

ADVENT - ANGEL TREE

Our tree is set up in the back of church. If you would like to help this year, please take an **angel ornament** from the tree, purchase the baby item written on it and then put it in the box near the tree. These items will be donated to *Heartbeat*, an organization that helps new mothers and fathers. The **baby bottles** are located on the shelves in the back of church. If you would like to make a *monetary donation* to *Heartbeat*, take a bottle home and read the information on the bottle. Please return the filled bottle to the Heartbeat box that is located by the tree **any Sunday** before Christmas. *You could also put any monetary donations in a labeled envelope and put it in the collection basket.* Thank you for helping babies during this time when we remember Baby Jesus' birth.



Please pass the word that the Heartbeat Pregnancy Center in Ottawa is now open. It is located at 1225 East Third Street. Please call 419-523-1150 for appointments.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 1st Sunday of Advent

✠ **MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE** ✠

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3 St. Francis Xavier

8:00 AM Poor Souls

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4 St. John Damascene

8:00 AM Vesting 1st Grade

8:40 AM Leonard & Rosemary Kuhlman, Fr. Jerry Knueven

4:00 PM Penance Service – Lector – Diana Meyer

7:00 PM Penance Service – Lector – Doug Karhoff

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

8:00 AM Karl Kleman

6:00 PM L/D Ken Ellerbrock Family

6:30 – 8:30 PM ADORATION

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6 St. Nicholas

8:40 AM L/D Mel Hovest Family, Patricia Wurst

FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7 St. Ambrose

6:00 AM Religious Freedom

8:00 AM George Franz

12:00 PM Rosary in church

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

4:30 PM L/D Carl & Dolores Remlinger Family

6:30 PM Wedding Rehearsal – Mary Ellen Halker

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8 Immaculate Conception Bl Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

8:00 AM Jerry Niese 8:30 AM Confessions

1:00 PM Nuptial Mass – Dunlap/Coolman

4:30 PM L/D Ott Schnipke Family, L/D Dolores & Edmund Schroeder Family, Fr. Dennis Schroeder, Daryl Hunt (AN)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Gerald E Niese, L/D Mel Nienberg Family, L/D Ken Schortgen Family, L/D Verhoff/Heuerman Family,
L/D Louie Breece Family

10:30 AM L/D Marcus Roof Family

6:30 PM Parish

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

Advent is a time of watching and waiting. Are you open to the surprising ways God comes to you? Be Attentive to God's Call in the Ordinary. (Mark 13:33-37)

For those who are in discernment about their vocation in life, that they may be open to the signs of God at work in their lives, we pray.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - December 9

Bar. 5: 1-9; Phil. 1: 4-6, 8-11 Lk 3: 1-6

**From the
Desk of
Fr. Tony**

1st Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 2, 2018

Today we celebrate the first Sunday of advent. We begin this advent season with great expectation of Christ's coming. In fact the gospel reading speaks of Jesus' second coming. We will be able to tell of Jesus' second coming by the signs given to us by the sun, moon, the stars, and the perplexity of the sea and the waves. Just before Jesus comes again, Jesus says that people will die of fright. Jesus' second coming will be something we have never seen before. Notice that Jesus has control of the happenings of the earth and heaven. This is real power. If he can control the waves of the ocean, he can surely control the happenings of our lives. Jesus can create miracles even now. Before Jesus' second coming, Jesus tells us not to let our hearts become drowsy by drunkenness, carousing, and anxieties of daily life. Jesus is telling us to be very focused on his second coming. He is testing us to see if we become lax and lazy as Christians. People who live for the world rather than Christ live for only the pleasures the world can offer. People of the world do not go the extra mile to pray. The people of the world say, "Prayer can't make me money or lessen my work at my place of employment so why should I pray?" Jesus is all about focusing in on him and being obedient to him. If Jesus finds us focused on the world when he comes again, it will not be good for our salvation. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

Many thanks for the last party you did in my honor. To those who offered parting thoughts, thanks for sharing the good days; you did it again! Wonderful! Thank you for your support and encouragement. To all at St. John's, it was indeed a blessing to have lived there with Fr. Tony. Now, I am somewhat restricted and not able to drive. Locally there are many drivers to meet my needs. Yes, my memory is not like in the past. So, I fit in with many others here that are far more forgetful or the like. Pastoral care is down the hall, around the table, or on the front porch in good weather. I thank God for all of you who have walked with me these past years, with the Lord in our Journey to eternal life. May the good Lord continue to walk with all of us as we prepare for his call! God be with you. Br. Jerry

