St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Missionaries of the Precious Blood St. George Deanery

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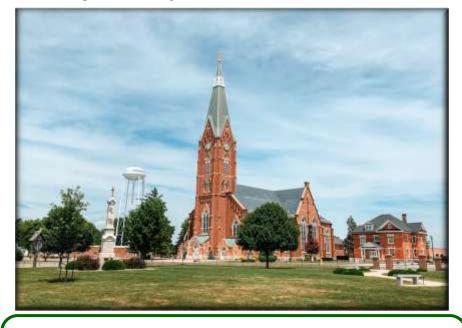
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Lynette Schroeder

Altar Rosary Society President:

Sharon Mayhew

Men's Society President: Derek Maag



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.

WANT TO GET **INVOLVED** IN OUR PARISH?

- If you are interested in becoming a Lector, Extraordinary Minister, Usher, Funeral Server. Choir, Spirit and Song Group and any other way.
- If Interested in becoming a member on our Finance Committee or Parish Council Committee. Please call the parish office for more information and to be put on the next ballot. Call or email the Parish Office.

PARISHIONERS

- **New Members**
- Any status or address
- To keep informed, register for Bulletin and Parish Notifications by email or visit St. John's website Call or email the Parish Office

DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS

All players must be members of the sponsoring parish and/or educational system of the parish in order to participate on that parish's team.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH POLICY FOR HIGH SCHOOL & GRADE **SCHOOL CYO SPORTS**

Is your child playing a CYO sport this year? Please note the following expectations:

High School Students:

Players are expected to attend both the Fall and Winter sessions of High School Religious Education Groups and attend weekend Mass on Saturday or Sunday.

Grade School Students:

Participants must regularly attend Grade School CCD classes and weekend Mass on Saturday and Sunday.

This policy applies to all players, coaches, and their families participating on any Putnam County Grade School Boys' & Girls' CYO teams.

Attendance will be monitored and reviewed.

- After four missed classes, each additional absence will result in the player sitting out one game.
- If your child is ill and cannot attend, please notify Jenn Warnecke at 419-302-8465 via call or text before class. We appreciate the cooperation of all families as we uphold this parish policy for the spiritual and communal good of our youth and parish.

Fr. Matt & Mary Ellen Klear

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MATT September 28, 2025

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In our walk of faith, we are encouraged to read the Bible and we read the Bible for various reasons. We read the Bible for the sake of study, reading God's word helps us to understand, know, and be familiar with God. We read the Bible because it can help us with what is going on in our lives. We turn to the Bible when we are facing a difficult time and need some comfort. I think of at funerals we hear the words from Ecclesiastes "There is a time and place for everything" (Ecclesiastes 3:1). Or we might hear Jesus say, "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28).

Just as we can hear words of scripture that comfort us and help us to feel good, sometimes we also can read words of scripture that challenge us and make us feel just a little uncomfortable. When we read scripture, we typically do not think of it making us feel uncomfortable and if does we might think it is a bad thing. But when we are comfortable there is really no need for change in our lives or need to do things differently. But having that feeling of a little uncomfortable or uneasiness can get us to think, can get us to do something different. In our scriptures today we have a story that makes us feel a little uncomfortable. Today as we hear the story of Lazarus and the rich man it is story when think about it can leave us feeling uncomfortable. As I think of the two characters in this story Lazarus a poor man with a name given and a rich man whose name is not given. As I think of these two characters, I think I share more in common with this rich man and I must admit I do not want his end to be my end. We hear that the rich man dressed in purple and fine linen, and Lazarus had sores. I typically do not dress in purple, and I do not have sores that dogs come and lick. But I have plenty of nice clothes to wear each day, a matter of fact at times I would like to think I have an overabundance of clothing and some of it at times can fit a bit snug. I do not think of myself as dining sumptuously each day like this rich man, at times you could say I am like Lazarus desiring my fill of scraps from the rich man's table. Lazarus desired the scraps of food for his survival. I have desire for food from the rich man's table not because it is needed for my survival. I must admit

that I am fed well, I do not go hungry very often and if I do it is not for very long. I desire my fill from the rich man's table because I picture the food to be picture perfect, stimulating the senses. I am curious to know what the food would taste like.

Both the rich man and Lazarus die. The rich man after he dies goes to a place of punishment and Lazarus to a place of reward. What caused the rich man to be sent to a place of punishment? Our scriptures do

not give us the answer, but I venture it was because Lazarus was right in front of him in need of help and did nothing to help him. To avoid the place of punishment like the rich man, who are those people in front of us that need our help that we are not helping?



