SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14 St. John of the Cross

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE – Eric Kaufman

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

8:40 AM Communion Service – Deacon Don

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE - Eric Kaufman

6:30 PM – 8:15 PM Adoration

7:00 – 8:00 PM High School CCD in the parish center this week

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

8:40 AM COMMUNION SERVICE – Deacon Don

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

8:00 AM Communion Service – Eric Kaufman

12:00 PM Rosary for our Nation

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

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE – Deacon Don

3:45 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Rosemarie Schroeder, Hannelore Verhoff, Jacob M Schroeder Family, Vicki Verhoff, L/D Jeff Kleman Family, Doris Rosengarten, Urban Selhorst, L/D Jim Unterbrink Family, Dorothy Ellerbrock

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2020 4th Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Esther (Roney) Trombley, Dennis Schroeder, Gordon Verhoff, Rita Maag

10:30 AM James Buddelmeyer(AN), L/D Tom Balbaugh Family, L/D Fortman/Kaufman Families, Eulitta Spangler

The 6:30 PM Mass will be discontinued as of December 20, 2020

God gives you a mission. How will you respond? Rejoice in the Spirit who is at work in you. (Isaiah 61: 1-2, 10-11)

For the Church that she may be blessed with servants who are committed to the mission of justice in our world, we pray.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20 2 Sm. 7: 1-5, 8b – 12, 14a, 16; Rom. 16: 25-27; Lk. 1: 26-38

From the Desk of Fr. Tony

DECEMBER 13, 2020 3rd Sunday of Advent

In today's gospel we hear, "A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light." It is good to remember that John the Baptist was part of God's plan. The patron saint of this parish came to testify to the light,

Jesus Christ. This was not John's own doing. John listened to and obeyed God's promptings.

In the gospel today, John the Baptist was questioned by priests and Levites today. These priests and Levites were sent from Jerusalem and the Jewish people there. These priests and Levites questioned John, they asked, who are you? What are you? Are you a prophet? What do you have to say for yourself? John replies to the priests and Levites, "but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." The Pharisees and Saducees refused to recognize Jesus as Lord and Savior. Will we neglect Jesus' Lordship and Messiahship? We are dependent on Christ and others. Don't listen to the world which says you have to be independent. This is our American upbringing. Learn to be independent, work in a cubicle and separate yourself from others. Even during this pandemic, we can find ways to be around small groups of people. We are meant to worship Christ and be with and serve others. The word church is an assembly of God's people. Believe me, those Pharisees and Saducees didn't heal the sick and raise the dead to life. But Jesus did. No world leader can heal you and speak to you like Jesus can. Jesus has more wisdom than any world leader. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

<u>Thank you to our indoor rectory Christmas decorating crew</u>! The rectory looks fantastic! God bless you all! <u>Happy Advent! Merry Christmas!</u>

Thursday, Dec. 24 ~ Christmas Eve - Rectory offices closed

4:00 PM Vigil of Christmas Liturgy (Congregational singing).

9:00 PM Mass – Congregational singing

Friday, Dec. 25 ~ Christmas Day - Rectory offices closed

8:00 AM Mass - No incense (Congregational singing)

10:30 AM Mass Congregational singing

There will be overflow to the gym at all Masses.

<u>RECTORY OFFICES ARE CLOSED UNTIL JANUARY 4th</u>. If you need to drop something off please put it in the drop off box on the rectory south garage. Thank you very much!



WEEKDAY SERVERS: (servers you may light candles)

Mon. 8:00AM: Mary Ann Myers; Tue. 8:40AM: Eddie Duling; Wed. 8:00AM: Jerry Hanneman; Thurs. 8:40AM: Bob & Jackie Luttfring; Fri. 8:00AM: Ken & Paula Elchinger; Sat. 8:00AM: Roger Schroeder.

SUNDAY SERVERS: Sat. 4:30PM: Jackie & Bob Luttfring; Sun. 8:00AM: Cliff Schroeder; 10:30AM: Gene Warnecke.

NEXT SUNDAY – December 13

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS
4:30 Doug Deitering	Sharon Meyer
Diane Deitering	Cari Homan
8:00 Deb Leopold	Andy Gray
Steve Leopold	Deb Schroeder
10:30 Julie Grismore	Diana Meyer
Jane Moening	Doug Karhoff

The 6:30 PM Mass will be discontinued as of December 20, 2020

We will need 5 distributors along with Fr. Tony to distribute the Body of Christ at the 4:30pm, 8:00, & 10:30am. Let's also have distributor Number 2 distribute the Body since you have to help cleanse and set up after Mass. Thank you!

