

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Missionaries of the Precious Blood
St. George Deanery



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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)

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

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.

2 FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MATT

www.stjohnglandorf.org

When I read the article featuring Glandorf St. John's in the recent *C.P.P.S. Today*, I was aware that we the Missionaries of the Precious Blood have been serving here in Glandorf for a long time, but I did not realize that our community has been serving here for 175 years, until I read the article. Glandorf, is one of the first parishes that we took on as a community when we came to the United States. But I think it would have to be one of the first parishes that our community took on world-wide. When St. Gaspar del Bufalo founded our community in 1815, our first missionaries were not parish priests, they were missionaries, their mission was to bring people back to church, in response to the fall of Napoleon. In 1843 Fr. Brunner brought our community to the United States to help minister to German Speaking immigrants this when our community began to take on parish ministry.

As I walk through our parish museum and see the display of past Missionaries of the Precious Blood pastors that have served here at St. John's, I see my picture among them and humbly can say I only account for 1 of those 175 years and I am also reminded of the shoulders of the past that I stand on. As I reflect on my family the Missionaries of the Precious Blood history at St. John, I am also reminded of the history that your families have here as well. I would imagine as you examine the roots of your family history, they go back 175 years and some either farther yet. You could examine your family roots and see the impacts that your family has had on St. John's.

In our scriptures today we hear of a parable of a landowner that plants a vineyard, puts a hedge in it, digs a wine press, and builds a tower. It appears the landowner did everything that he could to have good, successful, and bountiful vineyard. Ironically, rather than staying to work the vineyard the landowner leaves for a journey and leases the vineyard out to tenants. When the grapes become ripe the landowner sends servants to get some of the produce of the harvest. Rather than sharing the produce with the landowner the tenants kill and mistreat the servants. As we I reflect on our parish's history, and on this parable. I see God as the landowner and our God gives all the gifts that we need. We are the tenants and the harvest or the produce is all the good things that we have and do. And call then is to share that produce with our God. Our parish's history is filled with faithful tenants that have worked hard to produce a bountiful harvest and shared that produce with the Lord. We are beneficiaries of that harvest.

Now is our turn to be tenants of not only producing harvest but sharing that produce with the Lord. And that is why we are having our Sunday Funday this Sunday. To recognize all the ways here at St. Johns we have and are we are producing and sharing the fruit with the Lord through our CCD programs and various other ministries in our parish. But today is about what is happening today and looking to the future, how can we continue to produce fruit and share that produce? What is the gift that God is calling you to share?



MONDAY, OCTOBER 9 Sts. Denis & John Leonardi

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Communion Service - Deacon Don Inkrott

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

8:20am Rosary

8:45am L/D Lavon & Beverly Leis, Tom Kaufman

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11 St. John XXIII

7:15-7:45am Confessions

7:35am Rosary

8:00am L/D Norbert & Agnes Sager Family

8:45am Penance 6A

6:30-8:15pm Adoration

7:45pm-8:20pm Confessions

8:30-9:15pm Thurifer Training

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:20am Rosary

8:45am L/D Behrns/Croy Families

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

7:15am-7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Donald Halker & Donna Jean Halker

12:00pm Rosary

6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal-Sharon Meyer

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 St. Callistus

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Poor Souls

8:30am Confessions

1:00am Meyer-Csomos Wedding

4:00pm Confession

4:30pm Dave Schmitz, L/D Gilbert & Marcela Morman Family, L/D Mel Hedrick Family, L/D Robert & Alice Schroeder Family, L/D Jerome & Alma Schmitz Family, Joyce Smith, John Wurth

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15-28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Terry Maas, James & Patricia Donaldson, Herbert Maas,

Edna Riepenhoff, Zac Cassidy, Paul Cassidy Jr,

L/D Don Recker Family

10:30am Frank Tobe, Cayla Fortman-Ross, Ross Hansen, Darrell

Neuenschwander

11:30pm Baptism - Fr. Matt

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

Marriage

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 Cafeteria
Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 8:00am

Initiation of Adults into the Catholic Faith (RCIA)

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.

