

## “Facing Fear with Faith”

“Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid” (Mt 14:27).

You may remember these words from only a few weeks ago, taken from the Gospel for the 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time. We heard of the Lord who, amidst a raging storm, came walking on the water, approaching the disciples who were in the boat. His message to them in the midst of the storm, is his message to us in the storm of this moment, indeed of these months.

It was just about one year ago in this column that I reflected on another passage from Matthew’s Gospel, remember? That one too was about a storm, and we were in the midst of the storm of the reported abuse and harassment of now former Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, the release of the Pennsylvania Grand Jury Report on the sexual abuse of minors, and the failure of some bishops to protect children.

Last year, I shared a well-known painting, Rembrandt’s “Storm on the Sea of Galilee,” and reflected on what a powerful image it was, with the reassurance that “Christ is in the Boat!”

Now, one year later, I’m sharing a lesser known image by a little known artist, of this other storm recounted by Matthew. This time, Jesus is not in the boat, but walking on the water toward the

disciples. We’re told when they saw him, they were terrified and cried out in fear.

The disciples were afraid! We are afraid: afraid of drowning in the polarizing messages of the media; afraid for ourselves or for our loved ones of getting sick or dying; afraid of the results of the upcoming election; afraid of the direction so many seem to be going; afraid of the increased violence and anarchy; afraid for our children and the reopening of school; afraid of going back to attend Sunday Mass; afraid of wearing or not wearing masks; afraid of so many things!



This summer, the fear of Covid-19 hit close to home as I had traveled to the Philadelphia area for some vacation time with family and friends. Soon after I arrived, I was informed that I had been exposed to someone who had tested positive, was to get tested myself, and needed to "self-quarantine." My vacation became isolation. I never got to see or visit with family or friends. Only after eight days did the results come back that I had tested negative. I experienced fear for myself and for those with whom I had come in contact. The fear was real. I came to understand more deeply the fear of so many of our faithful. But I found the only antidote to the fear was faith: faith that the Lord was in charge, faith that His will would be done, and faith that he would provide whatever grace I needed to confront whatever was to come.

These days, Jesus comes to us in the midst of the storm as he did to his first disciples, and offers this powerful word: "Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid."

Peter made bold to tell the Lord "If it is you, command me to come to you on the water." But once Peter saw how strong the wind was he became frightened and, beginning to sink, cried out "Lord, save me!" Today, realizing how paralyzing is the fear all around us, we might feel like we're sinking, but we take courage in the one who can save us, and we cry out with Peter "Lord, save me!"

On my Facebook page post in which I reflected briefly on this Gospel passage, someone left this insightful comment referring to Jesus: "He offered not only his word but he offered his hand to Peter. I will grab it and hold on for this scary ride."

The winds are strong and the storm has been raging, the Coronavirus, painful staff reductions, the loss of jobs, the inability to gather together, so many cancelled events, and now, the horrible crimes

leading to the arrest of one of our priests that have once again outraged and grieved us. The storm is raging. When we were in the midst of some storm in life, my Dad would often counsel us: "just be sure to keep your nose above the water line!"

Once Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, he said to him "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" Jesus desires us to face our fears with faith, faith in him which overcomes our doubts.

There's another image I want to share with you – from the perspective of Peter who, looking up from under the water, vaguely sees the figure of Jesus, and a strong hand and arm plunged into the water ready to pull him up! Jesus questioned Peter's faith, but he saved him. In the midst of all the storms raging around us, we need to ask ourselves whether we are concentrating on how strong the winds are, whether our attention is

turned to being frightened by all that is around us, or whether we're keeping eyes fixed on Christ, seeing his strong hand and arm plunged through the wind swept waters ready to pull us up, and whether we're reaching out to him with confidence. We can face fear with faith, or with doubt. Together, let's face our fears with faith.

These days, don't focus on the storms but on Christ Jesus, and with deep faith hear him say: "Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid."



