St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood
St. George Deanery

PARISH OFFICE BUSINESS HOURS

Monday-Friday,
9:00am - 5:00pm

Closed for Lunch from 12:30pm—1:30pm

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Sacramental Emergencies :
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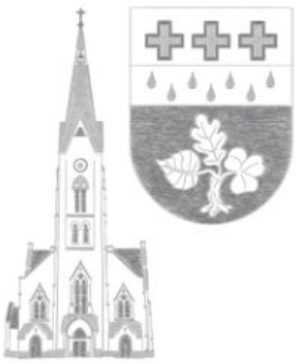


OUR MISSION

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.

OUR VISION

We enable spiritual formation and growth, support discipleship, provide outreach through community service, and build relationships, so we can build the Kingdom of God in Glandorf and around the world. Driven by the Gospel of Jesus Christ; we want to educate and promote respect for the dignity of life, encourage charity and justice, and embody the moral values of the church. Our mission is guided by Scripture and Traditions of our Catholic Faith and aligned with the mission of the Diocese of Toledo to make Holy Disciples, Holy Families, and Holy Vocations.



Holy Mass*	Daily Mass*	Communion Service*	Reconcilation*
			WED 7:15AM - 7:45AM
SAT VIGIL	**WED, FRI, SAT**	**MON** 8:00AM	**WED** 7:45PM - 8:15PM
4:30PM	8:00AM	** Regular Mass or Confession times may change due to events, funerals or Holy Days.*	**FRI** 7:15AM - 7:45AM
			SAT 8:30AM
SUNDAY	**TUE, THU**		**SAT** 4:00PM
8:00AM, 10:30AM	8:40AM		

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INFORMATION CENTER

Eucharistic Adoration

WED 6:30PM - 8:15PM
FRI 1:00PM-4:00PM First Friday each month concluding with Benediction
SAT 5:30PM through Sunday at 8:00AM on First Saturday and Holy Hour from 9:00am - 10:00am

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BAPTISMS
Contact the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism. 0ne baptismal class required for your first child.

PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS (by Deacon Mike and Becky Karhoff)
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.
Parish Center Room 15 11:45am –1:15pm
Upcoming classes: January 10, 2027, May 16, 2027, September 19, 2027

MARRIAGES
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 on Sunday, November 1, 2026 at 8:00am. Call the Parish Office to registered.

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

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

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 Mindy Recker at **passociate@glandorfstjohns.com**.

NEW MEMBERS All are Welcome! Contact the Parish Office to get the New Member Registration Forms. Call 419-538-6928

MINISTY OF CARE FOR HOMEBOUND To receive the Eucharist at home contact the Parish Office

ST. JOHN'S BULLETIN To automatically begin receiving our parish bulletin and other notifications. Call the Parish Office

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MATT

Happy New Year! Today we begin a new liturgical year and new liturgical season as today we begin the Season of Advent. In a little over a month from now when we begin a new calendar year, we will mark that beginning with parities, fireworks, a ball dropping and perhaps a little more. Our beginning a new year today is a little quieter and simpler we bless the Advent Wreathe and light the first candle on the wreathe.

When I was growing up, we always had an Advent Wreathe on the dinner table and during dinner we would light the candles. The rule was whoever cleaned their plate first got blow the candles out after dinner. Dad would often play with the candles running his finger through the flame and making his finger wet and pinching out the flame. Lighting the Advent Wreathe is how I learned to use matches. The Season of Advent also coincided when we got a box of fresh oranges from Florida and so during Advent, we ate oranges and dad taught how to squeeze the orange peel into the flame to get a reaction. I think Advent is the only time we had candle lit dinners.

In our scriptures today Jesus instructs us to "Be watchful! Be alert! You do know when the time will come" (Mark 13:33). We are instructed to be ready. What does it mean for us to ready? If someone is going to give me a ride to somewhere this means being dressed ready to go, it also gives me a deadline for having my completed or at a stopping point, and if you are leaving around a mealtime do I need eat before I get picked up or are we going to eat along the way or when we get there? Being ready for a test means studying and being familiar with the material that the test is going to cover.

So, what does this be ready mean that Jesus is talking about? We often associate this being ready to mean being perfect. But if everything is perfect, why do we need Christ to come? Isn't this why we need Christ to come because things are not perfect. Being ready does not mean being perfect but it also means not being in total disarray either. Jesus says this being ready is like servants awaiting the return of their master. I am not a slave, nor have I have ever been a slave so in a certain sense I never had a master. But I have been put in positions of power while person in charge was away. When I was in my teens my parents would leave and I would have to look after my younger brothers. In my previous assignment Fr. Angelo would be away from the parishes, and he would leave me in charge even one time I was appointed Temporary Parochial Administrator. In these moments was I expected to be perfect? No. But I was expected to look out after my younger brothers' well-being and sometime complete chores while mom and dad was away. When Fr. Angelo was away, I was called handle any emergencies that came in and make sure things ran smoothly.



