah 3:4). When the People of Nineveh heard this message, they believed Jonah, and they changed lives and began a great fast. Because the Ninevites changed their lives, they were not destroyed.

I must admit that I am a little jealous of Jonah's preaching. Jonah preaches a message, and the people seem to instantaneously change their lives. I would like to think my words of preaching would seem to have that same impact. But I must humbly admit that my words of preaching are my words, they are the Lord's words. I am just the Lord's instrument that the Lord uses so that another can have an encounter with the Lord. At times the Lord can use us as his instrument to have an encounter with.

The point remains that when we have an encounter with the Lord it causes for us to live our

lives differently. This happened with Simon, Andrew, James, and John when they heard Jesus message and he called them to follow him. Ninevites as well had an encounter with God that caused them to live their lives differently. The same holds true for us when we have an encounter with the Lord it causes us to live our lives differently. When we receive the Christ in the Eucharist is causes for us to live our lives differently. This weekend is our Eucharistic Day each one of us is invited to spend time in adoration with Jesus to have an encounter with Christ. And it is because we have this encounter that it is cause for us to live our lives differently. It gives us cause to change our world.





ABOUT OUR PARISH

MONDAY, JANUARY 22	SERVERS			
8:35am Rosary	Mon	8:00am	Communion Service - no	servers needed
8:00am Communion Service—Mike Karhoff			Students	
TUESDAY, JANUARY 23 St. Vincent	Tue			
8:20am Rosary	Wed		Cliff Schroeder, Eddie Duling	
8:45am Grant Siefker, L/D Oscar & Marie Kuhlman Family	Thurs			
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24 St. Francis de Sales	Fri	8:00am	Bart Recker, Greg Nussbaum	
7:15-7:45am Confessions	Sat	8:00am		
7:35am Rosary	Sat	4:30pm		
8:00am John Wurth, Salome Oedy	Sun	8:00am	Evan Brady, Parker Heckman, Makenna Siefker	
6:30pm-8:15pm Adoration	Sun	10:30am	Madison McKee, Aubrey	Siefker, Dylan Giesswein
7:45pm - 8:20pm Confessions				
THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 St. Paul	Cat	4.20.000	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
8:00am Penance 4B	Sat	4:30pm	Mike Karhoff	Mike Karhoff
8:20am Rosary	C	0.00	Mary Rose Ellerbrock	Mary Rose Ellerbrock
8:45am Mary Lou Ellerbrock	Sun	8:00am	Deb Schroeder	Connie Cassidy
2:0pm Mass For the Poor Souls - Meadows of Ottawa			Deb Burwell	Sharon Meyer
FRIDAY, JANUARY 26 Sts. Timothy & Titus	Sun	10:30am	Rose Warnecke	Tim Hansen
7:15am - 7:45am Confession			Gene Warnecke	Jeanne Schram
7:35am Rosary			GIFT BEARERS	
8:00am Ted Sealts, Vincent Siefker, Ken Shaw	Sat	4:30pm	Charlie & Linda Schroede	r
12:00pm Rosary	Sun	8:00am	Brad & Lynette Schroeder	r
SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 St. Angela Merici	Sun	10:30am	Rick & Julie Pothast	
7:35am Rosary			JANUARY USHERS	
8:00am Ted Homier	Sat	4:30pm	Kevin & Mary Rose Ellerb	rock
8:30am Confessions	Sun		Mark Maag, Alan Wrasma	an
4:00pm Confessions	Sun		Louis & Mary Ellen Halker	
4:30pm L/D Thomas Ellerbrock, Carolyn Warnecke			SUNDAY: 8	·
5:30pm Baptism			UNDAY: Henry & Jane Kau	fman, Sharon Meyer
SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time	JANUARY FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Dolores Schnipke, Ginny			
7:35am Rosary	Schroeder, Darlene Stechschulte, Tina & Randy Fortman, Mary Ellen &			
8:00am Denny Horstman, Larry Kirkendall, Karen	Dan Kl	lear		
Blankemeyer				
10:30am L/D Lambert(AN) Verhoff Family, Frances Spangler				

11:30am Baptism

Parental Baptism Class

Engaged Couples

Holv Baptism

Sunday, February 4, 2024 from 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. Next class will be May 12, 2024.