DECEMBER SUNDAY USHERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm: Mary Rose & Kevin Ellerbrock; Sun. 8:00 am: Joe Riepenhoff, Jeff Duling;

Sun. 10:30 am: Jerry Recker, Al Hueve.

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: No counting until further notice

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Rick & Jane Williams

DECEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS:

Shirley & Oscar Schnipke, Diane Nienberg, Connie & Don Dehnart, Jo Ann & Roger Schroeder, Jim Recker

Channel 3 to see all the Masses, services and prayers. Thank you!

<u>Just so you are aware</u>: There is a live camera videoing at every moment of the day in the church. Thanks much!

Remember Those Who Have Gone Before Us-Dec 13-19

Seville C Jones 12/13/72	Amanda R Nordhues 12/17/70	
Lawrence Rieman 12/13/83	Martha M Maag 12/17/96	
Cole Michael Foppe 12/13/98	Emma C Sommer 12/18/82	
Marcile A Schmitz 12/13/08	Irene A Gerdeman 12/18/97	
Mary H Siefker 12/14/73	Elmer H Karhoff 12/18/01	
Kenneth J Schroeder 12/14/01	Gertrude Stechschulte 12/18/05	
Clara I Schroeder 12/15/89	Edward H Hageman 12/19/71	
Felix J Gerdeman 12/15/94	Jodi Lynn Kaufman 12/19/85	
Paul Moreno 12/15/11	Edward M Bockrath 12/19/86	
Florence L Weaver 12/16/70	Mary Anna Korte 12/19/89	
James A Karhoff 12/16/72	Casper H Schmenk 12/19/91	
Adelaide Tobe 12/16/87	Ronald B Dickman 12/19/03	
Shirley M Giesken 12/16/06		



TICKETS for 2021 GRAND-orf Club were mailed out this past 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 tickets will be in the racks in the church vestibules. Thank you very much. The last 2020 drawing is today, Sunday, December 13.

We would like to thank the ladies who stuffed the Grand-orf Drawing envelopes for mailing. Your valuable time was greatly appreciated! Fantastic job! Thank you to all!

Fr. Jim Morman is taking the weekend Masses and 3:45 Confessions on December 19/20 so Fr. Tony gets his rest. Fr. Jim will be helping out with the Christmas Eve 9:00 and Christmas 10:30 Masses.

RCIA - Mon., Dec 14, 6:00 – 7:30pm in the cafeteria

Topic: Sacraments – Baptism & Confirmation. These sessions are open to all interested persons – those wishing to become a Catholic and for Catholics who wish to up-date themselves. We welcome you. If you are interested please call the rectory, 419-538-6928 to sign up.

<u>CEMETERY NEWS:</u> If you lost your family flower arrangements (because of the high winds) check behind the shed. You may find it. Thank you!

Adult Faith Information

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

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4. Find your parish by name, zip, or parish code 7MJPM6
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If anyone would like to give their offerings through online banking automatic withdrawal, please see the form that is inserted in the bulletin last week or the parish website. If interested please fill out the form, attach a voided check and return it in a sealed envelope addressed. "Attn: Ashley" You may drop it in the collection basket, mail slot on the rectory garage door or mail to the rectory. Thank you for your continued generosity!

HOME TO GOD: Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of Dorothy Ellerbrock, Alvin Horstman, Marilyn Westrick & Robert A. Schroeder. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Gary, Leroy & Kevin Ellerbrock & Velma Balbaugh on the death of their loved one, Dorothy; to Chris Heckman, Julie Schroeder, & Kathy Moening on the death of their loving brother, Alvin; to Randy Westrick on the death of his loving mother, Marilyn; to Mary Agnes Schnipke on the death of her loving brother, Bob.

DID YOU KNOW?

Alice Palte will celebrate her 80th birthday on Dec 15th. **Alvin Unverferth** will celebrate his 83rd birthday on Dec 17th. **Melvin Hedrick** will celebrate his 82nd birthday on Dec 18th.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ALICE, ALVIN & MELVIN!

<u>PENANCE SERVICES IN THE OFFING</u>: Ottoville - Sun., Dec. 13, 2:00 p.m.; Kalida – Tue., Dec. 15, 4:00 & 7:00pm; Ft. Jennings – Wed., Dec. 16, 7:15pm; Ottawa - Mon., Dec. 21, 4:00 & 7:00 pm.

During this pandemic of Covid we ask that you do not walk the halls of the parish center until further notice because of disinfecting purposes for our CCD program. Thank you!

Diane Utrup, Elementary Coordinator stjohnsreled@bright.net.