WEEKDAY & HOLYDAY SERVERS: **Mon. 8:00am:** Gary Recker & Pat Inkrott; **Tues. 8:40am:** Students; **Wed. 8:00am:** Mike Siefker & Jerry Hanneman; **Wed. 6:00pm:** Diane Utrup, Tim Lehman; **Thurs.8:40am:** Students; **Fri. 6:00am:** Jeff Schram, Joe Schroeder; **Fri. 8:00am:** Ken & Paula Elchinger; **Fri. 4:30 PM:** Hunter Tegenkamp, Kayla Brickner, Cody Warnecke, Abby Warnecke; **Sat. 8:00am:** Hailey & Madalyn Morman, Dylan Leopold, Marissa Maag.
WEDNESDAY 6:00pm Mass Lector: Kathy Schmitz

HOLYDAY LECTORS – Dec. 7/8: Fri. 4:30 PM: Cari Homan, Paula Siebeneck; **Sat. 8:00AM:** Connie Cassidy, Sharon Meyer.

HOLYDAY EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: Dec. 7/8: Fri. 4:30 PM: Melida Bockrath, Sharon Siebeneck Group; **Sat. 8:00AM:** Jean Bialecki, Linda Klass Group.

HOLYDAY GIFTBEARERS: Dec. 7/8: Fri. 4:30 PM: Dale Gerding Family; **Sat. 8:00AM:** Tom Morman Family

HOLYDAY USHERS: Dec. 7/8: Fri. 4:30 PM: Louis & Mary Ellen Halker
Sat. 8:00AM: Need Ushers for this Mass. Please let me know if you will be available to Usher. Thank you very much!

NEXT SUNDAY December 9

SUNDAY SERVERS: Sat. 4:30pm: Lexi Koch, Kerri Ellerbrock, Clay & Claire Inkrott; **Sun. 8:00am:** Mitchel Schroeder, Chloe Schroeder, Tayla Meyer, Evan Morman; **Sun. 10:30am:** Garrett Klass, Mia Schroeder, Caitlyn Evans, Lauren Heebsh; **Sun. 6:30pm:** Paige Meyer, Cody Meyer, Lauren Siefker, Alex Macke

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:30 Jason Fischer
Bridget Fischer

8:00 Tom Schmitz
Gretchen Schmitz

10:30 Sue Bellman
Edna Nienberg Choir – Cliff Schroeder

6:30 Heather Haselman, Kelly Morman
Sue Recker, Sharon Siebeneck

LECTORS

Chloe Schroeder
Morgan Miller

Diane Nienberg
Jill Siefker

Janet Schroeder
Kelly Schroeder

Connie Cassidy
Paula Siebeneck

SUNDAY GIFT BEARERS: Sat. 4:30 pm: Ray Diemer Family; **Sun. 8:00 am:** Dennis Moening Family;
Sun. 10:30am: Jerry Hermiller Family

DECEMBER SUNDAY USHERS: Sat. 4:30 pm: Cody Meyer, Jaden Lehman, Will Kaufman, Don & Ginnie Riepenhoff; **Sun. 8:00 am:** Joe Riepenhoff, Jeff Duling; **Sun. 10:30 am:** Don & Joyce Giesige; **Sun. 6:30 pm:** Bruce Schroeder

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 7

VIDEOGRAPHER –Sat. 4:30pm– Abigail Hadding

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Edna & Diane Nienberg

DECEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Shirley & Oscar Schnipke, Diane Nienberg, Connie & Don Dehnart, Jo Ann Schroeder, Jim Recker

New Lector Workbooks for 2019 Liturgical Year which begins the First Sunday of Advent, Dec. 2nd are available in the server's sacristy. Please stop to pick yours up after any Mass. Thank you!

FAMILIES TO LIGHT ADVENT WREATH BEFORE MASS: next Sat., Dec. 8, 4:30pm: need a family;
Sun. 9th, 8:00am: need a family; 10:30am: Jay & Lori Rump Family. We are still in need of volunteers for next weekend and other Sundays in Advent to light the Advent Wreath before Mass. Please call rectory 419-538-6928 or e-mail stjohns@bright.net!