SERVERS

Mon 8:45am No Mass

Tue 8:45am Students

Wed 8:00am Gene & Rose Warnecke

Thu 8:45am Students

Fri 8:00am Ken & Paula Elchinger

Sat 8:00am Carleigh Maag, Brooke Maag, Mattilyn Maag

Sat 4:30pm Ethan Weis, Sam Warnecke, Brandon Warnecke

Sun 8:00am Emma Hoffman, Raiden Schroeder, Tyler Ruhe

Sun 10:30am Will Siefker, Owen Schumaker, Grant Schroeder

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**LECTORS**

Sat 4:30pm Mary Ellen Halker

Louis Halker

Elizabeth Ruhe

Sun 8:00am Deb Leopold

Deb Schroeder

Andy Gray

Deb Schroeder

Sun 10:30am Tara Gerding

Jane Moening

Paula Siebeneck

Tim Hansen

Revised Ministers Schedule was emailed on 9/15/2023. If you did not get the email, you can find the Ministers schedule on the St. John's website. Call for the password.

GIFT BEARERS

Sat 4:30pm Ross & Sue Siefker

Sun 8:00am Steve & Jane Alt

Sun 10:30am Mark & Ann Ellerbrock

OCTOBER USHERS

Sat 4:30pm Alex Ellerbrock, Steve Brown

Sun 8:00am Tim & Chris Hoehn

Sun 10:30am Louis & Mary Ellen Halker

COMMUNION TO MEADOWS: Deb Burwell, Frances Roof**COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY:** 2**ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY:** Cliff & Janet Schroeder

OCTOBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Jeff & Jeanne Schram, Ginnie Riepenhoff, Marie Pothast, Bertie Hermiller, Mike & Judy Niese, Lee & Diane Recker

Reconciliation (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.

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 6:30pm-8:15pm 1st Saturday 5:30pm - 8:00am

1st Friday 1:00pm-4:00pm with Benediction

Holy Orders and Religious Life

Contact the vocation office at the Toledo Diocese at 419-244-6711 or e-mail 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.

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STEWARDSHIP October 1, 2023

Offering

Loose	\$ 1,157.00
Adult Envelope	\$ 7,312.00
Children	\$ 98.00
Maintenance	\$ 470.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,290.00
Total Collection	\$11,831.98

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 3 Diapers & **NEW HOURS** for **Heartbeat** starting July 31st Open Tuesday's 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 appreciated, as well (Ottawa Food Pantry, Trinity United Methodist Church, Ottawa).

2023 GRAND-orf Club



Only the drawing on October 8th with no Coffee and Donuts due to SONday Fun Day. Doug and Andrea Giesige will draw the winners. Extra tickets are in the racks in the church vestibules.



Knights of Columbus

Newsletters are available in the back of Church.



The Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month.

October: For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

PRAYER FOR OHIO

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Ohio from laws that disregard their health and safety. Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. Father, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life, preserving parental rights, and accompanying pregnant women in need. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us!

St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us

Thomas E Hanneman 10/8/12	Arthur T Landwehr 10/11/16
Harold J Brinkman 10/8/15	James A Rosengarten 10/12/13
John J Macke 10/9/04	Ty M Conn 10/12/18
Kimberly Langhals 10/10/11	Clarence W Pohl 10/14/09
Kenneth Maag 10/10/17	Edna M Lauer 10/14/14
Juanita E Blankemeyer 10/10/18	Ruth Ann Stechschulte 10/14/17

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 of ...

RICHARD BIRKEMEIER

WEDDING BANN

III Marisa Meyer of this parish, daughter of Tony & Lisa Meyer and **Troy Csomos**, of St. Nicholas, Miller City, son of Jason & Amy Niese

II Madison Bockrath of this parish, daughter of Brent & Melanie Bockrath and **Sammuel Rostofer**, son of Brett and Carrie Rostofer

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Lilah Rae, daughter of Joseph & Devan Gossard
Myles Benjamin, son of Benjamin & Dana Keckler
Natalie Lucille, daughter of Jason & Audrey Kleman
Kensley Jane, daughter of Jason & Kelly Tobe
Brayden Alan, son of Brian & Brittany Myerholtz

OCTOBER MASS COUNT 2023

Starting this weekend Saturday September 30th/October 1st, the ushers will count all people present at every Mass. This will include servers, Fr. Matt, Deacon Don, choir & babies in arms.

