

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Missionaries of the Precious Blood
St. George Deanery



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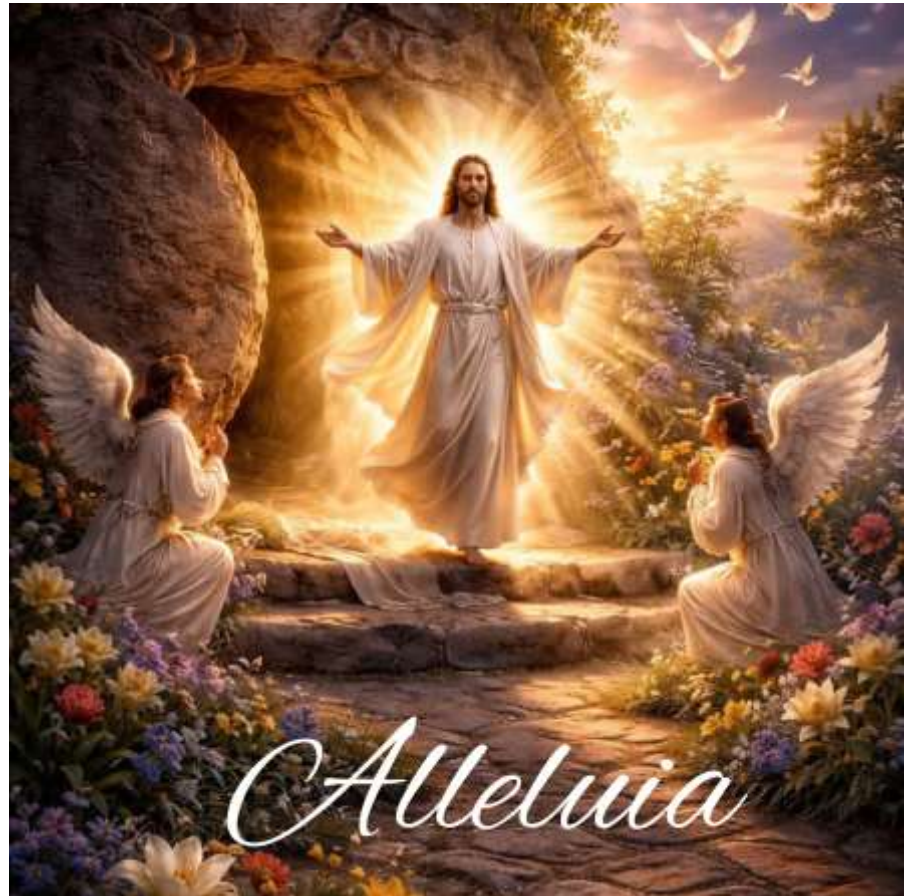
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Alleluia

OUR MISSION

Founded by Jesus Christ, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church is the heart of Glandorf. At the heart of our faith are the Sacraments which St. John's is here to evangelize, catechize, and celebrate all of God's people to set their hearts on fire in passionate love of God and neighbor.

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.

God's ways are not our ways. What did the apostles and the other Jews expect the Messiah to "look" like? They were expecting a strong mighty warrior who would come into this world and destroy all who were against God's ways! They thought the Messiah would terrorize the enemies, destroy them, and lead all the chosen people to freedom from all oppression!

But what did God do instead? He created a new life, a baby in the womb, the smallest of human beings. A child who grew up like all of us. He learned to feed himself, he learned to walk, he learned a craft, he had a family, friends, and neighbors. He lived in a community, went to synagogue, went to the market. He was like us in all ways... except sin!

You might say he blended in with everyone around him. He didn't make himself easy to see or different from others. Is this where he is for you? Can you find him in everyday life? Do you see him in your family? Do you see him in your neighbors? Do you see him in the people you encounter every day? He's there...

For the first 30 years of his life, no one seemed to know he was any different, but then, he turned water into wine at a wedding, he healed the sick, he made the blind see and the deaf hear, he raised a man from the dead! The apostles and others noticed there was something different about this guy. They were drawn to follow him and learn from him. They even called him the Messiah, but did they believe what they proclaimed? Seems like their faith was tested during his passion and most of them even seemed to lose what faith they did have in him by abandoning him at the cross. But then they get a second chance! He appears to them and enlivens their faith. In this week's Gospel we hear a similar story. Many gave up on Jesus after he dies on the cross and was buried in the tomb. The two men in today's story seemed to have given up on him. Jesus meets them where they are, just like he does for you and I. He walks beside them, just like he does for you and I. And he reveals himself to them in the breaking of the bread, just like he does for you and I at EVERY MASS!!!

Let me ask again, do you see Jesus in everyday life? Do you see him in your family? Do you see him in your neighbors? Do you see him in the people you encounter every day?

Pay attention! He is with you... everywhere! Be attentive and look for him. Jesus Christ is Risen, Alleluia!!!!



