

# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Missionaries of the Precious Blood

St. George Deanery



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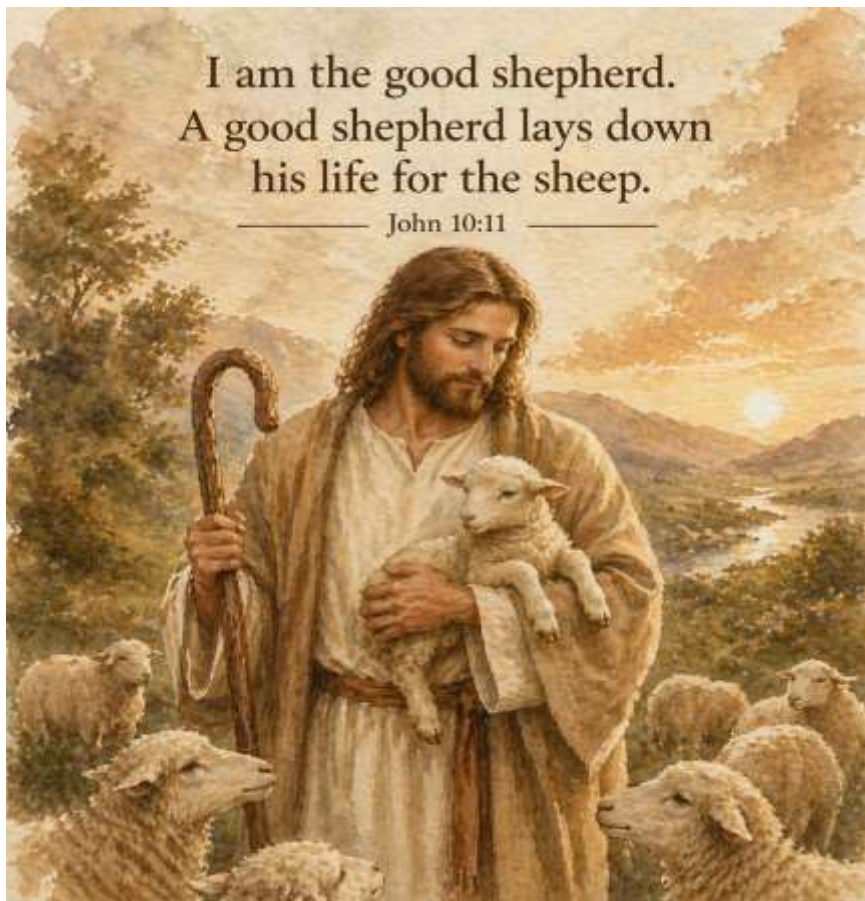
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I am the good shepherd.  
A good shepherd lays down  
his life for the sheep.

John 10:11

## 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.

Happy Easter! Alleluia!

Today is the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter and the 4th Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd. On this Good Shepherd Sunday our scriptures today focus on the love of God. God's love for us is compared to the way that a shepherd cares for the sheep of his flock. Today is also a day of praying for vocations, we pray that God will continue to call a sufficient number of shepherds to tend his flock, and we pray that those who are called to shepherd will generously respond.

Every vocation is about responding to a call to shepherd, while all are called to shepherd, each vocation is called to shepherd in different ways. Those who are married often shepherd through raising children and through their witness to charity in the world. Religious sisters and brothers shepherd to the community they are members of and to those they minister to by teaching, caring for sick and the poor. Priests shepherd by ministering the sacraments, ministering the word of God and teaching the Catholic Faith. Even those who are single are called to shepherd with an availability that many of the other vocations cannot.

Every vocation is about responding to a call to shepherd in a particular way. But when initially called to shepherd in a particular way, many of us may feel like we do not qualify to shepherd that way. I think about when God first called me to be a priest, I was a junior in high school. I kind of like the idea of becoming a priest, but I also knew that struggled with academics a matter I went through middle and high school on an IEP and knew becoming a priest required a lot of schooling. Plus, I was a little shy and socially awkward. These qualities would seem to not qualify me to be a priest. But God does not call the qualified, all those that God calls do not qualify, but God qualifies the one that God calls. How does God qualify the unqualified?