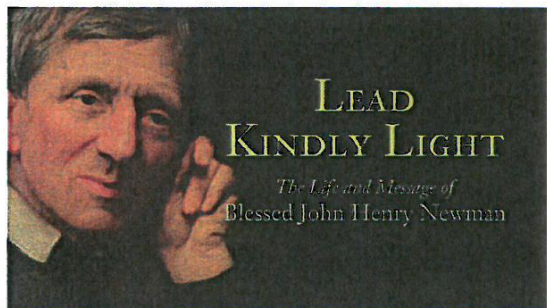
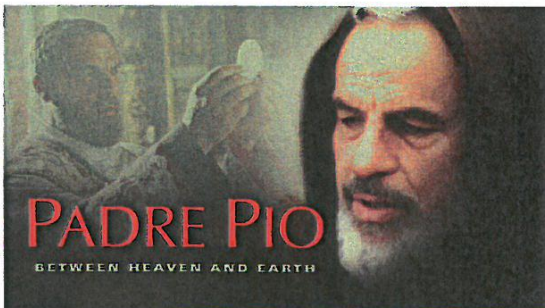
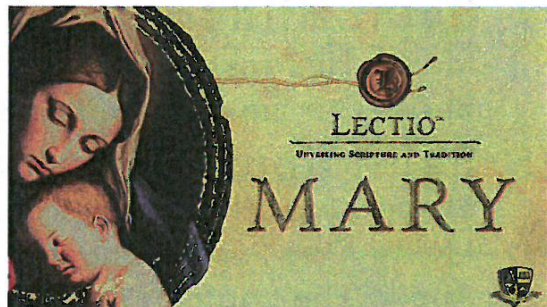
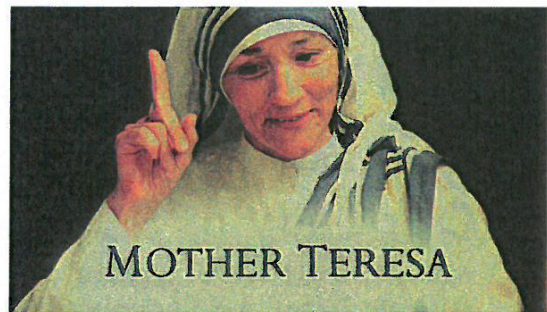
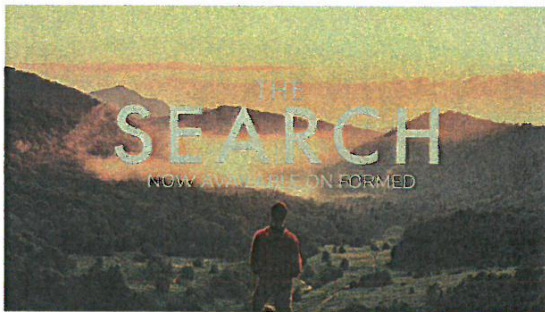
Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas  
Bishop of Toledo  
September 8, 2020



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## September 2020 Liturgical Calendar

- 9/5 Saint Teresa of Calcutta**  
Movie: Mother Teresa
- 9/8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Movie: Mary of Nazareth  
Movie: Mary: Handmaid of the Lord
- 9/15 Our Lady of Sorrows**  
Movie: Sorrowful Mysteries  
Audio: Drawing Strength from Our Lady of Sorrows
- 9/17 Saint Hildegard of Bingen**  
Movie: Hildegard's Gift  
Book: The Young People's Book of Saints
- 9/19 Saint John Henry Newman**  
Study: Lead Kindly Light  
Movie: One Step Is Enough  
Audio: The Logic of Being Catholic
- 9/23 Saint Padre Pio**  
Movie: Padre Pio: Miracle Man  
Movie: Padre Pio: Between Heaven and Earth  
Audio: Holiness Is Always in Season
- 9/29 Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael – Archangels**  
Movie: Defeating the Devil  
Movie: Power and Dominions  
Program: YDisciple: Hot Topics, Session 5: This Present Darkness  
Movie: FORMED Now! Discernment of Spirits

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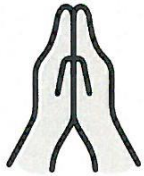


# SEPTEMBER

*pray for holy disciples*

We invite you to join in the diocesan-wide initiative to reconnect with our faith and one another during the months of September, October, and November. Each month will focus on a pillar of the Christian life with a specific intention from our diocesan prayer.

## HOW TO PARTICIPATE



### Pray

#### **Set aside 10 minutes per day**

Pray for the intention of holy disciples, particularly that the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo will become holier disciples.

#### **Make a Holy Hour**

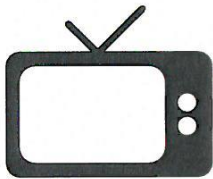
Check with your parish to see when Eucharistic Adoration is available or spend praying in front of the tabernacle.

