

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2016 First Sunday in Advent

✠ **MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE** ✠

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28 - No School

8:00 AM James Roof

4:00 PM PENANCE SERVICE – LECTOR: Janet Schroeder

7:00 PM PENANCE SERVICE – LECTOR: Chris Schroeder

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

8:40AM Mary Christine (Knapke) Chia

12:00 PM Rosary for our Nation

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30 St. Andrew

8:00 AM Norm Birkemeyer

6:00 PM For the Poor Souls

No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

8:40 AM Ruth C. Gerdeman

2:00 PM For the Poor Souls- Meadows of Ottawa – Fr. Tony

FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

6:00 AM Religious Freedom

8:00 AM L/D Albert & Irene Ellerbrock Family, Dorothy Knapke

FIRST SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3 St. Francis Xavier

8:00 AM L/D Val & Mary Korte Family

4:30 PM L/D Ott Schnipke Family, L/D Edward & Florence Gable Family, L/D Gilbert & Sally Morman Family, Alberta & Margaret Morman, L/D Leander & Alberta Moening Family, L/D Nub Siefker Family, L/D Tom Ellerbrock Family, Amadeus & Marcelle Schroeder

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 AM L/D Charlie Maag Family

10:30 AM L/D Harold Kaufman Family

6:30 PM L/D Urban Warnecke Family, Special Intention

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

Stay awake! The Lord is coming. Be ready! (Matthew 24: 37-44)

That during this time of Advent we will discover the presence of God in many ways, we pray:

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY (Dec. 4th): Is. 11: 1-10; Rom. 15:4-9; Mt. 3: 1-12

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 27, 2016

Jesus tells us today to be prepared for his second coming. Jesus will come to earth again and he will judge us according to our faith, words, and our actions. What we do or do not do on this earth will determine how our next life will be judged by Christ. I used to think that if I lived a nice quiet life without causing an uproar or without conflict, I was doing God's will. I just needed to keep the peace. But that type of thinking is only half of the truth. We are to be a peaceful and loving people but there are times when we have to disturb the peace. If I see my brother and sister heading down a sinful path then I have to confront them about their thinking and actions. Sometimes this will cause conflict among my brothers and sisters.

Jesus did tell us that in this world we will have trouble. But take heart, Jesus has conquered the world. The consensus of others does not always mean something is true. Sometimes there is a consensus that abortion is right because a woman has a right to choose. But the truth is that abortion is wrong and I must let others know this. This may cause me problems on earth but my reward in heaven for speaking the truth outweighs any human consensus on earth.

One way to be ready for Jesus' second coming is to have a good prayer life where you are in communion with God. When the Son of man comes to earth again, will he find any faith? He will find faith in you and me if we are willing to consistently pray each day, speak the truth, and love others. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

TODAY, SUNDAY, NOV. 27, 6:30PM MASS: SERVERS: Don Stechschulte & Roger Schroeder; **LECTOR:** Paula Siebeneck; **DISTRIBUTORS:** Don Stechschulte, Connie Dehnart, Susan Schmitz; **Usher:** Richard Schmitz.

WEEKDAY SERVERS: Mon. 8:00 AM: Gene Warnecke, Ron Leopold; Tue. 8:40 AM: Students; Wed. 8:00 AM: Connie Schmitz, Jerry Hanneman; Thurs. 8:40 AM: Students; Fri. 6:00 AM: Jeff Schram, Joe Schroeder; Fri. 8:00AM: Ken & Paula Elchinger; Sat. 8:00 AM: Alivia & Jacob Balbaugh, Genevieve Bennett, Kayla Brickner.