In our scriptures today Jesus describes shepherds and sheep. The shepherd enters through the gate, calls his sheep by name, and leads them out. The sheep know the voice of the shepherd, they respond when called by name, and they follow the shepherd and no one else. Those that God calls are sheep of God's flock. And apart of being sheep they listen for God's voice and are led by God, and it is through doing this that God qualifies those he calls.

As I think of those times, I heard the voice of Good Shepherd calling my name and hearing a call that I felt like I did not qualify for, was not ready for, or capable of.

Like being called to the priesthood or becoming a pastor. In these moments I prayed and let the Good Shepherd lead, and it is through being led by the Good Shepherd that God has worked wonders in my life and other people's lives as well. As we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday today let us listen to the voice, the call of the Good Shepherd and let him lead, amaze, and work wonders in our lives. 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:passociate@glandorfstjohns.com).

## MONDAY, APRIL 27

7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Communion Service— Deacon Don Inkrott  
8:30am-9:15am May Crowning Practice

## TUESDAY, APRIL 28—Sts. Peter Chanel & Louis

8:00am-8:30am Adoration/Benediction (2nd grade)  
8:15am Rosary  
8:40am Tom Kaufman, Richard Fuerst (AN)  
7:00pm-8:00pm 1st Communion Rehearsal

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29—St. Catherine

7:15am-7:45am Confession  
7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Doris Birkemeier  
3:00pm - 4:30pm New Server Training  
6:30pm-7:30pm Adoration  
7:00-7:30pm Confessions

## THURSDAY, APRIL 30—St. Pius

8:15am Rosary  
8:40am Mel Verhoff, Russ Nienberg  
6:00pm-7:30pm New Server Training

## First FRIDAY, MAY 1—St. Joseph

7:15am-7:45am Confessions  
7:35am Rosary  
8:00am L/D Bert & Irene Ellerbrock Family  
**All School Mass-May Crowning**

12:00pm Rosary  
1:00pm-4:00pm Adoration/Benediction  
6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal-Mary Ellen Halker

## First SATURDAY, MAY 2—St. Athanasius

7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Dottie Hovest  
8:30am Confessions  
1:00pm Roof/Balbaugh Wedding  
4:00pm Confessions  
4:30pm L/D Mel Lammers Family, Gene & Ruth Klear Family,  
Walter Hoehn(AN)

## SUNDAY, MAY 3—5th Sunday of Easter

12:00am-8:00am - Adoration  
7:35am Rosary  
8:00am Karl Buerger  
9:00am-10:00am Holy Hour concluding with Benediction  
10:30am - Baptism during Mass  
Richard Spangler,  
L/D Albert & Henrietta Ellerbrock Family,  
Rosella Karhoff, Lucille Knueven, John Hoorman,  
Karen Ann Frey  
1:00pm First Communicants - First Holy Communion Mass



## 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**

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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.

## SERVERS

Mon	8:00am	No Mass
Tue	8:40am	Roger Schoeder, Eddie Duling
Wed	8:00am	Dan Klear, Eddie Duling
Thurs	8:40am	Roger Schroeder, Gary Recker
Fri	8:00am	Students
Sat	8:00am	Nolan Gerding, Ella Macke, Audrey Imm, Caroline Imm
Sat	4:30pm	Breyson Trombley, Riley Trombley, Maddox Stechschulte-Thurifer-Ace Nienberg
Sun	8:00am	Jonathan Klear, Liam Kaufman, Grace Kahle
Sun	10:00am	Alania Duling, Mason McKee-Thurifer
Sun	10:30am	Nolan Duling, Alania Duling, Hannah Brickner, Mason McKee-Thurifer

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

## LECTORS

Sat	4:30pm	Diane Recker Alicia Nussbaum	Carole Schroeder Kathy Schmitz
Sun	8:00am	Mark Schroeder Tammy Schroeder	Nicole Ruhe Elizabeth Ruhe
Sun	10:30am	Jason Kleman Julie Pothast Tony Schroeder (Choir)	Michelle Schroeder Dawn Giesige