#### **Learn the Diocesan Prayer**

Heavenly Father, with the redeeming cross of Christ Jesus your Son, and the gifts of your Holy Spirit, renew and strengthen us, so that by our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving we may foster Holy Disciples, Holy Families and Holy Vocations, so as to become a more Holy Diocese of Toledo. We turn to Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, for her intercession and never failing prayers. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Read a Catholic Book**

"Forming Intentional Disciples" by Sherry Weddell or "Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Mission" by John Wood.



### Read & Watch

#### **Go to [ReconnectToledo.org/september](https://ReconnectToledo.org/september)**

You'll find a collection of videos about discipleship.

#### **Sign up for FORMED.org**

Most parishes in the Diocese of Toledo have subscriptions for their parishioners! Resources to strengthen your faith include movies, children's programs, bible studies, sacramental preparation, and more.



### Reflect

#### **What does it mean to be a holy disciple?**

Being a holy disciple simply means loving God with all of our heart and striving grow closer to Him every day. This love for God overflows into everything that we do in life and illuminates our desires and priorities. Being a holy disciple ultimately brings peace and joy even in the midst of great suffering, because we continually learn how to offer the difficulties that we face to God in union with Christ. May God continually make Himself known to us in the midst of all of the circumstances of our lives, and may we always respond with ever more love for Him.

*Check back in your bulletin each week for a new reflection.*

*Reconnect*  
navigating Catholic life through a pandemic

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

‡ **MASS INTENTIONS/SCHEDULE** ‡

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

8:00 AM Louie & Mary Ellen Halker, End of all Abortions, For those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 Our Lady of Sorrows**

8:40 AM Fred Schroeder, End of all Abortions, For those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian**

8:00 AM Tim Bockrath (AN), End of all Abortions, For those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

6:30 PM – 8:15 PM Adoration

7:00 – 8:15 PM High School CCD in the parish center

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 St. Robert Bellamine**

8:40 AM Adrian Utrup, Mass in Thanksgiving Deacon Don 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Deacon, End of all Abortions,

For those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

8:00 AM In Thanksgiving John Kreinbrink, End of all Abortions, Religious Freedom,

For those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

12:00 PM Rosary for our Nation

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 St. Januarius**

8:00 AM Poor Souls, End of all Abortions, For those suffering of any illness and protection against COVID-19

8:45 AM Confessions

4:00 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Kenneth Kleman, Fr. Lou Osterhage, Cindy Van Loo, Urban Lauf (AN), L/D Maag/Sager Families,

L/D George & Mary Kuhbender Family, Jerry Schmitz, L/D Jim Unterbrink Family

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM L/D Gary Wiechart Family, Dorothy Riepenhoff

10:30 AM Lynn Schroeder, L/D Tobe/Ellerbrock Families, Dennis Schroeder, Angie Schumaker

6:30 PM Dick Coressel

*The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion. Are you following in Jesus' footsteps? Pray for the grace to forgive. (Psalm 103) For those who suffer from a hardened heart, may they be touched by the gift of mercy and compassion, we pray.*

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, September 20** Is 55:6-9 Phil 1:20-24, 27 Mt 20:1-16

**From the  
Desk of  
Fr. Tony**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13  
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We hear from the book of Sirach today, "Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail." Actually, anger is one of the seven deadly sins. Where does anger come from? When we do not get what we want, this could spark anger within us. When anger is left unchecked, it can destroy us. Anger can be very selfish. Those who always want to get revenge on others, will suffer the Lord's vengeance. God is watching our thoughts, actions, and words in detail. No hiding from God.

We also hear from Sirach, "Remember your last days, set enmity aside;

remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults." Remember that you are not getting out of this world alive. God does not want us to hate our neighbor. God wants peace and reconciliation between us. Jesus tells us in the gospel to forgive seventy-seven times. If we forgive others then God will listen to our prayers and show mercy to us. But we may think to ourselves, "I have a right to be angry at this person." But my question is "When will you forgive them?" Will you keep holding onto anger because this person deserves your anger?" We want to be on God's side. We must obey his commandments if we want a good and fruitful life. The money you make at work will not give you a fulfilling life. Only Jesus can give true life. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

Note from Fr. Tony,

Missalettes will be available for you to use at Mass. If you take one please don't let it in the pew. Please bring it home and bring back with you each week. If you already picked up a missalette please bring to church and take home with you afterwards until restrictions are over then please disinfect and bring back to church. These missalettes are good until November 28.