SUNDAY SERVERS: Sat. 4:30 PM: Genevieve Bennett, Isabella Bennett, Emma & Liane Siefker; Sun.8:00 AM: Adam & Erica Hageman, Abby & Brandon Schroeder; 10:30 AM: Logan Clark, Megan & Matthew Ketner, Mia Schroeder; **6:30 PM:** Jack Dalrymple, Averie Kaufman, Kirsten Siefker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Marciel Schroeder

Mary Ellen Halker

Mark Schroeder

Tammy Schroeder

Paul Kleman

Marlene Kleman Choir: Cliff Schroeder

Communion to Meadows: Kathy Verhoff & Betty Nienberg**LECTORS**

Brad Schmitz

Kathy Schmitz

Nicole Ruhe

Greg Ruhe

Michelle Giesswein

Dawn Giesige

New Lector Workbooks for 2017 Liturgical Year which begins the First Sunday of Advent, Nov. 27 are available in the server's sacristy. Please stop to pick yours up after any Mass. Thank you!

GIFT BEARERS: Sat. 4:30PM: Dan & Susan Schnipke Family; Sun. 8:AM: Steve & Jane Alt Family; Sun. 10:30AM Tom & Laura Hageman Family

DECEMBER USHERS: Sat.4:30PM: Ken Schroeder, Robert Verhoff; Sun.8:00AM: Joe Riepenhoff & Jeff Duling; 10:30AM: Jerry Recker, Al Hueve; **Dec. 4, 6:30 PM:** Mary Ellen. **Sun. 6:30pm schedule was e-mailed to all**

Videographer –Sat. 4:30 PM – Austin Horstman

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Paul & Linda Schulte

COUNTERS NEXT SUNDAY: 6

November Funeral Rosary leaders: Deb/Mike Ebbeskotte, Ann Fortman, Betty/Don Nienberg, Carol Kaufman, Diane Utrup, & Alice Palte.

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

FAMILIES TO LIGHT ADVENT WREATH BEFORE MASS: next Sat., Dec. 3, 4:30pm: John & Pat Siefker Family; Sun.4th, 8:00am: Tim & Chris Hoehn family; 10:30am: Andrew & Stephanie Schroeder Family. Thank you!

Glandorf St. John's Capital Campaign Update: (11/7/2016)

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

Goal: \$1,274,500

Pledged: \$765,136 Paid: \$643,172

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.

Sign up has begun for Fr. Tony's spiritual pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain & Lourdes April 4-13, 2018. Enjoy Mass daily, visit the site of the First Eucharistic Miracle along with Our Blessed Mother's Apparition sites of Fatima and Lourdes, and much more. Brochures with itineraries are on the radiators in the back of church. You can also view the itinerary and sign up at www.pilgrimages.com/frfortman. If you have questions please call Cheryl Kersh at 419.890.8565.

VOLUNTEER MEAL: Thank you to all of you who are volunteers in the parish, for those who pray for our parish and help support it. We would like to especially thank June Gerdeman for cooking the delicious meal and her husband Dan, the staff, volunteers and the 6th Grade students and their parents who helped serve the meal. Thanks to all who helped set up and clean up. To Susie Schnipke with Always in Bloom Florals and Alice Recker of the Mustard Seed for the table decorations; to the Meadows of Ottawa for donating the delicious desserts. Thank you to all! God bless you!

Thank you to our outdoor Christmas decorating crew! We had a great turnout! We had a mixture of adults, high school & grade school. You did a fabulous job in short order! Thank you very much for making our St. John's parish grounds beautiful for the coming of Baby Jesus! God bless you all! Happy Advent!

SPECIAL THANKS to all who have committed to praying one rosary each week during the next year for our pope, priests, deacons, Religious Brothers & Sisters. Jesus and Mary thank you too!

"You know that simplicity makes doing good easier."

St. Gaspar del Bufalo

Adult Faith Information
Jeanette Schroeder - Coordinator
Diana Meyer, Jeanne Schram, DeVon Dunlap, Marlene Kleman,
Deacon Don and Elaine Inkrott

Advent by Candlelight

All **WOMEN** are invited to St. John the Baptist.
Sunday, Nov. 27th @ 7:00pm, in the Parish Center
Pat Oedy-Murray will speak on LK 1:38
“And Mary said, Behold, I am the Handmaid of the Lord”.
(Reflecting on the Dignity and Role of Women in Society.)