Need to contact Fr. Matt 6 months before your marriage to start your marriage preparation. It is your responsibility to call for an appointment or can't promise you a wedding here at St. John's.

Notifications

Bulletin and Parish Notification If you would like to receive the bulletin and other parish notifications via email, please let us know by sending an email to admin@glandorfstjohns.com

2024 Usher Schedule

THANK YOU Mary Ellen and Louie Halker

Ken Schroeder Brian Grime, Mary Rose Ellerbrock, Ginnie and the late Don Riepenhoff For the many years of service to our parish!

PLEASE WELCOME THE NEW USHERS

Brady Laudick Mitch Gable

THANK YOU to all the other ushers who continued to say "YES" to Jesus' call for another year!

The 2024 usher schedule will be mailed out on Monday, January 22nd . Please call the office if you do not receive the email.

If you want to become an usher, please email or call the office.

ABOUT OUR PARISH

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Instruction is necessary when this is your first child. To arrange a baptism or register for the parental baptism class, please contact the Parish Office.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS (by Deacon Don) Parish Center Room 15 9:00am - 10:30am Upcoming classes: February 4, 2024, May 12, 2024 (Room 22), and September 15

MARRIAGES

Please contact the Parish Office six months in advance to start planning your wedding. A marriage preparation class is required.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS (REQUIRED) 1-DAY CLASS organized by Dr. Craig and Wendy Imm in the Parish Center Caféteria Sunday, November 3, 2024 at 8:00am

RECONCILATION (CONFESSION)

Wednesday 7:15am -7:45am, 7:45-8:20pm Friday 7:15am-7:45am Saturday 4:00pm—4:15pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office if you need a Priest for Anointing of the Sick or Last Rites. If a Sacramental Emergency call 419-778-9339.

HOLY ORDERS AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Contact the vocation office at the Toledo Diocese at 419-244-6711 ext. 4945 or email psmith@toledodiocese.org or contact the vocation office at the Missionaries of the Precious Blood 937-228-9263 or e-mail vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 6:30pm-8:15pm 1st Friday 1:00pm—4:00pm with Benediction 1st Saturday 5:30pm - 8:00am

INITIATION OF ADULTS INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA/OCIA)

Is a journey through which interested adults and older children are welcomed and gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic Faith, Sacraments, Worship and way of life. In response to their inquiries, these people are properly instructed so that you can discern (through reflection and prayer) whether you are indeed called to Catholicism. If you would like more information or want to register please contact the Parish Office. The next session will start in the fall.

Updated CYO SPORTS

Diocesan Policy for CYO Sports--All players must be members of the sponsoring parish and/or educational system of the parish to play on the parish team. St. John's Parish Policy for High School CYO-Playing any sports this year? It is a privilege to play sports for St. John's and not an expectation. You are expected to attend both the Fall and Winter Semesters of High School Religious Education CCD Classes. Attendance at these classes will be monitored and reviewed. For each class missed beyond 4 classes you will be sitting out one game per absence. Parents, if your child will be absent, please contact or text Ruth Gerding at 567-204-1275 before class. All high school players are required to give 5 hours of service to St. John's by January 14, 2024. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. Without the gift of the Eucharist, we do not exist as a parish, and you do not have the privilege of playing for St. John's. All coaches and players are required to attend Saturday evening or Sunday Mass. If you miss, we kindly ask that you sit out that week's game. All coaches and high school players are to spend one hour in Adoration on Eucharistic Day. If you miss, we kindly ask that you sit out one game. If you do not have time for the LORD, you do not have time to play sports. We kindly ask the cooperation of all as we implement this policy for the good of our parish and the good of the Church. (Fr. Matt Keller & Mike Karhoff, Parish Council President)



CATECHISM CORNER

ABORATION

Why is it not permissible to take one's own life or the lives of others?

God alone is Lord over life and death. Except in the case of legitimate self-defense of oneself or another, no one can kill another human being. [2258 - 2262, 2318-2320]

An attack on life is a sacrilege committed against God. Human Life is sacred; this meant that it belongs to God; it is his property. Even our own life is only entrusted to us. God himself has given us the gift of live; only he may take it back from us. The Book of Exodus, translated literally, says "You shall not murder" (Ex. 20:13)

Why is abortion unacceptable at any phase in the development of an embryo?