We will have hand sanitizers at the doors of church.

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

**Please remember the rules to stay at least 6 feet from each other, if you have any symptoms of sickness (flu, cold or any other sickness) please do not (do not) go to church. Please stay home and pray. Stay safe and keep others safe. The church will be disinfected.**

**Diocese has directed ministers to not distribute communion to the home bound until September 1st. Unless there is another change by diocese.**

**Jesus, Mary & Joseph please keep us all safe.**

**Fr. Tony Fortman, C.P.P.S.**

**WEEKDAY SERVERS:** **Mon. 8:00AM:** Mary Ellen; **Tue., 8:40AM:** Eddie Duling; **Wed. 8:00AM:** Jerry Hanneman; **Thurs. 8:40AM:** Bob & Jackie Luttfiring; **Fri. 8:00AM:** Ken & Paula Elchinger; **Sat. 8:00AM:** Roger Schroeder.

**SUNDAY SERVERS:** **Sat. 4:30PM:** Jackie & Bob Luttfiring; **Sun. 8:00AM:** Cliff Schroeder; **10:30AM:** Gene Warnecke; **6:30PM** Elton Schroeder

**NEXT SUNDAY – September 20**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**LECTORS**

<b>4:30</b> Doug Deitering Diane Deitering	Sharon Meyer Cari Homan
<b>8:00</b> Deb Leopold Steve Leopold	Andy Gray Deb Schroeder
<b>10:30</b> Julie Grismore Jane Moening	Mindy Recker Edna Nienberg
<b>6:30</b> Jon Leopold, Laura Wagner Tony Schroeder, Cliff Schroeder	Tony Schroeder Janet Schroeder

**NEW MINISTER SCHEDULE WAS E-MAILED OUT**

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

**SEPTEMBER SUNDAY USHERS:** **Sat. 4:30 pm:** Nicholas Lehman, Bruce Schroeder; **Sun. 8:00 am:** Elton Schroeder, Joe Schroeder; **Sun. 10:30 am:** Nathan Schroeder, Al Kaufman; **Sun. 6:30 pm:** Michael Siefker

**COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY:** 7

**ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY:** Andrea & Craig Niese

**SEPTEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS:** Cliff & Janet Schroeder, Suzanne & Bill Brinkman, Ken & Paula Elchinger, Evelyn Palte, Don & Elaine Inkrott, Dan & Judy Siefker, Rachel Nienberg

*We were having trouble with YouTube. It is now be up and running with the new link below live on St. John the Baptist Catholic Church – Glandorf Facebook, **NEW LINK** click on [https://youtu.be/H1ys-Rg\\_NX4](https://youtu.be/H1ys-Rg_NX4) and on our website click on the “View Live” button and on Glandorf Cable Channel 3 to see all the Masses, services and prayers. Thank you!*

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

**Every Friday there will be a rosary prayed at noon in church for our nation.** Please come and pray during your lunch hour!

**PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS** next Sun., Sept. 20, 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in **room 15** in parish center presented by Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling St. John's 419-538-6928. Stop by rectory to pick up your book. **Next class will be in 2021. Watch front of bulletin for dates**

*“In a garden there is a variety of flowers; the same can be said of vocations.” St. Gaspar del Bufalo*

**Adult Faith Information**

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

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**CONGRATULATIONS** to Deacon Don Inkrott on his 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Deacon on September 17

**BANNS:**

**I Jamie Saum**, of St. Joseph's, Ft. Jennings, daughter of Daniel & Jean Saum & **Derek Ebbeskotte** of this parish, son of Randy & Sherri Ebbeskotte  
**II Danielle Schroeder** of this parish, daughter of Charles & Linda Schroeder & **Cody Bockrath**, of this parish, son of Danny & Angela Bockrath

**GOD BLESS THE NEWLY WEDDED:** Parker & Megan (Kuhlman) Siebeneck

**CONGRATULATIONS** to George & Marciel Schroeder on their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding Anniversary!