Thank you very much!

High School Corner

HS CCD will be held on Wednesday, October 11th at 7:00 PM in Parish Center. If your child will not be attending, please text or contact me. Ruth Gerding, coordinator of HS CCD, 567-204-1275

Elementary and Jr High Corner

1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting : October 10, 2023 at 6:30pm in the Parish Center

THURIFER SERVER TRAINING

As over the past year, Father Matt wishes to use incense at masses on special feast days and for benediction. He wishes to expand regular use to include benediction every first Saturday of the month after 4:30PM mass for the start of overnight adoration. We use specially trained servers, called Thurifers, to assist with the incense.

In most cases Fr will also use incense at other masses if a Thurifer steps up before mass and volunteers. As of now we have 8 trained Thurifers and we wish to expand that number. Mass servers in grades 8-12 are invited to join that group. It is a special honor and privilege to serve in that capacity and ask your youth to prayerfully consider it.

A Thurifer training session is planned for Wednesday Oct 11th immediately after High School CCD, 8:20 PM to 9:15 PM. Existing Thurifers are welcome to join us to help qualify new members.

St. John's Youth Group

OCTOBER EVENT - Chili Cook Off
Sunday - 10/22/23 from 6-9pm



WHO: All High School Youth Invited
WHERE: Glandorf Park Shelter House #5
WHAT: Celebrate your faith with peers enjoying an evening of faith, food, fun and fellowship including prayer, chili cook off, prizes, bonfire, and yard games
CHILI COOK OFF: Optional - Individual or team chili entries welcome

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: NOVEMBER EVENT - 11/21/23 - Service Day

SAVE THE DATE!



St. John's Preschool
Fall Quarter Auction

Friday, November 3, 7PM
Parish Center cafeteria

Details soon to follow. Enjoy a fun night out!

LADIES OF LEISURE SOCIAL (L.O.L.s.)

(Sponsored by St. John's Alter Rosary Society)

Come for Old Fashioned visiting while playing cards, games or crafting.

**Every Third Wednesday
of each month.**

Two Event Times: 1:00- 4:00
OR 6:00- 9:00

@ The Parish Center cafe in Glandorf.

You Are Welcome To ...

Play board games
Play cards
Dominos, Dice
Knitting, Crafting,
Mahjong Game, Etc.
(Please bring your own Supplies & Games)

You Can Bring Your Own Beverage & snack.

FREE EVENT
NO MEMBERSHIP FEE

"It's a place to gather with friends and neighbors without having to clean house." IAA IIA

Questions OR to Reserve A Table, Contact Jill Gerding 419-538-6942

THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY BINGO & BAKE SALE

OCTOBER 15, 2023 AT 1:00PM

DOORS OPEN AT 12:30 P.M. ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER ARE ASKED TO PLEASE DONATE 2 BAKED GOODS OR \$5. THE BAKED GOODS OR MONEY CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF ST. JOHN'S HALL ON THE MORNING OF OCTOBER 15TH ANY TIME AFTER 7:30 A.M. YOU CAN ALSO PLACE THE MONEY IN AN ENVELOPE MARKED "ARS BAKE SALE" AND PUT IT IN THE WEEKLY COLLECTION. A LIST OF DOOR PRIZES, AS WELL AS 50/50 TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. THE 50/50 TICKETS CAN BE RETURNED AT BINGO OR IN THE WEEKLY COLLECTION.

Attention ALL MEN!!!! Join us on for That Man Is You
Wednesday, Oct. 11th, 7-8:30pm in room 22 OR **Saturday, Oct. 14th, 6-7:30am** in the cafeteria.