Jr. High CCD Information

Message from Mindy Recker for Jr. High Coordinator email at stjohnsjrhighccd@gmail.com

High School CCD Information

Message from Ruth Gerding Coordinator of High School CCD:

e-mail me at stjohnshsccd@gmail.com

HS CCD on Wednesday 7:00 - 8:00 PM this week in the parish center. Please wear your mask.

All students will be writing Christmas Cards for our shut-ins...if you have a card to send along, that would be wonderful. The students will also be enjoying Pizza supplied by Coleen Halker, your Youth Director.

Please continue to pray for the names you have on the prayer sticks...all is appreciated.

<u>In the offing: In January, the Seniors will not be attending on Wednesday nights</u>. They will have CCD on two Sunday mornings, to hear some presentations. These two Sundays will be January 10th and 31st, from 9:00 to 12:15 PM. Please schedule accordingly. The morning will begin with breakfast for the Seniors.

If your child is going to be absent from CCD, please call or text my cell number: 567-204-1275. If anyone has any questions, please let me know. CYO consent papers need to be turned in by December 16th to me.

Thank you all so much and I wish you and your families a very Blessed Christmas!

Ruth Gerding, Coordinator of HS CCD

PLEASE NOTE: Wednesday Adoration from 6:30 – 8:15pm

Colleen Halker Youth Director colleen halker@yahoo.com

<u>ADVENT PUBLIC ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST</u> Friday, December 18, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, followed by Benediction. Make an extra effort to spend personal/family time before the Lord.

FERVORINO -

The question put to Jesus in today's gospel is also put to us today: "Are you the one?" Are you the one who will give guidance to the children in your life or must they look to TV sitcoms, films, videos and music lyrics for direction? Are you the one? Will you be the one?

Dear Parishioners, at each of the entrances to the church is a Christmas gift from anonymous donors. The gift is the book, *I Heard God Laugh* by Matthew Kelly, **and** a prayer card. Please pick them up, one per family. Merry Christmas!

NOTICE – Church will be locked at **5:00pm** during the week unless there is a scheduled event going on in church.

TMIY "ALL THINGS NEW", YEAR 8, Christmas Break. Spring Sessions will begin Saturday, January 16th, 6am-7:30am in the cafeteria. 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 all of our parish! Call, text, or email Mike Karhoff for more information, 419-796-0763, mbkarhoff@bright.net.

<u>PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS</u> Sun., Jan. 10, 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in Room 15 in the parish center presented by Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling St. John's Rectory 419-538-6928. Stop by rectory to pick up your book. **Next class will be May 16, 2021**.

<u>SERVICE MEN & WOMEN</u> we are updating our military list. Please inform the rectory 419-538-6928 of any son/daughter if they are still active/inactive/or going to be active, any change of personnel or address changes. Thank you! <u>NEWLY UPDATED LIST OF OUR MILITARY (AWAY FROM HOME)</u>

Lt Anthony Maher, B Co/1-35 AR/2-1 AD, Unit # 61375,

APO AE, 09877 (New address)

Alexander Closson(R4), USS Theodore Roosevelt, (CVN 71), Unit 100250, Box 4494, FPO AP 96632

Lt. Col. Darek Schmiedebusch, 6314 Chaucer View Circle,

Alexandria, VA 22304

Justin McFarland, 283 Twin Lakes Dr., Destin, Fl. 32541

Tyler McFarland, 116 Hightower Lane, Aberdeen, NC 28315

Lois Hermiller's son:

SGT Jacob Zmyslo, CLR-25 2nd MLG, PSC Box 20186,

Camp Lejeune, NC 28542

Evan Barrett, 7381B Dexter Ave., Fort Campbell, KY 42223 (New address)

Minutes for Parish Council Meeting October 6, 2020

1. August minutes read by Jodi Schroeder. Motion for approval was made by Katie Schroeder and seconded by Tim Lehman. The minutes were approved. 2. St. Bonifest: chicken BBQ will take place from 5-7 p.m. in the fire station on October 31, 2020. The CCD program has sold several hundred chicken BBO tickets all ready to date. Tim Hoehn will organize selling BBO tickets at the Park Fest fundraiser on October 17, 2020. Encouraging beef packages tickets and 50/50 tickets to be sold. The traffic flow for picking up the chicken BBQ dinners was discussed. 3. Rectory windows will begin being replaced in the spring. At this time, six will be replaced. 4. New Business: Four portable sinks for the preschool classrooms have been purchased and in use. This is a necessity for Covid-19 guidelines, Ashley Duling applied for grant money through OCCRRA, Pandemic Support Payment Applications for childcare (pre-school) providing agencies. Covid-19 support and ratio support because of covid-19. 5. The exhaust fans have been installed. 6. The quote for the steeple spotlights should come in later this week. 7. Organ repair/update quote has been obtained. This will update from 1920 technology to newer technology with solid-state electronic controls/impulses the sound system. The earliest available time is January 2022. Motion made to vote on organ update and motion passed. Respectfully submitted, Jodi Schroeder