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



## MAY USHERS

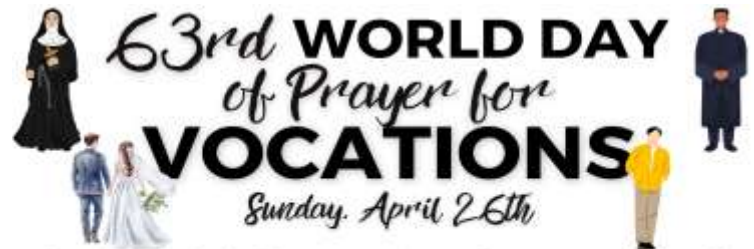
Sat	4:30pm	Kevin Ellerbrock, Alex Ellerbrock
Sun	8:00am	Bart Recker, Ken Kottenbrock
Sun	10:30am	Dennis Dulle, Mike Stechschulte

COMMUNION TO MEADOWS: Pam Sager, Linda Schroeder

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 5

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Henry & Jane Kaufman, Sharon Meyer

APRIL FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Deb & Joe Schroeder, Michelle Horstman, Alice Diemer, Jerry & Rachel Recker



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.



**THIS 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.**

# 4 PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP		April 19, 2026
<u>Offering</u>		
Loose	\$	1,498.50
Adult Envelope	\$	7,549.00
Children	\$	68.00
Maintenance	\$	5,318.00
Online Offering	\$	1,679.00
Online Maintenance	\$	181.00
Easter	\$	1,425.00
Holy Land	\$	10.00
Catholic Relief	\$	25.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>17,753.50</b>

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.stjohnnglandorf.org](http://www.stjohnnglandorf.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

Brian M Schroeder 4/26/01	Joyce M Sispera 4/29/25
Jane C Bockrath 4/27/04	Joan M Schmenk 4/30/12
Richard L Laubenthal 4/27/22	Richard S Hoehn 5/1/01
George Kuhbender 4/28/13	Heaven Lee Hoffman 5/1/03
William E Schroeder 4/28/17	Francis H Hanneman 5/1/06
Louis E Gerding 4/29/01	Rita M Maas 5/1/21
John R Stechschulte 4/29/21	Elizabeth A Birkemeyer 5/1/22
	Kenneth J Schmitz 5/2/06

## Please Include them in your prayers

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 ...

Jim Utendorf, Dan Lammers

### NEWLY WEDDED

Toby & Lisa (Hunt) Duling

### BAPTIZED

Gianna Kay, daughter of Colby & Heather Meuleman

### WEDDING BANNES

I Laren Siefker, of this parish, daughter of Carl & Diane Siefker & John Karhoff, of Sts. Peter & Paul, son of Dan & Jan Karhoff

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

## Thank You to the

## LUCILLE KNUEVEN FAMILY ESTATE

for your generous donation to  
St. Johns Maintenance Fund

## Diocese of Toledo Transitional Diaconate and Priesthood Ordinations

You are invited to attend two joyful celebrations in the Diocese of Toledo:

On **Saturday, May 16, 2026**, at 10:00am at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, Bishop Daniel E. Thomas will ordain Evan Sekerak to the Transitional Diaconate.

On Saturday, **June 27, 2026**, at 10:00am at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Toledo, Bishop Daniel E. Thomas will ordain Deacon Andrew Messer to the Priesthood.

The ordinations will also be live-streamed. If you cannot join us in person, watch at [toledopriesthood.org](http://toledopriesthood.org).

**Please join us in praying for these men each day!**

*So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us..... Be reconciled to God. (2 Cor 5:20)*

Prayer for  
Precious Blood Vocations



Lord God,  
You called St. Gaspar del Bufalo to renew the Church through the ministry of the Word and the proclamation of our salvation in Christ's Precious Blood.

Ignite in the hearts of young men today a passion and desire to become ambassadors of reconciliation as Missionaries of the Precious Blood.