For more information, contact Mike Karhoff @ mbkarhoff@bright.net, 419-796-0763
TMIY "WORTHY OF THE CALL" - First We Come, Then We Go (Sat. 10/14, Wed. 10/11) (session 5)
 Presenter: Jason Angelette: A lifeline of Prayer, Faith as a foundation, "Her gaze was fixed on the Lord", Carrying your cross with Christ. Come to Christ and go out. Become a reservoir of God's love. *Scripture: Mark 1:17-18, 16:15, John 15:4-5.*

The St. John's TMIY group believes that EVERY vote counts. This is especially true regarding the November 7th election's Issue 1, which would permit individuals (this includes those under 18 years of age) to one's own reproductive medical treatment, including but not limited to abortion, which would be defined as before an unborn child is determined to be viable. Please vote No to Ohio Issue 1 to protect parental controls and the unborn. As usual, the Putnam County Board of Elections is offering opportunities to vote early by-mail as well as voting early in-person. If you, or someone you know in the Putnam County area, would like assistance with arranging to vote early by-mail or in-person, please call TMIY member Tim Hoehn at 419-615-3264 to coordinate such.



Pilgrimage with FR. MATT
 THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023
 To Fr. Tony's St. Gaspar Family of Parishes in Dayton

St. Joe
Emmanuel
Precious Blood
St. Paul
St. Rita
Holy Trinity

DEPARTURE: ST. JOHN'S PARKING LOT AT 9:30AM
NOON MASS AT ST. JOE'S
AFTER MASS LUNCH WITH FATHER TONY
VISIT HOLY TRINITY, EMMANUEL, ST. RITA, PRECIOUS BLOOD, AND ST. PAUL
BACK IN GLANDORF AROUND 6:00PM

CARPPOOLING FOR THOSE WHO NEED A RIDE. RSVP BY TEXTING OR CALLING JEANETTE SCHROEDER 419-890-3724 IF YOU FORGET TO RSVP, JUST SHOW UP THE DAY OF THE EVENT



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL THE MASS Series

Presented by **FATHER MATT**

This revival is meant to stir our faith and help us to grow in our appreciation for the gift of the Eucharist

ON SUNDAY'S AT 9:30AM IN ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

- OCTOBER 1 - PRE MASS AND INTRODUCTORY RITES
- OCTOBER 15 - LITURGY OF THE WORD
- OCTOBER 22ND - OFFERTORY
- NOVEMBER 12TH - EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER
- NOVEMBER 19TH - COMMUNION RITE AND CONCLUDING RITE



ROSARY RALLY - SATURDAY OCTOBER 14, 2023

ST JOHNS CATHOLIC CHURCH - GLANDORF

Location: At the Shrine / Time: 12:00 Noon

****This is near the time the Miracle of the Sun took place in Fatima 106 years ago witnessed by 70,000 people. A ROSARY FOR OUR MOTHER ❤️ AS SHE REQUESTED!**

Bring a lawn chair if you wish to sit while praying.
 Call with questions - Sandi Glanz 419-969-4260

BOX OF JOY

BY CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

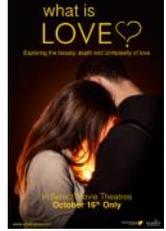
Once again this year, Holy Family Radio will be sponsoring the Box of Joy program for children suffering from severe poverty in Guatemala, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Grenada, Honduras, and Malawi. In 2022, through your generosity, Holy Family Radio provided 1,205 gift boxes of the 118,990 total boxes by Cross Catholic Outreach. Through the Box of Joy program, you can ensure these children are not deprived of Christmas blessings this year. By packing a gift box and sponsoring the cost of its shipment (\$9.00 per box), you can deliver a Box of Joy to a child overseas who would otherwise receive nothing. Please join Holy Family Radio in supporting this great cause by participating. Gift boxes and additional information are available in the back of church, and filled boxes can be returned there at any time up through November 12th after 10:30 mass. For any questions or additional information, please contact Brad Rump by phone/text at 419-722-9437 or by e-mail at bradley_rump@goodyear.com or go to the website at www.crosscatholic.org/boxofjoy. This is a great way to get your children and grandchildren involved in gift giving to the Poorest of the Poor.