If you would still like to come,
please contact Jeanette @ 419-538-6740 or email jmschroeder51@gmail.com.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THE FIRST SATURDAY of the month, after 4:30 Mass on Saturday evening until 8:00 on Sunday mornings. Mark your calendars for Saturday/Sunday, Dec. 3rd /4th. Sign-up sheets are available on the radiators back in church this week. We would like at least two people signed up for each hour. If you can't make it to church to sign in please call Ann Fortman 419-235-6734.

GOD BLESS THE NEWLY WEDDED: Mr. & Mrs. Eric (Richelle Miller) Kleman

DID YOU KNOW? Teresa Borgelt will celebrate her 85th birthday on Tue., Nov. 29th; Cleo Liebrecht will celebrate his 87th birthday on Wed., Nov. 30th; Rita Schmitz will celebrate her 91st birthday on Sun., Dec. 4; Lucille Knueven will celebrate her 90th birthday on Sun., Dec. 4. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TERESA, CLEO, RITA & LUCILLE!**



HOME TO GOD: Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of **Linda Killen**. Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Fr. Tony** on the death of his Aunt Linda.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Dave & Cheryl Kersh on their 40th Wedding Anniversary!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISH FAMILY:

Brian & Kara (Otto) Balash and their children Evan, Madison & Jason

SOCIETY OF THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH COLLECTION: If you didn't pick up an envelope last week there are extras in the racks back in the north & south vestibules of church.

“Please pray for Bishop Thomas and the priests of our Diocese, as they gather on Monday, November 28, at Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, for the second annual Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests. Please pray that this gathering will bear fruit for our priests in holiness of life and in their service to the Lord and His 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.

St. John's evening Mass for next Sunday, December 4th will be at 6:30pm. Fr. Tony will be in need of 1 more lector & 4 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.

Grade School CCD Information

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

CCD Food Drive – runs this week yet. Please send in items from your pantry for the Putnam County Food Pantry for the needy here in this county. Thanks!

Volunteer Meal: Special thank you– for all the 6th Graders and their parents who came to help serve our volunteers. You did a fabulous job! Thank you!!

6th Grade Parent Sessions – For Mrs. Horstman's class – Wed, Nov. 30, 7-8:30pm; For Mrs. Turnwald's class – Thur, Dec. 1, 7-8:30pm. All in the Cafeteria of the Parish Center. If you cannot make the day assigned by your child's homeroom, you will need to come to the other session. This is required. Thank you!

Special K – next class time is Wed, Dec. 7 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!

We just received word that the Steubenville Youth Conference still has open spots for July 7-9! If any student in grades 8-12 would still like to sign up, now is your chance. See the parish website for the necessary form. Call/Email DeVon with any questions. Fundraising opportunities can be made available if desired. Please don't let costs be an obstacle to this life-changing opportunity.

High School CCD Class on Nov. 30, Dec. 6 & Dec. 14th @ 7pm in the Parish Center. Please be to class on time for attendance. **God bless you and please keep our students and catechists in your prayers!**

Message from Colleen Halker Youth Director

Happy Advent to all!

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

PENANCE SERVICES IN THE OFFING: Glandorf – Mon., Nov. 28, 4:00 & 7:00pm; New Cleveland – Wed., Nov. 30, 7:00 pm; Ottoville - Sun., Dec. 11, 2:00 p.m.; Leipsic - Sun., Dec. 11, at 7 pm; Kalida – Tue., Dec. 13, 4:00 & 7:00 pm; Ft. Jennings - Wed., Dec. 14, 7:00 pm; Ottawa - Mon., Dec. 19, 4:00 & 7:00 pm; Columbus Grove – Wed., Dec. 21, 7:00pm.

The Holy Rosary for our Nation - will continue every Tuesday at noon until Christmas in Glandorf St. John's Church.



**CONGRATULATIONS
ON YOUR
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!**

**BILL & RITA
KOCH**

Janice Grimes, Thomas, Kenneth, William, Jr., Sheila Dulle, Frederick, Daniel, Kevin, Janice Hanneman

FERVORINO – “Stay awake, watch out, and pray for the strength to hold your ground” when “fearful and bewildering signs” appear threatening your family. Resist being “fearful;” fear cripples! Instead “pray for the strength” to be courageous.



