

## HEALING WITHIN MARRIAGE FROM AN ABORTION

When Susan's\* husband, Juan, told her about the abortion he was involved in when he was in college, she finally understood why he was so depressed and had trouble bonding with their children. However, she wanted him to just get over it, without seeking help from a post-abortion healing ministry. It bothered her to think of him dealing with this in relation to another woman and child.

During Steve's premarital preparation with his (now) wife, the topic of her past abortion never arose. Now married and participating in a post-abortion healing ministry, Steve notes, "It is one of the questions you never think to ask during premarital preparation."

With an estimate of over 56 million abortions in our country since the infamous *Roe vs. Wade* decision of 1973, there's little doubt that countless marriages are suffering from one or both spouses' involvement in an abortion.

Although many of the same struggles may arise when only one spouse was involved in a previous abortion, couples who aborted their own child before marriage may experience their own unique difficulties, as Tina shares:

*...I didn't think it bothered me until after we were married for a year and our son was born. I was so resentful that my husband hadn't protected me and our baby when I became pregnant before we were married. ...I began to resent and hate him. It was like a great divide between us. I couldn't and wouldn't let go of the anger and resentment, because if I did, it would be like saying the abortion was ok, and it wasn't. (Our baby died,) I was hurt, and he could just go on like nothing happened.*

For cases in which one spouse is unaware of the other's past abortion experience, some feel it is crucial for him or her to be told, while others believe it is in the past and it's not necessary to address it. But if "the two shall become one" (Mt 19:5), can the marital union be brought to its fullest potential with the secret of an abortion lingering in the past?

Steve doesn't think so: "...looking back over our 29 years of marriage, it is probably the one thing from [either] of our pasts that has affected our marriage more than any other."

It is no secret that the devastation of abortion brings with it many challenges. Many times the people who have participated in an abortion are not even aware of the countless ways it is affecting their lives. Often, it is not until they recognize some of the effect it is having and become involved in a healing ministry that they begin to more clearly identify their personal abortion connectors (people, places or things that trigger memories of their abortion experience).

It is not uncommon for those suffering from past abortions to overreact to present situations because of the trauma they experienced. For example, what would otherwise be a normal disagreement between spouses can seem like a very real act of abandonment to someone who was coerced into having an abortion. An abortion may also lead to infertility or difficulty conceiving later in life, which bring their own emotional strains for a couple.

Fear of intimacy is another struggle that may arise. Some women and men have kept past abortion experiences a secret and live in the fear of being exposed. They never really open themselves completely to intimacy for fear of being rejected if their spouse ever discovered their secret. Others may not be willing to practice their faith because of the guilt and shame they feel, which deprives them of spiritual consolation and drives a wedge between them and their spouse.

It is scary for a person to tell his fiancée or her fiancé or spouse about a past abortion. It requires great trust in that person's love for them and trust in God. Unfortunately, sometimes that knowledge can threaten the relationship, but it can also be a means for the couple to grow closer together.



Through the help of a post-abortion healing ministry, couples can successfully work through abortion-related challenges, and God's grace can bring true healing in their relationships. Matt shared his own story of this experience:

*I had a hard time learning about the abortion and was not sure if I in fact was still going to be able to marry my fiancée. Attending the retreat helped me to recognize that she was the same person I had loved the day before I learned, and that if God had forgiven her, I needed to forgive her as well. Through counseling and direction we have been able to work through the many feelings and fears I had, and I feel confident we are now able to work on any issues that come up together, and move past them through the grace of God. I feel I am now able to love her the way God intended.*

Significant growth can also result from working through the pain together as a couple. For example, the spouse that was not involved in their husband's or wife's past abortion may choose to "spiritually adopt" their spouse's aborted child. This spiritual adoption can be a beautiful way to unite the couple as the family God intends them to be, as Steve recognized:

*I made the decision that this was part of what was brought to our marriage 'in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health...to love and honor...all the days of my life.' I take that vow seriously. We had to*

*make this journey together. ... I now look upon it that I have two sons, the one [whom] she conceived before we met, and the one we conceived together. Would it be any different if the child had lived and ... [were] here present in our lives? No!! The only real difference is that we have a child who is with God and who is working and praying for us.*

Abortion affects countless marriages more than many people recognize. But there is no doubt that God will bring great healing to those who trust in his infinite mercy. If a past abortion can be acknowledged and addressed, a married couple can make great strides in experiencing even more fully God's design that "the two shall become one" (Mt 19:5).