Give them the courage and generosity of spirit to say "Yes" to your call and live a life of missionary discipleship in service of your Church.

We ask this in the name of Jesus who shed his Precious Blood for us. Amen

MADE FOR MORE

## A PRAYER FOR SEMINARIANS

Father, thank You for the generosity of our seminarians.  
Safeguard them as they prepare for the priesthood.

Keep all evil far from them, so they may become strong Christian men who are faithful to prayer, diligent in their studies, open to spiritual direction, and docile to all aspects of seminary formation.

Above all, enflame their hearts with love so they will be ardent and gentle shepherds for Your Church.

We make this prayer through the great High Priest, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St. Charles Borromeo, patron of seminarians, *pray for us.*



**Missionaries of the  
Precious Blood**

UNITED STATES PROVINCE



Fr. Angelo Anthony, C.PPS.



Is God calling you to something more? In the latest episode of *Restoring Hope*, Fr. Angelo Anthony, CPPS, shares his powerful vocation story and offers practical wisdom for anyone discerning a call to religious life.

Discover how prayer, courage, and community can help you recognize God's voice—and why no one is ever "unworthy" of being called. Be inspired by the legacy of St. Gaspar del Bufalo and the mission of the Precious Blood in a world longing for healing. Tune in and take the next step toward hope today.

Listen to *Restoring Hope* at [www.preciousbloodus.org/podcast](http://www.preciousbloodus.org/podcast) and on most streaming platforms.

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MORE ABOUT THE  
PRIESTHOOD?



[TOLEDOPRIESTHOOD.COM](http://TOLEDOPRIESTHOOD.COM)

### How Can I Help?

- Pray for your children and grandchildren that they will be open to whatever God is calling them to do and be willing to help them discern that call.
- Take a "see something, say something" approach to potential vocations within your own family and parish communities. Simply say, "I believe you would be a great priest, brother or sister."
- The involvement of your family in the activities offered in your parish will help create the life-giving environment necessary for nurturing priestly vocations.

# WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

(Good Shepherd Sunday)



Diocese  
of Toledo  
Diocesan Priestly Vocations

Sunday, April 26, 2026



## A TRADITION for MOTHERS..

Like St. Monica, sometimes a mother sheds many tears when a son responds to his divine calling. Before St. Augustine returned to the practice of the faith and was ordained a priest his mother shed many tears of intercession. Similarly, many mothers in today's world will make countless sacrifices so that their son can freely respond to whatever calling God has in store for him.

Recognizing this reality a pious tradition has been passed on over the years that pays respect to the role a mother has in a priest's life. When a priest is ordained his hands are anointed with chrism oil by the bishop. After this occurs his hands are cleaned with a white linen towel called a maniturgium. The oil that is used on the hands of the priest is sacred, having been previously consecrated by the bishop.

According to an age-old tradition the mother saves the towel in a safe place until she dies. Then when her body is prepared for the funeral the maniturgium is placed within the hands of the mother.

When she arrives to the gates of heaven she is escorted directly to our Lord. Our Lord says to the woman – "I have given you life, what have you given to me?" She hands him the maniturgium and responds, "I have given you my son as a priest." At this Jesus grants her entry into paradise.

It is a beautiful and consoling tradition that is always a touching ceremony to witness. Many more tears are shed when a young priest presents the towel to his mother, tears of joy instead of sorrow.

## Upcoming Dates from the Vocations Office:

- April 26: World Day of Prayer for Vocations (Good Shepherd Sunday)
- May 16: Evan Sekerak's Diaconate Ordination (Holy Rosary Cathedral)
- June 27: Deacon Andrew Messer's Priesthood Ordination (St. Joan of Arc)
- July 31-August 2: Quo Vadis High School Discernment Retreat
- August 2-3: Quo Vadis Junior High Discernment Retreat



Please keep our seminarians in prayer as they finish up their spring semester in seminary and prepare for their summer assignments!