**HOME TO GOD:** Please remember in your Masses and prayers the soul of **Wilma Hohenbrink**. Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Terri Niese & Ruth Drerup** on the death of their loved one, Wilma.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

**Norbert Bockrath** will celebrate his 89<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sept. 14  
**Rita Maas** will celebrate her 83<sup>rd</sup> birthday on Sept. 15  
**Rosemary Gerdeman** will celebrate her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sept. 21  
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY NORBERT, RITA & ROSEMARY!**

**Message from Bishop Thomas:** Kindly remind the faithful that they continue to be dispensed from their obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice. Those who are elderly, sick, or in a high-risk category are strongly encouraged to refrain from attending Mass.

**THE GLANDORF ALTAR ROSARY BINGO & BAKE SALE IS CANCELLED FOR THIS YEAR.** We would like to thank all of the merchants who donated in the past and to all of you who always came out to support us. Hope to see you all next year, on October 17, 2021. Mark your calendars!

*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)

**CONFIRMATION CHANGE TO NOTE:** Due to social distancing requirements, the Confirmation Mass scheduled for Sunday, October 11th will NOW BE AT 2:00 pm INSTEAD of 10:30am. Please note the change and let the sponsors know.

*High School CCD Information*

**Message from Ruth Gerding Coordinator of High School CCD:**  
e-mail me at [stjohnshsccd@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnshsccd@gmail.com)

**High School CCD Wednesday, September 16, 7:00- 8:30pm.** Please wear your mask. We will be using hand sanitizer, social distancing and cleaning the rooms as recommended.

Parents, if needing to register your child for HS CCD yet this week, please do so at <https://form.jotform.com/201256540673149>

My contact number is 567-204-1275  
Ruth Gerding, Coordinator of HS CCD

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

*Colleen Halker Youth Director* [colleen\\_halker@yahoo.com](mailto:colleen_halker@yahoo.com)

**Thank you to all who helped with the Park Fest Mass last weekend!** Fr. Tony, Deacon Don, the decorating committee, janitor, the Spirit & Song Group, and all of the ministers. We greatly appreciate all of your help! God bless you good and faithful servants of Jesus and St. John's Parish family!



Kindergarten will attend Mass on Mondays starting Sept. 14.

**RCIA** - Mon., Sept. 14, 6:00 – 7:30pm in the cafeteria in our parish center. **Topic for Sept. 21:** The Journey of Faith-Trinity, Faith & the God Who is Love - These sessions are open to all interested persons – those wishing to become a Catholic and for Catholics who wish to update themselves. We welcome you. If you are interested please call the rectory. 419-538-6928 to sign up.

**THAT MAN IS YOU!!** Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be?

**TMIY "ALL THINGS NEW", YEAR 8, Is Starting Saturday,**

**September 19th, 6am-7:30am in the cafeteria** Please wear a mask. Week 2 - The Road to Emmaus

- Speaker: Dr. Scott Hahn
- Finding God's Mercy in Everything
- The Most Amazing Bible Study in All of Salvation History
- How Our Lord is Revealing His True Presence
- Our Eyes Are Opened by the Breaking of the Bread
- How God Fuels Us to Become Saints
- See How Our Conversion is Daily and Lifelong

**FERVORINO** – *Unable to forgive another, means we are holding onto a past wrong and hoping for a better past. That is not going to happen. We must move on with our life by accepting we were unjustly treated and it will not be corrected. We aren't condoning the injustice. We just don't let it control our lives any longer. Forgiveness is critical to living a healthy life in the present.*



**GRANDorf Drawing** will be today, Sun., September 13, no coffee & donuts will be served. Next drawing will be Sun., October 11.

**UPDATE - Glandorf St. John's St. Bonifist October 31st 2020.** We have decided to cancel the 3:00 – midnight festival for this year. We will not be having the wedding style meal. Instead we will use the beef that was donated as raffle and reverse drawing prizes. We would like to thank our steer donors for still donating the beef! This year we decided to have a Chicken BBQ meal carry out only, Reverse Drawing, Raffle and 50/50 tickets. Everything else will be cancelled for this year. Please watch the mail for your raffle & 50/50 tickets. If you haven't had a reverse drawing ticket (\$60) in the past and would like to have one this year please call the rectory 419-538-6928. Thank you all so much for your generosity.