As Jesus instructs us to ready at the start of Adent, we are not called be perfect, but we are called to be faithful. Faithful in seeking to grow in our relationship with God, faithful in the way we treat one another and faithful in the way we treat ourselves. It is through our faithfulness that we will be ready as Jesus instructs us to be.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS…



III Brooke Kleman, of this parish, daughter of Dave and Lisa Kleman & **Ethan Beringer**, of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, son of Tammy & Lee Brodman and Brandt Beringer

II Sydney Kleman, of this parish, daughter of Sandy and the late Jeff Kleman & **Dylan Wagner**,of this parish, son of Ryan & Cheri Wagner



Devin & Macy (Ellerbrock) Hoellrich



ON THE BAPTISM OF :
Oliver Lincoln, son of Matthew and Oliva Recker

BULLETIN REQUESTS

If you would like to have an announcement, event, or other information included in the bulletin, please submit your request by Tuesday afternoon for consideration in that week's bulletin.

Please send all bulletin requests to admin@glandorfstjohns.com.

Requests will be included as space allows and must support and align with St. John's mission and ministry.

NEXT WEEK SCHEDULE

CHURCH CALENDAR AND MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30~St. Andrew
7:35am Rosary
8:00am Communion Service-Deacon Don Inkrott

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1
8:15am Rosary
8:40am Brenda Utendorf, Doris Karhoff, Mary Kay Weis

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2
7:15am-7:45am Confession
7:35am Rosary
8:00am Sam & Anne Schroeder
6:30pm-8:15pm Adoration
7:45-8:15pm Confession

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3~St. Francis Xavier
8:15am Rosary
8:40am L/D Elmer Halker Family

First FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4~St. John Damascene
7:15am-7:45am Confessions
7:35am Rosary
8:00am L/D Bob & Hilda Hovest
12:00pm Rosary
1:00pm-4:00pm Adoration/Benediction
6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal-Mary Ellen Halker

First SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5
7:35am Rosary
8:00am Mel Verhoff, Leonard & Rosemary Kuhlman,
Safe Delivery of all Newborn Babies
8:30am Confessions
8:30am-4:30pm All Day Rosary
1:30pm Kleman/Beringer Wedding
4:00pm Confessions
4:30pm Bob & Carolyn Warnecke,
L/D Leander & Alberta Moening Families,
L/D Larry & Jeanette Maag, Dave Maag,
L/D Mary & Ed Steffan Family, Denny Horstman (AN),
Jeff King, Larry & Ginny Kirkendall
5:30pm-11:59pm Overnight Adoration

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6~2nd Sunday of Advent
12:00am-8:00am Adoration
7:35am Rosary
8:00am Elmer Tobe, Don Hempfling, Thomas Inkrott,
JoAnn Kuck, Joseph Hiegel
9:00am-10:00am Holy Hour/Benediction
10:30am Ruth Ellerbrock, L/D Ellerbrock/Recker Families,
Ken Ellerbrock (AN), Teresa Kleman,
Jack Nienberg (AN),
L/D Thomas & Mildren Nienberg Family

Mass Intention(s)

Remember a loved one or make your special prayer intentions known at Mass by filling out a Mass Intention Request Form or stop by the Parish office and we can help you complete the form. The form is located on our website (www.stjohnglandorf.org) under Parish Forms called Mass Intention Request Form.pdf or in the back vestibules of Church. Complete the Mass Request Form and bring or drop it off at the Parish Office. The Parish Office will schedule the Mass Intentions and let you know what you owe. Also, the dates are subject to availablity and not confirmed until approved by the Parish Office.
http://www.stjohnglandorf.org/Resources/ParishForms/Mass%20Intention%20Request%20Form.pdf

SERVERS			
Mon	8:00am	No Mass	
Tues	8:40am	Students	
Wed	8:00am	Jerry Hanneman, Jeff Schram	
Thurs	8:45am	Students	
Fri	8:00am	Gary Recker, Roger Schroeder	
Sat	8:00am	Makenzie Maag, Jacoby Maag, Aidrik Vennekotter, Jace Vennekotter	
Sat	4:30pm	Emmit Miller, Will Faber, Addyson Faber~ Thurifer-Ethan Kuhlman	
Sun	8:00am	Carleigh Maag, Noah Leopold, Anderson Lammers	
Sun	10:00am	Quin Crumrine, Thurifer - James Niese	
Sun	10:30am	Quin Crumrine, Lochlan Brinkman, Logan Birkemeier~Thurifer-James Niese	
		EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS
Sat	4:30pm	Diane Recker	Carole Schroeder
		Alicia Nussbaum	Kathy Schmitz
Sun	8:00am	Mark Schroeder	Nicole Ruhe
		Tammy Schroeder	Elizaberth Ruhe
Sun	10:30am	Jason Kleman	Abby Vorst
		Julie Pothast	Tony Schroeder
		Tony Schroeder-Choir	
GIFT BEARERS - To sign up for a Mass click the link below https://tinyurl.com/2sujmrrn or scan QR code below.			
Sat	4:30pm	Ask a family or Ushers	
Sun	8:00am	Ask a family or Ushers	
Sun	10:30am	Ask a family or Ushers	
DECEMBER USHERS			
Sat	4:30pm	Ray Diemer, Zach Diemer, Noah Emmons	
Sun	8:00am	Tim & Chris Hoehn	
Sun	10:30am	Jerry Recker, Al Kaufman	