ABOUT OUR PARISH

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29~Sts. Michael & Gabriel

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Joyce Sispera - change

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30~St. Jerome

8:15 am Rosarv

8:40am Communion Service- Deacon Don -change

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1~St. Therese

7:15am - 7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am L/D Richard (AN) and Jeanette Heckman Family

8:30am-9:15am 7A Penance

7:45-8:15pm Confession

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2~The Holy Guardian Angles

8:15am Rosary

8:40am Thomas Riepenhoff

2:00pm Mass at the Meadows of Ottawa~Poor Souls

First FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

7:15am - 7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am L/D Gilbert & Marcella Morman, L/D Mel Hedrick Family

12:00pm Rosary

1:00pm-4:00pm Adoration/Benediction

6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal ~Kelsie Salisbury

First SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4~St. Francis of Assisi

7:35am Rosarv

8:00am Joann Kahle

8:30am Confession

8:30am-4:00pm All Day Rosary

1:00pm Schnipke/Niese Wedding

4:00pm Confession

4:30pm Bob & Carolyn Warnecke, L/D Joe Karl Jr. Family,

L/D Fuerst/Niese Family, Brian Schmitz

5:30pm-11:59pm Adoration

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5~27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

12:00am—8:00am Adoration

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Joyce Sispera

9:00-10:15am OCIA meeting - Snacks - Dora Hunt

9:00am - 10:00am Holy Hour concluding with Benediction

10:30am Dana Vorst, Erford Oedy(AN), Karen Otto,

Debra Fortman Bryant

11:30 am Baptism

12:30 pm Blessing of Animals

		SERVERS			
Mon Tue	8:00am 8:40am	Adult Servers-TBD			
Wed		Jerry Hanneman, Jeff Schram			
Fri	8:40am 8:00am	Students Gary Recker, Roger Schroeder			
Sat	8:00am	Cooper Schey, Daniel Karhoff, Emmett Karhoff, Kaylen Duling			
Sat	4:30pm	Mattilyn Maag, Adam Maag, Aubrey Leopold-Thurifer-Ethan Weis			
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Sun	10:30am	Caleb Pufer, James Niese, Gra Schroeder	ant Maag, Thurifer-Grant		
		EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS		
Sat	4:30pm	Diane Recker Alicia Nussbaum	Carole Schroeder Kathy Schmitz		
Sun		Mark Schroeder Tammy Schroeder	Nicole Ruhe Elizabeth Ruhe		
Sun		Jason Kleman Julie Pothast	Abby Nussbaum Tony Schroeder		
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OCTOBER USHERS

4:30pm Kevin Ellerbrock, Alex Ellerbrock Sat Sun 8:00am Tom Morman, Tony Maag 10:30am Mitch Gable, Charlie Schroeder

COMMUNION TO MEADOWS: Gene & Rose Warnecke

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 1

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Cliff & Janet Schroeder

OCTOBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Jeff & Jeanne Schram, Ginnie Riepenhoff, Bertie Hermiller, Mike & Judy Niese, Lee & Diane Recker

EXCITING NEWS! ST. JOHN'S PARISH

For those that were not able to join us on Sonday Fun Day, your parish pictorials will be available for pick up after all the Masses this weekend, September 27th and 28th.

BOOK WITH YOUR NAME ON IT. THANK YOU

Remember, if you submitted a picture or ordered extra pictorials, you owe \$25.00 f each book. Your books will also be available for pick up after all the Masses. Someone will be there to collect your money.

NEED YOUR HELP!

We are in need of a lector at our 8:00am Mass on the 2nd Sunday of the each month.

If you feel called to this ministry or would like more information, please contact the parish office by the end of July by phone or email.

Let God lead you—your parish needs you!

OCTOBER MASS COUNT 2025

We need to report Saturday and Sunday Mass attendance to the Toledo Dioceses. Starting next weekend Saturday, October 4th and 5th, the ushers will count all people present at every Mass. This will includes servers, Fr. Matt, Deacon Don, choir & babies in arms. Thank you very much!



PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP	Se	eptember 21, 2025
<u>Offering</u>		
Loose	\$	778.00
Adult Envelope	\$	7,905.00
Children	\$	134.50
Maintenance	\$	240.00
Online Offering	\$	2,233.00
Online Maintenance	\$	169.00
Preschool	\$	515.00
Assumption	\$	10.00
Catholic University	\$	31.00
Total Collection	\$	12,015.50

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

Give Online Today!