RCIA - Interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Whether you've been Catholic all your life or curious about possibly becoming Catholic, please contact DeVon Dunlap to sign up: 419-538-6897 or stjohnshscdd@bright.net **Mon., Dec 3, 6:00-7:30pm,**
Topic: The Sacraments: Baptism & Confirmation

Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima - Marie Strauer is in charge of our parish's Pilgrim Virgin Statue, please call **419-538-6930** to reserve a week to have Our Lady come to your home.

"Serve God with Cheer; have trust in his mercy." St. Gaspar del Bufalo

Adult Faith Information

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

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THE FIRST SATURDAY, after 4:30 Mass until 8:00 on Sunday mornings. Saturday/Sunday, Dec. 1st/2nd. Sign-up sheet is 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 Katie Verhoff 480-236-7305

1 Peter 4:10 "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another." Would you help us? Looking for parishioners who would like to help the RCIA program by providing food for one or more of our weekly Monday night sessions. This could be an opportunity for you to stay and meet our candidates and join us in learning more about your faith if you so choose or you can just drop off your food. If you could help us, please contact Diana Meyer 538-6437. Our RCIA group meets on Monday evenings from 6:00pm - 7:30p.m. in the Parish Center.

Grade School CCD Information

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION- Diane Utrup

Contact me in the Religious Ed Office at 419-538-6335 or stjohnsreled@bright.net

GRAND-orf Drawing – please pray about participating in this raffle, if you have not been already. All the proceeds go to the maintenance and upkeep of the Parish Center building where so many wonderful things take place, including morning CCD. Look for the information packet to be coming to you in the mail. Thank you and may God bless your family and our parish family!

Special K – next class time is Wed, Dec. 5 at 6pm

Jr. High & High School CCD Information

Message from DeVon Dunlap Coordinator of High School CCD: *If you have any questions or need to get a hold of me, please call the HS CCD office at 419-538-6897 or e-mail. stjohnshsccd@bright.net Thanks!*

High School CCD is on **Wed., Dec. 5th from 7-8:30pm** in the Parish Center. We would greatly enjoy your presence! All are welcome!

6:30 – 8:30pm Wednesday Adoration this week

Message from Colleen Halker Youth Director

Youth President - **ALLISON SIEFKER**

WELCOMING RCIA – today, Sunday, The First Sunday of Advent at the 10:30 Mass, we welcome into our Church Community our RCIA Candidates: **Kate Alt, Brandi Hempfling, Mark Roberts.** Please continue to keep these RCIA members in your prayers.

BANNES: III DeVon Dunlap, employee of St. John's Glandorf, daughter of Neil & Glynis Dunlap and Peter Coolman of St. Isidore, Ney, son of Steven & Barbara Coolman.

DID YOU KNOW?

Lucille Knueven will celebrate her 92nd birthday on December 4th; **Karl Ellerbrock** will celebrate his 81st birthday on December 7th; **Donald Stechschulte** will celebrate his 80th birthday on December 7th; **HAPPY BIRTHDAY LUCILLE, KARL & DONALD!**



HOME TO GOD: Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of **Fr. Jerry Knueven formerly of Leipsic St. Mary's parish. Fr. Jerry subbed for Fr. Tony from time to time here at St. John's.** Our sincere sympathy is extended to **his relatives & friends and the priests of the diocese.**

GIRL'S CYO BASKETBALL: today, Sun., Dec. 2, 1:00pm @Kalida.

BOY'S CYO BASKETBALL: A TEAM: today, Dec. 2, 3:30pm, at Kalida; **B TEAM:** 1:00pm at Lima St. Charles; **C TEAM:** 2:15am at Kalida.

Br. Jerry's address: Br. Jerry Schulte, C.P.P.S., St. Charles Center, 2860 US Route 127 Rm 207, Celina, OH 45822.