COMMUNION TO MEADOWS: Gene & Rose Warnecke
COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 9
ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Ginny Schroeder, Karen Parker
DECEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: JoAnn & Roger Schroeder, Diane Nienberg, Connie & Don Dehnart, Jim Recker

Lighting Advent Wreath (December 5th and 6th)
4:30pm Tony and Stacy Schroeder,
8:00am Brad and Lynette Schroeder
10:30am Eric and Alicia Nussbaum
We will send an instructions via email early next week. Call if you have any questions.

A Housekeeping Note

from the Confessional - as we begin the Season of Advent, I am aware that many will be seek the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this season. When I in the confessional, available to hear confessions, I will turn the lights on and open the door for behind the screen. When you are ready and it is your turn if wish go behind the screen, go in the confessional for behind the screen, close the door and proceed to receive the sacrament. If you would like to go face-to-face, I suggest closing the door to the behind the screen side and enter the face-to-face side and receive the sacrament. After you have received the sacrament, I suggest leaving the behind the screen door open, to show it is open for the next person. Obviously, there is light above the confessional when the light is on this is a sign that the confessional is occupied. An open door to the confessional is the sign the door is open for you.

PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

OFFERING
November 8, 2026

Loose	$	1,090.00
Adult Envelope	$	7,767.00
Maintenance	$	705.00
Children	$	131.00
Online Offering	$	1,679.00
Online Maintenance	$	181.00
All Souls DT	$	10.00
All Saints	$	10.00
Preschool Donation	$	500.00
Archdiocese Mility Service	$	25.00
Total Collection		**$12,098.00**

Thank you to all of you who have been continuing to make your Weekly/monthly contributions to your St. John's parish family and for sharing your treasure, time, & talent with your St. John's parish family!

WANT TO GIVE ONLINE

Fill out the E-Giving Form found on our website (www.stjohnglandorf.org) and turn the completed form into the Parish Office. The form is located on the left hand side above the Menu options and it looks like this. E-Giving Form

MAKE A DIFFERENCE - SUPPORT HEARTBEAT AND OTTAWA FOOD PANTY

HEARTBEAT: Boys and Girls: Diapers – Preemies, Size 5 Pullups Boys (2T/3T) Winter sleepers- Boys (3)T, Winter Boy Outfits 2T & 4T, Winter Boy Shirts 3T, Winter Girls Pants - NB (prefer solid colors), Boys Tennis Shoes (size 4, 5, 6, 7 (toddler sizes) Baby wash, shampoo, diaper rash ointment, Child Toothbrushes, sippy cups, teething toys/rings. 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: Jelly, Hamburger Helper, sloppy Joe, pickle relish, mayonnaise,Miracle Whip, protein bars,Boxed or bag cookie mix, Canned potatoes mandarin organs,variety ready to eat souped it not. Hicken noodle soup, cereal bars pop tarts. Salad dressing, cereal chicken and beef stock ,egg noodles No Mac & cheese Thank you for your generosity!
2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, 11:30am to 2:00pm
Trinity United Methodist Church, 137 N Pratt St, Ottawa, OH
We need more volunteers!
Glandorf Parish supplies workers for **October and April**
Monday is set up day - 9:00 to noon or when we are finished
Tuesday is distribution day - 11:00 to 2:30 or finished cleaning up
The more people we have makes for shorter times
If interested in volunteering, just let me know or just show up!

We NEED someone who would pick up food in Lima on Mondays with a trailer at 9:30. You would deliver the load to the church and help unload. We also need someone beside myself to attend quarterly committee meetings.
Sandy Racer has been in charge as long as I can remember and wants to retire. She will train someone if interested. Is Jesus calling you to help? Questions or you plan on helping call or text Marlene 419-303-6531.

Pray for Those Who Have Gone Before Us	
The Past 20 years	
Richard B Spangler 11/30/11	Marciel L Schroeder 12/3/20
Diana W Mayhew 11/30/23	Dennis L Horstman 12/4/22
Carolyn S Schmersal 12/1/18	Mary Ellen Kuhbander 12/5/19
Martin K Westrick 12/2/01	Thomas R Schroeder 12/5/21
Lucy P Rieman 12/2/04	Doris A Liebrecht 12/5/22
Gerald T Utrup 12/3/18	

2026 GRAND-ORF CLUB



Next Drawing will be Sunday,December 13th along with Coffee and Donuts by **Craig and Kristen Duling**.
This will be the last drawing of the year!