ST NICHOLAS & HOLY FAMILY
OCTOBER 15TH & 16TH, 2023
7PM AT HOLY FAMILY CHURCH
FEATURING MATTHEW LEONARD



Parish Mission

Join us for Sundays at St. Charles on October 22, World Mission Sunday, when Fr. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S., will be our guest presider and preacher at the 9 a.m. Mass. World Mission Sunday is an opportunity for us to reflect upon our missionary call from baptism, to keep the flame of faith alive in our hearts. The mission of a flame is to give light to dark areas, so too, we are to be the flame of faith for others in the lives of our families, parishes, communities and country. During an information session after Mass, join Fr. Angelo to reflect upon our call to be missionaries of Jesus, each uniquely empowered to be Christ's light for others.



Steve Bollman's documentary movie, *What is Love? Life's Greatest Journey*, has been chosen to air in over 700 movie theaters throughout the United States!!! It will be **one night only on Monday, Oct 16th**.

The theater showing the movie in your area is [Phoenix Theatres - Northtowne Mall 1500 North Clinton Street, Defiance, OH 43512](#). Please click the

MISCARRIAGE AND INFANT LOSS MEMORIAL MASS OCTOBER 29

Did you or someone you love lose a child through miscarriage, stillbirth or infant death? Come receive spiritual consolation at the third annual St. Catherine's Embrace Memorial Mass. It will be held on **Sunday, October 29 at 1:00 p.m. at St John The Baptist Church in Continental**. All are welcome at this special Mass, whether your loss was recent or years ago. Those outside Putnam County are also warmly invited. This Mass will fulfill the regular Sunday obligation. If you have questions about the Mass or St. Catherine's Embrace (an outreach ministry in Putnam County to support families who have experienced miscarriage, stillbirth or infant loss), call or text Mary Beth Weisenburger at (419)980-8065, Ruth Gerding at (567)204-1275 or Jill Streicher at (419)796-0637.

OTTAWA— K NAP Sack, Inc. will be holding its fifth annual Designer Purse Bingo on Saturday, October 21, 2023, at the Ottawa VFW. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; bingo begins at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35 each. The price includes an entry ticket for door prizes, 21 bingo cards, and light snacks. Additional tickets for raffle baskets and a 50/50 drawing will be available. There will also be a cupcake game, an end-of-the-night auction, and a special game for a surprise bag!! Tickets may be purchased at Always Blessed, in Ottawa, at the Ottawa VFW, or by contacting Becky Dershem (419.235.1068), Becky Leader (419.969.0981), or Kari Johnson (567.376.0977).

K NAP Sack began 11 years ago as a weekend meal program. We serve children in grades K-8 at Glandorf Elementary, Ottawa Elementary, and Sts. Peter and Paul Elementary Schools, the Ottawa Head Start classroom, and the Putnam County Educational Service Center Annex. In addition, six years ago, K NAP Sack, in collaboration with the West Ohio Food Bank and numerous community partners, began to host a monthly food distribution at the Putnam County Fairgrounds on the third Wednesday of each month to get fresh produce and other food items to Putnam County families' tables.

Annual Maria Stein Medjugorge Spiritual Retreat
November 3 - 6, 2023
 at the Maria Stein Retreat Center
 Cost is \$275 for 2-day stay and \$375 for a 3-day stay. Registration due October 15.
 Contact Theresa Beckman at 419/969-0027 for details.

OTTAWA—All preschool children (at least age three and toilet-trained) of the Ottawa-Glandorf area are invited to attend Ecumenical Christmas School, December 4-8, 2023. Trinity United Methodist Church has once again offered the use of its facilities for this worthwhile program. Youngsters of all faiths will meet at Trinity for one week, either from 9:00 – 11:00 am or 12:30 – 2:30 pm. Registration forms are available at (your church), and at Trinity's church office, 137 North Pratt Street, Ottawa, and are due no later than Wednesday, November 8. There is a \$10.00 registration fee for each child to cover supplies.

Ecumenical Christmas Forms are in the south vestibule.