Visit our website to get the E-Giving Form to fill out and return to the Parish Office. It is located in the left side above the Menu options. www.stjohnglandorf.org

Heartbeat needs Diapers - size 3, size 5 or 6, Formula—any kind is helpful, Baby wipes.

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.



Perpetuate the Gift

Please give in support of Our Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund. If you want to contribute, the envelopes are located in the back vestibules on either side.

Thank you for your support!

PRAYER CALENDAR

C.PP.S. major superiors monthly prayer request October: Iberian Province

September prayer for Precious Blood vocations

Lord God, You called St. Gaspar del Bufalo to renew the Church through the ministry of the Word and the proclamation of our selvation in Christ's Precious Blood. Continue to call men and women to share in that mission as brothers, sisters, priests and Companions who respond to the cry of the Blood in our world today. Give them the graces they need to answer the call and live as your ever faithful servents. We ask this in the name of Jesus who shed his Blood for us. Amen.

Blood of Christ: Hope of the World

Prayer for the 2025 General Assembly of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

Compassionate God, we give you thanks and praise for your wonderful, yet suffering creation, as we share the healing and reconciling presence of the Precious Blood of Jesus, your Son.

Open our eyes and enlighten our hearts so that we may know what is the hope to which You have called us, the hope that does not disappoint.

Reawaken our desire and commitment to serve Your holy people as we journey together, fellow pilgrims on the Way of Your Kingdom.

May the wisdom and anointing of your Holy Spirit rain down upon us as we discover visionary commitments and leaders, who in the spirit of Saint Gaspar and Blessed Giovanni Merlini, will empower our congregation to be a dynamic force for renewal in the Church.

As we raise the cup of salvation, and call upon Your name, may we then pour out our lives each day to advance that "new order of things that Christ brought about in the shedding of his Practious Blood."

Amen.

October prayer list

- 1. Fr. Seraphine Lesiriam
- Fr. Fred Licciardi
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- 4. Fr. Matthew Link
- 5. Pray for vocations
- 6. Fr. David Matz
- 7. Br. Charles McCafferty
- 8. Fr. Jack McClure
- 9. Fr. Timothy McFarland
- 10 Fr. John Mencsik
- 11. Fr. Mark Miller
- Pray for living and deceased C.P.S. members
- 13. Fr. Alfons Minia
- 14. Fr. Charles Mullen
- 15. Rev. Joseph Nassal
- 16. Fr. Loi Huu (JohnVianney) Nguyen
- 17. Fr. William Nordenbrock
- 18. Br. Terrence Nufer
- 19. Pray for those in formation
- 20. Fr. William O'Donnell
- 21. Fr. Edward Oen
- 22. Fr. Andrew O'Reilly
- 23. Fr. Mark Peres
- 24. Fr. Lac Pham
- 25. Hao (Paul) Pham
- Pray for living and deceased Companions and Amici
- 27. Ky (Joseph) Phung
- 28. Fr. Kenneth Pleiman
- 29. Fr. Franklin Rayappa
- 30. Br. Nicholas Renner
- 31. Br. Robert Reuter

Please Include them in your prayers

OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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

MARY ANN HERMILLER

WEDDING BANN

III Aubrey Schnipke, of this parish, daughter of Steve & Misty Schnipke & Connor Niese, of Sts. Peter & Paul, son of Kevin & Connie Niese

II Megan Kosch, of this parish, daughter of Brent & Jane Kosch & Jacob Clark, of Our Lady of Victory, son of Marten and Tina Clark

Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us

The past 20 years

Richard L Kindle 9/28/07 Kenneth A Heckman 9/28/18 Dolores T Recker 9/29/01 Mary Christine Chia 9/29/15 Karen S Fortman 9/30/13 Richard J Heckman 10/1/06 Richard F Birkemeier 10/2/23 Daniel Stechschulte 10/3/12 Joseph A Karl Jr 10/4/14

2025 GRAND-orf Club

2025 GRAND-orf Club drawing will be **October 12th** by **Andrea and Doug Giesige** with Coffee and Donuts after the 8;00am and 10:30am Masses. Extra tickets are in

the racks in the Church vestibules.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

