

April 4-5, 2026

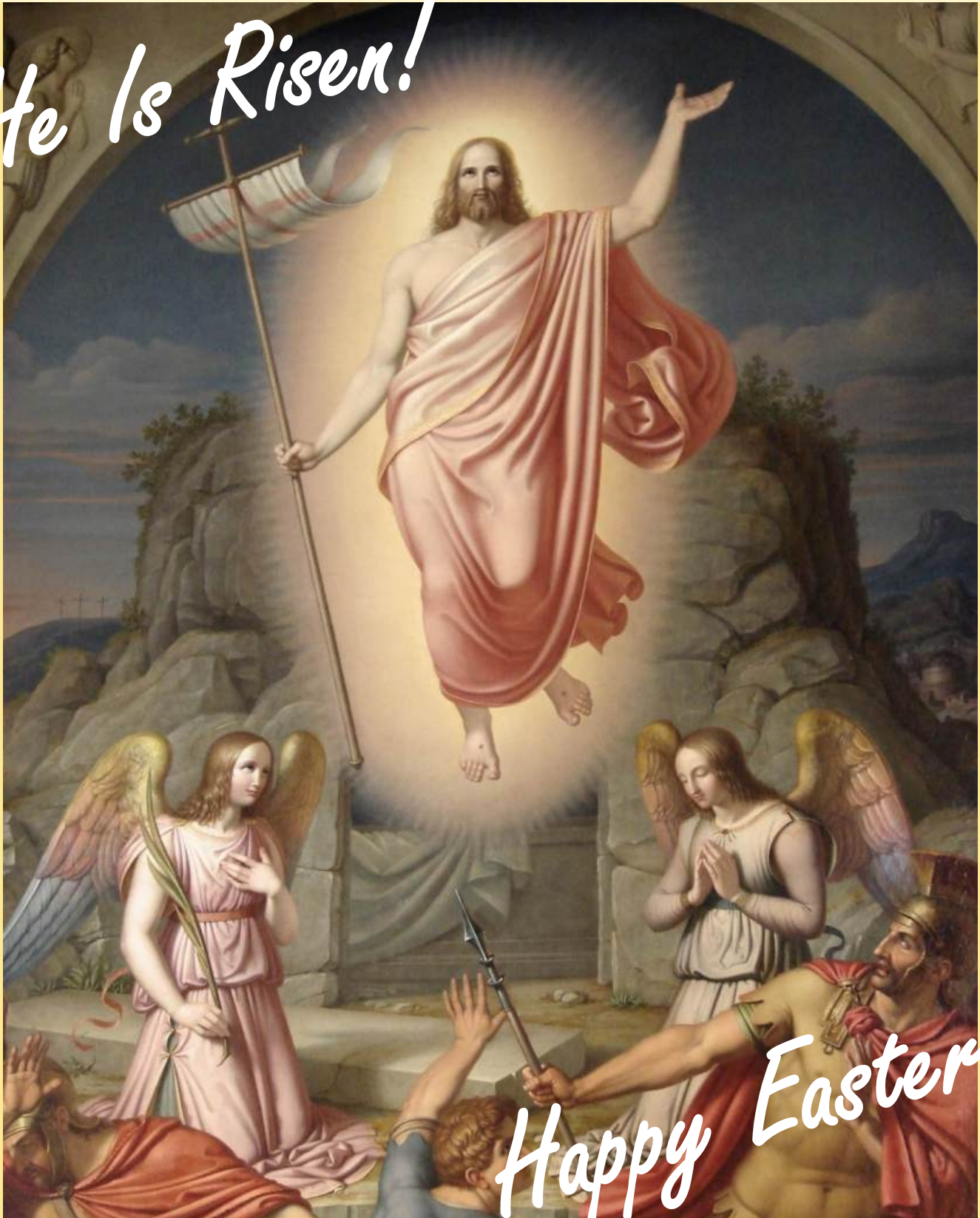
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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*Happy Easter!*



