# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church



Missionaries of the Precious Blood St. George Deanery

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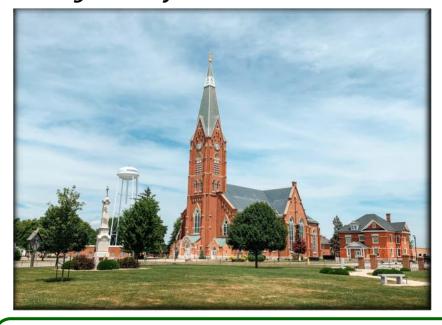
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Lynette Schroeder

**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 changes
- 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

www.stjohnglandorf.org

Have you ever signed up to do something and you thought you knew what it was you signed up for and then discovered it was something different? Have you ever agreed to do something that you thought would be easy and it turned out to be not as easy as you thought? Or have you been asked to do something that you thought seemed to be impossible and hard, something that you were not capable of doing but you agreed to do it and discovered that you could do it and it was not as hard as you thought? If you answered yes to any of these questions asked above, you might be entitled to, you might be a disciple of the Lord.



Our scriptures today are about an invitation to discipleship and the invitation to discipleship that we are given is not is not what you think of in being a disciple of, Jesus says "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whover does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:26-27). To be Jesus's disciple we are told that we are to hate our family and ourselves, and we are to take up our cross, to hate is the exact opposite of what we think of being a disciple of Jesus. When we think of being a disciple of Jesus, we normally think it means that we are to love. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to love as Jesus loves not as the world loves. In our scriptures today we hear from Paul's letter to Philemon. In this letter Paul is in prison and

Philemon has sent Onesimus his slave to serve Paul's prison sentence for him. As much as Paul would like Onesimus to serve his prison sentence instead Paul sends Onesimus back to Philemon. Paul sends Onesimus back to Philemon no longer as his slave but as his brother, his equal. Paul calls for Philemon to welcome Onesimus back as if he was Paul. Paul calls on Philemon to love the way Jesus does.

Like Paul challenging Philemon to love like Jesus by a different way, sometimes in our call to discipleship we can be called on to love by a different way. As I think of responding to my call to discipleship to love in a different way I am reminded of about six months in January before I left Dayton, it was either on Tuesday or Wednesday I just got done celebrating noon Mass at St. Joseph. A gentleman who worked at a homeless shelter came up to me and said, "I need a priest to celebrate

Mass at the homeless shelter when can you come?" I thought to myself there is not away to say no here. I looked at my calendar and I said that I could come on Thursday. So, on Thursday I celebrated Mass at the homeless shelter chapel and after the Mass the gentlemen said I would like a priest to come celebrate Mass at least once a week. I said Fridays would be a good day for me to come and so the last six months when I was in Dayton on Friday mornings, I celebrate Mass in chapel at the homeless. Let me tell you celebrating Mass in homeless shelter is a much



different experience than celebrating Mass here in Glandorf. But it is also about response discipleship, it is about responding to a call to love like Jesus. May we respond to the call to discipleship may we love the way Jesus does.



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## ABOUT OUR PARISH

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Communion Service- Deacon Don

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9~St. Peter Claver

8:15 am Rosary

8:40am Mel Verhoff (AN), Deb Hovest Keeler, Brother Jerry Schulte

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

7:15am - 7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Fr. Gene Schnipke

6:30pm-8:15pm Adoration

7:45-8:15pm Confession

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

8:15am Rosary

8:40am Mary Jane Hunt(AN)

5:45pm Mass (Serra International Club)

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

7:15am - 7:45am Confession

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Alice Siefker, L/D Norm Liebrecht Family

12:00pm Rosary

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13~St. John Chrysostom

7:35am Rosary

7:30am L/D Brian Kidd Family

#### 8:30am Confession - cancelled

4:00pm Confession

4:30pm Margaret Gillette, L/D Leland Meyer Family,

Don & Alice Siefker, Blanche Stechschulte

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14~ The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

