

MARCH 29, 2020 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

† **MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE** †

MONDAY, MARCH 30

8:00 AM Kathy Rupert, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

8:00 AM For the Poor Souls, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

8:00 AM Pat Ellerbrock, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

THURSDAY, APRIL 2 St Francis of Paola

8:00 AM Poor Souls, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

FIRST FRIDAY, APRIL 3

8:00 AM L/D Richard & Dorothy Ellerbrock Family, Religious Freedom, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

12:00 PM Rosary

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

FIRST SATURDAY APRIL 4 St. Isidore

8:00 AM For the Poor Souls, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

8:45 AM Confessions – rectory garage drive-thru (stay in your car)

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 PALM SUNDAY PASSION OF THE LORD

8:00 AM Gordon Verhoff, L/D Alfred & Mary Verhoff Family, Dottie Hovest (AN), Daryl Hunt, L/D August & Caroline Fischer Family, Brian Schmitz, L/D Fortman/Meyer Families, Jacob M. Schroeder Family, Vicki Verhoff, Ray Aversch, for those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

1:00 PM Stations of the Cross & Benediction- Closed to public

Mass at Sat. 4:30pm, Sun. 10:30 & 6:30pm Cancelled – Mass intentions will be at 8:00am on Sunday for these Masses.

Jesus calls us forth from our graves of apathy and passivity. How will your new life make a difference? Consider ministry in the Church. (John 11: 1-45).

For all our ministers of care with the sick and dying and their families, we pray:

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 5 Mt. 21: 1-11; Is. 50: 4-7; Phil. 2: 6-11; Mt. 26: 14-27:66

**From the
Desk of
Fr. Tony**

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In the gospel today Jesus raises Lazarus from the tomb. Lazarus is dead and Jesus brings him back to life. Jesus goes into the tomb and he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him. During this corona virus we have to understand that Jesus is the source of all healing and peace. Jesus wants to untie us of fear, anxiety, and depression. We can not meet Christ half way but we have to give our total trust to him. As we hear in Divine Mercy, "Jesus I trust in you." We face many unanswered questions in the weeks ahead but know that Jesus is in control. If Jesus can raise a dead man, Lazarus, to life then he can bring healing to our state of affairs. Jesus says many times in scripture, "Do not be afraid." Don't let fear paralyze you. (continue next column) Jesus, please do not let any of us or our family members get sick with disease, illness, or viruses. Blessed Virgin Mary, angels, and saints of God please pray for these requests. Amen. Use this time at home to pray the rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, play cards, board games, and just talk as a family. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

RCIA CLASSES: Cancelled - Please keep Quinten Wessel in prayer as he enters into this next phase. Quinten, our prayers are with you!

Preschool Quarter Auction, Cancelled.

Cardio Fitness Toning class Cancelled

St. George Deanery Senior Citizen Prom has been cancelled

TMIY Cancelled

Annual Men's Society's Father and Son Breakfast cancelled

C.L. OF C. NEWS: The April meeting is cancelled. The Good Friday Bake Sale is cancelled and the 50-50 drawing will be held at a later date.

Ottawa Glandorf High School Dinner Theater has been cancelled

Ottawa K of C will not be having their Fish Fry on Friday nights anymore.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS today, Sun., Mar. 29, 1:00pm, in the church. Not open to the public.

Please watch on Glandorf Cable channel 3.

Note from Fr. Tony

I will be having Mass once each day at 8:00am including Saturday & Sunday. The Mass intentions for the day will be offered. The Saturday 4:30pm Mass Intentions will be said on the Sunday Morning Mass at 8:00. The church will be locked until 9:00am Monday thru Saturday. No one may attend these Masses. Please stay home and watch on TV Glandorf Cable Channel 3. Or if you don't have Glandorf cable please watch other Masses on EWTN or Toledo stations.

The church will be open for individual prayer

Monday thru Friday - 9:00am – 5:00pm

Saturday - 9:00am – 3:00pm

Sunday - closed all day

The north handicapped door will be the only door unlocked. Please also exit through that door when you leave.

On the weekends there will be bulletins available at handicapped door only

Please do not enter the sanctuary area. You may go to Blessed Virgin & St. Joseph's Shrines to light votive lights if you wish.

Please remember the rules to stay at least 6 feet from each other, if you have any symptoms of sickness (flu, cold or any other sickness) please do not (do not) go to church. Please stay home and pray. Stay safe and keep others safe. The church will be disinfected each day.

All of the area Penance Services have been cancelled.