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

We want to warmly invite all parents to join us for our upcoming Baptism Class! Whether this is your first child, second, third, or beyond, there is always something new to learn about this beautiful sacrament. We also encourage parents to invite their chosen godparents to attend the class. This class is only required for parents for their first child.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS (by Deacon Mike and Becky Karhoff)

Parish Center Room 15 11:45am - 1:15pm

Upcoming classes:

May 17, 2026, September 27, 2026

MARRIAGES

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS (REQUIRED)

1-DAY CLASS organized by Dr. Craig and Wendy Imm in the Parish Center Cafeteria

Sunday, November 1, 2026 at 8:00am

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Wednesday 7:15am - 7:45am, 7:45pm - 8:15pm

Friday 7:15am - 7:45am

Saturday 8:30am, 4:00pm - 4:15pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

HOLY ORDERS AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Contact the vocation office at the Toledo Diocese at 419-214-4945 or e-mail dkidd@toledodiocese.org or contact the vocation office at the Missionaries of the Precious Blood 937-228-9263 or e-mail vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 6:30pm - 7:30pm

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

1st Saturday 5:30pm - 8:00am

THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

is a journey through which interested adults and older children are welcomed and gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic faith, sacraments, worship, and way of life. In response to their inquiries, participants receive instruction and formation so they may discern, through reflection and prayer, whether they are being called to enter the Catholic Church.

If you would like more information or would like to register, please contact Mindy Recker at 419-538-6928 or email

passociate@glandorfstjohns.com.

MONDAY, APRIL 20

7:35am Rosary
8:00am Communion Service- Deacon Don Inkrott

TUESDAY, APRIL 21-St. Anselm

8:15am Rosary
8:40am Bob Taylor

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

7:15am-7:45am Confession
7:35am Rosary
8:00am Kevin Schroeder, Paul Joseph Klausing
6:30pm-7:30pm Adoration
7:00-7:30pm Confessions

THURSDAY, APRIL 23-Sts. George & Adalbert

8:15am Rosary
8:40am Julie, Mary & Harold, Bert & Evelyn Wells,
L/D Bill & Jeanne Luttfing, L/D Norbert & Lorene Fuerst
2:00pm Ottawa Meadows- Poor Souls

FRIDAY, APRIL 24-St. Fidelis

7:15am-7:45am Confessions
7:35am Rosary
8:00am Irene Schroeder, Jim Morman, Special Intention
12:00pm Rosary

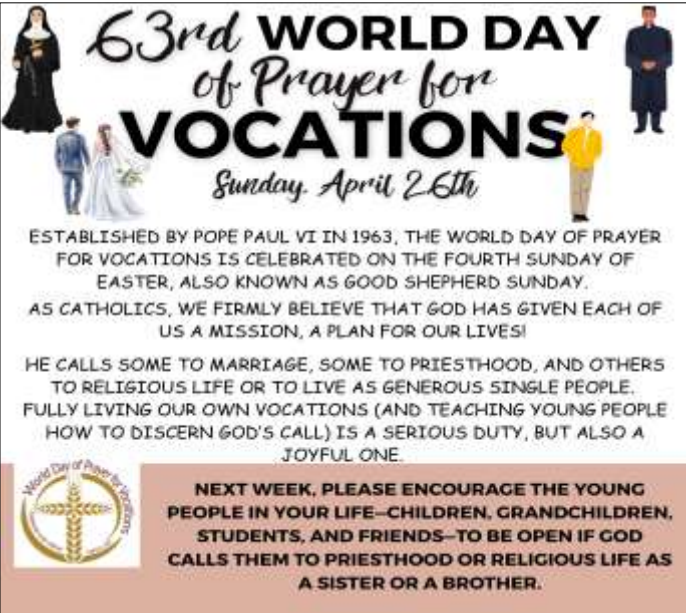
SATURDAY, APRIL 25-St. Mark

7:35am Rosary
8:00am L/D Junilla & Virgil Karhoff Family
8:30am Confessions
4:00pm Confessions
4:30pm MaryJane Hunt, L/D Louise Halker Family
Joan Karhoff, L/D Bob & Hilda (AN) Hovest Family
L/D Al & Irene Schroeder Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 26-4th Sunday of Easter

World Day Of Prayer for Vocations

7:35am Rosary
8:00am L/D Bill & Odelia Schroeder Family, Ranae Kahle
10:30am Mary Ann Hermiller, Karl Buerger, Barbara Maag,
L/D Carl & Lucille Ellerbrok Family,
Louie Gerding (AN),
L/D Norbert & Lorene Fuerst Family,
Brian Schroeder (AN)



63rd WORLD DAY of Prayer for VOCATIONS
Sunday, April 26th

ESTABLISHED BY POPE PAUL VI IN 1963, THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS IS CELEBRATED ON THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, ALSO KNOWN AS GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY.


AS CATHOLICS, WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT GOD HAS GIVEN EACH OF US A MISSION, A PLAN FOR OUR LIVES!

HE CALLS SOME TO MARRIAGE, SOME TO PRIESTHOOD, AND OTHERS TO RELIGIOUS LIFE OR TO LIVE AS GENEROUS SINGLE PEOPLE. FULLY LIVING OUR OWN VOCATIONS (AND TEACHING YOUNG PEOPLE HOW TO DISCERN GOD'S CALL) IS A SERIOUS DUTY, BUT ALSO A JOYFUL ONE.

NEXT WEEK, PLEASE ENCOURAGE THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN YOUR LIFE-CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN, STUDENTS, AND FRIENDS-TO BE OPEN IF GOD CALLS THEM TO PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS LIFE AS A SISTER OR A BROTHER.

