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*January 12, 2025
The Baptism of the Lord*

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Mass 6:30 p.m.

Confessions 7:10 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Benediction 8:00 p.m.

PASTOR

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BAPTISM

Please call the parish office three months prior to your child's baptismal date to schedule pre-baptismal instructions.

MATRIMONY

Please contact Sister Immacolata at least six months in advance to schedule your wedding preparation and celebration.

Today's Mass Intention is for Dorothy Shafer

Poinsettias Pick-Up

The Church looked very beautiful for our Christmas celebrations! Thank you to everyone who contributed their artistic talents, time and financial contributions to make it possible. We are very grateful for the memorial offerings for the poinsettias. Since the Christmas season ends with the feast of the Baptism of Jesus, we will remove the Christmas decorations today on **Sunday, the 12th, right after Mass.** Please come to help if you can!

Anyone who would like a poinsettia plant for your home, please feel free to take it after Sunday Mass on the 12th, or from the entrance of the Church throughout the week. Thank you!

Women of Welcome

Save the Date - The Women of Welcome will be having their Annual Retreat on April 5-6, 2025. This is a spiritual renewal weekend designed to help women grow in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ and others in their faith community. More details to follow. You do not want to miss this opportunity. Mark your calendar for April 5-6, 2025.

Basement Renovation

The church basement renovation is nearing completion! The TV sets for the PSR classrooms have been installed thanks to Dave Butorac and Lynn Fell. The new ceiling tiles are installed everywhere but the music room and kitchen, thanks to Colt and Naomi Adams. The last item on the "to do" list is to epoxy the floor. As was mentioned earlier, this will be done at the end of May or in June when PSR is completed for the year and we have the funding that we need for the project. The floor is one of the big items in our "Development Campaign" so if you have not yet been able to make an offering, the new year is a good time to do it.

March Chili-Cook Off

It has been suggested that we think about hosting a pre-Lenten "Chili-Cook-off" here at St. Patrick's. Ash Wednesday is on March 5 this year. Sunday, March 2, is available for this great event! Cathy Lammers has consented to chair such an enjoyable community building event. Hopefully, we can get an energetic committee together to plan it! If you are interested, please contact Cathy by January 15. Thank you to all who have contributed their signature soups to our monthly Souper-Sundays from November-February. Now that our basement has become so much more family-friendly, we might relish the idea of taking time to be together in some flavorful, fun-filled, family-competition!

Landeck CLCs

The CLCs would like to collect used/new Christmas Cards. (Please remove anything written in them) The CLCs members have sent over 1,000 cards to our Veterans in Ohio hospitals. We will have a small basket at the entrance of our Church until the end of the month.

All Are Welcome

The Landeck Cafe team would like to invite you to a fellowship meal after the 5:30 p.m. mass this evening. The meal will be down in the church basement. We will be having taco bar, sides and desserts. All are welcome. Don't belong to Landeck church or new to the church? We welcome you also. We'd love to see you.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship

Join us for the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship at Delphos St. John's All Saints Building on January 20, 2025, from 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM for a fun-filled event sponsored by the Delphos Knights of Columbus. Boys and girls ages 9-14 are welcome to participate. For any questions, please contact Tom Grothouse at 419-302-8061. (Entrants may compete in only one local competition.)

An Invitation for Women: Magnificat 90

If you are age 18+ and desire to grow in virtue and holiness, you are invited to participate in a 90-day spiritual renewal process designed specifically for women. It is rooted in the Sacraments, prayer, the practice of virtue and the Church's teaching about "feminine genius" (St JP II). An introductory meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 13, at 6:00 p.m. at Delphos St John School – Elementary Side – Off Pierce St. – in Wendy's Office. (Someone will be there to show the way to the meeting room). It is a wonderful way to spend the next three months—developing *your call* to become a saint!

FAITH, FAMILY, FOOTBALL...Men...mark your calendars! In an effort to promote men's faith formation, former Super Bowl, Pro-Bowl, and University of Michigan quarterback Elvis Grbac will be at St. John the Evangelist Church in Delphos on January 12 at 6:00 p.m. to talk about the role of fathers and men's faith on their families and the community. He will discuss the evolution of his faith through a football career that reached the peak of winning a Super Bowl and the importance of that faith in raising his own family through the highs and lows of serious illness and athletic journeys of their own. Adoration and Confession will be available following Mr. Grbac's remarks. There is no fee for this event. All are welcome.