Fr. Tony will be having confessions on Saturday mornings at 8:45 and GOOD FRIDAY AT 4:00pm: - THE LIGHT IS ON and HOLY SATURDAY, Apr. 11 – 8:00am: THE LIGHT IS ON. Or you may call him for an appointment at 419-890-6012. He will be having drive-thru confessions. He will be located on the south side (in the first bay) in the rectory garage. Please drive in on the out-going lane of the rectory driveway. Drive up to the first bay (do not get out of your car) if you have a cell phone please call Fr. Tony's cell 419-890-6012 for him to hear your confession. If you don't have a cell phone please roll down your window. If you have others in your car please have them get out of the car and walk away from the car until you are finished. If they wish to go to confession please get out of the car, step away (give the next person the cell phone, get in the car and close the door). Continue until all have gone to confession. When finished please go out the south drive (which is usually the in-coming lane). For Confessions only we will make this change in the driveway.

Please continue to listen to the news and check your e-mails for updates on practices here in the parish. If we all work together we will make it through the terrible pandemic. Jesus, Mary & Joseph please keep us all safe. Fr. Tony Fortman, C.P.P.S.

Remember Those Who Have Gone Before Us-March 29 – April 4

Lya F Horstman 3/29/87	Carl Hovest 3/31/97
Carl Kuhlman 3/29/88	Catherine Palte 4/2/88
Leo H Ellerbrock 3/30/83	Robert Diller 4/2/12
Robert J Bockrath 3/31/85	Sandra McFarland 4/3/15
Edward J Heckman 3/31/91	Martha Unterbrink 4/4/82

“Crosses will never be lacking; the works of God are a texture of crosses. But God is wonderful.” St. Gaspar del Bufalo

Adult Faith Information

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

**Join us for an 8-week Parish Study during Lent
LECTIO: MARY (The Bible and the Mother of God)
that draws on the book
“JESUS and the JEWISH ROOTS of MARY”
Is cancelled for now**

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Next Women of Grace will be at a later date.



HOME TO GOD: Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of **Ray Averagesch**. Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Jean Siefker** on the death of her loving father, Ray.

DID YOU KNOW?

Rose Ann Morman will celebrate her 82nd birthday on April 1st
 Dorothy Ellerbrock will celebrate her 82nd birthday on April 2nd
 Eugene Ellerbrock will celebrate his 85th birthday on April 3rd
HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROSE ANN, DOROTHY, & EUGENE!

2020 DIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL: Our parish goal this year is \$39,000 pledged \$17,054.58. The Theme is *“On Course With Christ - Gratitude · Prayer · Service”* Hopefully, you received your envelope in the mail. If you don't receive one there are extra envelopes in the racks back in church. Thanks! To learn more about the appeal visit: www.Toledodiocese.org/ACA
 God bless you all, Fr. Tony

Grade School CCD Information

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

Jr. High CCD Information

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

High School CCD Information

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

Sometime this spring, all parents who have a high school student will receive a mailing to sign up their students for High School CCD in the fall.

Message from Colleen Halker Youth Director

If you are interested in the Sept. 2020 pilgrimage to Greece and the Greek Isles with Fr Tony, there are only **5 spots left**. Please visit www.pilgrimages.com/frfortman to sign up and to view an itinerary. If you have questions, or need assistance in signing up, please call Cheryl Kersh at 419.890.8565 or email cherylkersh@gmail.com.

Our Seminarian, Eric Kaufman, is home. He will have Adoration and night prayers Monday thru Thursday from 7:00 – 8:00pm in church. Not opened to the public. Please watch on Glandorf Cable Channel 3.

2020 Glandorf, St. John's VBS Update - Due to the current pandemic and government restrictions, our vacation bible school committee has paused our preparations. After Easter, we'll decide if we can hold it this year, but would likely be moved to AUGUST 3rd-6th. If we're able to go forward we'll reopen registration. Because the rectory is currently closed, please hold onto registration forms for now so we don't have to worry about refunds if it doesn't happen... If you have already turned it in, we will keep it until a decision has been made. Thanks for your understanding. Keep praying!

THE REMAINING PENANCE SERVICES IN THE AREA ARE CANCELLED: Fr. Tony will have confessions on Saturday mornings at 8:45am **and GOOD FRIDAY AT 4:00pm, And HOLY SATURDAY, Apr. 11 – 8:00am.** Please read his note in the second column on procedure for confession for rectory garage drive-thru.

Only one Mass will be said each day. The Glandorf St. John's Saturday 4:30pm, Sunday 10:30 & 6:30pm Mass on Sunday evenings will be cancelled until further notice. Mass at 8:00am all week.