# 7 AROUND THE PARISH

## Catechism Corner

### The Seventh Commandment: "You shall not steal."

"The seventh commandment forbids unjustly taking or keeping the goods of one's neighbor and wronging him in any way with respect to his goods. It commands justice and charity in the care of earthly goods and the fruits of men's labor. For the sake of the common good, it requires respect for the universal destination of goods and respect for the right to private property. Christian life strives to order this world's goods to God and to fraternal charity." (CCC #2401)

Keeping this commandment means to think more than just taking physical property from others. It also involves duplicating material that has a copyright on it: music, articles, printed materials, movies, others' ideas, etc.

Keeping this commandment also involves our commitment to our employers. When employees do not fulfill the agreement made between them and the employer due to wasting time at work, yet continue to receive payment, they are taking payment that is not due to them, or charging more time to the employer than worked; hence they are stealing as the employee deprives the employer of a just profit to their business. Employers are also called to give a just wage to their workers. Another way this commandment can be broken at work is when employees use supplies for their own personal needs that they have not received permission to do so, or taking credit for work done by another.

The seventh commandment calls Christians to be good stewards of not only their own goods, but also others' goods and needs. This includes taking care of the Church and the poor. Disciples of Christ are to be His hands and feet with those who are struggling in the world. Christ gives to us generously, and in response, we are to share what we have and not keep it for ourselves – as what has been given to us belongs to Christ Himself. Acts 2:44-45 *"All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need."* "Goods created by God for everyone should in fact reach everyone in accordance with justice and with the help of charity." (CCC #2459) We can give monetarily to the poor (*"Giving alms to the poor is a witness to fraternal charity: it is also a work of justice pleasing to God."* CCC #2462), but we can also fulfill our Christian duty by giving of our time and talents. Opportunities are abundant to volunteer at the parish, at a local charity that serves the poor, or even looking to the needs of our own neighbors and our own family.

The seventh commandment is about relationship. It safeguards against one taking advantage of another. It safeguards justice within relationships with one another, and towards God's goodness and generosity towards us. This commandment calls us to live with integrity – to do what is right, even when others do not see.



THE PARISH VOCATION TEAM WOULD LIKE TO  
**HONOR THE VOCATION OF MOTHERHOOD AT ALL  
MASSES ON MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND.**

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO WRITE DOWN THE NAME OF A  
WOMAN YOU WOULD LIKE TO HONOR. THIS WOMAN MAY BE  
LIVING OR DECEASED—YOUR MOTHER OR SOMEONE WHO HAS  
BEEN LIKE A MOTHER TO YOU.

AT THE END OF MASS, PLEASE PLACE THE FLOWER WITH HER  
NAME ON IT IN THE BASKETS AT THE CHURCH EXITS.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST  
**FAMILY  
FELLOWSHIP**


COME AND JOIN US!  
FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH  
AFTER 4:30PM MASS

FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL AGES  
FAMILY ADORATION  
FREE PLAY  
PIZZA, DRINKS, SNACKS PROVIDED

NO DECEMBER FELLOWSHIP!  
2026  
JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>- PARISH CENTER  
FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> ADORATION ONLY  
MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup> PARISH CENTER  
\*\*APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> IN THE PARK  
MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> IN THE PARK  
\*\*NOTE CHANGE OF WEEKENDS DUE TO  
EASTER\*\*

WHAT IS FAMILY  
ADORATION?  
• Enjoy this special  
opportunity to introduce  
your children of all ages to  
adoring Jesus with other  
parish families  
• You can stay as long as  
you'd like!  
• Crying, soft whispers, &  
fidgeting is OK! Jesus  
wants ALL the little  
children to come to Him!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:  
BROOKE CASSIDY @ 414-258-4812  
SHANA DULING @ 414-625-8788  
WENDY IMM @ 814-834-1045



**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.



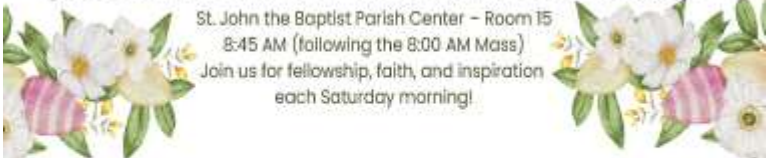
**Attention ALL MEN!!!!**  
 Thank you to all those that joined us for TMIY "BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART", YEAR 13.  
 Fall Sessions will start back up in September, watch the bulletin for details.  
 Login to your online access to review or catch-up on any of the previous years. Share them with friends and family!  
 For more information, contact Mike Karhoff @ [MKarhoff@GlandorfStJohns.com](mailto:MKarhoff@GlandorfStJohns.com)

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!