*\*The stories of Susan, Juan, Steve, Tina and Matt (their names are changed for their privacy) are just a few examples of the many marriages touched by abortion. To find out what pastoral resources for marriage may be available in your local area, contact your diocesan family life office. To find resources for post-abortion healing, visit [HopeAfterAbortion.org](http://HopeAfterAbortion.org).*

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Anonymous	18" Large Glass Vase
Anonymous	Monetary Donation
Anonymous	Freezer Meat
Anonymous	Solar Garden Angel & \$50 Hermillier Butcher Certificate
Beth Wolke	4 assorted Coco Bombs to make hot chocolate
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Carl Schierloh	26"X24" Wooden Barn w/Fence & 22"X18" Wooden Church
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	Frog Concrete Walking Stone
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Fr. Tony	Cincinnati Reds KnobShot Glass
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Glandorf Lumber	Monetary Donation
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Hunt Brothers Chocolate	Canister of Candy
Jim & Linda Langhals	Ceramic Replica of St. John's Church
K & L Ready Mix	2-5 Gallon Buckets of Concrete Sealer
Kahle Electric	5-\$20 Red Pig Gift Cards
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Lee Recker	Titan Outside Solar Garden Light, 2 crucifixes
Leo Schroeder	his special homemade wine
McElwain Industries	14" Black Metal Cross
Gary & Kathy Moening	Puzzle with 4 puzzle tray boards & Barbie Doll with 10 outfits
Mustard Seed	12" Infinity Cross & 3 Devotional Candles
Northwest Tractor Company	2440 Replica John Deere Tractor & John Deere-Opoly Game
Nutrien Ag Solution	Gift Certificate for 6 Bags of Lawn Fertilizer
O-G Family Dentistry	Monetary Donation
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PT Services	Gift Basket & Bag Chair
Ron & Marti Leopold	Archie Griffin Autographed Football & Ohio State Neon Light
Dorothy Osterhage	Afghan
Aaron & Joan Siefker	2 Brutus coffee mugs, Ohio State night light, Ohio State Shake n' Score game and puzzle
Rising Star Casino & Resort	Get Away
Ross Siefker	2021 Girls State Runner-Up Framed Basketball picture
Schnipke Builders	2-\$50 Red Pig Gift Card
Schnipke Inn	\$50 Schnipke Inn Gift Card
Scott Wagner Plumbing and Heating	Monetary Donation
Sherry Niese	2-6ft. Quilted Christmas Tree Skirts
Soc.of the Little Flower's Shrine in Darian, IL	- A blessed Rosary
St. John's	3 Seats for 4:00pm & 9:00pm Christmas Mass, 3-Seats for 10:30am Easter Mass
Sycamore Lake	case of wine
Terry Wenning	Buckeye bowl covers, casserole takeout cover, Lord Rejoice purse, Christmas pillow
The Scoop On Main	RAVE – Extreme-Terrain Hoverboard and \$20 The Scoop On Main gift certificate
Tucker's Pharmacy	Childs Game Gift Basket
Town & Country Flowers	Fall floral arrangement
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**OCTOBER 31, 2021 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

✠ **MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE** ✠

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1 All Saints**

8:00 AM Mary Lou Ellerbrock(CLC) (All School Liturgy)

**7:00pm Talk - Adoration by Fr. Cromly**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 All Souls' Day**

8:40 AM L/D Kleman/Burgei Families, Poor Souls, End of all Abortions,

For those suffering of any illness and COVID-19

**7:00pm Talk - Adoration by Fr. Cromly**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3 St. Martin de Porres**

8:00 AM L/D Edna Ellerbrock Family, End of all Abortions, For those suffering of any illness and COVID-19

**7:00pm Talk - Adoration by Fr. Cromly**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4 St. Charles Borromeo**

8:40 AM L/D Paul & Mary Louise Deters Family, End of all Abortions, For those suffering of any illness and COVID-19

2:00 PM Poor Souls – Meadows of Ottawa – Fr. Tony

**FIRST FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

8:00 AM L/D Bert & Irene Ellerbrock Family, Religious Freedom, End of all Abortions, For those suffering of any illness and COVID-19

**FIRST SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6**

8:00 AM Leona Kleman(AN)