Glandorf St. John's CRHP X have a small group of men that are willing to assist any individuals from the parish in the coming weeks with grocery shopping, etc. if you are unable or unwilling to go out during this outbreak. Please call me, Matt Hanneman at 419-969-0295 if you are in need of help.

Men's Society Election of Officers -postponed until April 25/26.

All men over the age of 18 are eligible to vote for 2020 Men's Soc. Officers. **President-Elect:** Blake Walker or Shane Stechschulte; **Vice-President:** Doug Giesige or Ryan Burgei; **Treasurer:** Ben Gerding or Mike Stechschulte; **Secretary:** Doug Karhoff or Ben Kaufman

FERVORINO - *Our families can become wrapped up chasing things we perceive will make us happy. Jesus' words to Lazarus, He says to us: "Come out" from what entombs you. In this fifth week of Lent "untie" yourself and be free from unnecessary possessions.*

For the Masses/Services between now and Easter Sunday the ministers/servers/ushers scheduled for each Mass will not be needed since we have a locked church during this time. Thank you for your patience! Our prayers are with all of you to stay safe!

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 4/5 – The blessing of palms will be at the 8:00am Mass. The church will be locked all day on Sunday. Please stop by on Monday thru Saturday to pick up your blessed palms at **the north handicapped door (on Church Street) which will be the only door unlocked. Please also exit through that door when you leave.**

On the weekends there will be bulletins available at handicapped door only.

No ministers needed for this Mass. Please stay home and watch Glandorf Channel 3.

Alms Giving – to take the place of our food drive you may put a monetary gift in a plain envelope mark it “FOOD PANTRY” and we will see that the Food Pantry will get it. Either mail it to Box 48, Glandorf or drop it in the mail slot on the rectory southside walk-thru door of the garage.

Observance of Palm Sunday 2020 – Bishop Thomas:

The celebrations of these most holy days of the church year require a pastoral attentiveness so that the saving events commemorated are carried out with faith and devotion and the faithful have access to them in whatever way is possible. All possible electronic and spiritual resources are to be made available to the faithful to enter into these days which commemorate the greatest mysteries of our redemption.

In general:

- There will be no public celebrations of Palm Sunday and of the Sacred Paschal Triduum. The faithful should be strongly encouraged to view or listen to a livestream/broadcast of these liturgies and make a spiritual communion.

- A very limited number of ministers (a server, a lector) who are considered necessary to exercise a particular role may be present, provided that their health is not compromised and they give their consent and proper social distancing is practiced. However, there is to be no congregation present.

If there are no necessary ministers present, the priest celebrant is to adapt the following guidelines according to his circumstances.

- We all need to be aware that ecclesial or governmental restrictions may be altered at any moment and prudent judgement will need to prevail when celebrating these most sacred liturgies with the upmost reverence and decorum.

An Act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Pope Francis’s Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus’ pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen. *(Adapted from [Vatican News](#).)*

2020 PICTORIAL DIRECTORY – We received word from Life Touch that they are temporarily closed because of the Covid-19. They will be back in office around June. Our books will be delayed until possibly the end of summer. Just so you are aware!

Please check out Glandorf Cable Channel 3 for live Masses, live Benediction, live Stations of the Cross, and live for all events.

Thank you to all of our videographers who videoed our Masses over the past years. You brought the Mass to our nursing home residents and to our homebound. Thank you for sharing Jesus!

FIRST FRIDAY, APR. 3, 8:00AM Mass, Novena, & Divine Mercy. **12:00pm Rosary; 1:00 – 4:00 Public Adoration of the Eucharist ending with Benediction at 4:00pm.** Let’s pray for all intentions.

FIRST SATURDAY, APR. 4, 8:00 AM Mass in church with confession following at the rectory garage drive-thru on south side at 8:45am. Remember the all-day rosary – Please pray your scheduled time at home.

APRIL GRANDorf Drawing (*two chances each month to win \$500*) will be next Sun., Apr. 5. The Coffee & Donuts is cancelled for the month of April. Next drawing Sun., May 10.

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CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION 2020-2021- Looking for a preschool with kindergarten readiness AND a Catholic faith curriculum? Glandorf St. John’s Catholic Preschool registration sessions are **postponed until a later date**. Registration forms are available in the church literature racks, St. John’s Website, or by contacting the preschool at 419 538 6264. 2 day, 3 day and **NEW 5 day sessions** are available!

