

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Missionaries of the Precious Blood
St. George Deanery



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The
Epiphany
of the
Lord

COME, LET US
ADORE HIM.

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.

SNOW EMERGENCY LEVELS

Diocese of Toledo Snow Emergency Policy:

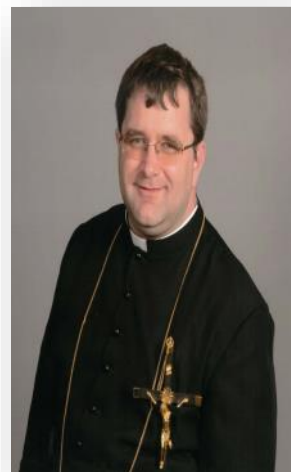
"Whenever a county/city within the Diocese of Toledo is placed under a Level 3 Snow Emergency, during which all roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel, the Catholic Churches within that geographic region will cancel the scheduled Saturday Vigil, Sunday, or Holy Day Masses. Roman Catholics in that region, therefore, are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass. If Masses are cancelled, Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via television, radio, or internet, making a spiritual Communion.

If Putnam County is ever under a Level 3 Snow Emergency the regular Mass times will be canceled here at St. John's. There will be a Mass at Noon, if you can get here safely you are welcome. If not, we encourage you to watch it on cable channel 3 or on our YouTube page. Level 1 and Level 2 if you can get here safely you are welcome.

The Christmas Season keeps moving rather quickly as today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. When I think of the word epiphany outside of the context of today's feast magi bringing gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to baby Jesus. I think of the word epiphany as being one of those turn on light bulb moments where suddenly you get a realization of some piece of knowledge. And in a certain sense this is not too far-fetched in what we celebrate, in celebrating the Epiphany of the Lord today. The magi studied the night sky, and in their studying, they discovered a star that signified a newborn king. You could say this was the magi's epiphany end of story. This would be like a young child learning to read, write, add, subtract in school and then coming home from school not practicing anything that was learned outside the classroom. The greatest gift in learning comes when we can do what we have been taught to do. An epiphany is about more than just when the light bulb has been turned. The moment when the light bulb gets turned on and it inspires us to be/do something different some action follows the light bulb being turned on.

The magi made the discovery of a new star that signified the birth of a newborn king, and it is upon making this discovery they wanted to go see the newborn king, they wanted to pay their homage to this newborn king, they wanted to have an encounter with the newborn king, so they followed the star. And I would venture to guess when they began to follow the star, they probably thought that it would lead them to a palace, I mean this is the logical place where you would think to find a newborn king, but it led them to a stable. The completion of the magi's epiphany comes as they return to "their country by another way" (Matthew 2:12).

Like the Magi, the star of Christ, the light of Christ gets our attention and like with magi this starts our epiphany. The star, the light gets our attention, and we follow because we want to see, we want to encounter, we want to pay our homage to Christ the king. And as we follow at times we can be surprised to where it leads us. We may not get led to a stable, but we get led to other places of surprise. As I follow the star, the light of Christ it has led me to many places of surprise going to school in Chicago and including being pastor here in Glandorf and I know that I will be led to other places of surprise in the future. And because we follow the star, the light of Christ we are invited to live our lives different, we return to our home by a different way.



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 Mike and Becky Karhoff)

Parish Center Room 15 9:00am–10:30am

Upcoming classes: January 26, 2025, May 18, 2025, September 28, 2025

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 2, 2025 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

ANOIDTING 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 419-244-6711 ext. 4945 or e-mail

psmith@toledodiocese.org or contact the vocation

office at the Missionaries of the Precious Blood 937-

228-9263 or e-mail vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 6:30pm–8:15pm

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

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

INITIATION OF ADULTS INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA/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, these people are properly instructed so that you can discern (through reflection and prayer) whether you are indeed called to Catholicism. If you would like more information or want to register please contact the Parish Office. The next session will start in the fall.

CATECHISM CORNER

Introduction

The proclamation of the date of Easter and the other moveable feasts on Epiphany dates from a time when calendars were not readily available. It was necessary to make known the date of Easter in advance, since many celebrations of the liturgical year depend on its date. The number of Sundays that follow Epiphany, the date of Ash Wednesday, and the number of Sundays that follow Pentecost are all computed in relation to Easter.

Although calendars now give the date of Easter and the other feasts in the liturgical year for many years in advance, the Epiphany proclamation still has value. It is a reminder of the centrality of the resurrection of the Lord in the liturgical year and the importance of the great mysteries of faith which are celebrated each year.