God-given human life is God's own property; it is sacred from the first moment of its exitence and not under the control of any human being. "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you" (Jer 1:5). [2270-2274, 2322]

God alone is Lord over life and death. Not even "my" life belongs to me. Every child, from the moment of conception on, has a right to life. From his earliest beginnings an unborn human being is a separate person, and no one can infringe upon his rights, not the State, not the doctor, and not even the mother or father. The Church's clarity about this is not a lack of compassion; she means, rather, to point out the irreparable harm that is inflicted on the child who is killed in abortion and on his parents and on society as a whole. Protecting innocent human life is one of the noblest tasks of the State.

Source: YOUCAT (Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church)



On Formed there is a brand new series called the Catholic Parent. It celebrates the

beautiful and unique way that we live out these precepts of the Catholic Church as a Catholic family.

ORMED FAITH AT HOME

HOW TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT

Go to FORMED.org . Click Sign Up. Chose sign up as a parishioner / organization Find your parish, type in Glandorf Oh - Click on St. John 109 Main St. Glandorf when it pops up. Fill out create a New Account. Already have a FORMED account. Visit FORMED.org . Click Sign In - upper right corner Have questions? Call 419-890-3724

PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP

SHIP	January 14	H, 2024

Offering

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Loose	\$ 911.00
Adult Envelope	\$ 6,889.10
Children	\$ 137.00
Maintenance	\$ 5,183.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,290.00
Mary Mother of God	\$ 35.00
Christmas	\$ 1,790.00
Initial Offering	\$ 113.00
Total Collection	\$17,348.00

NOTE: All ladies & men of the parish are members of the Altar Rosary Society & Men's Society. Please take note that there is a special envelope in your envelope packets for the Altar Rosary dues \$3.00 & Men's dues \$6 per year. Please turn your envelope in as this helps keep our organizations running. Thank you!

Thank you to all of you who have been continuing to make your Weekly/monthly contributions to your St. John's parish family and for sharing your treasure, time, & talent with your St. John's parish family!

Give Online Today!

Visit our website to get the E-Giving Form to fill out and return to the Parish Office. It is located in the left side above the Menu options. www.stjohnglandorf.org

Heartbeat needs size 6 Pull-ups

Heartbeat Hours: Tuesday 1-5pm and Thursday 9-1pm

Foods Needed at the Ottawa Food Pantry: pineapple, mandarin oranges, pears, ready to eat soup, pancake mix, pop tarts or breakfast bars, boxed or canned potatoes, rice, dry beans, canned pasta, egg noodles, condiments, salad dressing, sloppy joe sauce, hamburger helper, spaghetti sauce, snacks. Note: Monetary gifts are also welcome. (Send in care of Trinity UM Church, 137 N. Pratt, Ottawa)



ADVENT - ANGEL TREE

FOR HEARTBEAT

Please return baby bottles as soon as possible!



2024 GRAND-orf Club

January winners are: Chad Homier and Sarah Kreinbrink. CONGRATULATIONS! The next drawing will be February 11th in

Room 15 along with coffee & donuts by Doug and Andrew Giesige.

Thank you for the overwhelming support on the Grand-orf Club! We collected \$39,159.00 so far! This money will be used to maintain our Parish Center.



Please Include them in your prayers OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of our faithful departed. Our sincere sympathy is extended to their families, relatives, friends & neighbors.

Eileen Drerup Diane Ricker

WEDDING BANN

I Tayla Meyer, of this parish, daughter of Tony & Lisa Meyer & **Logan Hoffman**, of Sts. Peter & Paul, Ottawa, son of Scott Hoffman & Hope McKenzie

NEWLY WEDDED

Kody & Alyssa(Schnipke) Kuhlman

BAPTIZED

Margaret Jo, Daughter of Brent & Rachel Kahle

Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us The past 20 years

John B Maag 1/21/08 John J Gerdeman 1/21/21 Rosemary Siefker 1/22/17 Clyde L Kreinbrink 1/23/00 Robert Lauth 1/23/00 Charles L Birkemeier 1/23/12 Adelbert H Maag 1/23/12 Robert B Recker 1/25/05 Thomas E Ellerbrock 1/26/10 Andrea C Karhoff 1/27/08 William R Recker 1/27/09 Helen M Honigfort 1/27/17