We want to warmly invite all parents to join us for our upcoming Baptism Class! Whether this is your first child, second, third, or beyond, there is always something new to learn about this beautiful sacrament. We also encourage parents to invite their chosen godparents to attend the class. This class is only required for parents for their first child. PARENTAL BAPTISM CLASS (by Mike and Becky Karhoff)

Parish Center Room 15 9:00am –10:30am Upcoming classes:

September 28, 2025, January 11, 2026, May 17, 2026, September 27, 2026

MARRIAGES

Please contact the Parish Office six months in advance to start planning your wedding. A marriage preparation class is required.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS (REQUIRED)

1-DAY CLASS organized by Dr. Craig and Wendy Imm in the Parish Center Cafeteria Sunday, November 2, 2025 at 8:00am

RECONCILATION (CONFESSION)

Wednesday 7:15am –7:45am, 7:45pm-8:15pm Friday 7:15am—7:45am Saturday 8:30am, 4:00pm—4:15pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

HOLY ORDERS AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Contact the vocation office at the Toledo Diocese at 419-214-4945 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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 6:30pm—8:15pm 1st Friday 1:00pm—4:00pm with Benediction 1st Saturday 5:30pm - 8:00am

INITIATION OF ADULTS INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA/OCIA)

Is a journey through which interested adults and older children are welcomed and gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic Faith, Sacraments, Worship and way of life. In response to their inquiries, these people are properly instructed so that you can discern (through reflection and prayer) whether you are indeed called to Catholicism. If you would like more information or want to register please contact the Parish Office. The next session will start in the fall.

Catechism Corner

Catholic Social Teaching – Caring for Those in Need

The past two weeks, the Sunday Mass readings have focused on our responsibility to take care of those who are in need with the material, monetary and spiritual gifts that have been given to us. How we live and act as a Catholic Christian is defined by theological principles (principles based upon God's teachings). Once we embrace principles, we are led to action and that action directs our choices. Principled people always stand for something. They know what they believe and are willing to stand by it. This is where our faith comes alive...when we act on it in love of our neighbor. In James 2: 14-26, James tells us, "What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well," but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? So also, faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead."

Our response to those in need is outlined in our Catholic social teaching principles. This is a collection of Church teaching that is designed to reflect the Church's gospel-driven social message. That is to see the dignity in each human person, as made in the image and likeness of God, and meet their physical and spiritual needs. Who are those in need? The poor (homeless, hungry, abused, addicted, lonely, poor in spirit, etc...), the sick (those with terminal illness, mental illness, those in hospitals or nursing homes), widows, orphans, those who are childless, or lost a child, the marginalized (immigrants, imprisoned, disabled, etc). Catholic social teaching states people have a fundamental right to life and what's necessary for human decency: food, shelter, health care, education, employment. When people lack the basic necessities to live a life of dignity, their fundamental rights are being denied. Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) #2419 states: "The Church receives from the Gospel the full revelation of the truth about man. When she fulfills her mission of proclaiming the Gospel, she bears witness to man, in the name of Christ, to his dignity and his vocation to the communion of persons. She teaches him the demands of justice and peace in conformity with divine wisdom."

Recognizing and protecting the sanctity of human life and human dignity is the foundation of all social teaching because each human being, created by God, has been redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. Here at St. John's, our Outreach Ministry works to address these needs. Their three pillars are visiting the sick (going to the nursing home and homebound), promoting life (supporting Heartbeat, the Angel Tree during Advent, providing materials to put rosary's in the Boxes of Joy, and combating human trafficking by supporting Sisters for Shelter in Toledo), and evangelization (supporting our CCD program and helping kids to attend Damascus Catholic Summer Camp, and sharing the Faith at the Putnam County Fair booth). They are able to fund these services by hosting whole hog breakfasts here at St. John's. Check the bulletin for their upcoming events and consider joining them or supporting them by attending their events or offering prayers for success of their ministry. Contact Deacon Don Inkrott for more information or how to get involved!

Indifference to the pain and suffering of others has no place in our Christian society. We are all one human family, and we are all responsible for the well-being of one another, regardless of nationality, race, ethical, ideological or economic differences because Jesus' face is in each person. As St. Teresa of Calcutta pointed out, when we judge others worthiness, we have no time to love them.

1 Peter 4: 8-10 "Above all, let your love for one another be intense, because love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."

AROUND THE PARISH



Attention ALL MEN!!!! Join us on for That Man Is You

Saturday, Oct 4th, 6-7:30am in the Cafeteria or Wednesday, Oct 1st, 7-8:30pm in room 22.