8:30 AM Confessions

4:30 PM Ron Kahle Jr. (AN), Doris Ellerbrock, Dave Schmitz, Urban & Dale Warnecke, Alvin & Gertrude Schmitz,

L/D Bill & Evelyn Palte Family, L/D Ray & Helen Schroeder Family, L/D Harry & Leona Palte Family, Eleanor Vorst

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**\*\*Daylight Savings Time Ends\*\***

8:00 AM Jeff King(AN), Tobe Miller, Frank Tobe

10:30 AM John Gerdeman, Mass in Thanksgiving Leo & Dorothy Schroeder 50<sup>th</sup> Wed. An., Dean Shalter, L/D Ron Meyer Family

*In the reign of God love is essential. Loving God, self and neighbor is the basis of all Christian vocations. How do/will you choose to love? (Mark 12:28-34.*

*For this community that we may always love with our whole beings, we pray.*

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7** 1Kgs 17:10-16 Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44

**From the  
Desk of  
Fr. Tony**

**OCTOBER 31, 2021  
31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today we hear in the gospel, "One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: *Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.*"

Everything depends on loving God first. If we do not love him first then we cannot love others. By loving God, I mean that I have a natural tendency to want to pray. No one has to make me pray. I want to enter into communion with God. By loving God, I mean that I want to take care of my neighbor. No one has to force me to feed the hungry. I don't like to see people suffer and do without. Love means doing for the other and their betterment.

When people are without, I want to fulfill their need. If people need medicine, then I have a desire to help them get medicine. Not giving medicine to people in need because it is politically incorrect is evil. There are some medicines that are inexpensive and those medicines are withheld from people in need. Why? Because of greed. So people die because of the want for more money. This is the world we live in. Loving God means putting aside my wants to spend time with God and putting aside my wants to take care of other's needs. Even if my reputation in the world is tarnished. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

**GLANDORF ST. JOHN'S ST. BONIFEST - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, St. John's Parish Center from 3:00pm to Midnight. Thank you to all who signed up to help at St. Bonifest, who donated items and to all of you who supported and attended the St. Bonifest.**

Please enter festival through the gym lobby doors. Thank you all so much! God bless you all, Fr. Tony

**WEEKDAY SERVERS:**

Mon. 8:00 AM: Students  
Tue. 8:40 AM: Students  
Wed. 8:00 AM: Jeff Schram, Jerry Hanneman  
Thu. 8:40 AM: Students  
Fri. 8:00 AM: Ken & Paula Elchinger  
Sat. 8:00 AM: Abby Recker, James Niese, Libbie Niese

Next Sunday **NOVEMBER 7**

**SUNDAY SERVERS:**

Sat. 4:30 PM: Chase Faber, Brandon Warnecke, Abby Warnecke  
Sun. 8:00AM: Hayden Kaufman, Averi Kaufman, Owen Kidd  
Sun. 10:30AM: Zachary Birkemeier, Austin Birkemeier, Dylan Birkemeier

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**LECTORS**

4:30 Diane Recker Alicia Nussbaum	Carole Schroeder Kathy Schmitz
8:00 Mark Schroeder Tammy Schroeder	Nicole Ruhe Greg Ruhe
10:30 Jason Kleman Julie Pothast Choir-Tony Schroeder	Don Giesige Tony Schroeder

**COMMUNION TO MEADOWS:** Darlene Miller, Linda Schroeder

**SUNDAY GIFT BEARERS:**

Sat. 4:30 PM: Richard Schmitz Family; Sun. 8:00 AM: Tom Morman Family; Sun. 10:30 AM: Jr Kreinbrink Family

**NOVEMBER USHERS:** Sat. 4:30pm: Brian Grime, Richard Schmitz; Sun. 8:00 AM: Tom Morman, Tony Maag;  
Sun. 10:30 AM: Nathan Schroeder, Al Kaufman

**COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY:** 5

**ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY:** Paul & Linda Schulte

**NOVEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS:** Deb & Mike Ebbeskotte, Betty & Don Nienberg, Carol Kaufman, Diane Utrup, Steve & Deb Leopold, Linda Schroeder

**BANNS:** II **Amanda Siebeneck**, of this parish, daughter of Dean & Sharon Siebeneck and **Ian Richey**, of Lima, son of Steven & Kelly Richey