Welcome to our new parishioners:

Andy & Mandy Conn and their children Hunter & Madelyn

PENANCE SERVICES IN THE OFFING: Glandorf – Tue., Dec. 4, 4:00 Lector: Diana Meyer & 7:00pm Lector: Doug Karhoff; New Cleveland – Wed., Dec. 5, 7:00 pm; Ottoville - Sun., Dec. 9, 2:00 p.m.; Kalida – Tue., Dec. 11, 4:00 & 7:00 pm; Ft. Jennings - Wed., Dec. 12, 7:00 pm; Columbus Grove – Thurs., Dec. 13, 7:00pm; Ottawa - Mon., Dec. 17, 4:00 & 7:00 pm.

FERVORINO – In today's gospel Jesus advises: "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.

Families needed for the **Lighting of the Advent Wreath** for Sunday Mass during Advent Dec. 8/9, Dec. 15/16 & Dec. 22/23 here at St. John's. If you are interested, please call the rectory 419-538-6928. Thank you and God bless you!

Due to the weather we postponed decorating the grounds of the church and rectory for Christmas until Mon., Dec. 3, 9:00am. If you are available to help, please meet at the rectory garage at 9:00am. We would love to have you! Thank you!

SPIRIT & SONG GROUP PRACTICE Due to the change of date of our parish Penance Service which is now on Tue., Dec. 4 the **Spirit & Song practice** will be **on Thurs., Dec. 6 from 5:45 – 7:00pm** for the 4:30pm youth Mass on Saturday, December 8.

FIRST FRIDAY, DEC. 7, 6:00 AM & 8:00 AM Mass, Novena, & Divine Mercy. **12:00 (Noon) Rosary. 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!

THE GLANDORF LIONS' CLUB WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU WHO ATTEND THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK. Special thanks to the O-G Show Choir, Jim Birkemeier & Bob Verhoff's Famous Chili, the Glandorf Firemen's delicious hamburgers, Pounding Hooves, Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus & their elf for helping. Thanks to all! Happy Holidays!!! (Glandorf Lions' Club) We would like to thank the **Glandorf Lions' Club** for decorating our beautiful park each year. It's a wonderful way to share in the Christmas Spirit. Thank you!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION Sat., Dec. 8. Masses will be **Fri., Dec. 7, 4:30 pm, Sat., Dec. 8, 8am & 1:00 pm.**

Remember Those Who Have Gone Before Us –Dec 2-8

Lucy P Rieman 12/2/04	Walter H Schweller 12/6/07
Martin Westrick 12/2/01	John (Jack) Nienberg 12/6/01
Omer Meyer 12/3/98	Theresa Schroeder 12/6/96
Stephen J Molnar 12/5/99	Kenneth B Eversole 12/7/80
Lucille Sager 12/5/98	Jeanette M Caseman 12/8/15
Leo Jerwers 12/5/93	Hildegard A Ford 12/8/08
Lawrence H Birkemeier 12/5/82	Daryl L Hunt 12/8/03
Kenneth H Ellerbrock 12/6/16	James Siebeneck 12/8/99



TICKETS for 2019 GRAND-orf Club were mailed out this week. Please watch for them! For **\$12 per ticket** you will have **two chances each month to win \$500**. During the Holidays you may have ample opportunities to sell those tickets. Let's do our best inviting others, too, to share in the potential for benefits of our GRAND-orf Club Raffle. Extra gold tickets are in the racks in the church vestibules. Thank you very much. **The last 2018 drawing is next Sunday, December 9 cafeteria.**

TMIY December 8th, 6:00am in the Cafeteria:

WEEK 13, - FRIENDS OF ST. JOSEPH

- SPEAKER: STEVE BOLLMAN
- REVIEW SEVEN STEPS OF TMIY
- MOVING FROM THE PURGATIVE STAGE TO THE ILLUMINATIVE STAGE
- OVERCOMING OBSTACLES IN THE SPIRITUAL LIFE
- THE JOURNEY FROM BONDAGE TO SPIRITUAL FREEDOM
- MODELING YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE AFTER ST. JOSEPH
- AMICI DE GIUSEPPE

Do you crochet or knit? Christian Crocheters want you to be part of our group. Our group donates items to Blanchard Valley Hospital in Findlay and Bluffton so they can provide infants with warm hats, small blankets, and adults, going through chemotherapy, with a new hat. The next meeting and drop off crochet and knitted items will be Monday December 3 at 7:00 in room 12 of the Parish Center. If you are unable to make the meeting and have items to donate, please contact Jan Schroeder at 419-615-8620 or 419-538-6351 to arrange a time for the items to be picked up. Blanchard Valley Hospital has requested more blankets (36 inches by 32 inches) and small hats to be used in NICU but all size hats will be greatly appreciated. To-date, our group has donated 2,761 items to Blanchard Valley Hospital. We meet every other month for collection and fellowship. If you crochet or knit, please consider joining our group.