7:35am Rosary

8:00am Judy Schroeder, Tim Bockrath,

L/D Larry & Ginny Kirkendall Family, Denny Horstman,

9:00-10:15am OCIA meeting - Snacks - TBD

10:30am Anne Schroeder, L/D Ralph & Louise Hageman Family,

L/D William & Jeanne Luttfring Family,

L/D Alfred & Mary Verhoff Family

#### **THANK YOU**

A warm heartfelt THANK YOU to Jeff and Elaine Gerding for keeping our Shrine looking spectacular and also to everyone who helped with the Shrine Mass last weekend! Fr. Matt, Deacon Don, Knights of Columbus, the Choir and Spirit and Song, servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers, the decorating committee, Mark and Lori Klausing, Mindy Recker and to everyone who helped us put it all away and the Park Board for providing the tent and the sound system. We greatly appreciate all of you! God bless you good and faithful servants of Jesus and St. John's Parish family

THANK YOU to Ken Elchinger, Eddie Duling, Wayne Duling, Dave Hunt, Lauryn Bockrath and Katie Schroeder for playing guitars and Mary Jo Bockrath for playing flute, Ginny Riepenhoff for keyboard as well as members of the Adult Choir, Youth Choir and Spirit and Song Group for the music at Park Fest Mass.

**THANK YOU to** Jerry Kleman for the trumpet music at 10:30am Mass.

**SERVERS** 

Mon 8:00am No Mass Tue 8:40am Students

Wed 8:00am Gene & Rose Warnecke

Thurs 8:40am Students

Fri 8:00am Ken & Paula Elchinger

Sat 8:00am Austin Bockrath, Andrew Schroeder, Connor Schimmoeller,

Kaitlyn Kuhlman

Sat 4:30pm Lauren Weiss, Ethan Weis, Sam Warnecke
Sun 8:00am Isaac Ansley, Ty Wrasman, AJ Siefker

Sun 10:30am Lochlan Brinkman, Hannah Brickner, Logan Birkemeier

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS LECTORS** 

Sat 4:30pm Steve Brown Reagan Miller

Sharon Brown Morgan Miller

Sun 8:00am Deb Burwell Diane Nienberg

Gretchen Schmitz Doug Karhoff

Sun 10:30am Tara Gerding Janet Schroeder

Rose Ellerbrock Jay Rump

#### **GIFT BEARERS**

Sat 4:30pm Ushers or ask a family Sun 8:00am Ushers or ask a family Sun 10:30am Ushers or ask a family

SEPTEMBER USHERS

**Sat** 4:30pm Ray Diemer, Steve Brown, Noah Emmons, Sam Warnecke,

Chase Maag

Sun 8:00am Bryan Kaufman, Amy Kaufman Sun 10:30am Barry Maag, Ken Horstman

COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY: 7

ROSARY NEXT SUNDAY: Tim & Mer Lehman

SEPTEMBER FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Bill & Suzanne Brinkman,

Cliff & Janet Schroeder, Ken & Paula Elchinger, Don & Elaine Inkrott,

Dan & Judy Siefker, Rachel Nienberg



Parental Baptism Class Sunday, September 28, 2025

from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, in Room 15 in the parish center presented by Mike and Becky Karhoff

Pre-register by calling St. John's Rectory 419-538-6928.

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.



#### **Missionary Pulse**

The latest issue is here, featuring our very own priest! Copies will be available at all the exits this weekend.

# PRAYER AND STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP	August 31, 2025				
<u>Offering</u>					
Loose	\$ 2,296.76				
Adult Envelope	\$ 7,270.00				
Children	\$ 52.00				
Maintenance	\$ 715.00				
Assumption	\$ 30.00				
Online Offering	\$ 2,233.00				
Online Maintenance	\$ 169.00				
PreSchool	\$ 40.00				
Black & Native American	\$ 250.00				
Catholic University	\$ 55.00				
Total Collection	\$ 13,110.76				

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.

#### 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.

**JEAN KILLEN** 

#### Pray For Those Who Have Gone Before Us

#### The past 20 years

Norbert J Gerding 9/7/06 Richard J Lauer 9/7/17 Wilma A Hohenbrink 9/7/20 Quinton C Schmenk 9/8/16 Henry J Verhoff 9/9/14 Melvin W Verhoff 9/9/15 Esther E Recker 9/9/24 Ruth J Brown 9/10/04 Clifford D Stehlik 9/10/08 Rick E Young 9/10/08 Mary Jane Hunt 9/11/12 Leon Sager 9/11/14 Karl J Meyer 9/12/01

#### 2025 GRAND-orf Club



2025 GRAND-orf Club drawing will be September 14th by Andrea and Doug Giesige their will be no Coffee and Donuts, but their will be a meet and greet for Deacon Mike Karhoff after the 10:30am Mass. Their will be light refreshments provided. Extra tickets are in the racks in the Church vestibules.