SERVERS		
Mon	8:00am	No Mass
Tue	8:40am	Students
Wed	8:00am	Cliff Schroeder, Eddie Duling
Thurs	8:40am	Roger Schroeder, Gary Recker
Fri	8:00am	Bart Recker, Greg Nussbaum
Sat	8:00am	Maya Vorst, Luke Bockrath, Ryland Ellerbrock, Drew Schroeder
Sat	4:30pm	Ethan Weis, Sam Warnecke, Lauren Weiss
Sun	8:00am	Grant Leopold, Allison Kuhlman, Ethan Kuhlman
Sun	10:30am	Zachary Horstman, Parker Heckman, Lochlan Brinkman
		EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat	4:30pm	Doug Karhoff Mary Rose Ellerbrock
Sun	8:00am	Deb Schroeder Deb Burwell
Sun	10:30am	Rose Warnecke Gene Warnecke Jason Millier-Choir
		LECTORS
Sat	4:30pm	Doug Karhoff Mary Rose Ellerbrock
Sun	8:00am	Connie Cassidy Sharon Meyer
Sun	10:30am	Tim Hansen Jeanne Schram
GIFT BEARERS - To sign up for a Mass click link below https://tinyurl.com/3uzy8vvj or scan QR code		
Sat	4:30pm	Ask a family or Ushers
Sun	8:00am	Ask a family or Ushers
Sun	10:30am	Ask a family or Ushers
APRIL USHERS		
Sat	4:30pm	Ray Diemer, Zach Diemer, Noah Emmons,
Sun	8:00am	Elton Schroeder, Joe Schroeder
Sun	10:30am	Bryant Diemer, Corey Diemer
COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 4 ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Tim & Mer Lehman APRIL FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Marlene & Paul Kleman, Dorothy Karl, Deb Burwell, Tim & Chris Hoehn, Al & Lisa Hueve, Teresa Duling, Beth Recker		

ATTENTION WEEKDAY ADULT SERVERS
Thursday, April 23, the 7th grade servers will not be at Mass, so we will need Adult servers to help with Mass. Thank You!



Parental Baptism Class
Sunday, May 17, 2026
from 11:45am - 1:15pm, in Room 15
in the Parish Center
presented by Mike and Becky Karhoff
Pre-register by calling St. John's Rectory 419-538-6928.
Next class will be **September 27, 2026**

We want to warmly invite all parents to join us for our upcoming Baptism Class! Whether this is your first child, second, third, or beyond, there is always something new to learn about this beautiful sacrament. We also encourage parents to invite their chosen godparents to attend the class. This class is only required for parents for their first child.

Catechism Corner

The Sixth Commandment: "You shall not commit adultery"

It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife (unless the marriage is unlawful), causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery. – (Mt 5:31-32)

The Sixth Commandment is about the family. In Genesis, "Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone'" (Gen 2:18). God says, "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh." (Gen 2:24). When it comes to marriage, God puts it in simple terms: one man and one woman united for life. God is protecting family.

WHAT IS ADULTERY? Adultery is defined as carnal connection between a married person and one unmarried or between a married person and the spouse of another. It differs from fornication in so far as adultery presupposes the marriage of one or both of the agents. Adultery is forbidden for the following reasons: ■ Adultery is a marital infidelity. It is because a married partner becomes unfaithful to the other "...So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, let no one separate." (Mt 19:5-6). ● The offender commits a sin against the institution of marriage, the Sacrament of love. Marriage is contracted with the mutual consent of the spouses, who promise in God's name to safeguard and live faithfully the bond of love. God commanded his people to be faithful in marriage and to respect one another's vow exchanged in His presence. Adultery devalues this commitment, made between husband and wife before God. At the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus expanded what is required by this commandment and the definition of adultery to "...everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart (Mt 5:27-28). This Commandment not only forbids adultery, but also immodest thoughts and looks.

SINS AGAINST THIS COMMANDMENT: Lust, masturbation, fornication, incest, sexual abuse, homosexuality, pornography, prostitution, and rape. (See Catechism of Catholic Church #'s 2351, 2356, 2357, 2358, 2389)

WHAT DOES THE COMMANDMENT REQUIRE?

The requirements are for spouses to practice permanent and exclusive fidelity to one another. Emotional and sexual fidelity are essential to the commitment made in the marriage covenant. God established marriage as a reflection of his fidelity to us. The vows made by the spouses at their wedding to be faithful to one another forever should witness the very covenant God has made with us. All people—married, single, religious, and ordained—need to acquire the virtue of chastity. "Chastity means the successful integration of sexuality within the person and thus the inner unity of man in his bodily and spiritual being" (CCC 2337). Jesus is the model of chastity. "Chastity includes an apprenticeship in self-mastery which is a training in human freedom" (CCC_2339). Chastity is a moral virtue. It is also a gift from God, a grace, a fruit of spiritual effort. The Holy Spirit enables one whom the water of Baptism has regenerated to imitate the purity of Christ. (CCC 2345)