C.PP.S. major superiors monthly prayer request

December: Latin American Province

December PRAYER FOR PRECIOUS BLOOD VOCATIONS

O God, You created me for a purpose, a specific task for the Church and humanity. You have always known the work I was cut out for, a work which only I can do and no other. If I do not accept this work, it will never be done. Therefore, I have a job to do. Make clear to me your will, and I will follow you in whatever task this may be. I know I can do all things in you, my strength. Amen.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF December:
For single-parent families
Let us pray for families experiencing the absence of a mother or father, that they may find support and accompaniment in the Church, and help and strength in the Faith during difficult times.



December prayer list

1. Fr. Joseph Uecker
2. Fr. James Urbanic
3. Fr. Michael Volkmer
4. Fr. Truc Minh (Joseph) Vu
5. Br. Joseph Vu
6. Pray for vocations
7. Fr. Hoa (Vincent) Vu
8. Fr. Thomas Welk
9. Fr. Ronald Will
10. Fr. Vincent Wirtner
11. Fr. Paul Wohlwend
12. Fr. John Wolf
13. Pray for living and deceased C.PP.S. members
14. Fr. Mark Yates
15. Fr. Kenneth Alt
16. Fr. Angelo Anthony
17. Fr. Timothy Armbruster
18. Br. James Ballmann
19. Br. Benjamin Basile
20. Pray for those in formation
21. Fr. Joseph Bathke
22. Fr. Richard Bayuk
23. Fr. Benjamin Berinti
24. Br. Thomas Bohman
25. Br. Brian Boyle
26. Fr. Keith Branson
27. Pray for living and deceased Companions and Amici
28. Fr. Joseph Brown
29. Fr. Nhan (Dominic) Bui
30. Br. Timothy Cahill
31. Br. Daryl Charron

Needy Families

Since this is the time for thanksgiving and giving, we would like to help those in need, please put money in an envelope labeled "NEEDY FAMILY" and put in the collection basket.

If you know of a family in need please call the office. Thank you!

Looking for Help

Share your talents & gifts by assisting engaged couples prepare for their wedding!

St. John's is looking for people to help in marriage ministry in two ways:

1) Become a Wedding Rehearsal Coordinator

- A few Fridays throughout the year you would walk the engaged couple and their wedding party through the wedding ceremony process
- You schedule the dates that work best for you
- Instructions and details are given to you for each rehearsal ahead of time

2) Become a Mentor Couple

- A few times throughout the year a couple will be assigned to you and your spouse. You will contact the couple to set up a time to meet them, preferably in your home, to go over the results of a pre-marriage inventory questionnaire they have already completed. Afterwards, you and your spouse complete a quick summary page and mail it back to St. John's. (Only one meeting per engaged couple.)

If you would like to share your talents to one or both of these ministries, or for more information, please call the rectory today!

419-538-6928

Catechism Corner

Advent: The Start of a New Liturgical Year

While the secular world celebrates the cycle of a year from January to December, the Catholic Church cycles through its year from November to November. Similar to the secular year that cycles through seasons and holidays, the Church calendar year, called the liturgical calendar, also cycles through seasons and special moments. The difference between these two calendars is the focus of the celebrations. While the secular calendar focuses on important moments in civic life and the culture, the liturgical calendar focuses on the life of Jesus Christ. We bring the stories of the sacred Scriptures into our midst. We remember them, and we make them as present to us as they were to those who experienced them firsthand.

We encounter Christ in many ways, but must substantially through the liturgy itself. The Scripture passages for each liturgy are gathered in a book called the Lectionary. The Lectionary contains all the readings from the Old Testament and New Testament that we read over a three-year period: Year A (focuses mostly on the Gospel of Matthew), Year B (focuses mostly on the Gospel of Mark, plus John - also scattered throughout Years A and C), and Year C (focusing mostly on Luke) for weekend liturgies, and cycles through 2 years for weekday readings.

During various seasons of the liturgical year, certain portions of Scripture are read that highlight the theme of a given season. Additionally, colors are assigned to the season to help represent what they signify. The liturgical seasons and colors are:

- **Advent:** opens the Church year. "Advent" means "coming". It prepares for Christ's coming into our hearts at Christmas and his eventual second coming in glory. The mood of Advent is waiting and anticipation and therefore the color used is violet.
- **Christmas:** highlights the manifestation of the Incarnation (Christ becoming man). It celebrates the Light who came into the world; therefore, a primary symbol is light. Christmas begins on Dec. 25th and lasts into January at the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (the Sunday after Epiphany). During this season, the Church also celebrates the Mother of God, Mary, who made Christ's birth a reality through her "yes", as well as the Feasts of the Holy Family and the Epiphany. The liturgical color is white or gold for the glory of Christ, our King.
- **Ordinary Time:** this is the period marked by counting the Sundays of the year that do not fall in the two great liturgical cycles of Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter. This time of year is still special and significant as it proclaims the bulk of Jesus' life story. Therefore, the color of the season is green to represent life. It takes 34 Sundays to proclaim the entire mission of Christ! There are two periods of ordinary time – between Christmas and Lent and again between Easter and Advent.
- Lent: This is a six-week preparation for the Easter season. Lent is a time the Church gives us to reflect on our lives in relationship with the life of Christ and His mission. We take a serious look at the need for repentance and our own baptismal renewal, as we grow in solidarity with those who are preparing for baptism. The color of this season is violet.
- **Holy Week/Triduum:** begins on Palm Sunday where we proclaim the passion and death of Jesus, starting with His entry into Jerusalem by waving palm branches and ending on Good Friday where we solemnly feel the absence of Christ without Mass…the only day of the year where Mass will not be celebrated. The Triduum ("3 Days") begins on Holy Thursday. We celebrate the highest holy days of the Church year. The color for holy week is red for Christ's blood and martyrdom. Black is often used during the Triduum to signify death.
- **Easter:** begins with the Easter Vigil and continues through Sunday. During the Easter Vigil (Saturday night) symbols of fire, light, water, anointing, retelling of Salvation History are all accounted for. New Christians are baptized and Christ's light is renewed in the faithful as the Paschal Mystery is relived and Christians rejoice at the resurrection, ascension, and the coming of the Holy Spirit to the world. This season lasts seven weeks to tell the entirety of the story. The color of the season is also white or gold for the glory of Christ, our King.

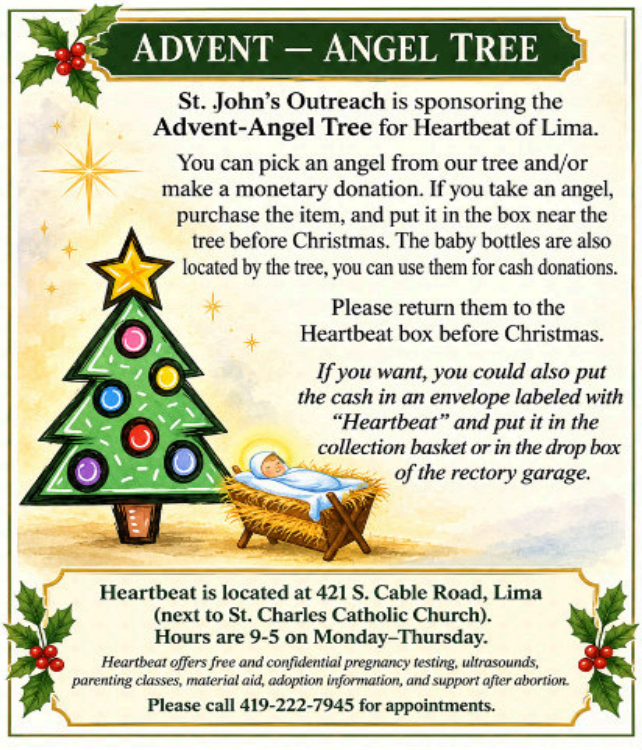
The Church's liturgical season walks with us in the seasons of our lives as we grow and change. It's a journey of continual renewal in the life of Christ. Liturgy, Scripture, and doctrine challenge us to transform our lives so that we can go out and help transform the world. **Challenge: Reflect on the ways you have grown as a disciple of the Lord throughout the liturgical cycles. What ways is God inviting you to grow even more?**