Practice for the 4:00 Children's Christmas Eve Mass will start this week in church Monday Dec. 3---3:30-5:00 and Thursday Dec. 6---4:30-5:45pm. All 6th, 7th, 8th grade and High School students are encouraged to join us. We will have some practices after school and some later in the evening depending on attendance. Your parents & grandparents truly love watching you at our 4:00 Mass Dec. 24, so join us! Any questions please call Jeannie Verhoff 419/538-6255

Minutes for Parish Council Meeting - October 23, 2018

1. Council reviewed bid sheets and design styles from three different companies for railings for the new concrete steps and ramp. Council voted to go with the bid from Buckeye Custom Fab, Inc. Tom Nienberg made a motion and Michele Leopold seconded it. Motion was approved.
2. The parish received a letter from Bishop Thomas giving permission to install the new chiller system. He mentioned his appreciation to our parish for consistently exceeding our Annual Catholic Appeal goals. Fr. Tony also thanked the parishioners for their generosity. Daikin was contacted to proceed with the project which will take place next spring.
3. Five pole lanterns will be installed around the parish grounds using money donated by a parishioner.
4. The St. Bonifest is this weekend. Please come out and support this event which raises money to help defray the costs of providing free daily catholic education in our parish center.
5. New grass will be planted in the spring after the pole lanterns are installed and other trenching is completed. Closing prayer was offered by Fr. Tony Fortman. Respectfully submitted, Traci Schierloh

Take a stand for LIFE & the UNBORN at the March for Life 2019 in Washington DC on January 18! Youth encouraged to attend. All ages are welcome. Bus leaving from Glandorf St. John's on January 16 at 9:30pm and will arrive back in Glandorf late on January 18. RSVP by December 14 to Diane Utrup at 419-538-6335 or stjohnsreled@bright.net. Cost is \$180 per person which includes bus transportation, hotel room, and sightseeing \$80 deposit due with RSVP, remaining balance due January 3 at Meeting for all Marchers at 7pm. Answer the call ~ Defend Life! Deadline is December 14.

PARISHIONERS IN REST HOMES WHO WOULD APPRECIATE A CHRISTMAS CARD FROM YOU: MEADOWS OF

OTTAWA, 147 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa: Michael Hovest, Pat Chamberlin, Robert Lally, Delphine Burwell, Doris Rosengarten, Charles Kistler, Agnes Karhoff, Mary Lou Ricker, Agnes Sager, Ruth Kuhlman, Marilyn Gulker, Dorothy Ellerbrock; **MEADOWS OF KALIDA, P.O. Box 388, Kalida, OH 45853:** Jerry Schmitz, Ann Bockrath, Margaret Siefker, **MEADOWS OF LEIPSIC, 901 E. Main St., Leipsic:** Mary Ellen Kuhbänder, Pat Hovest, Rita Morman, Doris Morman; **HILTY MEMORIAL, 5570 St. Rt. 12, Pandora 45877:** Mary Margaret Bockrath **PUTNAM HERITAGE ASSISTED LIVING, 1380 N. Locust St, Ottawa, OH 45875:** Rita Maas. *If we missed anyone please call the rectory. Thank you!*

Our seminarian, Curtis Weisenburger's Address in Rome (letters/cards only):

Pontifical North American College
Attn: Curtis Weisenburger
00120 Vatican City State
Europe Rome Italy

Our seminarian, Eric Kaufman's Address

Eric Kaufman
The Athenaeum of Ohio
Mount St. Mary's of the West Seminary
6616 Beechmont Ave.
Cincinnati, Ohio 45230

CLC/ALTAR ROSARY CHRISTMAS PARTY -Dec. 5. Cocktails 6:00 - 7:00. Chicken Dinner (Cost \$5.00) to be paid at the door. OG Show choir will entertain before dinner at approx. 6:15. Euchre will follow.