# SPONSOR A FOR A CCD STUDENT HERE AT ST. JOHN'S

# Your Sponsorship Could Help a Child Come to Know the Word of the Lord!

The hope is for each student in grades 5-8 to receive their own Bible to use in their religion studies, and to keep as their own, so they may foster a love for the Word of God that grows with them. To make this fruitful, your help is needed! Would you like to contribute a monetary donation to sponsor a bible for a child? (One bible cost \$34.) If you'd like to sponsor a child with a bible, please fill out your name and address below, and drop this form off, along with your donation, in the collection basket or to the rectory. After school starts, you will be given the name of the child you are sponsoring and a note from them in return. We would also ask for you to pray for the child, as they will be encouraged to pray for you as well. If you have any questions, please contact St. John's Religious Education Department at 419.538.6897. God bless you!

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# **AROUND THE PARISH**

#### SACRAMENTS

#### **BAPTISM**

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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

#### **Understanding OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation for Adults**

This coming Sunday, OCIA will begin in our Parish. There are currently four adults seeking to discover more about being a Christian through the lens of our Catholic Faith. What a gift to see the Holy Spirit still vibrant amongst us and calling others to come to know Him more!

With the start of this journey, let us take a moment to see what this beautiful process is about. To begin, OCIA is a process for initiating people into the Faith, rather than a program. The process is individualized, just as those inquiring each have their own individual spiritual journey. The amount of time it takes an inquirer to become fully initiated depends on many factors. It may be easiest to liken the process to a love story. When two people meet, they take time to get to know one another. The amount of time they take varies from one couple to another, depending on their backgrounds and commitment levels. For some, they come to know each other rather quickly, court, and are married in relatively short time. For others, the journey is longer, but when they are ready, they make the commitment for life. Still for others, they court and decide this may not be the right fit for them. The journey to building a relationship with Christ, growing in the relationship, and making the final commitment varies per individual. This is the journey OCIA inquirers are about to embark on – they could use our prayers.

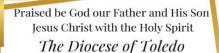
To understand what OCIA is about, it may be helpful to see what it is *not* about first. OCIA IS NOT an adult education program. It's not a marriage preparation program (even if one person in the couple is not Catholic). It's not CCD for adult Catholics who "dropped out" after confirmation. It's not a place for those already initiated into the Faith to "catch up" on facts of the faith. All these needs can be met by the many other ministries our Parish provides such as the Adult Faith group, TMIY, Just Show Up, Welcome, and more!

OCIA IS a gradual process to introduce non-Catholics and non-Christians, to Christ and the teachings of the Catholic Church and assist them in being fully initiated into the Church, if they choose. The goal is to help others come to know Christ and grow in relationship with Him, so that they have a conversion of heart from sin to a life of grace.

Because this is a continual process, and because the Holy Spirit calls people at different times, OCIA will be ongoing throughout the year. We will work with people where they are and when they arrive. Our sessions will run each Sunday between masses. Seekers will be learning via the readings of the Mass and Church teaching in accordance with the liturgical year.

For those whom have not been baptized ("Catechumens"), they will be dismissed from the liturgy after the Universal Prayers to break open the word further. Those who have already been baptized will remain at Mass through the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This will be explained further in next weeks Catechism Corner.

As we begin, we invite you to see how you can be involved. Perhaps you'd be available to come and be a part of our discussion. Maybe you'd like to prepare a snack to feed their bellies while the Holy Spirit feeds their soul? Perhaps you'd like to lead a discussion (all materials and training are provided). Perhaps you can help make the seekers feel welcome by introducing yourself. Perhaps you can be a prayer warrior for those coming in! If you are able to help in any way, please contact Mindy Recker.



joyfully requests the honor of your presence at the Ordination of

Michael R Karhoff

who has been called to the Order of Deacons and will be ordained deacons forever through the Imposition of Hands and the Invocation of the Holy Spirit by

Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas

September 13, 2025 at 10:00am at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral 2535Collingwood Blvd. Toledo, Ohio 43610





Parishioners, family and friends are also invited to join

Deacon Mike Karhoff

as he assists at his first Holy Mass as Deacon on

Sunday, September 14, 2025 at 10:30am Mass

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church 109 North Main Street Glandorf, OH 45848

Join us for a Meet and Greet after Mass in the St. John's Parish Center Cafeteria. Light refrestments will be served.