Jion Fr. Charles Obinwa of Fort Jennings, St. Joseph's on 2024 Spiritual Pilgrimage:
In the Footsteps of St. Paul to Greece & Greek Isle 3 days Cruise.
 Thessaloniki, Philippi, Delphi, Athens, Corith, Ephesus, & More!
\$4,899 Per Person, from Fort Wayne Airport (FWA)
JULY 19 - 29, 2024 (11 Days). Organizing Company: 206 Tours.
 Website link: [Fr. Charles Obinwa Pilgrimage to Greece with 206 Tours, Leader in Catholic pilgrimages.](#)
For Additional Details & to Book Now Visit:
Tel. 1-800-206-Tour (8687) Sales@206tours.com; www.206tours.com/frobinwa
Fr. Charles Obinwa: Email: obinwacm@yahoo.com

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 Julie Barlage 419-303-5366

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

The mission of St. Catherine's Embrace is to reach out to, assist and embrace all families in the St. George Deanery, regardless of faith affiliation, who have lost a child from miscarriage, stillbirth, or infant death. Please call the rectory 419-538-6928





Wednesday, July 17 - Sunday, July 21, 2024
Indianapolis, Indiana

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 FOR ALL
 PARISHES**
 Scholarships
 are available on
 Eucharisticcong
 res.org site.

As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, Bishop Daniel E. Thomas invites you to join him to witness what God has in store for his Church in the U.S. through the National Eucharistic Congress in July 2024! The Diocese of Toledo is forming a delegation to represent our local Church in this historic event at the Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN, where 80,000 Catholics are expected to gather to deepen our understanding of, love for, and living out the great mystery of the Eucharist.

The Diocese of Toledo has reserved a limited number of tickets for this pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress. Tickets are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

CONGRESS TICKET INFORMATION [ORDER TICKETS BY WED. 11/1 SEE LINK BELOW](#)

- Adult Congress Ticket & Bus Transportation: \$325.00
- Child Congress Ticket (ages 2-17): \$99.00 (tickets to be purchased through the Eucharistic Congress website)
- Child Congress Ticket (<2): Free (Child needs to be registered through the Eucharistic Congress website)
- Child Bus Transportation (ages 2-17): \$100.00
- Child Bus Transportation (<2): Free

• **Hotel Information**

- The Diocese of Toledo delegation will stay at the Hilton Indianapolis Hotel & Suites - 120 West Market Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204 for \$179 + taxes / Night for Four Nights (Total: \$716.00 + taxes).
- The cost of these hotel rooms is not included in registration; a credit card will need to be provided for your room(s) upon arrival at the conference.

• **Register for the Congress and Transportation**

By clicking on the link below, you will register for a Congress Ticket, Bus Transportation, and reserve a hotel room.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/eucharistic-congress-pilgrimage-tickets-681071602497?aff=oddtcreator>

Contact information: If you have any questions, please contact Bret Huntebrinker at bhuntebrinker@toledodiocese.org or 419-214-4865.

WHERE DOES IT SAY THAT?



THIS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT...

THREATENS PARENTAL RIGHTS

By using "individual" instead of adult or woman, anyone under the age of 18 could have an abortion or make any other reproductive decision without their parents' consent or notification.

PUTS WOMEN AT RISK

Current Ohio laws* require abortion providers to explain procedure risks and ensure access to hospital transfer if needed. These health and safety standards could be seen as a "burden" and be eliminated, making it even less safe for women seeking an abortion.

ALLOWS ABORTIONS THROUGH 9 MONTHS OF PREGNANCY

In U.S. law,** "health" includes age or physical, emotional, or psychological well-being. This means a woman's age or emotional health could be cited to justify aborting a full-term baby. An abortion-providing physician would decide when a baby could survive outside the womb, leaving no clear protections for preborn children.

IS MISLEADING

Referring to "miscarriage care" promotes a myth that a "right to abortion" is necessary to preserve care for miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies. This is false. Catholic hospitals have always provided comprehensive miscarriage care and will continue to do so regardless of the outcome of this vote.