# Mass Intentions

- 04/04 (Saturday)  
8:30 p.m. Gene Gerdeman & Chris Gerdeman
- 04/05 (Sunday)  
8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Barbara's  
10:00 a.m. Robert Brinkman
- 04/06 (Monday) No Mass
- 04/07 (Tuesday)  
12:00 p.m. For the People of Immaculate  
Conception & St. Barbara Parishes;  
Virgil Miller (30th day)
- 04/08 (Wednesday)  
8:00 a.m. Elmer Markward and Margie Byrne;  
Randy Honigford (30th day)
- 04/09 (Thursday)  
8:00 a.m. Carla Landin; Joyce Miller (30th day)
- 04/10 (Friday)  
8:00 a.m. Ike & Florence Miller, Don & Mary  
Miller, Cheryl Miller and Kim Strickler
- 04/11 (Saturday)  
4:00 p.m. Orval Eickholt
- 04/12 (Sunday)  
8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Barbara's  
10:30 a.m. Ralph & Irene Miller, Jim & Nancy  
Spencer, Sue Logan

## Next Weekend's Readings - April 11-12, 2026

Acts 2:42-47 | 1 Peter 1:3-9 | Gospel: John 20:19-31

### WEDDING BANNES II:

MaKenna Klausing  
&  
Derek Kemper



**BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS**  
on April 5th  
**Journey Amelia & Indie Noelle**  
Daughters of  
Austin & Rachelle Selhorst

# Congratulations



We warmly welcome **Emily Donlin and Brittany Hoersten** into the Catholic Church! Emily received her Sacraments of Initiation at IC's Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday evening and Brittany at Landeck in Delphos. And congrats to **MaKenna Klausing and Meghan Warnecke** on receiving the blessed Sacrament of Confirmation as well. Many blessings to each of you and to your families!



# Religious Education

Thank you to everyone who made the 2025-2026 Religious Ed year a wonderful success! We are so blessed to have many wonderful and amazing volunteer teachers (Grades K-12!) Thank you teachers for your time and care for the students and for your dedication to passing along the Catholic faith. Also, thank you to Shelly Eickholt for her work and leadership.

Please keep in prayer the 2nd Grade class who will make their First Holy Communion later this month.



And, pray for the 7th Grade class who will be Confirmed early next school year.

Thanks again parents, families, students, and teachers, for a great year!

To register online for Religion '26-27, scan QR Code:



**THE DIOCESE OF TOLEDO** remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric or by any personnel or volunteer of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Child Protection Services, and the Diocese of Toledo's Victim Assistance Coordinator who can be reached at 1-800-926-8277, ext. 4880.



**Praying of the Rosary Saturdays at 3:30 p.m.**

April 11th      April 18th      April 25th  
 Sara Beining      Deb Burgei      Peggy Pohlman

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD!**

**For the week of Mar. 21-22, 2026**

Sacrificial Offering—\$ 2,663.25  
 Loose Cash—\$ 1,385.00  
 Parish Center—\$ 96.00  
 Energy—\$ 170.00  
 Catholic Relief Services—\$ 25.00

**For the week of Mar. 28-29, 2026**

Sacrificial Offering—\$ 3,269.25  
 Loose Cash—\$ 1,397.00  
 Parish Center—\$ 121.00  
 Energy—\$ 110.00  
 Easter—\$ 200.00  
 Catholic Relief Services—\$ 20.00  
 Holy Land Good Friday—\$ 100.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**2026 Community Easter Egg Hunt**

Sponsored by: Ottoville Knights of Columbus

**DATE:** Saturday, April 4th

**TIME:** 2:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Ottoville School Practice Soccer Field

**AGE GROUPS:** 1-3 yr olds; 4-6 yr olds; 7-9 yr olds

Thank you to Express Mart for donating the candy, to the KofC for donating \$150 towards cash/prizes, and to The Ottoville Bank Company for donating three \$50 bills for the grand prize winners!