A FUN DAY FOR ALL TO COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE THE SON OF GOD WHILE ENJOYING FELLOWSHIP AND FRIENDS!

Sunday, September 21, 2025 11:30am - 3:30pm St. John's Parish Center

GAMES - FOOD - INFLATABLES SAINT PARADE - REVERSE RAFFLE FUN FOR ALL AGES! EXTRA
TICKETS ARE
IN THE BACK
VESTIBLES.

DEACON DON'S TURTLE SOUP WILL BE SERVED ALONG WITH OTHER FOOD AND DRINKS BY OG JAYCEES AND 1820 BREWWERKS

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH NEEDS YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS.



WE HAVE 20 FUN CARNIVAL GAMES AND TWO VOLUNTEER SHIFTS -PICK THE ONE THAT WORKS BEST FOR YOU!

> SHIFT 1: 11:15AM -1:15PM SHIFT 2: 1:15PM -3:30PM



on Sunday, September 21, 2025 St. John's Parish Center

ANY ADULTS OR STUDENT IN THE  $8^{TH}$  THRU  $12^{TH}$  GRADE.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FA9AF2FA1FFC25-58122434-sonda

SIGN UP FOR A SHIFT (OR BOTH!) AND JOIN US IN CREATING A FUN -FILLED DAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILIES.

# LOOKING FOR DESSERTS FOR THE BAKED GOODS WHEEL



PLEASE CHECK THE BACK OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SIGN-UP SHEET. .

DESSERTS CAN BE DROPPED OFF BETWEEN 8AM AND 10:30AM ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT (SEPTEMBER 21ST).

THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO MAKE SONDAY FUNDAY POSSIBLE!

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Contact Mindy Recker for more information.

Rectory #419.538.6928 • Cell # 419.615.8926



# LIFT YOUR VOICE JOIN OUR CHURCH CHOIR!

Do you love to sing? Do you have a heart for worship and a desire to share your gifts with our parish family? Whether you're a seasoned vocalist or just someone who enjoys singing along in the pews, we would love for you to be part of our St. John's Church Choir! The choir is a joyful community that prays through music, supports one another, and helps lead our parish in worship.

FIRST PRACTICE IS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

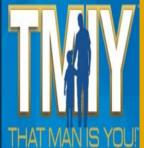
COME SING WITH US—BECAUSE WORSHIP IS EVEN MORE BEAUTIFUL WHEN WE LIFT OUR VOICES TOGETHER.

# **AROUND THE PARISH**



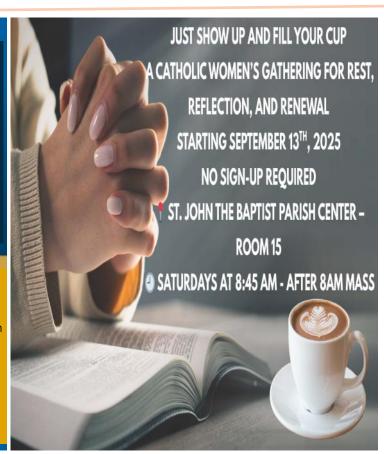
SESSION 2 (Sat 9/20, Wed. 9/24)

BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART" – The Price of Failed Leadership



Presenter: Mark Hartfiel.
Fidelity Statistics.
Consequences of Infidelity.
The Story of King David.
Family, Children and Church
Affected by Infidelity. The
Media's Role in Forming
Society. Shocking Media
Statistics. The Issue is
Failed Male

Leadership. Psalm 51, 2
Samuel 12:1-14, 1
Chronicles 22:8



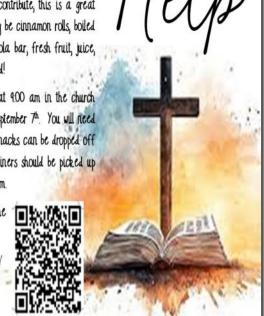
# OCIA Snack

We are looking for volunteers to bring breakfast-type snacks for our Sunday learning sessions. If you enjoy sharing your favorite treats or simply want to contribute, this is a great way to help out! Snack ideas may be cinnamon rolls, boiled eggs, donuts, bagels, muffins, granola bar, fresh fruit, juice, etc. Any snack would be appreciated!