4:00 Christmas Eve Children's Mass practices will begin Tues., Nov. 29, 6:30 -8:00pm in church and Wed. Dec. 7-6:30-8:00pm. All students 6th grade through High School are invited to participate. We look forward to this tradition each year and hope many of you can join us again this year! Any questions please call Jeannie Verhoff 419-538-6255



RCIA CLASS Tue., Nov. 29th at 7pm, Room 15 in the Parish Center. It will last until 8:30pm. **This week's topic: Holy Spirit & Life of Grace.** These sessions are open to all interested persons – those wishing to become a Catholic and Catholics who wish to update themselves. We welcome you. If you are interested please call DeVon Dunlap 419-538-6897.

Advent Angel Tree and baby bottles for Heartbeat: Our parish will be participating in this project again this year. Look for the tree next weekend!

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 567-367-5673.

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).

FIRST FRIDAY, DEC. 2, 6:00 AM & 8:00 AM Mass, Novena, & Divine Mercy. **1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Public Adoration of the Eucharist closing with Benediction at 4:00pm.** Come and pray for the needs of our Church!

FIRST SATURDAY, DEC. 3, 8:00 AM Mass with confession following. Remember the all day rosary. If you are in need of a sub for praying the rosary, there is a list of subs back on the bulletin board in the center vestibule.

The info for TMIY week 12 below: Sat., Dec. 3rd, 6:00am in the cafeteria in the parish center

Session 12: The Journey to Nazareth

- Spiritual Life, Spiritual Warfare
- Spiritual Sustenance: The Eucharist
- What Is Lectio Divina?
- Sanctification: God's Will in Our Lives
- Traveling the Spiritual Journey Together
- The Importance of Spiritual Mentors
- Being Open to the Call

Families needed for the *Lighting of the Advent Wreath* for Sunday Mass during Advent on Dec. 4 at 8:00am & Sat., Dec. 17 at 4:30pm here at St. John's. If you are interested, please call the rectory 419-538-6928. Thank you to the families who already volunteered to help. God bless you!

SPIRIT & SONG GROUP PRACTICE Tue., Dec. 6, 6:30 – 8:00pm for the 4:30pm youth Mass on Saturday, December 10.

CLC/ALTAR ROSARY CHRISTMAS PARTY Wed., Dec. 7. Cocktail hour & entertainment by the OG Show Choir from 5:30 to 6:30pm. Chicken dinner at 7:00pm with \$5 payable at the door. Come and join the ladies of the parish for good food, entertainment and cards. RSVP Alice Diemer 419-538-6616 by December 1.

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!

"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!**

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROLING TO SHUT-INS by Parish Council/Finance Committee members on Mon., Dec. 12, 6:00 pm., meet in the rectory garage. Family members and parishioners are welcome.

New Year's Eve party at the Ottawa K of C for their Scholarship Fund – chance to win \$3000. 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.

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 brookemarienessid@gmail.com



STEWARDSHIP

Adults \$8,466.00 Auto Electronic Giving \$778.00 Loose \$924.60 Children \$213.61 Total: \$10,382.21
Nov 13th, 6:30: \$626.00

Heartbeat supplies needed: wipes and 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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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, in room 15 in the parish center. The 2017 dates will be scheduled soon - presented by Deacon Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling rectory.

ROSARY 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 new marriage preparation class, entitled “A Joy-Filled Marriage.” This is a mandatory, two-day class. St John’s class will be November 5-6, 2016

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

SACRAMENTAL RECONCILIATION: PENANCE Saturday 4:00.

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.

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. **Any non-Catholic youth** living in our parish is eligible to play CYO sports, if they regularly attend our parish High School Religious Education Groups or Grade School CCD Classes & plus regularly attend their Sunday service. This must be documented with their pastor’s signature that they attended services each week during pre-season practices and regular season games.

(Fr. Tony– pastor & Brian Schroeder – Council Pres.)