## 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!



### 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.

## BAKE SALE

April 26, 2026

9:00 am - items gone

Glandorf City Building

Proceeds will be donated to Beekie Vorst

Sponsored by St. John's 3rd Grade CCD Students

## Eucharistic Adoration in May

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

ADORATION ON FIRST FRIDAY



<https://tinyurl.com/vp9wnub3>

ADORATION ON FIRST SATURDAY

<https://tinyurl.com/4yn48kfp>



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 2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup>

AFTER 4:30PM MASS UNTIL 8:00AM ON SUNDAY MORNING.

HOLY HOUR

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

## Enjoy Joyful Tuesdays!

### Faith, Fun and Fellowship!

April 28 is the last "Joyful Tuesday" for the Spring 2026 session.

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



Tuesday, April 28

6:30 pm Rosary  
 7:00 pm Euchre/Solo

Got another card game/game? Bring it and we'll see who might be interested. Open to anyone and everyone, 15 and over.



**Pray for our  
First  
Communicants**

BRANCH BREECE ARIANA BRICKNER BRYNLEE BURGEI LYDIA CASSIDY ETHAN DULING CRUZ ELLERBROCK DREW ELLERBROCK EVERETT ELLERBROCK JOSHUA GARRICK, JR. JAXSON HALKER MARTHA HANNEMAN JAMES HASELMAN DREW HECKMAN ELLA HEMPFLING EVAN IMM FINN KAUFMAN WILL KAUFMAN TESSA KEMPF KINSLEY KUHLMAN ZANDER KUHLMAN COLTON MAAG REID MORMAN JACOB NIENBERG SAVANNAH NIESE	CAMPBELL NUSSBAUM MADELYN PARYS LILLIANN PATRICK JAKUBAS REIVYDAS ANSON RICKER AUBREY SCHROEDER CAROLINE SCHROEDER EMMITT SCHROEDER KALEB SCHROEDER KYLE SCHROEDER MASON SCHROEDER RAEGAN SCHROEDER OLIVER SMITH BODHI SPEARS BARRETT STECHSCHULTE RAEGAN TASCHLER MADALYN TROMBLEY MASON WEIS DAVIS WOLKE
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**May 3, 2026 at  
1:00 PM**

**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



**CYO VOLLEYBALL**


**IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO  
PLAY GIRL'S 5TH AND 6TH  
GRADE CYO VOLLEYBALL NEXT  
FALL, PLEASE COMPLETE THE  
FOLLOWING LINK BY MAY 24TH.  
THANK YOU!**




<https://tinyurl.com/k4a3ekpe>

**Ice-Cream**

**Glandorf  
Youth Group  
Grades 7-12**



Where Start at the Church Basement. Then go the scoop for ice-cream  
When May 17th  
Time 6:30-7:30 pm  
What Join us for youth group as we place encouraging rocks downtown Glandorf and then get ice-cream!



Apply for 2026

**BENNING  
SCHOLARSHIP**

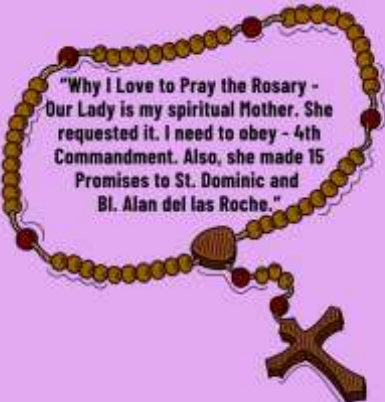
FOR ALL GLANDORF ST. JOHN  
HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

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.