Each year the proper dates for Ash Wednesday, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, and the First Sunday of Advent must be inserted into the text. Those dates are found in the table which is included with the introductory documents of the Roman Missal. The form to be used for announcing each date is: the date of month, e.g., “the seventh day of April.”

On the Epiphany of the Lord, after the singing of the Gospel, a Deacon or cantor, in keeping with an ancient practice of Holy Church, announces from the ambo the moveable feasts of the current year according to the following text. (The musical notation is found in Appendix I of the Roman Missal, Third Edition.)

<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year-and-calendar/christmas/announcement-of-easter-and-the-moveable-feasts>

Know dear brothers and sisters
that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ,
so by leave of God’s mercy
we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection
who is our Savior.

On the 5th day of March will fall Ash Wednesday, and beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten Season.

On the 20th day of April you will celebrate with Joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the 1st day of June will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the 8th day of June, the feast of Pentecost.

On the 22nd day of June, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

On the 30th day of November the First Sunday of Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ,

to whom is honor and glory for ever and ever.

Amen.

4 ABOUT OUR PARISH

MONDAY, JANUARY 6 St. Andre Bessette

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Communion Service-Deacon Don

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 St. Raymond of Penafort

8:15 am Rosary

8:40am L/D Arnold Borgelt Family, Jeff Kleman,
Alberta Utrup (AN)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8

7:15am - 7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Cayla Fortman-Ross

6:30pm - 8:15pm Adoration

7:45pm - 8:15pm Confession

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

8:15am Rosary

8:40am L/D Mel Hovest Family, Mass of Thanksgiving

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

7:15am-7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Mary Barb Klausing

12:00pm Rosary

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

7:35am Rosary

8:00am L/D Mel Lammers Family

8:30am Confessions

4:00pm Confessions

4:30pm L/D Tom & Edna Riepenhoff family,
L/D Bob Duling Family, Lisa Karl Shaffer,
L/D Wilfred(AN) & Dorothy Kleman Family,
Stephen Kuhlman, Alvin & Gertrude Schmitz,
Gerry Schmitz

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 Baptism of the Lord

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Paul Schroeder, L/D Albert & Elizabeth Roof Family,
Robert Fortman, Eugene Otto

10:30am Craig Vorst, Elmer Tobe, Angie Schumaker,
Alvin Unverferth

11:30am Baptism - Fr. Matt

Parental Baptism Class



Sunday, January 26, 2025

from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, 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 **May 18, 2025.**

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.

Ushers Needed!



Would you like to become an usher or would you like your name taken off the Usher Schedule? The current schedule ends at the end of January. Please call or email the rectory (419-538-6928 or admin@glandorfstjohns.com).

SERVERS

Mon	8:00am	No Mass
Tue	8:40am	Students
Wed	8:00am	Gene & Rose Warnecke
Thurs	8:40am	Students
Fri	8:00am	Ken & Paula Elchinger
Sat	8:00am	Jonathan Klear, Ella Brady, Quinn Crumrine
Sat	4:30pm	Mylie Bockrath, Ethan Weis, Alaina Klass
Sun	8:00am	AJ Siefker, Makenna Siefker, Tyler Ruhe
Sun	10:30am	Libbie Niese, Hannah Brickner, Cole Morman

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS LECTORS

Sat	4:30pm	Steve Brown	Reagan Miller
		Sharon Brown	Morgan Miller
Sun	8:00am	Deb Burwell	Diane Nienberg
		Gretchen Schmitz	Doug Karhoff
Sun	10:30am	Tara Gerding	Janet Schroeder
		Rose Ellerbrock	Jay Rump

GIFT BEARERS

Sat	4:30pm	Ushers
Sun	8:00am	Ushers
Sun	10:30am	Ushers

JANUARY USHERS

Sat	4:30pm	Roger Koch, Logan Koch, Connor Koch
Sun	8:00am	Tom Morman, Tony Maag
Sun	10:30am	Mitch Gable, Charlie Schroeder

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY 7

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Cliff & Janet Schroeder

JANUARY FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Dolores Schnipke, Ginny Schroeder, Darlene Stechschulte, Tina & Randy Fortman, Mary Ellen & Dan Klear



BRINGING UP THE GIFTS AT MASS

We are excited to introduce a new procedure for bringing up the offertory gifts during each Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to participate in a meaningful way. We will be starting this new procedure for Christmas Masses this year!

How It Works:

- Families can sign up for the Mass and date that works best for them.
- You are welcome to sign up for as many dates as you'd like!
- If no one is signed up for a particular Mass, the ushers will bring up the gifts.
- You can sign up throughout the year the link and the QR code in the bulletin

What to Do on Your Scheduled Date:

- Sit towards the back of the church so it's easy to move to the back when needed.
- When the ushers begin collecting the offertory, head to the back of the church.
- The ushers will assist in handing you the gifts to carry forward.

