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For those who are contemplating a vocation to priesthood or the consecrated life, may they encounter the risen Christ and believe in his power to lead them, we pray:

**From the desk of Fr. Tony**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**
**APRIL 23, 2017**

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God wants sin out of our lives because he wants us to experience the fullness of his grace. We will have the sacrament of reconciliation today from 1pm until the line ends. If you did not go to confession during lent please take the opportunity today to allow Christ to cleanse you. God bless you all. Fr. Tony

**TODAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 23rd, 6:30PM MASS: SERVERS: Chandler Giesswein, Ryan Kahle, Carter Lammers, Carson Trombley; LECTORS: Kelly Schroeder & Ginnie Riepenhoff; DISTRIBUTORS: need 5; Usher: Mary Ellen Halker**

**WEEKDAY SERVERS:** Mon. 6:00 AM Gene Warnecke, Ron Leopold; Tue. 6:00 AM: Adults; Tue. 8:40 AM: No Students needed; Wed. 6:00 AM: Elton Schroeder, Jeanette Schroeder; Thurs. 8:40 AM: Students; Fri. 6:00 AM Cliff Schroeder, Dan Turnwald; Fri. 8:00 AM: Eddie Duling, Dan Siefker; Sat. 8:00 AM: Averie Karhoff, Faith Kehres, Mya Kuhlman, Emmitt Maag

**SUNDAY SERVERS, APRIL 30:** Sat. 4:30 PM Derek Crumrine, Collin Crumrine, Claire Crumrine, Kayla Brickner; Sun. 8:00 AM: Grant Hovest, Chloe Schroeder, Mitchel Schroeder, Claire Schroeder; 10:30 AM: Zachary Diemer, Dylan Pester, Tyler Recker, Noah Utrup 6:30 PM: Dylan Leopold, Marissa Maag, Tayla Meyer, Evan Morman
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

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COMMUNION TO MEADOWS: Tim & Betsy Hansen

GIFT BEARERS: Sat. 4:30pm Roger Koch Family; Sun. 8:00am: Joe Schroeder Family; Sun. 10:30am: Jeff Schram Family.

SUNDAY USHERS: Sat. 4:30 PM Kenneth Schroeder, Robert Verhoff; Sun. 8:00 AM: Bryan Kaufman, Michael Recker; 10:30: Jerry Recker, Al Hueve; 6:30 PM: Bob Maag

COUNTERS: #6

VIDEOGRAPHER: Austin Horstman

APRIL FUNERAL ROSARY LEADERS: Marlene & Paul Kleman, Dorothy Karl, Deb Burwell, Chris Hoehn, Al Hueve

Glandorf St. John’s Capital Campaign Update: (4/3/2017)

"Sharing Our Faith, Preserving Our Heritage, Securing Our Future" Thank you for Sharing your Time, Talents, & Treasure!

Goal: $1,274,500
Pledged: $819,154  Paid: $731,048
Fantastic!! Thank you to all who have supported our Capital Campaign so far. We appreciate it greatly!
- Please mark your donations to the capital campaign as either "One-Time Donation" or "Payment Plan Donation", if you signed up for a payment plan.
- Capital Campaign Donations can be made multiple times and at anytime.
- Everyone's help is needed, please help support the future of our parish.

"ST JOHN’S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN” forms are in the racks back in church. Stock can also be donated to the stock donation forms. You can pick up at the rectory or have forms emailed to you.

2017 DIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL: ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! Our parish goal this year is $35,000. You did it! We reached our goal!!! You have pledged $36,601.22 and paid $33,566.81. Thank you to those who have contributed to Jesus and his mission. If you didn’t receive an envelope there are extra envelopes in the racks in back of church. Thanks! Fr. Tony

“Love of God: it should be eager, courageous and preserving. It should be profound, extensive and elevated.”