For more, see: catholicfamilybusiness.com/sixth-commandment/

Joint Parish/Finance Council Meeting

March 10, 2026

1. Grounds Committee Updates/Suggestions
 - a. Progress on Mustard Seed continues cabinets in today, checkout counter being placed today, painting progressing,
 - b. Boilers are up to be serviced (every 3 yrs occurs) and will be completed
 - c. Gutters are currently on hold. We are asking other recommended companies who have worked on churches in the Diocese to quote the project. Currently reaching out to a company based in Cincinnati and Columbus.
 - d. Paint chipping in church on South side gallery seating, pictures sent to Conrad Schmitt to have them view the fiberglass/paint damage. Water damage is suspected. Currently working to fix the issues of water damage before bringing Conrad Schmitt Studios in to fix the inside. We have found that outside on sandstone there are mortar joints in that area that need attention, you can see the crack from the ground. Joe Schroeder getting quotes for masonry to repair. We are also looking into having all of the brick resealed as there are other issues that look similar and could be potential issues. We will also ask the company that will do gutters for a quote as well.
 - e. Joe Schroeder reported some lights out in the church clock, looking into different LED fixtures.
 - f. Open discussion was had on snow removal for the church and parish grounds. Looking into hiring possibilities or looking into programs to assist.
2. Mustard Seed:
 - a. Carole is successfully setting up vendor accounts and starting to get product in to be sold. Greatly appreciate the volunteer turnout thus far, making good progress overall, flooring completed for the most part, painting the first floor is finished, brick and ceilings sealed, plumbing all in and completed.
 - b. Ashley reached out to the Diocese to ask the Bishop to come down to Glandorf and bless the store for a Grand Opening. Date to be determined later when the Bishop is available.
3. Addressing Parish Center Rental Questions
 - a. Discussion was had about renters holding the Parish Center for a rain out only, but the original plan is to be in the park, the Parish Center will only be used if inclement weather happens. It was agreed to charge the renter to place hold on the facility. Addressing local community non-profit organizations to receive any discount when renting the Parish Center for a fundraiser.
4. High Altar Update:
 - a. Still working with contractors, waiting on quotes. Looking to restoring old tabernacle and other items for High Altar.
5. Corpus Christi
 - a. The parish will celebrate Corpus Christi on June 7th and on that same day commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cornerstone of the Current Church. The Adult Faith and Historical Committee will be planning the event. Looking to have Little Flowers and First Communicants to be in procession like in years past. There will be a luncheon catered meal in the gym for the Parish after Corpus Christi procession.
6. New Members and voting
 - a. New member rotation shifting back to old rotation prior to COVID. No one will fall off parish council this year, bringing on 3 new members this year with 1 woman and 2 males. Looking for members to put on ballot if have suggestions please let Ashley Duling know.
7. New Business
 - a. Ashley received a call for a request for a wedding reception at Parish Center cafeteria that is not a typical wedding reception request. Request for reception was only 30-40 ppl, no band, no wedding party and fits mold of smaller based parties we allow (such as Anniversary or Graduation parties). Parish Council decided to make an amendment to the policy for this date for hall rental "to allow rental at discretion of the Parish Council based off the nature of the request". All were in favor and motion passed.
 - b. For Money Collection: In the priest sacristy on the south wall stool, there will be a box where collection bags are held. The tamper proof bags are to be used and are not reusable. There is also a pouch for children's collection which needs to be placed in the bag before sealed shut. Instructions are laminated beside the box. Lectors will now start to shut off the sound system following each mass. Directions for sound system are on the outside of the black door for the sound system.
 - c. Mass intention policy -> the Diocese would like all parishes to follow canon law with their mass intention policy. We have to review our current number of mass intentions and will have to lower that and implement for 2027.
 - d. Some parishioners asking about moving Saturday/weekend mass times up to 3:30 PM but could interfere when there are weddings. Consideration will be taken on pros and cons and reasons why a change would be needed.
 - e. St. Cecilia Statue looking to be ordered in spring time by Carole at The MS at St. Johns

STEWARDSHIP

April 12, 2026

Offering

Loose	\$	734.00
Adult Envelope	\$	7,638.00
Children	\$	245.00
Maintenance	\$	780.00
Online Offering	\$	1,679.00
Online Maintenance	\$	181.00
Good Friday (Holy Land)	\$	100.00
Easter	\$	1,385.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$	20.00
VBS	\$	20.00
Catholic Relief	\$	20.00
Eastern Europe	\$	250.00
Total Collection	\$	13,052.00

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

NEED YOUR HELP

HEARTBEAT: Boys and Girls: Pull Ups Sizes: 2T/3T and 3T/4T, Summer sleepers Sizes 3-6 months, 6-9 months, 9-12 months, 12-18 months, 3T and 4T, Baby bath/wash, Baby shampoo, Baby powder, Baby Lotion, Diaper rash ointment, Child toothbrushes.

There is a box in the south entrance of the Church for Heartbeat donations which will be picked up and taken to the Lima office periodically.

Heartbeat Hours: Monday through Thursday
 9:00am—5:00pm at
 421 S. Cable Rd, Lima, OH 45805.

OTTAWA FOOD PANTRY: ITEMS NEEDED: Pancake Mix and syrup, Canned Potatoes, Cream Style Corn, Boxed Potatoes. Place item in box in North vestibule of Church. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED:** The Food Pantry is at Trinity United Missionary Church. Glandorf St. John's months are April & October. Each month we provide help for food distribution. April dates are Monday, April 13th (set up day) April 14th (distribution day) and Monday, April 27th & Tuesday, April 28. Questions or you plan on helping call or text Marlene 419-303-6531.

2026 GRAND-orf Club



Drawing will be **May 10th** along with **coffee & donuts** after the 8:00am and 10:30am Masses in room 15 **by Andrea & Doug Giesige**. Extra tickets are in the racks in the Church Vestibules.

Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us

The past 20 years

Patricia L Chamberlin 4/19/19	Ronald L Siefker 4/22/01
Adrian N Utrup 4/19/20	Pamela Stehlik 4/22/02
Dennis R Nienberg 4/20/14	Ranae D Kahle 4/23/20
Nina M Sommer 4/20/21	Hilda M Hovest 4/25/12
Jace William Llewellyn 4/20/23	Mary Louise Deters 4/25/13
Gertrude E Nienberg 4/21/10	Whitney K Kuhlman 4/25/16
	Linus Kistler 4/25/20

Please Include them in your prayers

WEDDING BANNES

II Hannah Roof of Sts. Peter & Paul, daughter of Randy & April Roof & Logan Balbaugh of this parish, son of Shawn & Joan Balbaugh



CONGRATULATIONS
 ON YOUR 50th
 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!

Dale and Ruth Gerding

OUR GOAL THIS YEAR IS
\$43,563.33.
 TOTAL GIVEN **\$54,684.32**
 125.53% OF GOAL

**THANK YOU FOR
 YOUR
 DONATIONS,
 ST. JOHN'S
 ACHIEVED OUR
 ACA GOAL!!**

**HOPE
 In Action**

Your Generosity Strengthens
 Our Parishes!

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL



On April 26, 2026, support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Nearly 40% of diocese in the United States and its current and former territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral

activities for their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. Find more information at <https://www.usccb.org/committees/catholic-home-missions>





Attention ALL MEN!!!!
 Thank you to all those that joined us for TMIY "BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART", YEAR 13.

Fall Sessions will start back up in September, watch the bulletin for details.

Login to your online access to review or catch-up on any of the previous years. Share them with friends and family!

For more information, contact Mike Karhoff @ MKarhoff@GlandorfStJohns.com

JUST SHOW UP & FILL YOUR CUP

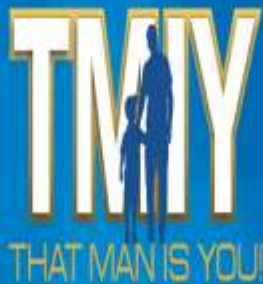


St. John the Baptist Parish Center – Room 15
 8:45 AM (following the 8:00 AM Mass)
 Join us for fellowship, faith, and inspiration each Saturday morning!

- April 4 – Happy Easter! There will be no class this weekend as we celebrate the joy of the Resurrection.
- April 11 – Prayer Stations Experience - Move through a variety of interactive prayer stations, each designed to help you connect with God in a unique and meaningful way.
- April 18 – Community Prayer & Activities - Join us for a selection of simple, meaningful activities centered around shared prayer intentions and spiritual reflection.
- April 25 – Rosary Making Workshop - Learn the beautiful tradition of the rosary by creating your own handmade rosary. All materials provided!



All men are welcome. We invite you to join us whether it's for 1 week or every week!!!



Help us build strong Catholic men in our parish!

MEN'S SOCIETY FATHER-SON BREAKFAST

Sunday, April 26th

Starting after 8:00 Mass & ending before 10:30 Mass
 Parish Center Gymnasium
 Breakfast food will be provided, along with a guest speaker and door prizes.

Keith Schierloh, Glandorf St. John's parishioner and Putnam County Common Pleas Judge, will be speaking on his career, life and spiritual lessons learned, and the impacts he has had on the community throughout his career.

The Catholic Church joyfully



Welcomes You!

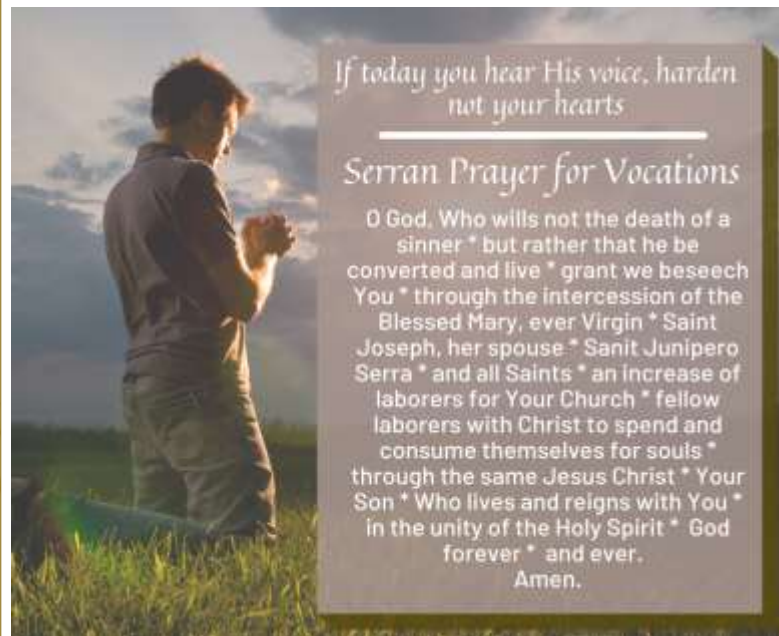
Joseph Gossard · Hannah Lutman · Laura Stechschulte · Caylee Verhoff

If you know of anyone that would be thinking about becoming Catholic, just call the office.