The meetings will be on Sundays at 9.00 am in the church basement ("undercroft"), starting September 7th. You will need to provide snacks for 10 people. Snacks can be dropped off at 8:45am. Any leftovers or containers should be picked up after the 10:30 Mass around 11:30am.

To sign up to bring a snack, click the QR code and choose your date.

Thank you for your generosity!



# Ladies of Leisure Social Club

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

@ The Parish Center, Cafeteria in Gandorf

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

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



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



# MOIN! (HELLO IN PLATTDEUTSCH)

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED WITH AND ATTENDED THE
PLATTDEUTSCH TAG (LOW GERMAN DAY). THERE WERE
APPROXIMATELY 80 PEOPLE, OF ALL AGES, WHO ATTENDED THE
EVENT. IT WAS AN AMAZING DAY. THANK YOU.
- ST. JOHN'S HISTORICAL COMMITTEE



#### REOUESTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR A REPEAT

# "Peter, do you love me?"

John 21: 15

Presented by Karen Homan

Founder of Do Good In His Name Ministry

WHEN: Thursday, September 11, 2025, 6:30pm

WHERE: Ottawa K of C Hall

10760 Rd. H Ottawa, OH

IS OUR LOVE LIKE HIS...

Sponsored by

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contact@christthekingcenter.org \* https://www.christthekingcenter.org or 419-890-3724



# A FAMILY DAY

KEEPING THE SABBATH HOLY & THE FAMILY TOGETHER





Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> \* 2:00 till Dusk \*

620 E. Blake St., Ottawa OH

**Parking assist Provided** 

Questions: contact@christthekingcenter.org



2:00pm Activities for Young and Old Fishing Derby - Bible Bingo - Face Painting - Chalk Drawing - Outdoor Games - Take a walk ... Prizes \* Drawings

#### 4:00pm OUTDOOR MASS UNDER THE TENT

5:00pm Dinner \* Sample some Do Good Restaurant Food. \* Grab a Brat, Hot dog, Salads, Desserts, Ice Cream. Drinks: Bring a cooler...Lemonade & water provided. Some Seating available or bring your lawn chairs.

6:15pm Family Rosary around the Rosary Path.
7:00pm Watch the Sunset and sit around a campfire





# AROUND THE AREA





#### ANXIETY WORKSHOP

Saturday, September 27 | 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Do you have overwhelming anxiety? It doesn't have to be this way! Join Alyssa Siebeneck MA, LPC for a workshop on tangible ways to calm anxiety.

You will ...

- •Gain evidenced-based techniques from a licensed professional counselor.
- ·Learn practical ways to engage your brain and nervous system to calm and retrain anxiety responses.
- Explore potential everyday sources of anxiety.

Participation will be limited to 30 people. RSVP before September 20 by using the QR code. The cost is \$89 per person. This event will be held in the St. Joseph Room.

Email thewellmentality@gmail.com with any questions.



#### The Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Conference

will be held Saturday, September 20, at Sorrowful Mother Shrine, 4106 State Route 269, Bellevue, Ohio 44811 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and closing at 3:00 p.m. Fr. Yuri Kuzara, C.PP.S. will speak about how Ruth and Queen Esther from the Old Testament and Our Blessed Mother are similar.

Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. with the Conference beginning at 9:00 a.m. A continental breakfast will be available. Mass will be offered at 11:00 a.m. with Confessions beforehand at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be served after Mass followed by a basket raffle. Parishes are welcome to bring a basket for the raffle which will benefit flood victims through Catholic Charities. Fr. Yuri will continue his presentation, and the Rosary will be recited at the conclusion. Time will also be available to tour the Shrine's grounds and visit the gift shop. Registration is required by September 12 and the cost for the day is \$25. You may register by email to sueh1757@gmail.com and pay at the door. Please include your name, parish, email address, phone number and names of other attendees from your parish. You may also send your name, parish, address, email address, phone number and names of those attending with a check to St. Ignatius Parish, Attn: Sue Hopkins, 212 North Stadium Road, Oregon, OH 43616. Please make the check payable to TDCCW. Questions may be directed TDCCW President Rita Borgelt at <a href="https://hborgelt@bright.net">hborgelt@bright.net</a> or 419-796-9168.