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

OTTAWA, 147 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa: Michael Hovest, Mary Lou Ricker, Agnes Sager, Marilyn Gulker, Carolyn Deters, Angie Maag (Delbert's wife), Wilma Unterbrink, Mary Balbaugh, Laura Recker, Edna Michel, Alan Klemm;

MEADOWS OF KALIDA, P.O. Box 388, Kalida, OH 45853: Ann Bockrath, Margaret Siefker, Bill Koch, Alice Palte, Doris Sager, Margaret Schimmoeller;

MEADOWS OF LEIPSIC, 901 E. Main St., Leipsic: Pat Hovest, Doris Morman, Dean Siefker,

PUTNAM HERITAGE ASSISTED LIVING, 1380 N. Locust St., Ottawa, OH 45875: Rita Maas, Roger Hovest.

ADVENT - ANGEL TREE

St. John's Outreach group is asking you to please help Heartbeat again this year by picking an angel ornament from our tree or making a monetary donation. If you take an ornament, purchase the item, and put it in the *Heartbeat* box near the tree. The **baby bottles** are also located by the tree and you can use them for cash donations (which are in much need at this time). Return the bottles to the *Heartbeat* box any Sunday before Christmas. You could also put any cash donations in a labeled envelope and put it in the collection basket or in the drop box of the rectory garage. Thank you for helping parents and their children during this time when we remember Baby Jesus' birth.

Some of the most needed items at Heartbeat right now are: baby food, diapers (newborn, size 4, size 5), onesies (long and short-sleeved), sleepers (12 month and smaller), blanket sleepers (12 month and smaller).

The Heartbeat Pregnancy Center in Ottawa is located at 1225 East Third Street. The hours are Mondays 10:00-1:00 and Wednesdays 1:00-4:00. Please call 419-523-1150 for appointments.

Note from Fr. Tony,

Please do not enter the sanctuary area. You may go to Blessed Virgin & St. Joseph's Shrines to light votive lights if you wish.

Please remember the rules to stay at least 6 feet from each other, if you have any symptoms of sickness (flu, cold or any other sickness) please do not (do not) go to church. Please stay home and pray. Stay safe and keep others safe. The church will be disinfected. Since Putnam County is RED Fr. Tony is kindly asking all of you to wear a mask when you come to Mass on Weekdays and at Saturday/Sunday Masses. Thank you!

Jesus, Mary & Joseph please keep us all safe.

Fr. Tony Fortman, C.PP.S.

Mustard Seed Gift Shop normal business hours. Tues, Thurs, & Fri 9:00am - 5:00pm; Wed 12:00pm to 8:00pm; Sat 8:00am - 1:00pm Wear a mask

- No more than 5 customers in store; Stay 6' apart;

www.mustardseedgiftshop.com Store 538-7220 Brenda Maag 419-235-3106 Julie Barlage 419-303-5366

"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!

STEWARDSHIP

December 6th Collection

Auto Electronic Giving \$1,786.25 Loose \$756.00 Adults \$5,959.00 Children \$128.00 Total: \$8,629.25

November 29th / Dec. 6th – Adults/Children \$3,726.00 Loose \$300.00

Ottawa Food Pantry: Note: Monetary donations - Send to Trinity United Methodist Church, in care of Sandi Racer. Thank you for your willingness to help the less fortunate!

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! We are most grateful!



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church GLANDORF, OHIO St. George Deanery Missionaries of the Precious Blood

REV. TONY FORTMAN, C.PP.S.

Pastor

DEACON DONALD INKROTT

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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 – The 2021 dates are scheduled for January 10, May 16, & September 19, from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in room 15, in the parish center - presented by Deacon Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling rectory.

ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY at Noon on First Fridays 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 7 & 8, 2020.

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.

Br. Jerry Schwieterman's address: Br. Jerry Schwieterman, C.PP.S., St. Charles Center, 2860 US Route 127, Celina, OH 45822

Br. Jerry's address: Br. Jerry Schulte, C.PP.S., St. Charles Center, 2860 US Route 127 Rm 107, Celina, OH 45822

Fr. Rick's new address: 937 N. Defiance St., Ottawa, OH 45875

<u>DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS</u> – 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 & Brenda Recker — Council Pres.)