**"Why I Love to Pray the Rosary - Our Lady is my spiritual Mother. She requested it. I need to obey - 4th Commandment. Also, she made 15 Promises to St. Dominic and Bl. Alan del las Roche."**

**SENIOR  
2026**

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

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 419-538-7220



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**Catholic Ladies of Columbia Meeting**  
 May 6, 2026, from 6 to 9 pm

**ATTENTION CLC MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

are invited to a very brief but meaningful information session at the Parish Center. This gathering will be a wonderful opportunity for us to revisit and celebrate our mission, as well as to recognize the many ways our activities and the generosity of our members have positively impacted the Church and community.

Following the session, we'll show our appreciation to Alice Diemer, our outgoing president, with cake, ice cream and snacks.

To wrap up the evening, get ready for lively rounds of Bingo, complete with cash prizes! It promises to be a fun-filled night with plenty of laughter and good company.

**St. Anthony's Garage Sale**

St. Anthony's will be having their garage sale on **April 30th – May 2nd** (town wide garage sale weekend). Thursday and Friday will be from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday will be 9:00 a.m. until Noon.

We will no longer be having a garage sale during the festival. The Parish and School need the shed for storage.

Putnam County Right to Life



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

**All are welcome.**



**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!

**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!

**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!

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DELIVERS HOPE and  
TRANSFORMS LIVES in and  
around Hancock County,  
including PUTNAM COUNTY.

OFTS uses donations to help  
local homeless individuals and  
families transition into homes.

**OFF THE  
STREETS  
FINDLAY**

**OTSF accepts donations of furniture,  
small appliances and large household items.**

**When: First Saturday of the Month,  
NEW HOURS: 9-10 am**

**Where: 1206 E. 2nd St, Ottawa**  
(Former WeatherSeal building by Putnam Co.  
Fairgrounds). Gate 5, then follow the signs.



**What is Accepted:**

New and slightly-used furniture and household goods,  
such as dressers, dining chairs, small dining tables (no  
glass tops), end tables, coffee tables, nightstands, lamps,  
microwaves, regular sofas, chairs, lamps, vacuums, and  
coffee makers.

**NOTE:** mirrors, mattresses, entertainment centers or  
sleeper sofas are NOT accepted.

**NORTHWEST OHIO**

WEEKEND SCHEDULED FOR  
**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> - JULY 26<sup>TH</sup>  
2026**

**419-481-1116**

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connection to God and to each other?  
Parishioners can sign up today by scanning QR code:

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



Looking for Veterans who would like to experience The Ohio Veterans Memorial Park in Clinton, Ohio. **FREE DAY TRIP** including lunch and snacks for a Veteran and a guest to this beautifully designed military park honoring OHIO veterans in Clinton, Ohio. This trip is sponsored by the Marvin Charles Ellerbrock Veterans Foundation (MCEVF).

Tuesday June 9, 2026, Departure: 9:00am from Ottawa Walmart, Returning approximately 6:00pm.

Due to limited seating, we will welcome the first Veterans who contact us by June 2, **Phone: 419-231-0189 or email: [tstechschulte2@woh.rr.com](mailto:tstechschulte2@woh.rr.com)** Please include your name, and your guest's name and phone numbers.

Springs in the Desert, a Catholic infertility ministry, is hosting monthly meetings to accompany women struggling with infertility and loss. We offer a place of respite and solidarity- a place to acknowledge the pain and complex emotions associated with infertility.

Our next meeting will be held **Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm** in the St. Joseph, Fort Jennings church basement.

All women of the parish & surrounding parishes are invited to join us.

\*You do not need to have attended any previous meetings- new faces are welcome at any time!\*

For more information, contact Laura Tenwalde at (419)303-5752. It is our honor to walk with you!

**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.



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

**BLUETOOTH HEARING ASSISTANCE NOW AVAILABLE IN CHURCH**

**WILLIAMS WAVECAST**  
**WaveCAST App**

- Connect to wireless internet: ASSISTED LISTENING SYSTEM Password: stjohnsound
- 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.