For more information, contact Mike Karhoff

@ mbkarhoff@bright.net

BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART" - The Five Traits of Authentic Leaders



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OCIA Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

OCIA is a process to introduce non-Catholics, or non-Christians to Christ and the teachings of the Catholic Church. The goal is to lead others into a personal relationship with Christ and a conversion of heart from a life of sin to a life of grace. We assist them in being fully initiated into the Church - if Christ leads them down this path. Inquirers can start at any time throughout the year, whenever God is calling.

Contact Mindy Recker for more information. Rectory #419.538.6928 • Cell # 419.615.8926



CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT

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



Just Show Up and Fill Your Cup

Beginning Saturday, September 13th, 2025

St. John the Baptist Parish Center - Room 15

8:45 AM (following the 8:00 AM Mass)

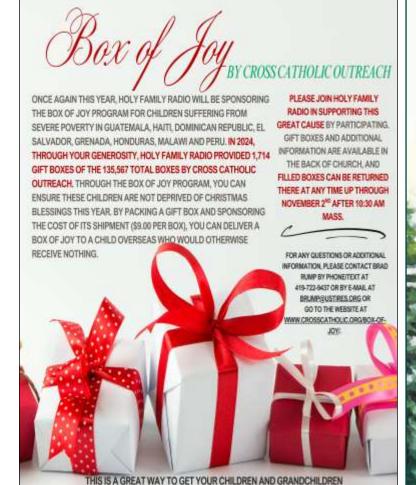
Join us for fellowship, faith, and inspiration each

Saturday morning!

September Topics:

- September 13th: Catholic Speed Friending Meeting
- September 20th: Finding Peace Through Silence and Stillness
 - 👃 Guest: Christine Schroeder
- September 27th: The 7 Sorrows of Mary
 - Guest Speaker: Reagan Godsil

Come as you are - grow in faith, friendship, and community. 🔉



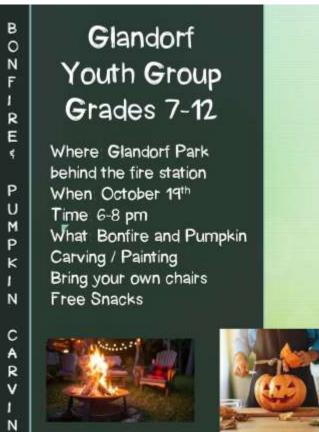
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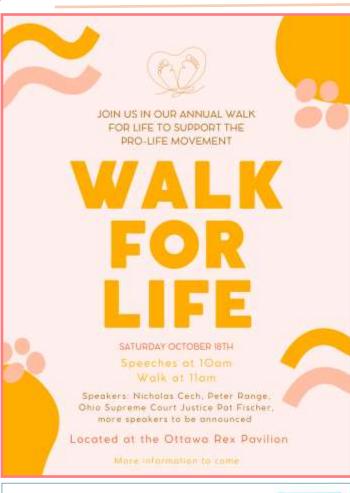






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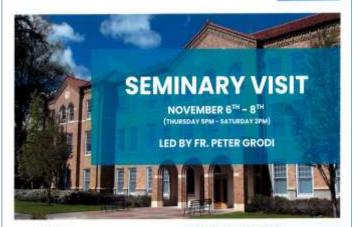
Visit us at: www.newmanconnection.org





FOR COLLEGE AGE AND YOUNG ADULT MEN





WHAT IS IT?

Join Fr. Peter Grodi and young men from around the Diocese for a three-day visit to Sacred Heart minary in Detroit to see what it is like to live the life of a seminarian studying for the priesthood. We will depart together from St. Thomas More Parish in Bowling Green on Nov 6th at Spm and return by 2pm on November 8th,



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WHAT WILL WE DO?



Prayer

Join the seminarians for their normal schedule of prayer



Get a taste of a normal day of study for a seminarian.



Socialize

Eat, hangout, and play with

Questions? Want to donate for the trip? Email fr.petergrodi@sttomsbg.org



MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT

with Father David Kidd, Director Office for Diocesan Priestly Vocations

November 21, 2025 5pm -November 23, 2025 1pm

DeSales Retreat Center 1198 DeSales Drive, Brooklyn, MI 49230



For Catholic men, ages 18 to 35, who are open to considering a call to the priesthood or religious life.

This day of reflection is an opportunity for young adults to learn practical methods of prayer and discernment that will help them better understand God's plan for their life.