ARTICLE I, SECTION 22

*The Right to Reproductive Freedom
with Protections for Health and Safety*

1. Every individual has a right to make and carry out one's own reproductive decisions, including but not limited to decisions on contraception, fertility treatment, continuing one's own pregnancy, miscarriage care, and abortion.
2. The State shall not, directly or indirectly, burden, penalize, prohibit, interfere with, or discriminate against either an individual's voluntary exercise of this right or a person or entity that assists an individual exercising this right, unless the State demonstrates that it is using the least restrictive means to advance the individual's health in accordance with widely accepted and evidence-based standards of care.
3. However, abortion may be prohibited after fetal viability. But in no case may such an abortion be prohibited if in the professional judgment of the pregnant patient's treating physician it is necessary to protect the pregnant patient's life or health.
4. As used in this Section, "Fetal viability" means "the point in a pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of the pregnant patient's treating physician, the fetus has a significant likelihood of survival outside the uterus with reasonable measures. This is determined on a case-by-case basis"; and "State" includes any governmental entity and political subdivision.
5. This Section is self-executing.

* Ohio Revised Code, Sections 2317.56 & 3702.303

** Based on Doe v. Bolton



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CELEBRATING 175TH YEAR OF THE MISSIONARIES OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD SERVING ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH!



**Missionaries of the
Precious Blood**
United States Province

October 8, 2023

Fr. Matthew Keller, C.P.P.S.
St. John the Baptist Church
109 N Main St, PO Box 48
Glandorf OH, 45848-0048

Dear Fr. Matt,

I'm sending greetings to the people of St. John the Baptist as you celebrate Sunday Fun Day at the parish. It looks like a day of fun for everyone, and a good opportunity during the religious education open house for everyone to see and say a prayer for the catechists who will be teaching the children of St. John's this year.

I want to say a word of thanks to them. It is a big commitment to volunteer with the religious education program. Thank you for taking on this task, and I hope it will bear fruit for our Church and our world as you teach children about their faith. I have heard that teachers often learn as much as their students, as their students learn from them, and I certainly hope this is a year of growth and blessing for everyone.

Thanks also to Fr. Matt Keller, C.P.P.S., now into his second year at the parish. Being a pastor is more than a full-time job. Thank you to all who have helped him as he has learned his way around the parish and its many ministries.

Fr. Matt is the latest in a long line of Missionaries who have served at St. John the Baptist. In fact, this is our 175th year of ministering at the parish. Together, we are building God's kingdom here on Earth, and may God bless the parish and everyone who is a part of it.

It is always a blessing when a parish comes together for a day of celebration. Parish life is stitched together from our prayers, laughter, tears and trials. Through the day-by-day reality of life, we see that we are a family that stretches all the way back to creation. We thank the God who created that, his Son who saved us through his Precious Blood, and the Holy Spirit who inspires us to new and better things with every passing year.