\*Alternate inclement weather date is Sunday, April 5th



**KNIGHTS NEWS**

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 Knights of Columbus Council 2238  
 Ottoville, Ohio

**MEETING DATES:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

**New Members Always Welcome!**

**PICK 3 LOTTERY WINNERS:**

**\$100.00 drawing for Wednesday, January 28, 2026:**  
 #640 – Mary Lou Miller, PO Box 280, Ottoville

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**MINISTERS OF MASS**

If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled service, please do your best to find a replacement.

**SERVERS**

April 11 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Carli, Jade, and Ty Schnipke
April 12 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Alexa and Vanessa Hilvers, Kendall Schnipke

**LECTORS**

April 11 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Jill Wenzlick
April 12 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Matt Eickholt

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

April 11 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Host Front/Center: Bernice Schnipke Host Handicapped/Choir: Mike Schimpf Cup-Mary's Side: Anne Hemker Cup-Joseph's Side: Sara Beining
April 12 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Host Front/Center: Erica Brickner Host Handicapped/Choir: Shelly Eickholt Cup-Mary's Side: Linda Knippen Cup-Joseph's Side: Jessica Wurst

**USHERS**

April 11 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Nolan Beaubien, Allan Honigford, Kirt Martz, Randy Warnecke
April 12 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Mike Heitmeyer, Art Langhals, Julie Schimmoeller, Mark Turnwald

**FAMILY TO BRING UP OFFERTORY GIFTS**

April 11 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Family of Orval Eickholt
April 12 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Miller, Spencer & Logan Family

**LADIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY**

April	06 (Mon)	Jodi Hilvers
April	07 (Tues)	Karen Hilvers
April	08 (Wed)	Kathy Hilvers
April	09 (Thur)	Kim Hilvers
April	10 (Fri)	Cathy (Steve) Hoehn
April	11 (Sat)	Kathy (Art) Hoehn
April	12 (Sun)	Rhonda Hilvers



**ALTAR / SANCTUARY CLEANING**

Weeks of April 5 & 12: Dawn Schnipke

**MONEY COUNTERS FOR APRIL**

Ceil Eickholt, Viv Langhals, Janice Wannemacher

## Divorced? Hurting?

### Divorced Catholic Support Group FORMING NOW!



This program is designed for Catholics who are going through a divorce or are struggling with life after divorce. Some of the topics covered include grieving, fear, anger, dealing with your former spouse, helping your kids cope, annulment discussion, being single again, and most importantly **the power of your faith to heal**.

There is a flexible **self-study program** available: <https://divorcedcatholic.com/programs/individual>

Or if you would prefer a **group setting**, a Women's group is forming at

Ottoville Immaculate Conception (*open to anyone, not just IC parishioners.*)

What to expect? At home readings and group meetings where we will watch a video then have discussions related to the assigned topic.

If you are interested, simply text or call 419-230-5823 for additional details.

**If this message hits home for you, please prayerfully consider. If there is a loved one who could benefit from the program, please share this information with them. Thank you!**

<https://divorcedcatholic.com>



**SAVE THE DATE:  
JUNE 4-6, 2026**

### **Y.E.S. – Youth Elect Service Project**

The 2026 Y.E.S. project will be held at Fort Jennings High School this year beginning Thursday, June 4th at 5:30 p.m. Students incoming grade 7 through outgoing seniors are encouraged to join us for this weekend service retreat. This will give you opportunities to make new friends from throughout the St. George Deanery and have some great fun, grow in faith, and be the hands and feet of Christ in your community!

This 3-day rewarding experience will close with 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, June 6th at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. **Registration forms are available from Dawn Schnipke at 419-513-9835 or the Parish Office and are due by May 22!** Bring your friends because the opportunities are endless and the reward is eternal!