For more information, contact:

Father David Kidd, Diocese of Tolerlo Office of Diocesan Priestly

didd@toledodinoese.org 419-214-4945

To register, contact:

419-214-6923



10 AROUND THE AREA



The Ottawa Food Pantry, located at Trinity United Methodist Church in Ottawa, consists of 6 local churches. It includes the Catholic churches of Kalida, Glandorf, and Ottawa, and Ottawa's Lutheran, Presbyterian, and Methodist churches. Since there are six churches, each church takes care of 2 different months. St. John's months are April and October. Seeing that it will soon be our turn again, we need your support (volunteer hours). The Food Pantry is epen to needy families on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, this coming month being Oct. 14 and Oct 28. There is prep work to be done on the Mondays before these dates, as well, but no clients come until Tuesday moming. Here is a rundown of what happens each day and where we need YOU.

MONDAYS Preparation Days (9:30 – 12:30)

Get empty boxes from local businesses (to carry each family's groceries)

Pick up food order from Lima Food Bank (Need a pickup truck and a trailer)

Unload and put away food from the Lima Food Bank (Men are needed, for the cases and boxes are heavy.)

Set up tables in Trinity's assembly half for distributing eggs, butter, produce, bread, pastry items, refrigerated items, slightly expired items, etc... Set up chairs for waiting clients.

Sort, check expiration dates, and put away items that have recently been donated (for example-anything from the box in the back of our church)

TUESDAYS Distribution Days (9:30 - 2:00)

Stand behind the tables set up on Monday in the assembly hall (control how much each client can take/ restock as the tables empty).

Walk along with clients, perhaps pushing their carts for them and filling their boxes, as they choose items from our "choice pantry". It is called a choice pantry because the room is set up like a small grocery store, and clients choose what they want. We control the amount they take, depending upon the size of their family. For example, a large family may take 5 canned vegetables, 3 fruits, 1 ready-to-eat soup and 1 condensed soup, 2 meat packages, 1 baking item, etc. (A clipboard with the amounts each client can take of each category is provided for you, and you check off each food group as it is chosen.)

Stay in the choice pantry and restock shelves as certain items get low.

Carry out and load food boxes into customers' cars.

Make lunch for the Glandorf volunteers

Clean up the assembly half (put leftover food away, stack chairs, put tables back in their original places, stack and store remaining boxes, wash down the tables, clean up the kitchen from lunch, etc.)

NOTE: Glandorf St. John's is also in need of a person/couple willing to:

Attend 3 – 4 meetings per year, along with representatives from each church, to make decisions for the pantry and to keep each parish informed of any changes being made.

Call to remind/line up parish volunteers.

Write thank you notes to generous donors.

Periodically submit church bulletin announcements.

Is there any capacity where you would be willing to help? If so, Contact Annette McKee at 419-615-8699 or ammckee53@yahoo.com.

WE NEED YOU!

Faith and Fellowship!

Putnam Heritage Assisted Living, at 1380 N. Locust St. Ottawa, is "Open to the Community":

Chapel Available to the Community:

The Divine Mercy chapel, including a weekday rosary at 10:30 am, is open to serve the faithful of the community.

FUN and FREE Community Fellowship:

Tuesday evening fellowship events start at 6:30 pm and end at 8:00 pm with ready-to-serve-yourself beverages. For ANYONE and EVERYONE, ages 15 and up.

Tues., Sept 30 Improv Games

Tues., Oct 7 American Sign Language Class - I

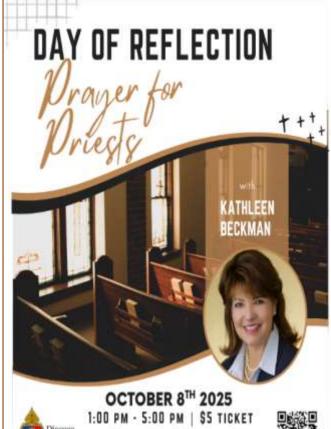
Tues., Oct 14 American Sign Language Class - II

Tues., Oct 21 Euchre Tournament

Tues., Oct 28 "Hillbilly" Card Bingo



For more information, visit putnamheritage.com/events/



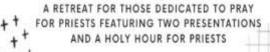


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Putnam County 🐇 Council on Aging October Activities



