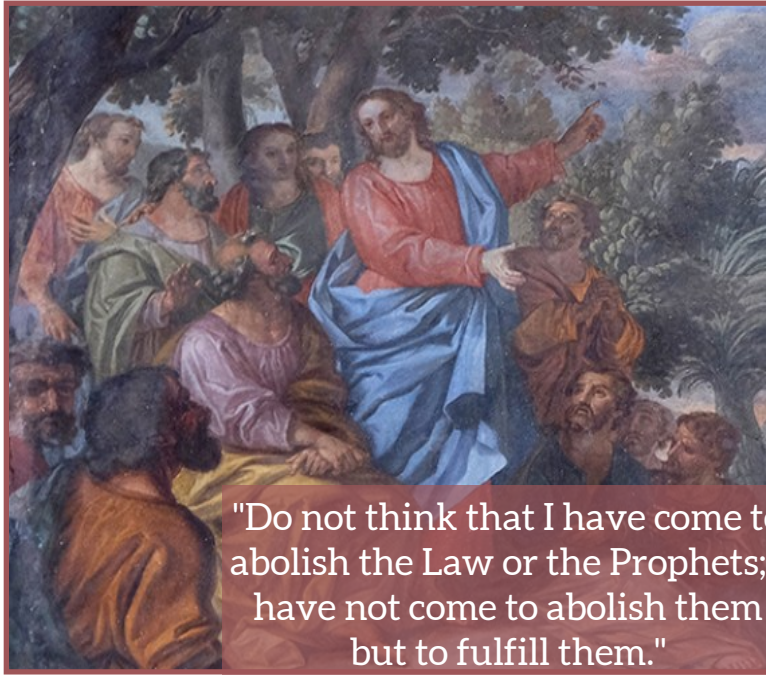


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WEDNESDAY - 8:00 a.m.
THURSDAY & FRIDAY - 8:00 a.m.
SATURDAY - 4:00 p.m.
SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m.



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

Sara Beining
February 21

Art & Bernice Schnipke
February 28



OUR GIFTS TO GOD!

For the week of January 31-February 1, 2026

Sacrificial Offering—\$ 2,461.00
Loose Cash—\$ 1,081.60
Parish Center—\$ 298.00
Energy—\$ 40.00
Initial Offering—\$ 10.00
Solemnity of Mary—\$ 475.00
Christmas—\$ 200.00
Church in Latin America—\$ 10.00
January EFT—\$ 8,175.00
January Online Giving—& 1,325.58

For the week of February 7-8, 2026

Sacrificial Offering—\$ 3,207.00
Loose Cash—\$ 986.60
Parish Center—\$ 165.00
Energy—\$ 110.00
Church Repair—\$ 140

Thank you for your generosity!



We're gathering interest for a **CYO Alumni Basketball Game!** If you're interested in playing on Sunday, Feb. 22nd at 6pm, contact Cole Knippen at 419-604-2642.



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Ottoville, Ohio

MEETING DATES:

2nd Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m.
4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

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

SERVERS

February 21 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Evan Altenburger, Henry & Gretta Schnipke
February 22 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Reid Burgei, Olivia & Nathan Eickholt

LECTORS

February 21 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Beth Schnipke
February 22 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Nick Brandeberry

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

February 21 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Host Front/Center: Adam Schnipke Host Handicapped/Choir: Sara Beining Cup-Mary's Side: Quinton Schnipke Cup-Joseph's Side: Judy Eickholt
February 22 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Host Front/Center: Erica Brickner Host Handicapped/Choir: Jim Hoersten Cup-Mary's Side: Lois Hoersten Cup-Joseph's Side: Nancy Vetter

USHERS

February 21 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Brian Altenburger, Daniel Bendele, Tim Eickholt, Allan Honigford
February 22 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Chris Burgei, David Fischbach, Julie Schimmoeller, John Vetter

FAMILY TO BRING UP OFFERTORY GIFTS

February 21 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Volunteers
February 22 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Family of Ray & Dan Miller

LADIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY

Feb 16 (Mon)	Kelli Ellerbrock
Feb 17 (Tues)	Judy (Terry) Eickholt
Feb 18 (Wed)	Patricia Elliott
Feb 19 (Thurs)	Barbara Etgen
Feb 20 (Fri)	Sheryl Emmons
Feb 21 (Sat)	Mary Ellen Eversole
Feb 22 (Sun)	Lori Fischer



ALTAR / SANCTUARY CLEANING

Janice Wannemacher: weeks of Feb. 15

MONEY COUNTERS FOR FEBRUARY

Nancy Vetter, Dawn Schnipke, Ceil Eickholt



Mass Intentions

02/14 (Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Stephen & Fronie Hilvers
02/15 (Sunday)	8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Barbara's
	10:30 a.m.	Ottie & Ryan Beining Mildred Beining (30th day)
02/16 (Monday)		No Mass
02/17 (Tuesday)	12:00 p.m.	For the People of Immaculate Conception & St. Barbara
02/18 (Wednesday)	7:50 a.m.	Mildred Beining; Patricia King (7th day)
	7:00 p.m.	John Grote, Leo & Crylda Grote
02/19 (Thursday)	8:00 a.m.	Dee Wueller; Dorothy Bowen (7th day)
02/20 (Friday)	8:00 a.m.	Gene Byrne
02/21 (Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Donald "Tiner" Altenburger
02/22 (Sunday)	8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Barbara's
	10:30 a.m.	Ray & Dan Miller

Lenten Penance Service



Immaculate Conception, Ottoville
Sunday, February 22 at 2:00 pm

St. Michael the Archangel, Kalida
Wednesday, March 4 at 4:00 pm

St. Joseph, Ft. Jennings
Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00 pm

St. John the Baptist, Glandorf
Wednesday, March 25 at 4:00 pm in Church and
7:00 pm in Parish Center

Sts. Peter & Paul, Ottawa
Monday, March 30 at 4:00pm

Next Weekend's Readings - Feb 21 & 22, 2026

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 | Romans 5:12-19
Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11



SERVERS: Carlie Bellman, Abigail Looser,
Jenna Suever

LECTOR: Cory Eickholt

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Sherrie Looser—Host-Front/Center

Kim Wannemacher—Host-Handicapped/Choir

Chase Furley—Cup-Mary's side

Danielle Swint—Cup-St. Joseph's side

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal themed Hope In Action. Children, seminary students, the sick and aged, the needy—they all depend on our generosity. Faith, hope, and love come alive through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank you for pledging today to help meet our parish goal and assure the continuation of these programs and services. For more information on ministries funded by the appeal, visit acatoledo.org. Thank you!

HOPE In Action





The Holy Name Society of St. Barbara's/ Cloverdale will have their annual Sunday before Ash Wednesday...

All-You-Can-Eat Chicken & Fish Fry on Sunday, February 15th from 4:00 p.m. until we run out.

Adults-\$12.00, Children-\$6.00, under 5-free. In case of inclement weather, it will be held the following Sunday, February 22nd. The Altar-Rosary Society will have a Bake Sale during the Fish Fry as well.



Ft. Jennings American Legion

Ash Wednesday Fish Dinner—February 18 4-6pm Carry-out only; 3pc fish, baked potato, coleslaw & roll \$12

Chicken Fry Sat., February 21—Dine in 6-10pm

-all you can eat chicken, noodles, tossed salad, potato salad, baked beans & roll. Drinks extra \$14

Carry-out from 4:30-6pm includes 4pc chicken, 2 sides & roll \$12



Ottoville Council 2238

All U can eat Pancakes, served w/ Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Cinnamon Roll & Refreshments

Sunday, Feb 22nd 8:00am -1:00pm
dine in Ottoville Parish Center

Please come in and enjoy breakfast w/ your Family & Friends

FREE WILL DONATION, ALL DONATIONS GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!

Proceeds will be directed to Church Campus Maintenance

2026 Unbaked Frozen Pizzaburgers (Pre-sale Only) Pre-sale orders due Friday, 2/27



SCAN THIS QR CODE TO SUBMIT THE FORM ONLINE!