St. Gaspar del Bufalo

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY & EUCHARISTIC DAY, today, April 23 –

1:00pm Confessions until line ends – Fr. Tony, Fr. Rick, Fr. Bob
1:00pm Adoration
3:00pm Mass – Veneration of Icon
Reserved seating for 2nd & 7th grade and their families
4:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction – Deacon Don
5:00pm Meal to celebrate with all of our parishioners in the gym sponsored by St. John’s Parish Council & Finance Committee

“During Eucharistic Adoration we can truly spend some time in prayer and personal conversation which can help us draw closer to Jesus. Sacramentally present, the Lord sees us and hears us with great intimacy. His heart still beats out of love for us and is the source of all life and holiness. What shall we do, you ask, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament? Love him, adore him, thank him, and ask him - anything. What does a poor man do in the presence of a rich man? What does a sick man ask in the presence of a doctor? Or one who is thirsty, in the sight of a crystal clear fountain? Jesus has what we lack, and need. He is our strength along the road to salvation. We only need to include him in every facet of our life.”

2017 ELECTION OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS will be at all Masses today, Sun., Apr. 22/23. Please vote for two men and two women. The nominees for the men are: Matt Bockrath (Ann), Tim Lehman (Mer), Barry Maag (Brenda), Mark Recker (Ginny), and the women are: Amie Lammers (Russ), Brenda Recker (Don), Katie Schroeder (Mike), Sara Siefker (Duane)

FERVORINO –
“Whose sins you forgive, are forgiven” means the grudges we carry only make us miserable. The Kingdom of God begins in your home where children learn the paths to peace promised in today’s gospel through merciful and forgiving demonstrated by their parents.
Adult Faith Information

Jeanette Schroeder - Coordinator
Diana Meyer, Jeanne Schram, DeVon Dunlap, Marlene Kleman,
Deacon Don and Elaine Inkrott
Looking for the quickest, surest, and easiest way to holiness,
But don’t know where to begin?
Join us for “33 Days to Morning Glory”
Small –group Retreat
Mondays 8:45 AM, May 22nd – June 26th
for 6 weeks
At St. John’s Parish Center
RSVP to Janet Schroeder janetandcliff@gmail.com
or call/text 419-890-9603 by May 10th
Book “33 Days to Morning Glory” $5.00.
Workbook $20.00 to be collected at 1st session May 22nd.
1st session May 22nd we will meet in church undercroft
2nd session we will meet Tuesday May 30th because of
Memorial Day
All other sessions are on Mondays in Parish Center

Eucharistic Adoration on the First Saturday of the month, after 4:30 Mass on Saturday evening until 8:00 on Sunday mornings. Mark your calendars for Saturday/Sunday, May 6/7. Sign-up sheet is available on the register back in church this week. If you can’t make it to church to sign in please call Ann Fortman 419-235-6734.

Grade School CCD Information

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Diane Utrup
Contact me in the Religious Ed Office 419-538-6335 on school days 7:30am – noon.

Eucharistic Day & Divine Mercy Sunday – today, April 23 – for the 2nd Graders & 7th Graders and their families, please sit up front of church between the white bows for Mass at 3pm.

1st Communion DRESS Rehearsal – Monday, May 1 at 7-8:30pm in the church; the class photo will be taken this evening also.

1st Communion Mass – Sunday, May 7 at 1pm Mass

Parent Meeting for Incoming Kindergarteners for next school year – will be held in August this year. Information will be mailed to you this summer. Thank you so much!

St. John’s Confirmation Mass has been set by the Diocese for the current 7th Grade. It will be Saturday, September 9 at 4:30pm Mass here at St. John’s Glandorf. Please be sure to pass this information on to the Sponsor.

Special K – next class time is Wednesday, May 3 at 6pm.

High School CCD Information

Message from DeVon Dunlap Coordinator of High School CCD: If you have any questions or need to get a hold of me, please call the HS CCD office at 419-538-6897 or e-mail stjohnshsccd@bright.net Thanks!

Wednesday Adoration 6:30 – 8:30 PM in the cafeteria.

Message from Colleen Halker Youth Director

MADALYN LEHMAN- Youth President KADIE HEMPFLING – Pres. Elect

HOME TO GOD: Please remember in your Masses and prayers the souls of Dorothy Kleman & Cleo Schroeder. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Gilbert, Daniel & Anthony Kleman on the death of their loving mother, Dorothy; and to Connie Dehnart on the death of her loving father, Cleo.