We hope this new tradition will provide every family with the chance to actively participate in the liturgy. Thank you for being a part of this meaningful practice

Click the Link or Use the QR code to Sign Up:

<https://tinyurl.com/2dss8wpv>



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STEWARDSHIP

December 25, 2024
& December 29, 2024

Offering

Loose	\$ 1,242.00
Adult Envelope	\$ 9,080.00
Children	\$ 355.25
Maintenance	\$ 10,970.00
Online Offering	\$ 2,233.00
Online Maintenance	\$ 169.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 21.00
Christmas	\$ 37,286.00
Christmas Loose	\$ 3,770.00
Mary, Mother of God	\$ 65.00
Initial Offering	\$ 43.00
Adult Faith	\$ 1,500.00
Total Collection	\$ 66,734.25

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.stjohnsglandorf.org

Heartbeat needs Baby wipes, Diapers - size 4, 5, and 6, 3-6 and 6-9 month plain white onesies, Enfamil formulas (Infant and Gentlease) & Similac Neosure formula (for preemies)

Heartbeat Hours: Tuesday 1-5pm and located on 1225 E. Third St. in Ottawa.

Foods Needed at the Ottawa Food Pantry: pineapple, salad dressing, jelly. Note: Monetary gifts are also welcome. (Send in care of Trinity UM Church, 137 N. Pratt, Ottawa)



2025 GRAND-orf Club

drawing and coffee & donuts will be **January 12th in Room 15** by Pat and Barb Siefker. Extra tickets are in the racks in the church vestibules.

Turn in your 2025 Grand-orf Club raffle tickets by January 5th to be included in all the drawings in 2025.

A Heartfelt Thank You

I want to thank all of you who have been so good to me during this Christmas season. Thank you very much for the cards and gifts. God bless you all. Thank you Jesus for the people in Glandorf. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us. Amen.
Fr. Tony Fortman C.P.P.S.

Please Include them in your prayers

OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of our faithful departed. Our sincere sympathy is extended to their families, relatives, friends & neighbors of

Edward Morman

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Colton Alan, son of Wade and Lindsey Neal

Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us

The past 20 years

Maya Marie Schroeder 1/5/17	Paul J Schroeder 1/9/06
Bernard C Wolke 1/6/10	Rita D Klausing 1/9/10
Deborah A Evers 1/6/21	Michael J Wolke 1/9/15
Eugene J Knueven 1/7/11	Ralph A Kaufman 1/9/18
Bernadine I Nienberg 1/8/05	William S Koch 1/9/21
Carl L Ellerbrock 1/8/09	Leona J Schweller 1/10/08
Amy Black 1/8/22	Victor R Verhoff 1/10/17
Wayne E Patrick 1/8/22	Angela L Schumaker 1/10/20

CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT

All suspected or actual acts of physical or sexual child abuse, or neglect, must be reported to the Putnam County Job and Family Services by calling 567-376-3777. Select "O" and ask to speak with someone from children's services and needing to make a referral. Hours are Monday- Thursday, 7AM to 4:30 PM, and Friday 7 AM to Noon. If incident is after hours, please call the Sheriff's Department at 419-523-3208. They will contact the caseworker on call and the caseworker will get back to the one reporting the incident--leave your contact number with the Sheriff Department person. The person who witnessed or was told is to be the person to make the call. Report incident to the Diocese of Toledo after County Caseworker has been notified by calling the Diocese of Toledo Victim Assistance Coordinator at 419-244-6711, ext 4880. Notify Pastor, if not already notified. With Pastor's discretion, next call parents and give basic information, while not disclosing any personal information. If abuse is by a teacher, parish staff, or volunteer, report incident to Diocese of Toledo after County Caseworker has been notified.

WILLIAMS AV
WaveCAST App

BLUETOOTH HEARING ASSISTANCE NOW AVAILABLE IN CHURCH

- ✓ 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.



Attention ALL MEN!!!! Join us on for That Man Is You (TMIY) TMIY sessions are on Christmas break. 2025 Sessions will begin on Wed. Jan. 22nd and Sat. Jan. 25th. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

OCIA

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Monday, January 6th

St. John's Parish Room 15

Topic: #14 Penance & Anointing of the Sick: Sacraments of Healing & The Ten Commandments

Snack person: Dora Hunt

All our welcome. If interested, call the office to register.