If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts

Serran Prayer for Vocations

O God, Who wills not the death of a sinner * but rather that he be converted and live * grant we beseech You * through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin * Saint Joseph, her spouse * Saint Junipero Serra * and all Saints * an increase of laborers for Your Church * fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls * through the same Jesus Christ * Your Son * Who lives and reigns with You * in the unity of the Holy Spirit * God forever * and ever.
 Amen.



BRINGING UP OFFERTORY AT SUNDAY MASSES

Over the past year or so we have been asking for families to volunteer to help with bringing up the offertory at Sunday Masses. We do not exactly have families knocking down the doors volunteering to help with bringing up offertory. Occasionally we have a family that volunteers for a Mass or ushers might press a family into service to do this. If your family has helped with bringing up the offertory, I would like to thank you.

I have also heard that there are some families who are a little nervous to be in front of people to help with this ministry. But let's take a step back and take a deeper look into what is happening when the offertory is being brought up. The Liturgy of the Word has just concluded, God's word has been opened for us, and now we transition to the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In the world of theater this transition might be called the end of Act 1 and now we move onto Act 2 and during this point during the show the curtain may be drawn, lights might be dimmed, and the backstage crew make their way on stage to reset the stage for the next act. In a certain sense this happens during this transition during Mass, the faithful in the pews take their seats and the organist leads the congregation in song, the servers, deacon and/or priest bring the sacred vessels to the altar, and ushers begin to pass around a collection basket, children bring their offering to the altar. At this point during the Mass, we are not exactly resetting the stage, but we are transitioning, we are responding to the word of God as we are preparing to offer sacrifice.

The Roman Missal instructs "the faithful express their participation by making an offering by bringing forward bread and wine for the celebration of the Eucharist and perhaps other gifts to relive the needs of the Church and of the poor". Bread and wine are offered in sacrifice, and money is typically collected at this point to be offered in sacrifice too, but if we remove the veil, what we are really offering is our lives in sacrifice. The money that is offered/sacrificed is the product of your hard work. Even the bread and wine are product of hard work and sacrifice, someone had to plant the seeds, fertilize the fields, prune the vineyards, harvest the wheat and grapes, mill the wheat, crush and press the grapes, make the bread, bottle the wine, package them, and send and deliver them for our use. All this work in sacrifice to offer this gift to God, so that God can give this gift back to us enhanced. The bread and wine that we offer in sacrifice, as a gift comes back to us as the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

Those who bring forth the gifts at the offertory time represents our parish community at St. John's as we make our sacrifice to God, what an honor and privilege to be given this opportunity. Those who bring forward the gifts represent and reflect who we are as a parish community. What does our parish community look like at St. John's? As I look through our recent parish pictorial directory I see a lot of families. Young families with newborn babies and young growing children, I see families with school-aged children, teenagers, and young adults, and I see families that are empty nesters. This is who we are as the parish community of St. John's and as the offertory is brought up I think we are called to see.

Fr. Matt



Eucharistic Adoration
in May

NEED 2 PEOPLE TO BE WITH JESUS EVERY HOUR!

SCHEDULE

EVERY WEDNESDAY
6:30-7:30PM

FIRST FRIDAY,
MAY 1ST
1:00-4:00PM CONCLUDING
WITH BENEDICTION

FIRST SATURDAY,
MAY 2ND & 3RD
AFTER 4:30PM MASS UNTIL
8:00AM ON SUNDAY
MORNING.

HOLY HOUR
9:00AM - 10:00AM
CONCLUDING WITH
BENEDICTION AT 9:55AM
THEME: TBD

HOW TO SIGN UP
CLICK THE LINK OR SCAN
THE QR CODE BELOW.

ADORATION ON FIRST FRIDAY
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Worship

IF YOU NEED HELP SIGNING UP CALL KATIE VERHORFF 480-236-7305

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"Joyful Tuesdays" is ten weeks of Tuesday evening gatherings of faith, fellowship and fun at the cafeteria at Glandorf St. John parish center.

There will be a Joyful Mystery Scripture Rosary at 6:30 pm, then fellowship from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Come for either one or both!

Tues., April 21 6:30 pm Rosary
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Monday, April 20

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Refreshments and snacks available. T shirts and hats available to order.

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Questions contact Us at contact@christthekingcenter.org. OR follow us on Facebook



Putnam County Right to Life



Putnam County Right to Life would like to thank everyone who supported us at our garage sale which was held in March at the Ottawa K of C. Our sale was a great success. Our sales


were excellent and we were able to help several groups. Thank you to all who donated baked goods and gently used items. We greatly appreciate our shoppers, some who came multiple times. We are grateful to the Ottawa K of C who have let us use their hall for many years, and for their help setting up and taking down. We appreciate all their donations. We thank all our volunteers who help us set up on Sunday and Monday, thanks to the helpers on Tuesday and Wednesday, thanks to those who delivered unsold items to places where they would be used, and thanks to the students who helped us throughout the sale. We could not do this sale without our helpers, without those who donate items, and without our loyal shoppers. God bless all of you for your generosity! Our sale days for our garage sale in 2027 will be March 16 and 17.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, May 6 at 7:30 in Kalida St. Michael's Church basement.


All are welcome.

SPREAD JOY

Glandorf Youth Group Grades 7-12



Where Church Basement
When April 19th
Time 6:30-7:30 pm
What Join us for youth group as we decorate Easter eggs and create beautifully designed rocks to spread joy to others!