This Week in parish history



This year is the Jubilee year of 2025. The first Jubilee year was the year 1300 and after that Pope Boniface VIII fixed the frequency of Jubilee celebrations to every 100 years. Pope Clement VI then reduced the frequency to every 50 years. In 1389, in remembrance of the number of years in the life of Christ, Pope Urban VI chose to set the Jubilee cycle to every 33 years and called for a Jubilee in 1390. In 1425, Pope Martin V celebrated a new Jubilee, opening the holy door of St. John Lateran for the first time. Pope Paul II extended the inter-jubilee period to 25 years, and in 1475, a Holy Year was celebrated by Pope Sixtus IV. From then on, ordinary Jubilees were held regularly every 25 years. -*This info is from the Jubilee 2025 website.*

Men of the Parish

The Immaculate Conception Church in Ottoville is hosting a Spring Semester of "**That Man is You**" weekly beginning Wednesday, January 15th at 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm; or a Saturday morning option beginning January 18th at 6:30 am to 7:30 am.

St John the Baptist Church in Glandorf is hosting a **Men's Welcome Retreat** February 8th and 9th.

Any questions, call or text Adam Schnipke @ (419) 303-9759

Gratitude from Sister Immacolata

Thank you for all your prayers on Wednesday. The scans showed the same tumors. The doctors started immunotherapy on Wednesday instead of chemo. They want to see if that shrinks the tumors faster with fewer side effects. Next immunotherapy is on January 28th and scans are in 3 months.

Ministry Schedule

The Baptism of the Lord January 12 th ~ 8:30 a.m. Mass		Second Week in Ordinary Time January 19 th ~ 8:30 a.m. Mass	
Commentator	Kathy Keller	Commentator	Elisha Wiss
Reader	Bev Wisher	Reader	Jamie Butorac
Communion Distributors	Sharon Keeran Marie Wynn Alan Wynn Choir: Ericka Aller	Communion Distributors	Ann Bonito Colleen Richmond Bill Wisher Choir: Dave Butorac
Servers	Owen Sensabaugh Will Sensabaugh Blake Sensabaugh	Servers	Luke Butorac Cooper Bowersock Noah Stewart
Money Counters	Pat Warnecke Ben and Cristy Wilker	Money Counters	Pat Warnecke Ben and Cristy Wilker
Mass Set-Up	Bill Wisher	Mass Set-Up	Ben Wilker

Looking toward LENT (Plan now!)

Additional Mass:

Thursdays-7:00 a.m. at Spencerville (Confessions follow at 7:30)

Begins March 6.

More Important Information

Mass Offerings

If anyone would like a Mass offered, we have many Sunday and Wednesday evenings open at either 10:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. Please stop by the parish office or put a note in the collection basket. The requested donation is \$10.00. Masses are a beautiful gift for the living and deceased as well as for a birthday, anniversary, or special intention.

GRIEFSHARE

Are you searching for hope and healing after the death of a loved one? The GriefShare program, sponsored by **Spencerville St. Patrick, Landeck St. John the Baptist, and Delphos St. John the Evangelist**, will offer a 12-week session beginning on Thursday evening, January 9, 2025 thru March 27, 2025 from 6:30- 8:00 p.m. at the Delphos St. John Annex. No matter what the circumstances, grief is a painful, confusing process. A GriefShare group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief.

At this support group program, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability—and gain solid support each step of the way. Your bereavement experience may be recent or not so recent. No matter how long it's been, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. If you have experienced the death of a family member or friend, you are invited to attend. You may attend all of the sessions, or come when you can; however, the more sessions you attend the better your experience will be. This program will be facilitated by volunteers from our parish. To register or get more information on how GriefShare may be of benefit to you or someone close to you, contact the St. John's Ministry Center in Delphos (419-695-4050), The Landeck Church office (419692-0636) or a CORE leader of our GriefShare team. Kathy Ulm 419-516-3994 Christy Schwinnen 419-234-3727 Tamie Reindel 419-236-4052.

Last Weekend's Gifts

January 5, 2025

Total Offering: \$ 2,347.00

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 1,019.00

Children's Loose: \$56.00

Loose: \$251.00

Maintenance: \$354.00

Initial Offering: \$224.00

Solemnity of Mary: \$443.00

Parish Development Goal:

Total \$83,000

Received as of January 10th:
\$29,856

Thank You!

Ottoville Altar Rosary Society

Free: BINGO (senior citizens) sponsored by Ottoville Altar Rosary Society Wed. Jan 29th from 1-2 pm in the Ottoville Parish Center K of C room. Parking and entrance off of US 224 west of the Parish center building. Snacks provided. RSVP by Mon Jan 27th to #419-453-3513.

(If Level 1 snow emergency- Cancelled)

Our Wednesday evening schedule for parish Mass and PSR classes.

6:30 p.m. Holy Mass

7:15 p.m. Adoration and Confession

8:00 p.m. Benediction

Our PSR program opens with Mass each week. Class follows. Parents and families (drop-offs and pick-ups) have an option for prayer at both the beginning and end of the evening.