### **Y.E.S. – TEAM LEADERS Needed**

Do you like to spend time helping those in need? We'd love for you to join our adult team leaders for the Y.E.S. weekend June 4-6 starting at Fort Jennings High School and working throughout the St George Deanery! Adult team leaders and assistant leaders need to be current college freshmen, up to retirees! Nothing is more rewarding than sharing your time and faith with the Young Church of today! **For questions or to sign up as a team leader, please contact Dawn Schnipke at 419-513-9835.** Please answer His call today because the opportunities are endless and the reward is eternal!

# Easter Sunday

Hello Friends,

Happy and Blessed Easter! He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

This weekend we celebrate the true meaning of our faith—Jesus can do all things and do all things well. And, by rising, Jesus has the power over life and death! By rising from the dead, Jesus affirmed the faith of those who never lost hope even when it seemed that all hope was lost. And by rising from the dead, as so many of our prayers recount, He unlocked the gates of Heaven to anyone who follows Him. In a short amount of time, Jesus changed the world. He taught us the best ways to live a God-centered life. Through his Resurrection, He

confirmed that He was the Truth, the Way, and the Life, and that there is everlasting life in Heaven and He will lead us to it if we simply believe in Him and follow Him. He is the Light of our lives and the Light of the World.

Easter means many things to us. It is a time for family and a time to march into Spring; but first and foremost, it is the celebration of the risen Christ. Take the time this weekend and to really give thanks for the Resurrection.

Thank you to everyone who makes our churches very special places during these sacred days. We especially thank our decorators and musicians and singers. Easter would not be the same without all the work that you do. There is nothing like a beautiful Easter Church. Thank you!

Here is an account of the Resurrection of our beloved Lord, Jesus Christ that we will hear on Holy Saturday. Happy Easter! —Fr. George Mahas—

## **The Resurrection of Christ from the Gospel of Matthew**

*After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning,*

*Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb.*

*And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven,*

*approached, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it.*

*His appearance was like lightning and his clothing was white as snow.*

*The guards were shaken with fear of him and became like dead men.*

*Then the angel said to the women in reply, “Do not be afraid!*

*I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.*

*Come and see the place where he lay.*

*Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him.’*

*Behold, I have told you.”*

*Then they went away quickly from the tomb, fearful yet overjoyed,*

*and ran to announce this to his disciples.*

*And behold, Jesus met them on their way and greeted them.*

*They approached, embraced his feet, and did him homage.*

*Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid.*

*Go tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”*



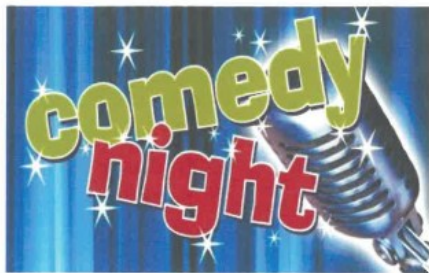
## Putnam County Council on Aging April Activities

Date	Event	Time	Location
4-1-2026	Bingocize	10:00am	Putnam County Council on Aging, Ottawa
4-2-2026	Bingo	1:00pm	Fort Haven Apartments, Fort Jennings
4-6-2026	Exploring AI Together	1:30pm	Putnam Co. District Library, Ottawa
4-7-2026	Medicare and Medicaid Updates	1:00pm	Fogle Center, Leipsic
4-14-2026	Graze and Gather	1:00pm	United Methodist Church, Continental (Northside)
4-16-2026	Planters and Friends	10:00am	Northside Lions Den Shelterhouse, Kalida
4-22-2026	Strong Bones Today	1:30pm	Community Center, Vaughnsville
4-28-2026	Euchre	10:00am	Northside Lions Den Shelterhouse, Kalida
4-30-2026	Spring Fling Party	10:00am	Arthur-Lugibihl Community Center, Pandora

For more information or to attend please call the Council on Aging at 419-523-4121 or 1-877-796-1760