VBS ADULT AND STUDENT VOLUNTEERS



There will be a meeting
Sunday, May 17
after 10:30 mass
in the Parish Center cafeteria.

Crew leaders will be receiving crew member lists and instruction packets. Student volunteers will be signing a 'Standards and Guidelines' form.



First
Communion
May 3, 2026 at 1:00 PM
SAVE THE DATE

SENIOR
2026

SAVE THE DATE
BACCALAUREATE
MASS
MAY 17, 2026 AT
10:30AM

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

New Mass Server Registration – Grades 5–7

OPEN ENROLLMENT TO TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2025



<https://form.jotform.com/240565061869059>

The new mass server training (weekday service) is scheduled in the church for:

- Wednesday, April 29th, 2026 2:50PM to 4:30PM Church
- Thursday, April 30, 2026 6:00PM to 7:30PM Church

Grades 6–8 (Academic year 2026/27) will be scheduled to serve weekday masses starting May 22, 2026 through May 22, 2027.

Thank you,
Elton Schroeder
eltons@me.com

Apply for 2026

BENNING SCHOLARSHIP

FOR ALL GLANDORF ST. JOHN
HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Due on May 1, 2026 by 4:30pm

Due to delays with the United States Postal Service, we recommend dropping off the applications at the office.

Applications will be available in the south vestibule in Church in the Youth rack and at High School CCD.

** Make sure you have all the required documents attached to the application in order to be eligible for the scholarship.



The 2026 Youth Elect Service Project is hosted by St. Joseph's in Fort Jennings June 4-6

Involves high school youth and adults helping those in need with painting, cleaning, landscaping, or many other tasks that are just too difficult for our area residents to do. The ultimate goal is to spread the love of Christ and His message of Hope to those who need it most. Most of our work consists of helping private homeowners without family members nearby or unable to maintain or improve their homes.

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS (Teen application forms are in the back vestibules of Church)

Students incoming grade 7 through outgoing seniors are encouraged to join us for this weekend service retreat.

This will give you opportunities to make new friends from throughout the St. George Deanery and have some great fun, grow in faith and be the hands and feet of Christ in your community!

This 3-day rewarding experience will close with 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, June 6th at St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Registration forms are available from Nichole Schroeder or in the back vestibules of Church, and are due by **May 22!**

Bring your friends because the opportunities are endless and the reward is eternal!

DONATIONS NEEDED

Work sites are all over the county and supplies are needed to help.

All of the work done is at no cost to those being helped. The youth and adults are asked to contribute a fee to cover the cost of a t-shirt, food and their supplies. We are asking residents, businesses and organizations to contribute as you can.

If you would like to make a donation of supplies, we can always use cleaning supplies, small tools, water, soda or snacks. A monetary donation is appreciated as well to help cover the cost of mulch or larger supplies.

Please contact Nichole Schroeder at 419-538-6897 with any questions.

Checks may be payable to St. Joseph's Catholic Church- YES and sent to P O Box 68, Ft. Jennings, OH 45844.

Thank you for your support of our youth groups and this project that teaches being of service to others offers long term benefits for our parish communities! The rewards are eternal!

NEED HELP WITH YOUR HOUSE?

Involves high school youth and adults helping those in need with painting, cleaning, landscaping, or many other tasks that are just too difficult for our area residents to do. The ultimate goal is to spread the love of Christ and His message of Hope to those who need it most.

Most of our work consists of helping private homeowners without family members nearby or unable to maintain or improve their homes.

On June 5th & 6th, teens & adults from the St. George Deanery would love to help you! If you would like a team of youth and adults to help with jobs around inside or outside of your home, please contact Nichole Schroeder at 419-538-6897 (in the evenings or weekends).

Deadline to submit a request is May 24th.

PROJECT TEAM LEADERS NEEDED

Do you like to spend time helping those in need? We'd love for you to join our adult team leaders for the Y.E.S. weekend June 4-6 starting at Fort Jennings High School and working throughout the St George Deanery! Adult team leaders and assistant leaders need to be current college freshmen, up to retirees! Nothing is more rewarding than sharing your time and faith with the Young Church of today!

For questions or to sign up as a team leader please contact Nichole Schroeder at 419-538-6897

Please answer His call today because the opportunities are endless and the reward is eternal!

A PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

God, who chose the apostles to make disciples of all nations and who by baptism and confirmation have called us to build up your Holy Church, we implore you to choose among us, your children, many priests and religious who will love you with their whole hearts and will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved by all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

LEO BY THE 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FATHER RONALD WARMIMONT ASSEMBLY

ROSARY

FOR the SAFETY and UNITY of OUR NATION

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH
APRIL THRU OCTOBER @ 7:30PM

ST. RITA'S ROSARY WALK
620 E. BLAKE OTTAWA
(GLANDORF)

"I like to pray the rosary out loud and with others, as long as they don't go too fast. I focus better when I am looking at a picture of the mystery, so I usually have the little blue rosary book with me."