Faith

to move mountains

MATTHEW 17:20

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS



The Crib, lights and decorations are up until January 12th (Baptism of the Lord). They will come down that Sunday afternoon, and if others want to help, feel free to stop at Church that day at 1:00pm.



CHRISTMAS GIFT TO OUR FAMILIES

*Bless your home on
the Epiphany!*

This is a tradition in the Church

*Pick up your Home Blessing
Kit and Bless your home for
the new year!*

One kit per family



Thank You to Our St. Joseph Workers!

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the St. Joseph Workers for designing and creating a beautiful new Aumbry to store our Holy Oils. Your exceptional craftsmanship and dedication to our parish are truly inspiring. What a wonderful addition to our sacred space!



Fr. Giovanni Merlini to Be Beatified on January 12, 2025

**Missionaries of the Precious Blood Celebrate an
Historic Step Toward Sainthood**

The Missionaries of the Precious Blood have announced the beatification of Fr. Giovanni Merlini, its third Moderator General, on January 12, 2025, at the Basilica of St. John Lateran in Rome. The occasion marks a significant milestone in recognizing Fr. Merlini's unwavering dedication to faith, service, and the mission of the Church.

Fr. Giovanni Merlini (1795-1873) was a trusted confidant and successor to St. Gaspar del Bufalo, founder of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. Fr. Merlini's devotion to the Blood of Christ was instrumental in strengthening and expanding the congregation's spiritual and apostolic mission throughout Europe and beyond. He served as the spiritual director of St. Maria de Mattias and was instrumental in her founding of the Adorers of the Blood of Christ, who today number over a thousand sisters ministering around the world. His legacy continues to inspire members of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood and their lay collaborators worldwide.

Catholics around the world are invited to join in celebrating the joyous occasion. Whether by attending the beatification in Rome, participating in local celebrations, or joining in prayer, the faithful are encouraged to give thanks for the gift of Fr. Merlini's life and example.





Walk with One

The Stages of Spiritual Companionship

Connect Start January 5

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Look for ways to build a deeper relationship with this person. Listen deeply for promptings from the Holy Spirit as you get to know your friend's joys and struggles. Share with them some of your own.



Getting Started:

- **Meet up for coffee**
- **Share lunch together**
- **Plan a weekly phone call with someone you plan to walk with throughout the year**
- **There may be someone in your life who seems open to the Church but is hesitant to take that next step. How can you walk with that person, recognizing that your friendship is one vital piece of their journey?**

Prayer

Heavenly Father, your love knows no bounds. In your infinite wisdom, you have called us to spread the Good News of your Son, Jesus Christ, to all corners of the earth. We come before you today, humble and ready to serve in this mission to Walk With One.

You chose to become flesh, draw close, and walk alongside us, guiding us back to a restored relationship and life to the fullest. Bless us as we move forward, inspired by your example, to extend the same grace to others.

Grant us the courage to step out of our comfort zones and speak your truth with conviction and love. Fill our hearts with your Holy Spirit so that we may articulate the message of salvation with clarity and compassion. May our words and actions reflect the love and mercy of Jesus, drawing others closer to him.

Guide our efforts to build your kingdom here on earth. Open the hearts of those who have not yet encountered your love so that they may experience the joy of the Gospel and embrace the journey of faith. Strengthen our resolve when we face rejection or indifference, reminding us that we plant the seeds, but you, O Lord, provide the growth.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Evangelization, and all the saints, we offer ourselves to you, Lord, as instruments of your peace and love.

Blessed Carlo Acutis and St. Manuel Gonzalez, pray for us! Amen.



Adoring the Body of Christ, means believing that there, in that piece of Bread, Christ is really there, and gives true sense to life, to the immense universe as to the smallest creature, to the whole of human history as to the most brief existence.

Benedict XVI

TO COME: *Stage 4 Invite January 19

Men's Society Christmas Party

1/12/25 at 1 PM - Parish Center Cafeteria

All men of the parish are welcome.
Food and Drinks provided.
Two prizes to be raffled off include:
- 4 tickets to the Ohio State vs Michigan Men's Basketball game on 2/16/2025 with a \$50 Visa Gift Card.
- OSU Neon Sign.
For tickets, contact:
Derek Maag (419-890-8945).
1 For \$10, 3 for \$20
Need not be present to win.



ALL Married COUPLES
We Invite all Married couples to the Marriage Encounter Dinner & Dance. It is not necessary to have been encountered.