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISH FAMILIES:**

Nolan & Mikayla Niese and Zachery & Kristen (Duling) Collins and their daughter Kaitlyn

**WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED IN CHRIST:**

**Emmitt Scott**, son of Quinten & Jenna Wessell  
**Aylinn Marie**, daughter of Nicholas & Taylor Leatherman

**DID YOU KNOW?**

**Joseph Gerdeman** will celebrate his 88<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 31  
**Thomas Schroeder** will celebrate his 87<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 31  
**Ruth Rosengarten** will celebrate her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 2  
**Joann Hageman** will celebrate her 83<sup>rd</sup> birthday on November 6  
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY JOSEPH, THOMAS, RUTH and JOANN!**



**HOME TO GOD:** Please remember in your Masses and prayers the souls of **Marylou Clement-Geier & Rita Brinkman**. Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Carolyn Tobe** on the death of her loving sister, Marylou; and to **Ruth Rosengarten & Annie Meyer** on the death of their loving sister Rita.

**Attention Parishioners:** Fall clean-up at the cemetery is underway. Please remove all spring & summer flowers, etc. After November 3, 2021 all will be discarded. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Jeff Gerding, Cemetery Caretaker and Manager

**LEAF PICKUP** starts November 1 till November 26.

**Adult Faith Information**

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



Join Us for  
St. John's Parish Mission  
Given by  
Fr. Nathan Cromly  
November 1, 2, 3, 2021,  
7-9PM  
Talk - Adoration  
Free Will offering will be taken  
Location: 109 N Main St., Glandorf

**Fr. Nathan will be the main celebrant at morning Masses on Nov. 1, 2, 3 and will be available to talk with people after Mass.** Fr. Nathan is a speaker, writer, retreat leader, educator, founder of Eagle Eye Ministries, and St. John Institute (SJI). He has a weekly podcast titled *Dare Great Things for Christ*, has appeared on EWTN, and been interviewed on Catholic Radio. Fr. Nathan has a passionate concern for forming prayerful Catholic leaders which has blossomed into the National Leadership Network.

Born & raised in Toledo (with roots in Glandorf) he currently ministers in Denver, CO.

Above all else, Father Nathan is a Catholic priest. He has dedicated his priesthood to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and is humbled to serve Christ's people so long as God gives him the opportunity.

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**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THE FIRST SATURDAY** of the month, after 4:30 Mass on Saturday evening until 8:00 on Sunday mornings. Mark your calendars for Saturday/Sunday, November 6/7. Sign-up sheet is available on the register back in church this week. If you can't make it to church to sign in please call Kate Verhoff 480-236-7305.

**Glandorf St. John's Altar Rosary wish to thank all of the parishioners who donated baked goods, the businesses and individuals who donated door prizes, the workers, and to everyone who attended the ARS bingo/bake sale.** – The 50/50 winners on Sunday were: 3<sup>rd</sup> Diana Recker; 2<sup>nd</sup> Elaine Schroeder; and 1<sup>st</sup> Helen (Leon) Meyer

**SPIRIT & SONG** group practice will be Tuesday, Nov. 9, 6:30-8:00pm for the Nov. 13, 4:30 Mass

**LITTLE FLOWERS BAKE SALE** next Sun., Nov. 7, after the 8:00am Mass in the Glandorf City Building.

Glandorf C. L. of C. soup/salad luncheon at Julia's Barn, November 3 at 12:00 noon cost is \$10. RSVP by 10/30/21 to Alice 538-6616 come join us!

*"We are pilgrims, we live in a temporary inn, we are in transit and this is not our homeland." St. Gaspar del Bufalo*

**Grade School CCD Information**

**Diane Utrup, Elementary Coordinator** [stjohnsreled@bright.net](mailto:stjohnsreled@bright.net).

**Jr. High CCD Information**

**Message from Mindy Recker for Jr. High Coordinator** email at [stjohnsjrhighccd@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsjrhighccd@gmail.com)

**SPECIAL-K CLASS – Wed., Nov. 3, 6:00pm in Room 12 Parish Center**

***High School CCD Information***

**Message from Ruth Gerding Coordinator of High School CCD**

HS CCD will be on Wednesday night at 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM in church. Students should sit up front on St. Joseph's side.