AROUND THE PARISH



information, agenda, and speaker bios can be found



YOUTH/YOUNG ADULTS & AROUND THE PARISH



Rooted in the Catholic Faith website: www.restore23.net

Contact Wendy Imm, BSN CFCP for more information at 614-634-1043 or divinegracefertilitycare@gmail.com

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AROUND THE AREA AND EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

HOPE & HEALING MASSES

FEBRUARY 3 | MAY 4 | OCTOBER 5

11:00 AM IN THE UPPER BASILICA

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated within Mass. Following Mass, all may receive a blessing with the Relic of the True Cross.



2024

St. Nicholas and Holy Family parishes are offering a Joy-Filled Marriage Engaged Couples Retreat on **March 2 & 3, 2024** at St. Nicholas Parish Center. Devoted married couples from our parishes will present valuable information on the truly Catholic Church perspective on practical life skills for married couples and sound theological teachings on the joy and beauty of marriage as God intended.

To register for the retreat, please go to the following link with the Diocese of Toledo: <u>https://toledodiocese.org/engaged-couples-workshop</u> and click on the St. Nicholas, Miller City link. If you have any questions you can contact Deacon Doyle Erford at 419-890-8533.



Mustard Seed Gift Shop normal business hours Tues, Thurs, & Fri 9:00am - 5:00pm; Wed 12:00pm to 8:00pm; Sat 8:00am - 1:00pm Phone number 419-538-7220 <u>www.mustardseedgiftshop.com</u> Brenda Maag 419-235-3106 Julie Barlage 419-303-5366

HOW AM I ORDERING MY LIFE?



Dear Friends,

Every morning my alarm goes off, just like it does, I'm sure, for you. Each morning when I hear that alarm I have two choices: hit the snooze bar and roll over, or turn off the alarm and enter into the day where Jesus is already waiting for me. We all know that it isn't always that simple. Sometimes we really need the extra rest. Sometimes we're ready to bounce right up and face the day head-on. And sometimes we just hit the snooze bar.... It is on those days that I end up scrambling to get going instead of having an orderly start to the new day.

As we enter into this new year, I know the Lord Jesus wants us to experience more order and, ultimately, more peace in our lives. As I'm writing this, I'm thinking about the Order of the Mass, and how the succession of prayers and rituals in the Mass are a wonderful model for ordering our lives.

We begin with the Sign of the Cross, recalling the presence of the Trinity in our lives... and we can do the same thing every morning after we turn off that alarm by praying a <u>Morning Offering</u>. The next thing we do at Mass is participate in the penitential act, asking for mercy for the many times we have failed to love. Asking for forgiveness in our daily lives is sometimes difficult, but it leads to greater harmony and mutual understanding. At the end of the day, we can always pray an <u>Act of Contrition</u>, pleading for mercy after having looked back over all that the day has brought!

Next in the Order of Mass, we enter more deeply into the Liturgy of the Word, hearing the Word of God proclaimed to us. Every time we read the Bible at home, it enriches our lives and nourishes our relationship with God *and* our experience of the Mass! This is such a strong way to begin the day. The more we allow the Word of God to wash over us, the more we can hear the Lord's still, quiet voice speaking in our hearts.

Finally, we enter into the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and participate in the one Sacrifice of Jesus... and every day, with Jesus, we can choose to make a gift of ourselves to others. I'm reminded of Mother Teresa's words, "Charity begins at home." How different life is when I make little sacrifices of love for those closest to me!

This, my friends, is what it looks like to live a "Eucharistic life," allowing our minds and hearts to be transformed by Jesus in the Eucharist!

I have so much hope for all this new year has in store for us as we live this Eucharistic Revival together. Won't you join me in allowing the pattern of the Mass to become the pattern of our lives so that we may, with Jesus, offer our very selves *for the life of the world*?



The Pulse, Episode 18, "<u>The Power of Encounter</u>," is live on YouTube! This week I am so excited to share an incredible reflection about Adoration and the Eucharistic Revival from our SURPRISE guest!