WHEN: Sunday, February 2, 2025

MASS: 3 PM, Holy Family Catholic Church, New Cleveland, OH

DINNER: 4:30PM, Ottawa Knights of Columbus Hall

DANCE: 5:30pm

TICKETS: \$40 per couple. Cash Bar

Contact Brian and Chris Schroeder (419)230-2953.
before January 21, 2025

We hope you will join this event celebrating the sanctity of marriage! Come for one part of the event or all.

True Love is when both people think they're the lucky one.



STS. PETER & PAUL BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Meets the on the Second Wednesday of the Month at 9:15am - 10:15am in the Sts. Peter and Paul Side Chapel. If you have lost a loved one and would like to meet up with others who have, please join us. For all members of the St. George Deanery.

Ladies of Leisure Social Club

Third Wednesday each month.
Two Event Times: 1:00-4:00 or 6:00-9:00

@ The Parish Center, Cafeteria in Gandorf

Play cards, Games, or Crafts
(Please Bring your own supplies.)
BYOB and snacks.



Casual, FREE Event
Come alone or with friends.
Enjoy a few hours of laughs & friendship.



Questions call: Jill Gerding 419-538-6942
Sponsored by St. John's Alter Rosary Society



You Are Invited Eucharistic Day January 25th and 26th, 2025

Join us for a special time of prayer, reflection, and celebration of Christ's True Presence in the Eucharist.

- Adoration: Begins at 8:30 AM on January 25th and continues until 4:00 PM on January 26th.
- Conclusion: Evening Prayer and Benediction at 4:00 PM on January 26th.
- Dinner: Following Benediction, a wonderful dinner will be served in the Parish Center Gymnasium at 4:45 PM.

If you plan to attend the dinner, please make your reservation by scanning the QR code or using the link provided. Reservations must be made by Monday, January 20th.

<https://form.jotform.com/243473040345147>

More details to come and we are looking forward to seeing you there!



Donations to help kids have free admission and items for activities!

February 22, 2025

Glandorf St. John

Must be 21 or Older to attend!

"RAFFLE"

FUNDRAISER FOR SUMMER FAITH
ADVENTURE PROGRAM

\$30

ACTIVITIES:

- 50/50 tickets
- "Raffle" (15 Games)
- Horse Race
- Side Raffles

INFORMATION:

- Glandorf St. John's Parish Center
- Doors open at 5:30
- Raffle starts at 6:30
- BYOB and BYO Snacks
- For Tickets Contact:
Nichole Schroeder: 419-303-7252
Barb Siefker: 419-236-2023



One of the prizes 65 in. TV



Please help these kids join for Free!

HIGH SCHOOL CCD

REMINDER: WE WILL RESUME
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 8TH AT 7:00.
MERRY CHRISTMAS!
JENN WARNECKE

**ATTENTION TO ALL VOLUNTEERS OF THE PARISH
WHO WORK WITH CHILDREN!**

The diocese mandates that all who work with children need to setup a Virtus account online and take the online workshop, online background check and sign standards form every 5 years. If you plan to work with children as a volunteer during 2025 please e-mail admin@glandorfstjohns.com. You are responsible to complete these requirements to be compliant with the diocese and the Dallas Charter for Protecting Youth and Those Who Serve Them". For all employees and volunteers please check your e-mails Virtus will be sending you an e-mail if your requirements will be expiring. If you changed your e-mail address please logon to Virtus and update. Please let us know here at the rectory also of your new e-mail address.

Sunday, January 5, 2025



BOY'S: Birkemeyer: 1:00pm @Imm.

Conception, Ottoville

Ellerbrock: 1:00pm St. Anthony, Columbus Grove @Glandorf

Meyer: 1:00pm @Sts. Peter & Paul, Ottawa

GIRL'S: 3:30pm @St. Michael's, Kalida

CYO SPORTS

DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS – All players must be members of the sponsoring parish and/or educational system of the parish in order to play on the parish team. **PARISH POLICY FOR HIGH SCHOOL CYO** 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, beyond 4 classes you will be sitting out one game. Parents, if your child is sick, please call or text Jenn Warnecke at 419-302-8465 before class. This also includes the **PUTNAM COUNTY GRADE SCHOOL BOY'S & GIRL'S CYO SPORTING TEAMS**. We kindly ask the cooperation of all concerned as we implement this church policy for the good of our parish.

Fr. Matt & Mike Karhoff

**PARISH
CENTER
ACTIVITIES
Every Second
Sunday of the
Month
January 12, 2025**

**LENDING
LIBRARY**
located in Room 15
after 8:00am and
10:30am Masses

**PARISH
MUSEUM**
Visitation
Hours 9:00am—
12:00pm
Located in Hallway.
For visitors outside of
the scheduled time
call the office.