Date	Event	Time	Location
10-2-25	Bingo	1:00pm	Fort Haven Apartments, Fort Jenn
10-7-25	Medicare Bingo	10:00am	Kalida Fish and Game, Kalida
10-8-25	Diamond Art	10:00am	Putnam County Council on Aging, Ottawa
10-9-25	Apples to Apples	1:30pm	Continental United Methodist Church, Continental
10-15-25	Pelvic Floor Health	10:00am	Vaughnsville Community Center, Vaughnsville
10-17-25	Bingo	10:00am	Putnam Heritage Assisted Living, Ottawa
10-20-25	Hospice Fraud Pres.	1:30pm	Putnam County District Library, Ottawa
10-22-25	Tour of Clymer Museum	10:00am	Clymer Museum, Columbus Grove
10-28-25	Euchre Tournament	10:00am	Church of the Good Shepherd, Columbus Grove
10-29-25	Sips and Scams	9:00am	The Nook Cafe, Pandora
10-30-25	Harvest Hoedown	10:00	Fogel Center, Leipsic











Call us to learn more or to RSVP! 419-523-4121 or Toll Free 877-796-1760

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Sunday November 30 at the PLC

Coffee and lea with Friends

Prayer and Praise

800 Evening Concludes

Would you be willing to set a beautiful table and fill it with ladies you love?

> Hostess are responsible for a table at the event. They decorate it, provide finger foods, and invite the ladies who will sit with them. A guide will be provided. Call the office to volunteer



AROUND THE AREA & GENERAL INFORMATION

Springs in the Desert, a Catholic infertility ministry, is hosting monthly meetings to accompany women struggling with infertility and loss.

Save the Date: We will be having a guest speaker on October 2nd during our regularly scheduled 7:30 pm meeting in the St. Joseph's church basement. Edward Luersman, MA, LPCC is the owner of Blessed Are They Grief Counseling, and will be joining us to offer his unique perspective as a counselor on various topics related to the hidden grief of infertility.

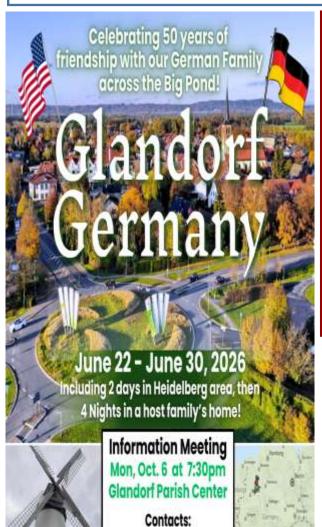
All women of the parish & surrounding parishes are invited to join us. *You do not need to have attended any previous meetings- new faces are welcome at any time! *

For more information, contact Laura Tenwalde at (419)303-5752. It is our honor to walk with you!

2025 OUTDOOR ROSARY RALLY

Please join us at a public rosary rally in honor of our Lady of Fatima at 12:00 noon on **Saturday October 11, 2025 at Continental St John the Baptist Church.** We will pray for the repentance and conversion of our great nation, asking God to save America through the rosary of his most Holy Mother.

Please bring your own lawn chair. If you have any questions contact Joyce Verhoff at 419-601-5566 or ronjoyceverhoff@gmail.com



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own Chase Maag in his Eagle Scout project funding for a chicken BBQ on Sunday Oct 12th 11.30-2.30 all drive thru, how convenient! Rear of Glandorf Parish Center. You can text Chase @567-376-5382 or get tickets at the scoop on main or the Bombshelter! Your support is greatly appreciated!!



oid 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 QR code:

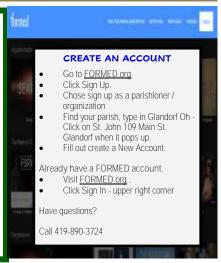
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CATHOLIC COUNSELING SERVICES

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.



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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

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Lazarus and the Rich Man

In today's Gospel Jesus tells a parable about a rich man and a poor man. While they were alive, the rich man had everything he wanted. He feasted every day and was never hungry. Meanwhile Lazarus, the poor man, lay in the rich man's gate, always hungry and sick. Even the dogs came to lick the sores on his body.

Once the men died everything changed. The rich man went to Hell. He got what he deserved for thinking only of himself while he was alive. Lazarus, on the other hand, went to be with Abraham in Heaven. He had suffered so much while he was alive, but now he was perfectly happy.

The rich man wanted a drop of water to cool his tongue but Lazarus couldn't help him. He found out what happens if you only think about getting the best for yourself. What does this story make you want to do for the poor and suffering people around you?