DID YOU KNOW? Margaret Siefker will be 91 on April 23rd; Mary Lou Ellerbrock will be 83 on April 30th. HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARGARET & MARY LOU!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW APPOINTED MEN’S SOCIETY OFFICERS for 2017-2018: President: Tim Duling; President-elect: Jason Kleman; Vice president: Jim Dulle; Secretary: Dean Schroeder; Treasurer: Jason Recker. Thank you to the outgoing officers: Mike Recker & Jeff Schulte. You did a fantastic job!

Bake Sale – City Building – April 23 – 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. or until all baked goods are sold. Benefits: Rosario & Pedro Tuition Fund Sponsored by St. John’s 3rd grade CCD classes

Interested in visiting Fatima, Spain & Lourdes? Some seats remain for you to join Fr. Tony on this spiritual pilgrimage April 4-13, 2018. You may view the itinerary, and also sign up, at www.pilgrimages.com/frfortman. Brochures are on the rack in the back of church. If you have questions, please call Cheryl Kersh at 419.890.8565.

THE ANNUAL MOTHER, DAUGHTER, WOMEN OF THE PARISH LUNCHEON held in the gym, Sunday, April 30, following the 10:30 Mass. Cost of the lunch is $8.00 for ages 11 and older and $5.00 for ages 10 and younger. Please RSVP by April 25.

RCIA CLASS: Tues., April 25th @ 7pm, Room 15 in the Parish center. It will last until 8:30pm. This week’s topic: Deepen Understanding of the Mass. These sessions are open to all interested persons – We welcome you! Questions? Call DeVon 419-538-6897

Vacation Bible School Volunteers are needed! Urgency needed! There are not enough adult crew leaders for VBS this summer!!! We are in desperate need for crew volunteers- dads, moms, grandparents, aunts and uncles! Please contact Barb Duling immediately, 419.615.9308.

Any high school youth who would like to become a lector or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion please contact the rectory – 419-538-6928. Remember you need to be 16 years old to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS April 25 is our time to work at the Food Pantry again (9:30).

Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima - Marie Strauer is in charge of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue, please call 419-538-6930 to reserve a week to have Our Lady come to your home.

Putnam Heritage: April 28th, 10:00am. Calling all Card Sharks! We’re getting together once a month to play cards at Putnam Heritage. You name the game and we’ll play! Snacks, Drinks, Door Prizes and Fun will all be included.

Young adults (18-39), join us on the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month at Neil & Brooke Cassidy's house for food, fellowship, prayer and to learn more about our Catholic faith. Newcomers are always welcome! Find us on facebook: Putnam County Young Adult Group or Contact Adam Schroeder 419-615-9863 or Neil & Brooke Cassidy 419-302-4959 brookemariecassidy@gmail.com

Holy Hour in Honor of the Feast of Saint Dymphna, May 15th at 7:30pm, Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Ottawa. Saint Dymphna is the patroness of mental illness, depression, Alzheimer’s & dementia, those suffering from Postpartum Depression, those suffering from Post-Traumatic War Syndrome; those suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome; those suffering from Anxiety Disorders, etc.

ATTENTION TO ALL EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS! Glandorf St. John’s will be hosting a Protecting Youth and Those Who Serve Them Workshop on Wed., May 10, 7:00 – 9:00pm in the cafeteria in the Parish Center. This is for any adult who works with youth in the parish including the scouts, Little Flowers, 2017 VBS. If you took this workshop more than 5 years ago you will need to take it again. This workshop is free to the parish. Please call the rectory to register. They need 30 to hold the workshop. If you have questions, call rectory 419-538-6928. Coaches have their own workshop. Do not come to this workshop if you want to be a coach.

All ranks of Scouting Boys & Girls group leaders need to call the rectory before scheduling your meetings next fall; to make sure you are in compliant with the diocese with Protecting Youth and Those Who Serve Them. The diocese does not recognize any workshop taken through the Scouting programs.