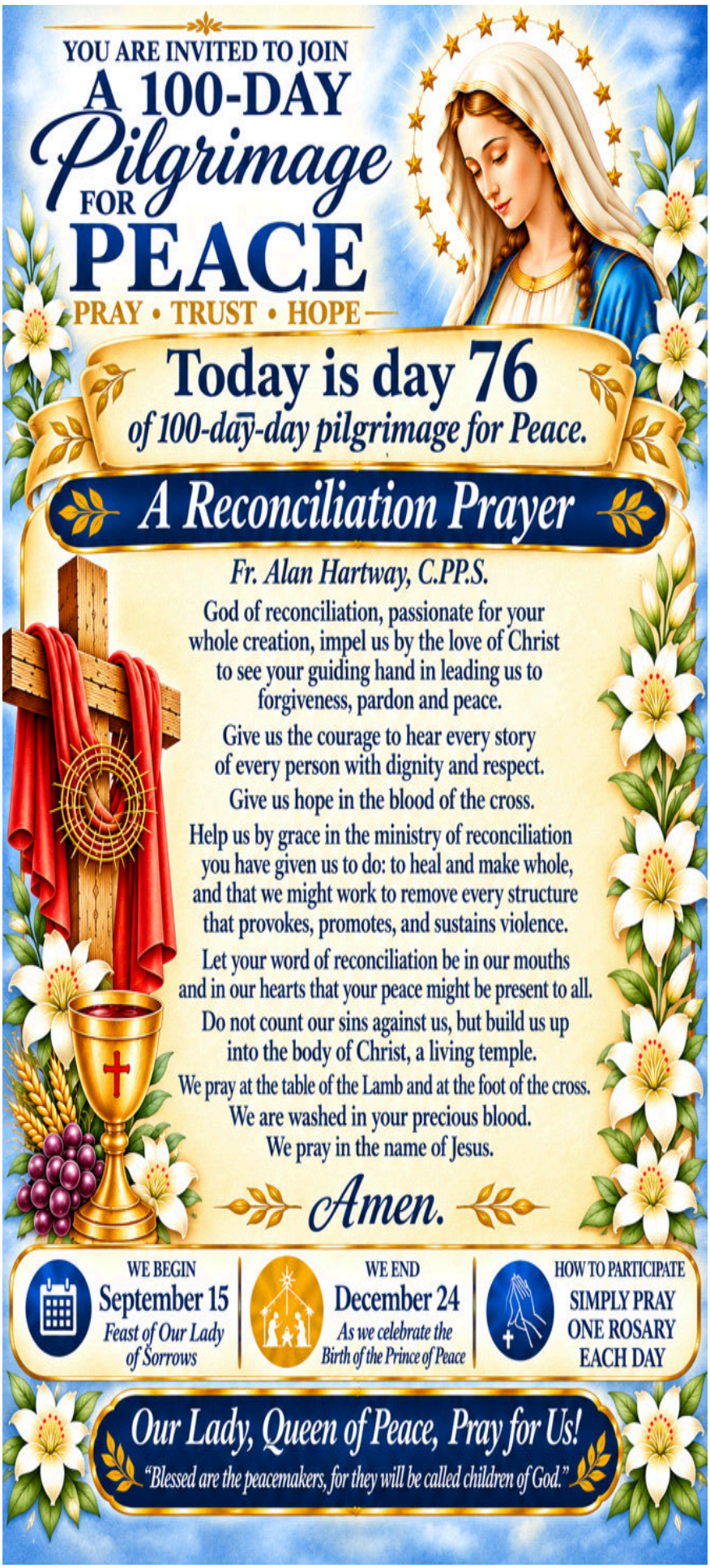
ATTENTION CLC MEMBERS

You're invited to the CLC Christmas Dinner, followed by a short meeting, on Wednesday, December 2, 2026 at Julia's Barn. Please call Jill Gerding at 419-538-6942 to reserve by November 25,2026. We hope you can join us!









Make Room for Jesus

This Advent, prepare your heart to welcome Jesus! Receive His mercy through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, encounter His love in the Eucharist, and spend time in prayer, adoration, and worship. Give Him the gift of your time and an open heart.

St. John Adoration

- Wednesday, December 2nd | 6:30pm - 8:15pm
- First Friday, December 4th | 1:00pm - 4:00pm concluding with Benediction **Advent Friday's Sign Up**
- First Saturday, December 5th | 5:30am -11:59pm **First Saturday Sign Up**
- Sunday, December 6th | 12:00am - 8:00am
- Sunday, December 6th | 9:00am - 10:00am concluding with Benediction
- Wednesday, December 9th | 6:30pm - 8:15pm
- Friday, December 11th | 1:00pm - 4:00pm concluding with Benediction **Advent Friday's Sign Up**
- Wednesday, December 16th | 6:30pm - 8:15pm
- Friday, December 18th | 1:00pm - 4:00pm concluding with Benediction **Advent Friday's Sign Up**
- Wednesday, December 23rd | 6:30pm - 8:15pm

Penance Services Around the Area

- Sunday, November 29th | Ottoville | at 2:00pm
- Wednesday, December 2nd | Fort Jennings | 7:00pm
- Wednesday, December 9th | Kalida | 4:00pm and 7:00pm
- Tuesday, December 15th | Glandorf | 4:00pm and 7:00pm
- Wednesday, December 16th | New Cleveland | 7:00pm
- Monday, December 21st | Ottawa | 4:00pm and 7:00pm

Sacrament of Penance at St. John's

- Wednesday, December 2nd | 7:15am - 7:45am | 7:45pm - 8:15pm or until everyone has a chance to go to Confession
  Friday, December 4th | 7:15am -7:45am
  Saturday, December 5th | after 8:00am Mass | 4:00pm - 4:15pm
- Wednesday, December 9th | 7:158m - /-7:45am | 7:45pm - 8:15pm or until everyone has a chance to go to Confession
  Friday, December 18th | 7:15am - 7:45am | 7:45pm - 8:15pm
  Saturday, December 19th | after 8:00am Mass | 4:00pm - 4:15pm
- Wednesday, December 16th | 7:15am - 7:45am | 7:00pm - 8:15pm or until everyone has a chance to go to Confession
  Friday, December 12th | 7:15am - 7:45am
  Saturday, December 19th | after 8:00am Mass | 4:00pm - 4:15pm
- Wednesday, December 23rd | 7:15am - 7:45am | 7:00pm - 8:15pm or until everyone has a chance to go to Confession



Advent Books

The Little Blue Books

The Lord desires us to experience his peace. Regardless of what is happening around us, it is possible to discover an inner peace that cannot be shaken - one that "surpasses all understanding."
This Advent - as you enjoy all that the season has to offer - this book will help you make room for the most important thing you will do each day: spend some quiet time with the Lord.