Junior High Gathering

Stand Out: Embrace the Unusual
Held at St. John's Parish Center Glandorf
Students in grades 6-7-8 from the St. George Deanery
are invited

February 16,
2025 10:30am
-3:30 pm

There needs to
be at least one
chaperone per
Parish that will
be there.

Includes: lunch,
workshops, adoration,
fun activities and
snacks; while making
friends with other
Putnam County 6, 7, and
8 graders.

The day will start with Mass @10:30 followed by lunch, and
filled with an afternoon of Breakout sessions.

\$ 8.00 Person

Contact your Youth Minister:

Ft. Jennings-Julie Fischach 419-905-8472, Glandorf Nichole
Schroeder 419-303-7252, Millery City/New Cleveland- Diane
Utrup 419-306-5588, Kalida Jill Zeller 567-376-9115,
Ottawa Tanya Ellerbrock 419-890-3700, Ottoville Shelly
Eickholt 419-233-7640

Youth Group

Service Opportunity: Bingo at The Meadows!

🌈 Earn service hours and bring joy to others! 🌈

When: January 26th at 1:15 PM

Where: The Meadows of Ottawa Nursing Home

Join us for a fun afternoon playing bingo with the residents and spreading some holiday cheer. This is a great way to give back and make a difference in our community.

Meet us at the nursing home at 1:15 PM.

We hope to see you there! Questions? Contact
Nichole Schroeder (Youth Group Director)
419-303-7252



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Fertility in a way that is cooperative with our
Catholic faith.
Contact Wendy Imm, BSN CFPC for more
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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

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Ph# 419-230-2953
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**Knights of
Columbus**

Newsletters are
available in the
back of Church.

A BLODD DRIVE

Will be held at the Sts. Peter and Paul School Cafeteria on Monday, December 30th, from 12:00 to 6:00pm. To schedule an appointment to donate blood, please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and use sponsor code: STSPETERPAUL.

Restoring Hope, a new podcast series of faith, healing, and reconciliation from the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. Find solace, inspiration, and a deeper faith connection. Coming January 2025



FAITH, FAMILY, FOOTBALL SUNDAY, JANUARY 12TH AT 6PM

Men... mark your calendars! Former University of Michigan quarterback Elvis Grbac will be at St. John the Evangelist in Delphos on January 12th to talk about the role of a father's faith on his family. He will discuss the evolution of this faith through a football career that reached the peak of a Pro Bowl selection and as a member of a Super Bowl winning team. Elvis Grbac will discuss the importance of faith in raising his own family. Through the highs and lows of serious illness and his journey to rediscovering and embracing his Catholic Faith.

Call or Text Matt Fischer at 419-230-7306

Join us with your family to watch this inspirational movie

Saint MARY Saint MICHAEL
MILLERSVILLE GIBSONBURG

Presents

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THE MIRACLE OF THE EUCHARIST



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"5 STARS!"
"Life changing"
"An absolute must see!"

SHOW TIMES and TICKET PRICES

Sunday, January 5, at 3:00pm or Friday, January 17, at 6:30pm

\$5 for Adults / \$3 for Senior Citizens and Teens / \$3 for ages 8-12

Admittance is FREE for ages 7 and under, but you must call the office.

To purchase tickets, follow the link at www.stmaryandstmichael.org.

use the QR Code, or go to <https://forushfire.com/faithcontentnetwork/jesusthirsts-the-miracle-of-the-eucharist/592386>

For help, call either parish office at 419-638-3042 or 419-637-2255

Hosted at Fremont Ross Performing Arts Center 1100 North St. Fremont, Ohio 43420



Jesus and the EUCHARIST

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7 Sessions on Mondays 6:30-8:30pm

Jan. 13 & 27, Feb. 10 & 24,
Mar. 3 & 24, Apr. 14

New Cleveland REC
(house across from the church)
RSVP to Diane 419-306-5588

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THE SERRA CLUB OF LIMA AREA,
WHICH EXISTS TO PROMOTE AND
SUPPORT VOCATIONS TO PRIESTHOOD
AND RELIGIOUS LIFE



PRIESTHOOD



Thursday January 9
at Lima Central Catholic High School

MASS WILL BEGIN AT 5:45PM FOLLOWED BY DINNER AND A PROGRAM. THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER WILL BE BROTHER DAN HALL, CSSR, WHO SERVES AT LIMA ST. GERARD PARISH. BROTHER DAN WILL BE SPEAKING ON: "LIVING THE VOCATIONAL CALL AS A BROTHER WITH THE REDEMPTORIST ORDER." PERSONS WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN THIS TOPIC OR THE MISSION OF THE SERRA CLUB ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND AS GUESTS. IF INTERESTED IN ATTENDING, PLEASE RESPOND TO KATHY AT 419-303-0539 NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, JAN. 7.