We are blessed to hear Fr. Nathan Cromly speak at St. John's. Come and hear his talk and parents are encouraged to come as well. You won't be disappointed. All are encouraged to hear his talks on Monday and Tuesday as well.

Ruth Gerding, Coordinator of HS CCD. Any questions, please contact me at 567-204-1275

Reminder: If your child will be missing HS CCD, please contact Ruth Gerding at 567-204-1275.

7:00 – 9:00pm – Fr. Nathan Cromly talk – Adoration

***Youth Director***

**Message from Colleen Halker**

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Please remember to return your **envelope for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith**. Extra envelopes in racks in church vestibule.

**RCIA INTEREST** – Monday, Nov 1, 7:00 – 9:00pm **in church** - Fr. Nathan Cromly 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.

**Attention ALL MEN!!!!** Join us on for That Man Is You (TMIY)

**Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7pm-8:30pm in Cafeteria OR**

**Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 6am-7:30am in Cafeteria**

For more information, contact Mike Karhoff @

[mbkarhoff@bright.net](mailto:mbkarhoff@bright.net) or 419-796-0763.

**TMIY "THY KINGDOM COME"**

**The Kingdom of Comfort (Sat. 11/6, Wed. 11/10)** (session 8)

- Speaker: Kevin Wells
- The Type of Men We Need to Build the Kingdom
- The Hidden and Holy Life of Fr. Aloysius Schwartz
- Confronting the Kingdom of Comfort
- A Radical Embrace of the Gospel Message to Follow Christ
- Sacrifice, Prayer, and Untiring Service
- A Superabundant Fruitfulness

**ALL SAINTS' DAY** Mon., Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, is not a Holy Day of Obligation! However, there will be an All-School Mass at 8:00am on Monday. The students will be the ministers at this Mass. We welcome Fr. Nathan Cromly who will be celebrant at this Mass. Whenever there is an All-School Mass that day will be the only time students will be at Mass during that week. We will need the adult ministers on the other days. Thank you all so much!

**GLANDORF PRE-CANA I** (Marriage Prep) Sun., Nov. 7, in the parish center. For those who registered.

**FERVORINO** – *A parent's servitude begins at the moment of conception. The Lord is present in each of our acts of selfless service. "The greatest among you will be your servant." Children take our blood, genes, strength, name, patience and resources.*

**ALL SOULS DAY** – November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**PLENARY INDULGENCES FOR THE POOR SOULS**

- 1) Visit to a church praying The Apostles Creed & Our Father.
- 2) Visit cemetery praying for deceased.

Our St. John's Memorial Masses for our deceased parishioners will be Sat., Nov. 6, 4:30pm for the 2019-2020 and on Nov. 13, 4:30pm for our deceased member from 2020-2021.

**GLANDORF ST. JOHN'S NEW LIFE BOOK** - This weekend and all during the week you'll have a chance to place in our parish NEW LIFE BOOK the names of any loved ones who have died, especially within this past year since November 2<sup>nd</sup>. You'll find the papers up front on the railing in front of Mary's and Joseph's Shrine.

**Pancake & Sausage Dinner Election Night**- Tuesday, November 2

@Ottawa VFW 4:30-7:00PM. Adults \$7.00, Children \$3.00. Ottawa Boy Scout Troop 224

**Ottoville Rosary Altar Society Craft Show**- Saturday, November 6, 9:00am to 2:00pm in the Immaculate Conception Parish Center in Ottoville. Soups, sandwiches and desserts will be available. There will also be a 50/50 raffle (winner need not be present to win). Come enjoy a delicious lunch and browse the many talented vendors!

**BOX of JOY by Cross Catholic Outreach** – Holy Family Radio sponsoring the Box of Joy program for children suffering from severe poverty. Gift boxes and additional information are available in the back of church, and filled boxes can be returned there at any time up through Nov. 14th after 10:30 Mass.

**FIRST FRIDAY, NOV. 5**, 8:00 AM Mass, Novena, & Divine Mercy. **1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Public Adoration of the Eucharist closing with Benediction at 4:00pm.** Come and pray for the needs of our Church!

**FIRST SATURDAY, NOV. 6**, 8:00 AM Mass with confession following. Remember the all-day rosary. If you are in need of a sub for praying the rosary, there is a list of subs back on the bulletin board in the center vestibule.