ERRA CLUB OF ALLEN, PUTNA AND VAN WERT COUNTIES ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S PICNIC

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LOCATION: GLANDORF CHURCH/PARK (ALL EVENTS IN ONE AREA, ONE-TIME PARKING!)

THE MISSION AND PRIMARY GOAL OF THE SERRA CLUB IS TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE WITHIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH. COME CELEBRATE OUR MISSION AND ENJOY AN EVENING OF FAITH, FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, AND MUSICI

#### Event (Schedule:

- · 5:00 PM Optional 10-minute tour of Holy Family Radio (next to the church)
- + 5:10 PM Optional 15-minute visit to the Village of Glandorf Museum (also next to the church)
- 5:25 PM Optional 15-minute tour of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
- · 5:45 PM Mass at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
- After Mass Walk to Glandorf Park for:
   Catered chicken dinner with sides & refreshments

  - Live jazz quartet performance 15-minute Serra Club program with new officer
  - installation & welcome message from our new president

THIS IS A FREE EVENT FOI MEMBERS AND ANYORE IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT T AND OUR MISSION.



PLEASE RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 7TH SO WE CAN PREPARE ENOUGH DELICIOUS CHICKEN DINNERS!

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Please join us for:

#### THE DEATH PENALTY AND MERCY:

**A CONVERSATION** 



4:00PM (PT) 6:00PM (CT) 7:00PM (ET) VIA ZOOM



What does mercy look like in a world that often chooses punishment first? The Death Penalty and Mercy. A Conversation invites participants to engage in an open and thoughtful dialogue about justice, forgiveness, and the dignity of every human life.

Join us for a conversation and exploration of how our Precious Blood spirituality calls us to respond to violence and what it means to balance accountability with mercy.

All are welcome, come with questions, opinions, curiosity, or simply a desire to listen as we unpack this complex subject.

#### Our Facilitators:



Emmiolee Mendoza Waters serves as the Director of Death Penalty Abolition for Catholic Mobilizing Network.



Fr. Mark Miller, C.PP.S. is a Missionary of the Precious Blood and serves on the Board of Directors for MADP (Missourians against the Death Penalty)

To Register: visit: pbspiritualityinstitute.org

## **AROUND THE AREA & GENERAL INFORMATION**

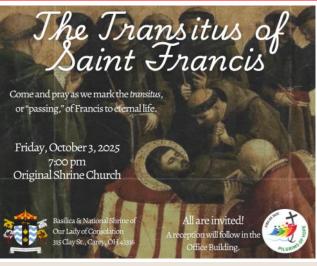
#### Join us for the 2025 OHIO MARCH FOR LIFE in Columbus, October 3, 2025.

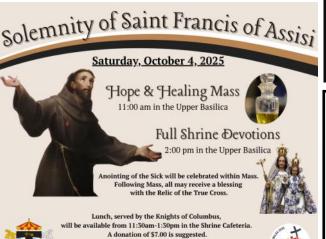
The event sponsored by the Center for Christian Virtue will be held at the Ohio Statehouse, Columbus. The event begins with a Pre Rally Concert at 10 a.m. followed by an 11 a.m. Rally; the March for Life then begins at noon. The Ottawa K of C has generously partnered with us to schedule a bus which will leave Sacred Heart New Bavaria Parking lot at 6:45 a.m. and the Ottawa Walmart at 7:15 a.m. and will return approximately 3:30 to 5 p.m. Call or text Eileen at 419-231-2994 to reserve your seat. Transportation costs for students are \$10; adults \$20. Storage space under the bus allows passengers to bring a chair to accommodate anyone preferring to sit during the hour-long Rally. The noon time March (walk) for Life is optional; those unable to walk the distance may opt out of this portion of the event. Your support at the rally is greatly appreciated.

#### 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





Celebrating 150 Years of the Miraculous Statue of Our Lady

d the 100th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church

#### What is it?

A country-themed fall dance (not a square dance) with DJ - Gabe von der Embse. Wear your best country casual attire!