Putnam County Council on Aging May Activities

Date	Event	Time	Location
5-6-2026	Senior Day	12:00pm	Columbus Grove Legion, Columbus Grove
5-7-2026	Bingo	1:00pm	Fort Haven Apartments, Fort Jennings
5-12-2026	Mother's Day Event	10:00am	Community Center, Columbus Grove
5-18-2026	Learn to Use MyChart	1:30pm	Putnam Co. District Library, Pandora
5-19-2026	Cookie Decorating Party	10:00am	Northside Lions Den Shelterhouse, Kalida
5-26-2026	Euchre	10:00am	Church of the Good Shepherd, Col. Grove

For more information or to attend please call Putnam County Council on Aging 419-523-4121 or 1-877-796-1760

Senior Citizens' Day Celebration

In honor of Older Americans Month, the Putnam County Council on Aging invites all adults age 60 and better to attend the Senior Wednesday, May 6, 2026, from 12:00–2:00 p.m. at the Columbus Grove Legion. The celebration will include a sit-down lunch catered by Ted's Market and entertainment by Antique Mayhem.

Tickets are \$12.00 per person. Please RSVP by April 29 by calling 419-523-4121 or by visiting the Council on Aging office, 1425 E. 4th St., Ottawa to reserve your seat.

CATHOLIC COUNSELING SERVICES

Feeling depressed during the Christmas season? Struggling with the loss of a loved one? Dealing with marital problems? Experiencing gender identity issues? If you or someone you love might benefit from counseling, confidential professional Catholic counseling, rooted in our Catholic faith, is now available at Findlay St. Michael Parish.

To inquire, please contact the main parish office @ 419-422-2646 and ask to be transferred to the Catholic Counseling services.

CREATE AN ACCOUNT

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

WILLIAMS WAVECAST App



- Connect to wireless internet: ASSISTED LISTENING SYSTEM Password: stjhsound
- Download the WaveCAST APP
- Upon opening the app it will prompt you with No Internet Connection and ask if you want to use cellular. Choose "KEEP USING WIFI"
- The channel St. Johns Sound will be on the home page of the app. Click St. Johns Sound & adjust volume accordingly.

For any question and for those who do not have Bluetooth capabilities with their hearing aids and would like to use a hand held receiver during mass please contact the rectory office 419-538-6928 and ask for Ashley.

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Did you know that volunteering as a family to bring up the offertory at Mass is a beautiful way to deepen your connection to God and to each other? Parishioners can sign up today by scanning QR code:

<https://tinyurl.com/3uzy8vvi>

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

Providing Education on the **CREIGHTON MODEL Fertility Care™** System to Empower Women and Couples to UNDERSTAND, MAINTAIN, and APPRECIATE their Health and Fertility in a way that is cooperative with our Catholic faith. Contact Wendy Imm, BSN CFPC for more information at 614-634-1043 or divinegracefertilitycare@gmail.com

Reading the Scriptures

In today's Gospel reading two disciples were walking together and thinking sadly about how Jesus had just been tortured and killed. Then Jesus started walking with them- but they didn't recognize Him. He explained to them what the Scriptures had said about Him suffering and dying. He helped them to understand what God's plan had been.



Every time we go to Mass we hear about Jesus in the Gospel reading. But we don't need to wait until Mass to learn about Jesus. You can read the Bible every day. God wants us to know Him better so we can love Him more. And the more we love Him the happier we will be.

Do you have a children's Bible? Maybe your Mom or Dad can read to you from the big Bible a little every morning or night. Reading saint stories also helps us to know God through His friends. Try to read or listen to some of the Bible or the life of a saint every day!



Answer to puzzle on front: In the Breaking of the Bread
Answers to picture puzzle inside
Top-4, 1 middle-2, 6 bottom-1, 3

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The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday of Easter
April 19th, 2026



A B D E F G H I K N O R T
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The disciples on the road to Emmaus didn't recognize Jesus at first. How did they recognize Him eventually?
Use the code to find out!

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Saint Mark

April 25

SAINT MARK WAS A FOLLOWER OF JESUS. ALTHOUGH HE WAS NOT ONE OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES.

Jesus is preaching - let's go listen!

HE WAS LIKELY ONE OF THE SEVENTY DISCIPLES THAT JESUS SENT AHEAD TO PREPARE FOR HIM.

Go to the towns and villages...

AFTER JESUS WENT INTO HEAVEN MARK TRAVELED WITH SAINT PAUL.

Thanks for coming! How are the others?

HE VISITED PAUL IN PRISON BEFORE HE WAS MARTYRED.

MARK ALSO SPOKE A LOT WITH SAINT PETER.

Jesus took John, James and me...

MARK WROTE THE LIFE OF JESUS SO THAT PEOPLE IN THE FUTURE WOULD BE ABLE TO READ ABOUT HIM.

Tie him up and we'll drag him through the streets.

SAINT MARK WENT TO ALEXANDRIA WHERE HE BECAME THEIR FIRST BISHOP. HE DIED AS A MARTYR FOR JESUS IN THE YEAR 68.

SAINT MARK KNEW THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT JESUS, SO HE WROTE HIS STORY, OR GOSPEL. DO YOU EVER READ BIBLE STORIES? DO YOU PAY ATTENTION TO THE GOSPEL READING AT CHURCH? TRY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT JESUS SO YOU CAN BE MORE LIKE HIM!

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Picture Puzzle: The Road to Emmaus

How well do you know the story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus?
Figure out the order of the pictures and put the appropriate numbers in the corners.

This is my Body...

I can't believe it - Jesus is dead!

Didn't you know...

We saw Jesus!

Won't you come in?

It's Jesus!