Walk for life

Sanctity of
human life Sunday

Sunday January 19th, 2pm
Open house, 2-4pm



Park at Lima Central Catholic High School, 720 S. Cable Rd.

Walk to Heartbeat of Lima office and back. Prayerful, loving, inspiring signs will be available, or bring your own!
Refreshments and tours from 2-4pm.

Pastors and priests will lead blessings and prayers.

Handicap parking available in the Heartbeat lot,
421 S. Cable Rd. Lima, OH 45805

SHARE YOUR FAITH DAY Diocese of Toledo and the Toledo Walleye



Friday, January 24, 2025



Gates Open 6:15 PM | Game Starts 7:15 PM

Experience a faith sharing evening with the Diocese of Toledo as we invite you to the Toledo Walleye in their thrilling game against the Kalamazoo Wings on January 24th at 7:15 pm for Blackout Bonefish night. Don't miss out on the excitement - a perfect outing for families and sports enthusiasts alike.

Accessible seating is located in Section 109 Row T Seats 9-12 for those who need it.

Discounted admission tickets are available through the FEVO link above for \$12.00 per ticket. The access code is CDOT, click ADD and DONE. Once the seats are selected and in the cart, the \$12 discounted ticket will show up, there are small provider fees.

Tickets are limited to the first 100 people, and we expect a sellout, so please do not delay... order your tickets today! This diocesan event is not open to the public. We hope to see you and your family there! Please email ajacobs@toledodiocese.org or lpriest@toledodiocese.org with any questions.

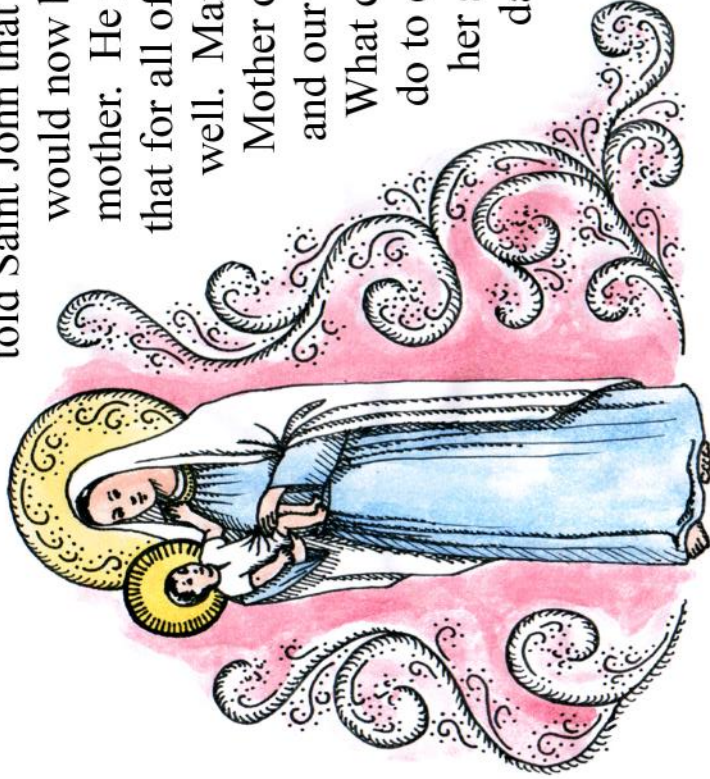


Mary the Mother of God January 1

On the first day of the year we celebrate the feast day of Mary, the Mother of God.

If you didn't have a mother and God let you design your own mother, what would she be like? Well, God did get to make His own Mother! Can you even imagine how perfect she was?

When Jesus was dying on the Cross, he told Saint John that Mary would now be his mother. He meant that for all of us as well. Mary is the Mother of God and our Mother! What can you do to celebrate her special day?



Answers to the Wise Men Puzzle:
Top: 3, 6. Middle: 5, 1. Bottom: 2, 4.

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The Kids' Bulletin

Mary the Mother of God: January 1st, 2025

&

Feast of the Epiphany: January 5 or 6, 2025



The feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord is a special part of the Christmas season! What are we celebrating on this feast?

Connect the dots to find out!

Saint André Bessette

January 7*



ALFRED BESSETTE WAS BORN TO A POOR FAMILY OUTSIDE OF MONTREAL IN 1845. HE WAS SO SICKLY WHEN HE WAS BORN THAT HIS PARENTS BAPTIZED HIM RIGHT AWAY.