**OTTAWA K. OF C. CHICKEN & FISH FRY** Fri., Nov 5, 4:30 – 7:00pm. Newsletters are in the rack back in church.

**The celebration of National Vocations Awareness Week November 7 - 13** is a good reminder to continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the ordained ministry and consecrated life in the Diocese of Toledo. Jesus said: “The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest” (Luke 10:2). We offer prayers this week that God will call many from our local community to labor with Jesus in serving the Church as sisters, brothers, and priests.

**Pro-Life Student Apologetics Day Announcement:** Calling all students and their pro-life advisors! Join the Diocese of Toledo Catholic Charities for a not-to-be-missed pro-life apologetics training event to kick-off the new Academy for Life! On Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, from 9am-3pm, ongoing series of events that will equip the next generation of men and women to confidently defend the dignity of every human life from conception until natural death. Our day will begin at St. Aloysius Catholic Church ([150 S Enterprise St, Bowling Green, OH 43402](https://www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org)), for Holy Mass at 9:00am. Check-in and refreshments to follow in the parish narthex. Light breakfast and catered lunch provided! To register, scan the QR code found below to sign up on Eventbrite, or email the Students for Life Coordinator, Allison Stump, at [astump@toledodiocese.org](mailto:astump@toledodiocese.org) for more details. See you there! [www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org)  
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**ST. MARY’S SCHOOL HARVEST BREAKFAST** - Adults \$10.00 Children \$5.00 (Carry out available)  
Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am until noon, St. Mary’s Parish Life Center, Leipsic, Ohio (Proceeds to benefit St. Mary’s School)

**OTTAWA K OF C HALL Chicken & Fish Fry** Fri., Nov. 5, 4:30 – 7:30pm

**OTTAWA STS. PETER & PAUL PARISH FALL FESTIVAL**, roast beef and chicken dinners on November 7th in the school cafeteria. Dinners will be served from 11:30am until 3:00pm. Adults \$12.00 and children under 12 \$6.00. Carry-Out dinners available for \$12.00 each. Other features include: Country store with crafts, baked goods, holiday items, games and raffles.

LEIPSIC—Registration for the first Putnam County Habitat for Humanity “Paint & Dip for Habitat” holiday craft workshop scheduled for Thursday, November 11, at 6 p.m. at The Leipsic Community Center, 120 E. Main Street, Leipsic. Participants will enjoy a variety of sweet and savory dips, crackers, cookies, and chips as they personalize a metal sign for a gift or to personalize their own house, mailbox or even their car. The workshop fee is \$40 and includes all food and workshop supplies. All proceeds will support Putnam County Habitat for Humanity. Register by calling our office at 419-523-9621, by delivering or mailing your name and contact information with the \$40 fee to: Putnam County Habitat for Humanity, 150 North Oak Street, Ottawa, OH 45875. You can also register online at [www.putnamohhabitat.org](http://www.putnamohhabitat.org) under “Upcoming Events”.

**Remember Those Who Have Gone Before Us- October 31-November 6**

Clarence T Heckman 10/31/77	Phillip W Gerding 11/3/04
Theresa R Pothast 10/31/78	Joseph A Nienberg 11/4/86
Hazel R Leap 10/31/13	Mary A Gerding 11/4/96
Mary Ann Laubenthal 10/31/20	Dean R Shalter 11/4/02
Gertrude M Drerup 11/1/05	Leona R Kleman 11/4/03
Norbert F Sager 11/2/88	Paul A German 11/4/15
Josephine Leatherman 11/2/91	Dorothy M Schmitz 11/5/87
Eugene F Miller 11/3/78	Bernard E Jerwers 11/5/12
Judith A Miller 11/3/78	Glenn L Deters 11/5/19
Rodger F Miller 11/3/78	Joann E Hooker 11/6/89
William P Miller 11/3/78	Elmer W Maas 11/6/99
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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!



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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 new dates for 2022 are **January 2, May 15 & September 18, 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 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** Glandorf St. John's will be having a 1—day class here in our cafeteria on Sunday, November 7, starting with the 10:30 Mass. This is a mandatory, 1-day class. Please register by calling the rectory.

**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:** Heritage Manor, Attn: Br. Jerry Schwieterman, C.PP.S., 24 N. Hamilton St., Minister, OH 45865

**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

**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 Ruth Gerding at 567-204-1275 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. Tony– pastor & Jodi Schroeder – Parish Council Pres.)