Mave on Front: now can't cross from Heaven to Hell or vise-verse Answers to Sort-out-the-pictures: Top: 6.3 Middle: 1,4 Bottom: 5

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Saint Francis of Assisi









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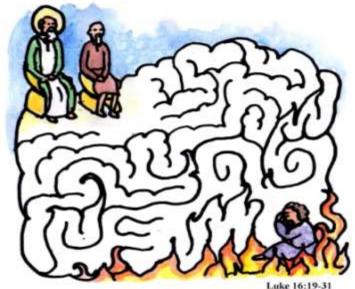


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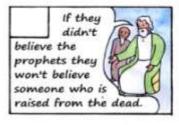
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 28th, 2025



In Jesus' parable, the rich man asks Abraham to send Lazarus to him with a drop of cool water. But can Lazarus cross between Heaven and Hell? See if the maze will let him cross.

Sort-the-Pictures

Lazarus and the Rich Man













In this story are Lazarus, the rich man, and Abraham. The pictures are not in order, though. Can you put the numbers from 1 to 6 in the corners to show their proper order?

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THANK YOU FOR COMING OUT AND/OR SUPPORTING SON DAY FUN DAY THIS YEAR!

Thank you to all our St. John's ministries and area businesses for their amazing raffle baskets and donations. Thank you to the Glandorf Park Board for allowing us to use several items, to Joe and Deb Schroeder and Ed and Tammy Schmitz and their team for selling tickets and organizing the reverse raffle, to the Ottawa-Glandorf Jaycee's for cooking hamburgers and frying French fries. Deacon Don and team for making an amazing turtle soup and shrimp Kabobs, to 1820 BrewWerks, to the finance and parish council for organizing and running the drinks, to Mindy Recker for organizing the Saint Parade and all the students who dressed up and participated in the Saint Parade (We had such cute Saints!) to the Little Flower group (lead by Heather Haselman) for organizing the crafts, to the Preschool teachers for participating in the open house, to the high school students and adults for volunteering and helping at the event, to everyone who brought in the delicious bake goods for the Bake Goods Wheel and Altar Rosary members for working the booth, to Paula Siebeneck for advertising the event, to Stacey Bennett and helpers in the ticket room, to Joe Schroeder for making sure we had electricity, to Joe Schroeder, Mark Kaufman and team for setting up the fencing around the property, janitorial staff, and especially to the SON day Fun Day Committee lead by Tara Gerding and the committee (Ashley Duling, Cheryl Schimmoeller, Tim Sarka, Mindy Recker, Tammy Schmitz, Nichole Schroeder, Joe Schroeder, Lori Rump and Michelle Horstman) and their loving families for supporting them.

Thank you to everyone who came out and/or supported this event!



50/50 Winners

1ST place - Jason Kleman 2nd place - Barry Maag 3rd place - Loreen Ruhe

Beef Raffle Winners

Chris Meyer, Darla Daniels, Charlie Schroeder, Blake Walker, Ginnie Riepenhoff, Marilyn Ellerbrock, Tim & Sarah Faber, Hank Krendl

Pork Raffle Winners

Donna Utrup, Carl Morman, Carrie Krendl, Jean Meyer

WINNERS

REVERSE RAFFLE

1ST place - Kathy & Gary Moening 2nd place - Mary Rose Ellerbrock

3rd place - Connie Dehnart 4th place - Fr. Tony Fortman

5th place - Tony Mever

\$100.00 winners throughout drawing

Tim Sarka, Mark Wehri, Louise Ellerbrock, Roy Schroeder, Jim Uphaus, Gary Recker

Pew of Choice Winners

Shana Duling, Mandy Glenn, Kim Lammers, Cheryl Schimmoeller, Beth Hempfling, Curtis Miller, Dustin Siefker, Brad Maag, Tim Faber, Nichole Schroeder, Luke Recker, Emily Fischer, Elizabeth Maag

Raffle Basket Winners

Ken Horstman, Paige Frey, Marlene Kleman, Phyllis Vorst, Marti Leopold, Cindy Schroeder, Tim Hoehn, Stacey Bennett, Elaine Inkrott, Barb Siefker, Chad Inkrott, Jason Miller, Brent Vorst, Mary Rose Ellerbrock, Kim Lammers, Doug Kimmet, Emily Kempf, Linda Schroeder, Melissa Meyer, Joel Nussbaum, Tammy Schmitz, Travis Duling

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