Flyers sent to parishes in our deanery and Putnam County parishes for young adults 18-30

#### What kind of music?

Fast dance songs and some line dancing (pop. country, rock, etc.)

Many fun items! Tickets \$1.00 (Cash only)

Light snacks and drinks will be provided. Cornhole and card games will also be available. Photography by Veronica's Portraits.

#### **Further questions?**

Contact Madison Bowerman at madisonbowerman18@gmail.com



#### **CATHOLIC COUNSELING SERVICES**

Feeling depressed during the Christmas season? Struggling with the loss of a loved one? Dealing with marital problems? Experiencing gender identity issues? If you or someone you love might benefit from counseling, confidential professional Catholic counseling. rooted in our Catholic faith, is now available at Findlay St. Michael Parish.

To inquire, please contact the main parish office @ 419-422-2646 and ask to be transferred to the Catholic Counseling services.



Did you know that volunteering as a family to bring up the offertory at Mass is a beautiful way to deepen your connection to God and to each other? Parishioners can sign up today by scanning QR code:

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Go to FORMED.org

Click Sign Up.

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- Find your parish, type in Glandorf Oh Click on St. John 109 Main St. Glandorf when it pops up.
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the St. George Deanery, regardless of faith affiliation, who have lost a child from miscarriage. stillbirth, or infant death. Please call the rectory

419-538-6928

### Family and Friends or God?



In today's Gospel reading Jesus says, "If any one comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even

his own life, he cannot be my disciple."

You probably thought that God doesn't want us to hate anyone, right? Well He doesn't! What Jesus was saying was that we should love God more than we love the people closest to us. He means that we should be ready to do what God wants even if that means losing our family or best friends.

Normally God wants us to stay close to the people we love, but what if you had to choose between doing the right thing or keeping your friends? Are you ready to give up anything or anyone that would stop you from loving God?

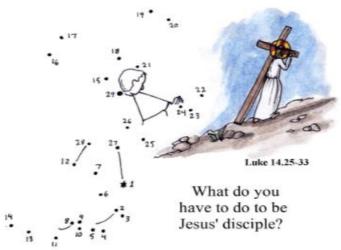


Answer to Word-Find: We ask God for His mercy.

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# The Kids' Bulletin

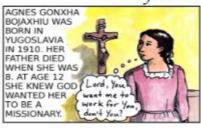
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 7th, 2025

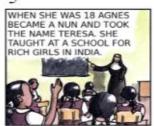


Connect the dots to find out, starting at the star beside the number 1. Then you can colour the picture in.

Tomorrow is Our Lady's Birthday! What can your family do to celebrate Mary's Birthday?

# Saint Teresa of Calcutta



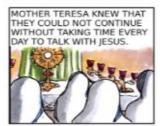






SHE GOT PERMISSION TO TAKE A NEW HABIT AND START A SCHOOL FOR POOR CHILDREN.







IN 1979 MOTHER
TERESA WON THE
NOBEL PEACE
PRIZE, BUT SHE
STAYED HUMBLE
AND USED EVERY
CHANCE TO TELL
THE RICH AND
POWERFUL
PEOPLE TO
PROTECT THE
POOR AND WEAK.

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA DIED ON SEPTEMBER 5TH, 1997. WE CAN LEARN FROM HER TO DEFEND AND HELP THOSE WHO CAN'T HELP THEMSELVES, ESPECIALLY THE POOR AND UN-BORN CHILDREN. WE ALSO LEARN FROM HER EXAMPLE THAT WE NEED TO SPEND TIME IN PRAYER WITH JESUS EVERY DAY.

# Psalm 90 Word-Find

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A THOUSAND YEARS in thy sight are but as YESTERDAY when it is past, or as a WATCH in the NIGHT.

See if you can find all the words from today's Psalm that are written in CAPITALS. The leftover letters tell what we are doing when we pray this Psalm.



Thou dost SWEEP men AWAY; they are like a DREAM, like GRASS which is RENEWED in the morning: in the MORNING it flourishes and is renewed; in the EVENING it FADES and withers.

So teach us to number our DAYS that we may get a HEART of WISDOM. Return, O LORD! How long? Have PITY on thy SERVANTS!

SATISFY us in the morning with thy steadfast LOVE, that we may REJOICE and be GLAD all our days.