Marriage Enrichment Seminar- At the Sorrowful Mother Shrine led by Fr. Harry Brown and a trained married couple. April 25 @ 1:00pm-4:00pm, 4106 State Route 269, Bellevue, OH. Pre-Register @419-483-3435 x101 by April 20. Give your marriage a “Jiffy lube job”! If you want to refuel and reenergize your marriage, this seminar will enrich and strengthen the commitment you made in the Sacrament of Matrimony.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND April 18/19 at St. Anthony’s Church Columbus Grove. This will be a non-residential weekend when couples go home overnight. For reservations call 419-538-7210. You may be on a waiting list. But call!

Ottawa-Glandorf Schools Kindergarten Screening and Parent Orientation for incoming 2020-2021 kindergarten students at the Putnam County Educational Service Center (124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa) on Mon., April 6. Parents will also attend an orientation meeting during this time with your child’s principal. For those parents who have not yet registered their child for kindergarten, please do so by March 31. You will need to fill out a registration form at Glandorf Elementary. You will also need to bring a copy of your child’s birth certificate, social security no., a record of immunizations and proof of residency for registration. Students registering for kindergarten must be at least five years of age by August 1, 2019. Parents who have already registered their child for kindergarten will be receiving a letter in the mail.

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

STEWARDSHIP

March 22nd Collection

Adults \$ Auto Electronic Giving \$1,026.00
Loose \$ Children \$ Total: \$1,026.00

Heartbeat needs size 4 & 5 diapers & boys/girls 3–6 month winter clothes

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



**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
GLANDORF, OHIO**

St. George Deanery

Missionaries of the Precious Blood

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REGISTRATION New members should register as soon as possible. Moving out? - please inform the rectory.

INTERESTED IN SERVING YOUR PARISH? If you are interested in becoming a Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Usher or in any other way please call the rectory 419-538-6928.

PARENT SESSIONS are required by the Toledo Diocese for Infant Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist, and First Penance.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS – the classes for 2020 will be Sundays, May 17th, and Sept. 20th, from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in room 15, in the parish center - presented by Deacon Don Inkrott.

Pre-register by calling rectory.

ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY at Noon on First Fridays of the month.

WEDDINGS The Toledo Diocese requests all dates be set at the rectory at least 6 months in advance. **Pre-Marriage Class required.** Parties who recently joined our parish who do not live within our parish boundaries, or who do not belong to a family already registered in the parish; need to be aware that we cannot schedule a wedding date until six months after the time of registration. The normal six month preparation period would apply from that point. Normally only parishioners and those related to our parishioners marry here. Any other person needs prior permission of his/her pastor.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS The Diocese of Toledo has a marriage preparation class, entitled "A Joy-Filled Marriage." This is a mandatory, two-day class. St. John's class will be November 7 & 8, 2020.

DO YOU HAVE YOUR LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT COMPLETED? DID YOU REMEMBER YOUR PARISH, ST. JOHN'S?

SACRAMENTAL RECONCILIATION: PENANCE Saturdays 8:30am & 4:00pm.

Br. Jerry's address: Br. Jerry Schulte, C.P.P.S., St. Charles Center, 2860 US Route 127 Rm 107, Celina, OH 45822

For high school CCD perfect attendance - in order to receive the \$50 award for **perfect attendance** at the end of your senior year you must attend every CCD class on time and the entire class with no excuses except attending a parish sponsored event.

DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS – All players must be members of the sponsoring parish and/or educational system of the parish in order to play on the parish team.

PARISH POLICY FOR CYO HIGH SCHOOL & PUTNAM COUNTY GRADE SCHOOL BOY'S & GIRL'S SPORTING TEAMS ANNOUNCEMENT: Playing any sports this year? You are expected to attend both the Fall & Winter sessions of High School Religious Education Groups or Grade School CCD Classes---plus weekend Saturday or Sunday Mass. This includes all players, coaches and their families. Attendance at these groups/classes will be monitored and reviewed. For each class missed (which is not an excused absence) you will be sitting out one game.—**To play CYO sports, the following are the only excused absences from CCD: sickness, death in family, college visitation**

day, parish sponsored event, sport tournament games only with O-G athletes/fans involved, and work (up to 3 missed CCD classes due to work). After the third absence due to work, the player is not permitted to play in a game until he/she returns to CCD class. All other reasons are unexcused. Parents, if your child is sick, please call his/her teacher/leader before class. If necessary, the Parish Council will review attendance or unexcused absence issues on an individual basis. We kindly ask the cooperation of all concerned as we implement this church policy for the good of our parish. (Fr. Tony– pastor & Brenda Recker – Council Pres.)