PICK UP A BOOK FOR YOUR FAMILY AT ALL THE EXITS.
ONE PER FAMILY

YOUTH CHOIR

FOR CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

DECEMBER 24, 2026 AT 4:00PM

ANY STUDENTS 5TH GRADE AND UP, INCLUDING COLLEGE STUDENTS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SING FOR THE 4:00 CHRISTMAS EVE MASS?

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MORNINGS
FROM 9:15AM TIL 9:45AM
IN THE CHURCH BALCONY
ON NOVEMBER 8TH (WILL BE IN ROOM 15 IN PARISH CENTER) 15TH, 22ND, 29TH
AND DECEMBER 13TH, 20TH

ANYONE IS WELCOMED AT ANY TIME!

Sunday, November 29, 2026

BOY'S:

Birkemeyer: 1:00pm at home vs. All Saints, New Riegel

Meyer: 3:30pm at home vs Immaculate Conception, Ottoville

Ellerbrock: 2:15pm at home vs St. Anthony, Columbus Grove

GIRL'S

Bockrath: 4:45pm at SPPS

GOOD LUCK!

IGNATIUS BOOK FAIR

Good Books Build Bright Lives!

November 30 - December 6

Faith-filled reads, family favorites, and more!

Shopping Hours

Mon: 10:30am-3:30pm & 6-7:30pm
Tue: 10:30am-1pm
Wed: 6-7:30pm
Thu: 10:30am-3:30pm & 6-7:30pm
Fri: Closed
Sat: 5:30-6:30pm
Sun: 9-10am & 11:30am-1pm

Location

Parish Center
Room 2

Best Entrance

- Park in the Elementary lot
- Enter Door 4 at the north end
- Daytime hours: ring doorbell

You can pay with Cash, Check or Credit Card.

Purchases support our CCD program, teacher wish lists, and books for our classrooms.

ST. JOHN'S

MEN'S WELCOME RETREAT



JANUARY 30TH & 31ST

ALL MEN IN THE PARISH ARE INVITED

REGISTER

QUESTIONS? CALL CORY FISCHER 419-234-4003

TMIY

THAT MAN IS YOU

BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART



Join us for That Man Is You!

Saturday, December 5th
6:00–7:30 AM
in the Cafeteria

OR

Wednesday, December 2nd
7:00–8:30 PM
in room 22.

SESSION 12
(Sat. 12/5 & Wed. 12/9)
"REVELATION OF THE FATHER"
— The Holy Sacrifice of the Eucharist —

Presenter: Dr. Scott Hahn

Eucharist as sacrifice. New Covenant Passover. Calvary and Eucharist united. Scripture's Eucharistic home. Mass with deeper reverence. Charity in Catholic witness.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8, 11:23-25, Luke 22:19-20, Acts 2:42.

For more information, contact
Deacon Mike Karhoff
mkarhoff@GlandorfStJohns.com

Pilgrim Virgin Statue of

OUR LADY of FATIMA

VISITS PARISH HOMES

Bring Our Blessed Mother Into Your Home



Glandorf St. John the Baptist Parish has a Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima.

In the early 1980s, the Altar Rosary Society purchased this beautiful statue with the intention that Our Lady would travel from home to home throughout our parish, bringing her presence, prayers, and blessings to families.

Families are invited to welcome Our Lady of Fatima into their home for one week. During her visit, it is EXPECTED that a ROSARY will be PRAYED EACH DAY, honoring Our Lady's request at Fatima and fostering a spirit of prayer within the home.

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY DURING HER VISIT.

Honoring Our Lady's request at Fatima and growing in faith together as a family.

If you would like to host Our Lady of Fatima in your home for a week, please contact:

Marie Strauer
419-538-6930
Please leave a message, and Marie will return your call.

"Pray the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world."
— Our Lady of Fatima

Christmas Cantata

Let there be Christmas



Presented by St. John's Adult and Youth Choir

December 27, 2026
2:00pm

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Glandorf, OH

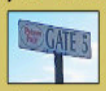
OFF THE STREETS

Off-the-Streets DELIVERS HOPE and TRANSFORMS LIVES in the Findlay, Lima and Ottawa areas.

OTS uses household item donations to help local homeless individuals and families transition into homes.

Donations of furniture, small appliances and large household items greatly appreciated.

When: First Saturday of the Month, 9-10 am
Next: December 5



Where: 1206 E. 2nd St, Ottawa
Enter Putnam Co. Fairgrounds, Gate 5; 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, microwaves, regular sofas, chairs, lamps, vacuums, and coffee makers.