**Area Blood Drive Coordinator is needed.** If you are interested please call Stephanie Crumrine 419-538-6380.

The Diocese of Toledo is launching a faith initiative for the months of September, October, and November. The goal is for all members of the faithful to take part. Each month will focus on a pillar of the Christian life with a specific intention from our diocesan prayer. In September, we will *pray* for the intention of *holy disciples*. In October, we will *fast* for the intention of *holy families*. In November, we will *give alms* for the intention of *holy vocations*. *Here at Glandorf St. John's we have adoration every Wednesday from 6:30 – 8:15pm in church. Please come to pray a Holy Hour for Holy Disciples.*

#### SAVE THE DATE

##### 2020 Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries

Reached our **100 limit** capacity for the Anniversary Mass Celebration at Rosary Cathedral. Celebrating couples will still receive an Anniversary Certificate so please continue to register. This event will be live streamed, couples you may participate via live stream. To watch or to register for a certificate please visit: [www.toledoanniversarymass.org](http://www.toledoanniversarymass.org). Certificates will be mailed out to couples in November. Congratulations on your milestone wedding anniversary! The Diocese of Toledo will honor you and other couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60-plus years of marriage.

**National Day of Prayer & Fasting** - We invite the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo to join Father John Riccardo in prayer and fasting for God's mercy on our land and the healing and conversion of our hearts on September 24, 2020.

First Saturday, Oct. 3, 2020 at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine, 4106 State Route 269 (7 miles south of Bellevue on Route 269), Bellevue, OH 44811. Starts at 10:00 am with the Confession, 10:30 am with the Rosary and 11:00 am Mass. Please join us! Fr. Harry would love to see you!

**Knights of Columbus Announcement:** Please welcome Jeremy Kuhlman as the new Knights of Columbus field agent/financial advisor for the Ottawa Knight of Columbus chapter. The field agent's role is to assist catholic families with financial security. The Knights of Columbus offer Whole Life Insurance, Term Life Insurance, Disability Insurance, and Long-Term Care insurance. And coming in early 2021, the Knights of Columbus will be offering mutual funds approved by the catholic church. Contact Jeremy at 419-615-0963 to a life of financial security.

#### Our seminarian, Eric Kaufman's Address

Eric Kaufman, The Athenaeum of Ohio, Mount St. Mary's of the West Seminary, 6616 Beechmont Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45230

**Ottoville Immaculate Conception Parish Festival will be October 4, 2020** –Drive-thru for our popular Chicken and Beef dinners from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Presale tickets ONLY, at a cost of \$10ea includes chicken and beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, noodles, green beans, coleslaw and dinner roll. Tickets can be purchased at the Immaculate Conception Parish Office weekdays between the hours of 8am-3pm, or call the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513 to make other arrangements, or after any weekend Mass in Ottoville! Final day to purchase meal tickets is September 20<sup>th</sup>! The Big Ticket drawing tickets are available at this time at the parish office also, or after any weekend Mass in Ottoville! New this year, 3 Early Bird Drawings for \$100ea after 10:30am Masses Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, & 27<sup>th</sup> and your tickets must be in the office by 3:00 the Friday before to be included. Festival day Big Ticket drawing is at 3:00 and includes \$1500, \$500, \$250 & \$200. The popular bucket Raffle Booth has a lot of great items available for you to win! You may personally stop in the Parish Office during business hours to view the items in our large Fitness/K of C room, and purchase tickets at the same time! The Fitness/K of C Room will also be open using the west side entrance to view the items & purchase tickets on Wednesday evenings September 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, & 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 6:00pm-7:00pm. And again Tuesday September 29<sup>th</sup> and October 1 from 5:00-7:00. Also for about an hour after 4:00 & 10:30 Masses September 19/20, 26/27, & October 3. October 4<sup>th</sup> during festival Carry outs, the Raffle Booth will be open from 11:00 – 2:00 and the drawings will take place at 3:00. Get all your tickets soon! Just call 419-453-3513. Thank you for supporting Ottoville Immaculate Conception Parish!

**Remember Those Who Have Gone Before Us-Sept 13-19**

Norman O Hoyt 9/14/87	William Hooker 9/16/08
Rudolph O Schroeder 9/14/97	Timothy R Bockrath 9/16/12
Marie Meyer 9/15/82	Jean Ann Rosengarten 9/16/19
Arnold A Maag 9/15/11	Ferd S Roof 9/17/84
Genevieve A Nordhaus 9/16/81	Mary E Jancauskas 9/17/08
Claude B Rothman 9/16/84	Eric Joseph Recker 9/19/85
Margaret J Maag 9/16/88	Theresa A Buddelmeyer 9/19/00
Harry L Palte 9/16/90	Margaret M Schmenk 9/19/00
Paul C Deters 9/16/92	Marcella M Recker 9/19/01
James J Ricker 9/16/02	Harry E Stechschulte 9/19/04
	Thomas A Ruhe 9/19/13