URGENT…Glandorf youth soccer is still in need of volunteers to run the Fall Soccer Program. Team sign up cannot begin in May until we have volunteers who are willing to organize teams, collect registrations, line fields, order equipment and order jerseys. Please contact Gayle Duling 419-235-2082 or Sara Imm at 419-230-0605 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. Thank you.
Are you a Catholic homeschooling family in the Toledo diocese? Then please join us at 7pm on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo for our 13th Annual Diocesan Homeschooling Mass. The Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas, Bishop of Toledo, will be celebrating our Mass.

It’s a wonderful evening of prayer, fellowship, food and fun! Please bring a finger-food dish to share for the reception immediately following the Mass. If you have a student who will be graduating 8th grade, or a graduating high school senior, and would like your graduate to participate in the ceremony after the Mass, please email Lisa-Ann Brickner at ovc81@yahoo.com by May 26th.

K OF C NEWS LETTERS are back on the rack back in church.

The Glandorf Lions Club is building a new additional shelter house in the Glandorf Park. If you would like to purchase a plaque that is 4” x 8” the cost is $150; 8”x 8” the cost is $300 to be installed inside the shelter house; or an 8”x8” plaque to be installed outside $150 to help defray the expense of laying the brick please call Dr. Ron Black 419-538-6488 or Eddie Duling 419-538-6308. Samples are laying on the concession stand in the gym lobby.

The Mustard Seed hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday open 9:00 to 5:00. Wednesday 12:00 to 8:00pm. Saturday 8:00am to 1:00pm 419-538-7220 or 419-523-5732.

STEWARDSHIP

Easter collection: Adults $26,262.00 Auto Electronic Giving $778.00 Loose $3,066.00 Children $528.19 Total: $30,634.19

Apr. 9 - $1,098.00

Heartbeat supplies needed: Baby cereal, snack foods, shampoo & lotions, Gerber brand Formula needed this week, wipes and size 4 & 5 diapers. Heartbeat box is located in the gym lobby.

Please help support the area food pantry by placing non-perishable food items in the box in the gym lobby.

Thanks for sharing your treasure, time, & talent with your St. John’s parish family! We are most grateful!

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DANIEL ELLERBROCK
Music Director/Organist
JOE SCHROEDER
Maintenance
STAFF/VOLUNTEERS
Janitor
JEFF GERDING
Cemetery Caretaker-Manager
# Parish Council

- **BRIAN SCHROEDER**
  - Parish Council President
- **Jeff Ellerbrock**
  - Vice Pres.
- **Jan Schroeder**
  - Sec.
- **Nick Lehman**
- **Lisa Meyer**
- **Tom Nienberg**
- **Tracie Schierloh**
- **Michele Leopold**
- **Brendan Morman**
- **Kaitlin Brown**

Parish Council Members

# Finance Committee

- **SCOTT WELCH**
  - Finance Committee Chairperson
- **Lynn Meyer**
- **Tim Sarka**
  - Sec.: Kim Hovest
- **Dave Hunt**
- **Matt Laudick**
- **Michelle Nuveman**

Finance Committee Members

# Altar Rosary Society

- **KELLY SCHROEDER**
  - Altar Rosary Society President
- **TIM DULING**
  - Men’s Society President

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**PRE-SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR**  538-6264  
**UNDERCROFT**  538-6332  
**GLANDORF ELEMENTARY**  538-6880  
**COLLEEN HALKER**  538-7268  
**DeVON DUNLAP**  538-6897  
**MUSTARD SEED**  538-7220  

**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** – Classes are from 9:00 – 10:30 AM, The 2017 dates are May 14, Sept. 17, in room 15 in the parish center - presented by Deacon Don Inkrott. Pre-register by calling rectory.

**ROSARY & Benediction 5:00pm** every third Sunday 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 4-5, 2017

**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.

For high school CCD perfect attendance - in order to receive the $50 award for perfect attendance at the end of your senior year you must attend every CCD class on time and the entire class with no excuses except attending a parish sponsored event.
DIOCESAN POLICY FOR CYO SPORTS - Only Catholic St. John’s parishioners are eligible to play CYO sports for our St. John’s teams.

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 & Brian Schroeder – Council Pres.)