2018 New Year's Eve raffle at the Ottawa K of C. For \$50 you can enjoy an evening of games and a chance to win \$3000. Mass will be at 4:30 followed by cocktails at 5:30. The wedding style meal at 6:30. All proceeds go to the scholarship fund for the K of C. For ticket information or any questions call Pat 419-235-1991.

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

Glandorf St. John's Liturgical Decorating Committee - 2019 Parish Calendars and Christmas Cards will be for sale at The Mustard Seed; now thru Sat., Jan. 19th - \$18 per calendar; \$12 per pack of cards (10 in a pack) ****SPECIAL DEAL:** (1) 2019 Parish Calendar with (1) pack of Christmas Cards for only **\$25 (\$5 Savings)**

Save the Date: The Marriage Encounter Dinner Dance will be held February 10 beginning with Mass at 3:00 at Sts. Peter and Paul.

Children's books left in church. Please check the back shelf to see if any belong to your children. Thank you!

Glandorf School History book from 1887 to 1964 on sale now for \$75 purchase from Evelyn Palte.

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

New CDs coming soon to the racks in the back of church:

In Pursuit of My Identity: Homosexuality, Transgenderism, and My Life - Hudson Byblow; Humane Vitae 50 Years Later: History of Dissent and Defense-Dr. Janet Smith; The Battle Within: Sin and How to Fight It-Jeff Cavins; Could God Love Someone Like Me? The Sacrament of Reconciliation-Fr. Michael Schmitz; Sexual Freedom-Christopher West-(LH VERSION); Case for Jesus: The Biblical and Historical Evidence for Christ-Dr. Brant Pitre; Saint John Paul the Great-Jason Evert; Jesus Is...-Fr. Michael Schmitz; The New Conversation: Changing Hearts & Minds on Abortion-Stephanie Gray; Proofs for the Existence of God-Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J.; Theology of Your Body: Identity, Sexuality, Gender, and the Body-Jason Evert

STEWARDSHIP

Adults \$7,713.00 Auto Electronic Giving \$1,026.00 Loose \$845.00 Children \$160.06 Total: \$9,744.06
Nov. 18th – Adults/Children \$531.00 Loose \$330.00

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

NEW ITEMS NEEDED at the FOOD PANTRY graham crackers, French cut green beans, boxed potatoes, instant mashed potatoes, boxed rice dishes, rice, ready to eat soup (Progresso or Chunky), regular size cereal (not family size), snacks, tomato sauce, kidney beans The Food Pantry is also in need of EMPTY dish soap bottles (24oz or smaller) and hair shampoo/conditioner bottles. Please put them in the Food Pantry box in the back of church. Thank you for your continued support. It is greatly appreciated!

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

Putnam County Challenge Club - Open to all girls in Putnam County 5th - 8th grade. Challenge meetings are for young ladies, led by high school team leaders where the girls explore their faith, deepen friendships and serve their parish and community in an atmosphere of Christian charity. In addition to learning more about this personal relationship with Christ, the girls spread that love to others through apostolic projects. Please join us to find out more about Challenge. Questions? call Julie Siebeneck 419-532-2572 or Mary Siefker 419-532-2480.

Husbands and wives...there was a time when you would have put aside anything for a weekend alone with your spouse. It's time again! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend provides a chance for couples to spend time together, apart from the distractions and tensions of everyday life, with your focus on each other and your relationship. It's a time for you and your spouse to get away, to rediscover each other, and to supercharge your relationship for an entire weekend. The two of you deserve it! The next weekend in the Toledo Diocese is January 18-20, 2019 in Perrysburg. For more information or to apply for a weekend, go to www.wwme.org or contact Brian & Chris Schroeder at 419-538-7210 or bcschroeder@bright.net.

"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. Thank you!



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

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

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

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS – Classes are from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, The 2019 dates are January 6, May 5, September 8, in room 15, in the parish center - presented by Deacon Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling rectory.

ROSARY & BENEDICTION 5:00pm every third Sunday of the month.

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS The Diocese of Toledo has a marriage preparation class, entitled “A Joy-Filled Marriage.” This is a mandatory, two-day class. St John’s class will be November 3-4, 2018

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

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

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

DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS – 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 & Jeff Ellerbrock – Council Pres.)