**Mustard Seed Gift Shop is open and will resume normal business hours. Tues, Thurs, & Fri 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Wed 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Sat 8:00 a.m. - 1:00pm**

**- No more than 5 customers in store; Stay 6' apart; Wear a mask**

**Please follow all CVID – 19 safety guidelines**

**Customer Appreciation Week** starting Tuesday, September 22 - Saturday, September 26, 2020. Come in and SAVE 10% ON YOUR ENTIRE PURCHASE! For more information, "Like" Mustard Seed Gift Shop on Facebook, visit them at [www.mustardseedgiftshop.com](http://www.mustardseedgiftshop.com)  
**Store 419-538-7220**

**Brenda Maag 419-235-3106**

**Julie Barlage 419-303-5366**

**STEWARDSHIP**

**August 30<sup>th</sup> Collection**

Adults \$7,073.00 Auto Electronic Giving \$1,750.00

Loose \$808.00 Children \$40.00 Total: \$9,671.00

**August 30<sup>th</sup> – Adults/Children \$1,444.00 Loose \$199.10**

Monthly Auto W/drawl Online: \$ 4500

**Ottawa Food Pantry:** Cereal, breakfast bars, hamburger helper type meals, boxed potatoes, tomato sauce, deodorant, jelly/jam, snacks (crackers, chips, etc.) Note: Monetary donations are likewise welcome during this pandemic. Send to Trinity United Methodist Church, in care of Sandi Racer.

**Thank you for your willingness to help the less fortunate!**

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



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**MARY ELLEN HALKER**

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**MINDY RECKER**

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**LORI RUMP**

Pre-School Administrator/Lead Teacher

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**MARK KAUFMAN – Parish Center**

**LOUIE HALKER – Church**

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**COLLEEN HALKER**

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**MUSTARD SEED**

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**UNDERCROFT**

**538-6332**

**GLANDORF ELEMENTARY**

**538-6880**

**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 class will be **Sunday, Sept. 20th, from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in room 15, in the parish center** - presented by Deacon Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling rectory.

**ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY** at Noon on First Fridays of the month.

**WEDDINGS** The Toledo Diocese requests all dates be set at the rectory at least 6 months in advance. **Pre-Marriage Class required.** Parties who recently joined our parish who do not live within our parish boundaries, or who do not belong to a family already registered in the parish; need to be aware that we cannot schedule a wedding date until six months after the time of registration. The normal six-month preparation period would apply from that point. Normally only parishioners and those related to our parishioners marry here. Any other person needs prior permission of his/her pastor.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS** The Diocese of Toledo has a marriage preparation class, entitled “A Joy-Filled Marriage.” This is a mandatory, two-day class. St. John’s class will be November 7 & 8, 2020.

**DO YOU HAVE YOUR LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT COMPLETED? DID YOU REMEMBER YOUR PARISH, ST. JOHN’S?**

**SACRAMENTAL RECONCILIATION: PENANCE** Saturdays 8:30am & 4:00pm.

**Br. Jerry’s address: Br. Jerry Schulte, C.P.P.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 CYO HIGH SCHOOL & PUTNAM COUNTY GRADE SCHOOL BOY’S & GIRL’S SPORTING TEAMS**

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** Playing any sports this year? You are expected to attend both the Fall & Winter sessions of High School Religious Education Groups or Grade School CCD Classes---plus weekend Saturday or Sunday Mass. This includes all players, coaches and their families. Attendance at these groups/classes will be monitored and reviewed. For each class missed (which is not an excused absence) you will be sitting out one game.—**To play CYO sports, the following are the only excused absences from CCD: sickness, death in family, college visitation day, parish sponsored event, sport tournament games only with O-G athletes/fans involved, and work (up to 3 missed CCD classes due to work). After the third absence due to work, the player is not permitted to play in a game until he/she returns to CCD class.** All other reasons are unexcused. Parents, if your child is sick, please call his/her teacher/leader before class. If necessary, the Parish Council will review attendance or unexcused absence issues on an individual basis. We kindly ask the cooperation of all concerned as we implement this church policy for the good of our parish. (Fr. Tony– pastor & Brenda Recker – Council Pres.)