WHEN ALFRED WAS 9 HIS FATHER DIED IN A LOGGING ACCIDENT. HIS MOTHER DIED 3 YEARS LATER.

Now I won't be able to go to school. I guess I need to find a job.



ALFRED WAS ALWAYS SICKLY. AFTER TRYING MANY JOBS HE BECAME A RELIGIOUS AND TOOK THE NAME ANDRÉ.



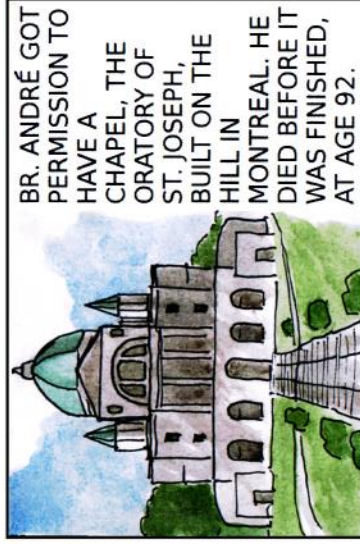
BECAUSE HE WASN'T EDUCATED, HIS JOB WAS ANSWERING THE COLLEGE DOOR.



BR. ANDRÉ HAD GREAT DEVOTION TO SAINT JOSEPH. MANY PEOPLE WERE CURED BY HIS PRAYERS.



THOUSANDS CAME TO TALK TO HIM. HE WAS VERY KIND TO THEM ALL. HE WOULD ALSO GO TO VISIT THE SICK.



BR. ANDRÉ GOT PERMISSION TO HAVE A CHAPEL, THE ORATORY OF ST. JOSEPH, BUILT ON THE HILL IN MONTREAL. HE DIED BEFORE IT WAS FINISHED, AT AGE 92.

SAINT ANDRÉ WAS A SIMPLE MAN WHO COULD HARDLY EVEN WRITE HIS OWN NAME. BUT HIS DEVOTION TO SAINT JOSEPH AND LOVE FOR THE PEOPLE MADE EVERYONE LOVE AND TRUST HIM. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIS EXAMPLE THAT WE CAN HAVE GREAT CONFIDENCE IN THE SAINTS, ESPECIALLY ST. JOSEPH!

*His feast is January 7th in Canada, and January 6th in the U.S.

The Wise Men Puzzle

Do you know the story of the wise men who came to worship Baby Jesus?
What order do these pictures go in?
Write the numbers from 1 to 6 in the boxes.

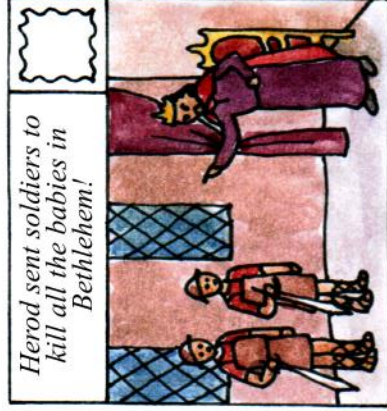


The wise men found Jesus and worshipped Him, giving Him gifts.

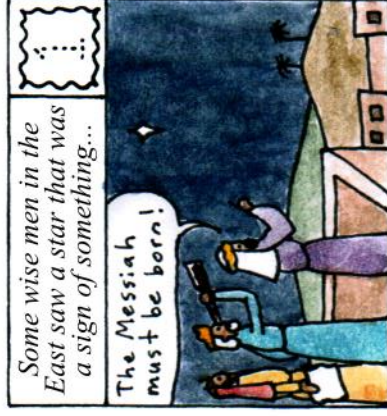


An angel told Joseph in a dream to take Mary and Jesus to Egypt.

Herod is trying to kill Jesus! Take him and Mary to Egypt!

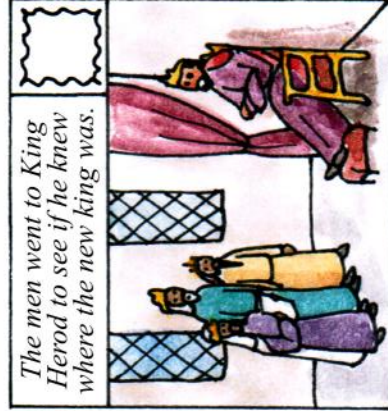


Herod sent soldiers to kill all the babies in Bethlehem!



Some wise men in the East saw a star that was a sign of something...

The Messiah must be born!



The men went to King Herod to see if he knew where the new king was.



An angel warned the wise men and told them to go home another way.

Don't go back to Herod - He wants to kill the Baby!

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