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

Most currently needed: couches, coffee tables and TV stands.

Off the Streets Findlay, Inc.
otsfindlay@gmail.com
otsfindlay.com

Off The Streets Lima Inc.
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VIDEO: See how YOU can help by searching "Off the Steets Findlay Lima" on YouTube

Scan the above code for video

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Immaculate Conception

November 29 - December 7

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST DAY

Lo, at thy sacred feet I bow, Virgin immaculate, the while my heart overflows with joy in union with thine own, because from eternity thou wast the mother elect of the eternal Word, and wast preserved stainless from the taint of Adam's sin. For ever praised, for ever blessed be the most holy Trinity, who in thy conception poured out upon thy soul the riches of that matchless privilege. I humbly pray thee, gracious mother, obtain for me the grace to overcome the bitter results of original sin; ah yes! make me victori-ous over them, that I may never cease to love my God.

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- Enter your parish zip code or name to select your parish
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The Mustard Seed at St. John's

150 Church Street in Glandorf
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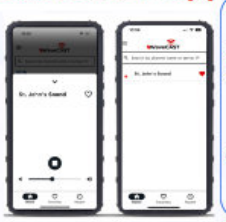
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SHARING FAITH... BUILDING COMMUNITY

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Tues 9-5 Wed 10-6
Thurs 9-5 Fri 9-4
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- 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 .

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.



Did you know that volunteering as a family to bring up the offertory at Mass is a beautiful way to deepen your connection to God and to each other?

Parishioners can sign up today by scanning the QR Code!

SIGN UP

St. Catherine's Embrace

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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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Providing Education on the **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare™ System** to Empower Women and Couples to UNDERSTAND, MAINTAIN, and APPRECIATE their Health and Fertility in a way that is cooperative with our Catholic faith.

Contact Wendy Imm, BSN, CFCP for more information
614-634-1043 • divinegracefertilitycare@gmail.com

The Kids' Bulletin Advent 2026



Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior. Zeph. 3:16-17

November 29

...the day is at hand. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light... Romans 13:12



Pick a good habit to work on for Advent!

30 *Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle*



Share a story of Jesus with a sibling or a friend.

December 1

A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse... Isaiah 11:1



Thank God for your parents!

2

The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces. Isaiah 25:8



Who can you cheer up today?

3

Trust in the LORD forever! For the LORD is an eternal Rock. Isaiah 26:4



Pray: Jesus, I trust in You!

4

Out of gloom and darkness, the eyes of the blind shall see. Isaiah 29:18



Draw a Christmas picture for someone!

5

The Lord will give you the bread you need and the water for which you thirst. Isaiah 30:20



Pray an Our Father for those who are hungry this Advent.

6

A voice of one crying out in the desert, "Prepare the way of the Lord" Matt 3:3



Tell the Christmas story to a friend!

7

Strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak, Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Isaiah 35:3-4



Give someone a little extra help today.

8 *Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception*



Say a Hail Mary to Our Blessed Mother!

9

Lift up your eyes on high and see who has created these things... Isaiah 40:26



Look at the sky and thank God for the sun, moon and stars!

10

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD Psalm 145:10



Go outside and thank God for nature!

11

I, the LORD, your God, teach you what is for your good, and lead you on the way you should go. Isaiah 48:17



Read from the Bible or another book about God.

12 *Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe*



Thank Mary for being our mother!

13



Be strong, fear not! Here is your God... Isaiah 35:4

What are you afraid of? Trust in God to protect you!

14

A star shall advance from Jacob,and a scepter shall rise from Israel... Numbers 24:17



Pray for the leaders of your country!

15

I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall be ever in my mouth. Psalm 34:2



Sing an Advent hymn!

16

I will hear what God proclaims; the LORD–for he proclaims peace to his people. Psalm 85:9



Say an Our Father for peace in the world.

17

O Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: come to teach us the path of knowledge!



Consider the order of the universe God has created!

18

O Leader of the House of Israel, giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai: come to rescue us with your mighty power!



Read or recite God's Ten Commandments.

19

O Root of Jesse's stem, sign of God's love for all his people: come to save us without delay!



Thank Jesus for coming to save us!

20

O Key of David, opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom: come and free the prisoners of darkness!



Read the story of David and Goliath!

21

O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice: Come, shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.



Jesus' coming is like the dawn after a dark cold night.

22

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!



Jesus is the kindest king. Serve Him with joy!

23

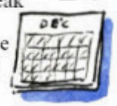
O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: come to save us, Lord our God!



Emmanuel means God is with us. His birthday is in two more days!

24

The dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness... Luke 1:78-79



One more day to prepare your heart and home for Jesus!

25 *Christmas Day!*

Glory to God in the highest!





Color in one flame for each week of Advent, starting on the first Sunday. The rose-colored candle is for the third Sunday. It is a sign of joy that the wait is half over!

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