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**APRIL 11th, 2026**

**\*\*Tickets are \$60.00**

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**\*\*OTTOVILLE PARISH HALL\*\***

**\*\*DOORS OPEN AT 6pm\*\***

**DINNER INCLUDES:**

Steak, Chicken, Red Skin Potato, Green Beans  
Salad, roll and dessert

**\*\*ALCOHOL INCLUDED\*\***

Tickets available at: Dr. Tom Siefker Office (419) 453-3002  
Dr. Brian Saxton Office (419) 453-2279

**\*\*MUST BE 21 TO ATTEND\*\***

Ottoville, Fort Jennings & Surrounding Area Seniors  
Keep Your Balance, Stay Active!

### A Matter of Balance Fall Prevention Program

Reduce the fear of falling, improve balance, and increase strength and flexibility.

#### Class Details:

Date: Wednesday's starting April 15, 2026 through June 5, 2026

Time: 10:00 am to Noon

Location: Ottoville Parish Center Family Room  
150 Park Drive, Ottoville

Cost: No Charge, Donations Accepted

- 8 fun, interactive sessions (2hours each)
- Small group setting with 8 to 12 participants
- Learn practical strategies to prevent falls and stay active.



Contact:

419-523-4121 or

Toll-free: 1-877-796-1760



## AUTISM SUPPORT SQUAD OF NW OHIO

### JOIN US FOR A BIG TICKET RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

An Evening of FUN, COMMUNITY PURPOSE  
To benefit local autism families and inclusive initiatives

April 25th, 2026 @ Delphos Eagles Aerie #471  
1600 E. Fifth St.

5:30 p.m. Doors Open – Social Time

7:00 p.m. – Raffle Starts

Individual Tickets \$35

A table of 10 for \$360

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Poker Run hosted by our local Do-Right Motorcycle Club!  
April 25th, 2026

Sign-up starts at noon, with kickstands up at 1:00 PM.

Proceeds benefit The Autism Support Squad!

For Tickets contact: Kaiti Wolford at  
KaitiWolford@asdsupportsquad.org, 567-259-9013 or  
Ashley Anderson at ashanders@gmail.com, 419-203-

# HOG FEST

## 3 - MEAT PORK DINNER

Pulled Pork / Smoked Sausage / Grilled Pork Bites  
Mac n Cheese, Loaded Baked Beans, Cole Slaw & Garlic Toast



**\$15**

Sponsored by the Ottoville Area  
Community Club

Contact any member or scan the Q/R code  
with your camera, fill out the form and we  
will contact you -->

**Sunday, April 19th**

**11 am - 1 pm**



Proceeds benefit Parish / Community  
Projects and Scholarships

**Pick up at Black Angus Drive-Thru**



**Putnam County Right to Life** will be  
meeting on  
**Tuesday, April 7 at 7:30 pm**  
in the basement of **Kalida St. Michael's  
Church.**  
All are welcome!

*Springs*  
IN THE  
DESERT

Springs in the Desert, a Catholic infertility  
ministry, is hosting monthly meetings to  
accompany women struggling with infertility  
and loss. We offer a place of respite and  
solidarity- a place to acknowledge the pain and  
complex emotions associated with infertility.

Our next meeting will be held **Thursday, April  
9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm** in the St. Joseph, Fort Jennings  
church basement.

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!



**MONTHLY ROSARY – for the  
SAFETY and UNITY  
of OUR NATION**

2nd Monday of the Month  
April thru October @ 7:30 pm

St. Rita's Rosary Walk  
620 E. Blake Ottawa (Glandorf)

Led by the  
4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS  
Father Ronald Warnimont Assembly

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

Please mark your calendars!

**WHAT:** Meet the Candidates  
Night

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 9,  
2026 beginning at 7:30 pm

**WHERE:** Ottoville VFW Post 3740

**WHO:** Putnam County Voters Welcome

**WHY:** Candidates running for State Offices,  
County Judge, and Commissioner will be  
present for the Q & A forum.





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