**SAINT MICHAEL'S GROUP**

ReclaimingHearts@toledodiocese.org

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# The Good Shepherd



The readings in today's Mass talk about Jesus the Good Shepherd. In Jesus' time, and still in some parts of the world today, there would be flocks of sheep grazing in the pastures. The shepherds were the people who looked after the flocks and made sure none of the sheep got lost or hurt or attacked by wild animals.

The Church is the flock of Jesus, and He is the Good Shepherd. He guides the people in the Church so that their souls will not be hungry- He gives us grace, just like a shepherd makes sure his sheep have lots of grass to eat!

Like the shepherd protects the sheep from danger, Our Lord also protects us from harm. In the "Our Father" we ask God to deliver us from evil. When our souls are hurt by sin, the Good Shepherd heals us with forgiveness in Confession.

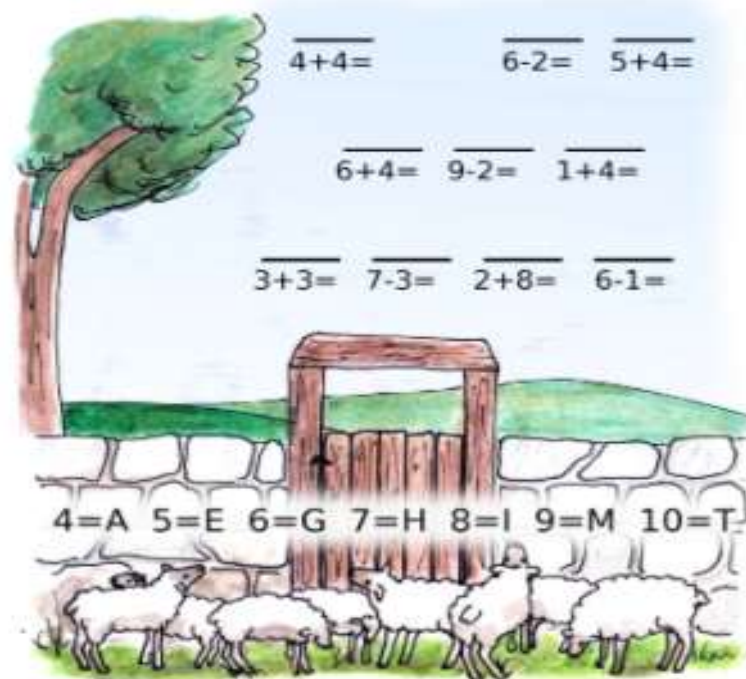


Answer to puzzle on front page:  
I am the gate.  
Answer to Fill-in-the-blanks:  
know his voice.

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# The Kids' Bulletin

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 26th, 2026



What did Jesus say about the sheepfold?  
Figure out the math questions  
and then fill in the blanks  
with the letters the numbers represent.

# Saint Catherine of Siena

April 29



CATHERINE ALSO HAD GREAT PHYSICAL SUFFERING. OFTEN SHE LIVED ON ALMOST NO FOOD OTHER THAN HOLY COMMUNION. SHE RECEIVED THE WOUNDS OF CHRIST AND ASKED GOD TO LET HER CARRY THE SINS OF THE WORLD. WE CAN LEARN FROM HER TO PRAY FOR THE HOLY FATHER AND DEFEND HIM.

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## Fill-in-the-Blanks

The letters in squares fit into the spaces at the bottom.

GATEKEEPER  
REALIZE  
SPEECH  
ENTERS

HIS  
WILL  
YOU  
AMEN

THIEF  
DRIVEN  
CLIMBS  
VOICE



Jesus said: "Amen, <sup>12</sup> I say to <sup>9</sup> whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but <sup>11</sup> over elsewhere is a <sup>5</sup> and a robber. But whoever <sup>7</sup> through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The <sup>1</sup> opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls <sup>10</sup> own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has <sup>8</sup> out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his <sup>3</sup>. But they will not follow a stranger; they <sup>4</sup> run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers." Although Jesus used this figure of <sup>2</sup>, the Pharisees did not <sup>6</sup> what he was trying to tell them.

The sheep 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12