Sincerely, in the Blood of Christ

V. Rev. Jeffrey S. Kirch, C.P.P.S.

The V. Rev. Jeffrey S. Kirch, C.P.P.S.
Provincial Director

SONday Fun Day

Schedule

of events

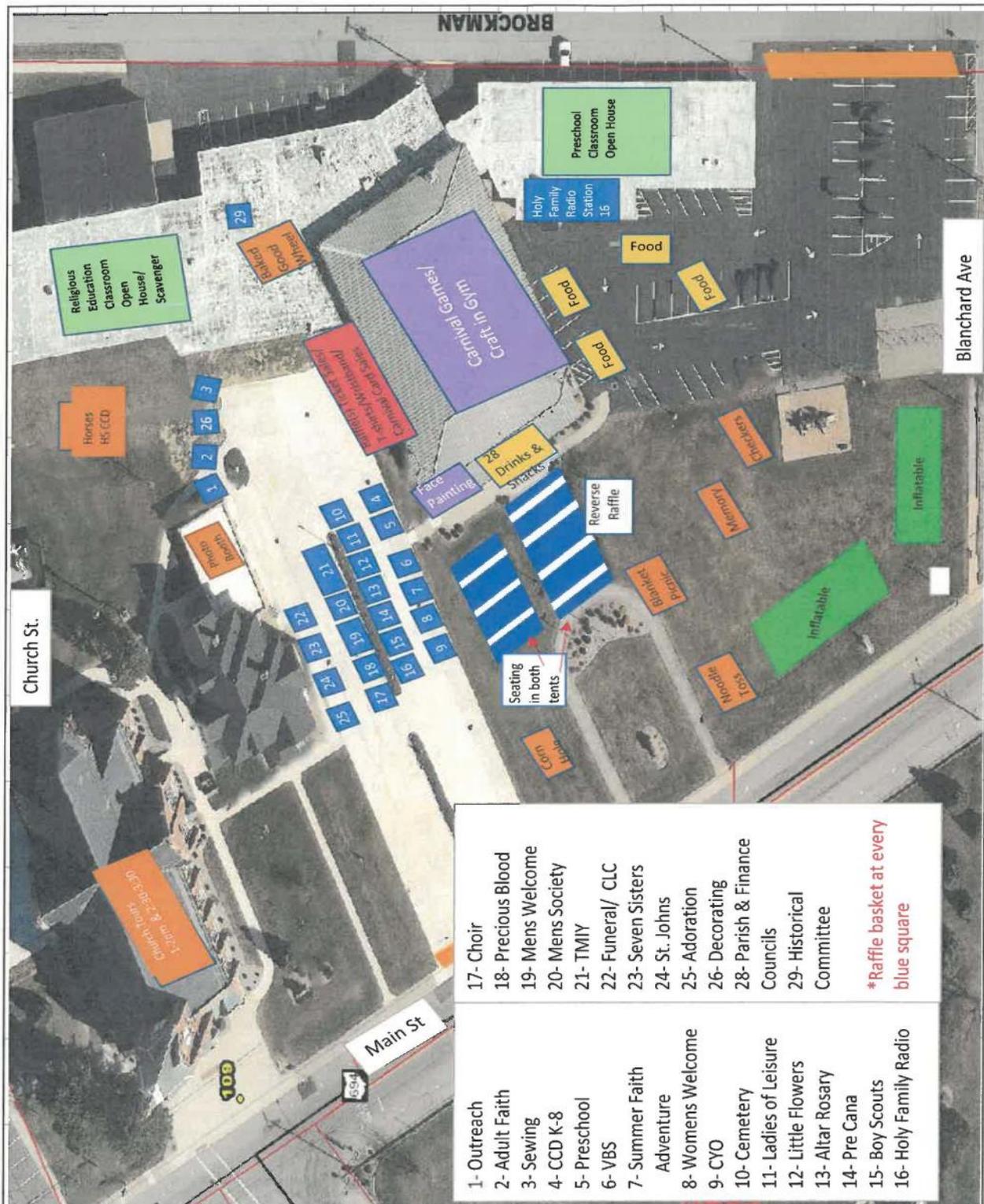
Kick off our fun Family day by attending 10:30 Mass!

EVENTS:

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| 11:45am - 3:30pm | Religious Education CCD Open House & Scavenger Hunt
(Teachers will be in their rooms from 11:45am -12:15pm.
Classrooms will continue to be open throughout the day for visits.) |
| 11:30am - 3:30pm | St. John's Preschool Open House |
| 11:45am - 3:30pm | Food, Inflatable Rides, Carnival Games, Face Painting, Crafts,
Photo Booth, CCD Scavenger Hunt, Outside Lawn Games |
| 11:45am - 3:30pm | Baked Goods Wheel |
| 11:45am - 3:30pm | Parish Historical Albums on display |
| 12:15pm - 12:45pm | Saint Parade |
| 1:00pm - 3:00pm | Reverse Raffle |
| 1:00pm - 2:00pm | Church Historical Tours - Inside church |
| 2:30pm - 3:30pm | Church Historical Tours - Inside church |
| 3:10pm | Announce winners for the Gift Baskets and Raffles |

SONday Fun Day

GUIDE



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| 9- CYO | 25- Adoration |
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| 12- Little Flowers | 29- Historical Committee |
| 13- Altar Rosary | |
| 14- Pre Cana | |
| 15- Boy Scouts | |
| 16- Holy Family Radio | |
- *Raffle basket at every blue square

ALL ARE WELCOME THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8TH FROM 11:30AM - 3:30PM!