The ICY group will be doing their delicious pizzaburger fundraiser again on Wednesday, March 11th!

This year they will be taking pre-sale orders for UNBAKED, FROZEN pizzaburgers. These orders must be placed by Friday, 2/27. Pickup for these frozen orders will be March 11th (when the baked ones will be sold). You can place your order for these online (see link below) or grab a paper form from the church exits or the Parish Center. Also, new this year, they will be adding 'Church Fair' Chicken Noodle Soup to their menu!

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hello Friends,

Lent will begin this week! Check the bulletin for the details regarding Ash Wednesday Masses and the upcoming Confession opportunities in the deanery.

Start to gameplan now! What do you plan to “give-up”/sacrifice. Lent is a combination of both “doing more” and “doing with less”. And, of course, the greatest goal is to have a more spiritual and Christ-centered disposition. More prayer, more Scripture reading, more meditation and more positive and helpful Catholic media can help.

Below is a list of suggestions from FOCUS about some Lenten changes in our behavior. While difficult, change and sacrifices can have great spiritual benefits. And, as we hear from the first reading at Mass this weekend: “If you choose, you can keep the commandments, they will save you.” –Fr. George Mahas—

Complaining. Best for: Those who struggle to see the good in situations or people. Spiritual benefits: Cultivates gratitude and a positive outlook, helping you focus on God’s blessings. Complaining is often a subconscious habit, so it requires vigilance and prayerful awareness.

Doom Scrolling. Best for: Those who spend a little too much time on social media. Spiritual benefits: Frees up time for prayer, Scripture reading, and meaningful connections. The constant habit of checking your phone can make this surprisingly tough.

Snacking Between Meals. Best for: Those who love a good mid-meal treat. Spiritual benefits: Builds temperance and reminds you to rely on God for strength. Especially challenging if you snack out of boredom or habit.

Procrastination. Best for: Students, workers, or anyone prone to putting things off. Spiritual benefits: Encourages diligence and reminds you to use your time wisely as a gift from God. Breaking the cycle of procrastination can be uncomfortable but liberating.

Using Negative Words About Yourself. Best for: Those with critical tendencies. Spiritual benefits: Builds self-love rooted in God’s love and affirms your dignity as His creation. It takes effort to catch and reframe self-critical thoughts.

Driving Impatiently. Best for: Daily commuters or who get a little frustrated in traffic. Spiritual benefits: Develops patience and self-control. A practical and tangible way to grow in virtue.

Buying Non-Essential Items. Best for: Impulse and online shoppers. Spiritual benefits: Promotes detachment from material goods and a simpler lifestyle. Saying no to small, tempting purchases requires discipline.

Skipping Exercise. Best for: Those who often neglect physical health. Spiritual benefits: Honors your body as a temple of the Holy Spirit. Committing to consistent exercise requires effort but is rewarding.

Food Delivery or Eating Out. Best for: Busy individuals or foodies. Spiritual benefits: Encourages simplicity and gratitude for home-cooked meals. Requires planning and effort to cook consistently.

Talking About Yourself Excessively. Best for: Those who can tend to accidentally dominate conversations. Spiritual benefits: Encourages humility and a greater interest in others. Developing self-awareness in conversations can be surprisingly tough.

Rushing Through Life. Best for: Busy individuals who often feel overwhelmed. Spiritual benefits: Teaches mindfulness, helps you live in the present, and draws you closer to God’s pace. Slowing down requires intentionality and effort to say no to unnecessary busyness. Builds trust in God’s plan and fosters contentment. Letting go of the need to always participate can be challenging.

Overindulging in Comfort Activities. Best for: People who really take the “treat yourself” motto to heart. Spiritual benefits: Encourages self-denial and reminds you of Christ’s sacrifices. Moderating these comforts is a gentle but meaningful way to practice sacrifice.

Skipping Sunday Rest. Best for: Workaholics (or procrastinators). Spiritual benefits: Honors the Sabbath as God intended, creating space for worship and reflection. Letting go of work for a full day requires trust in God’s providence.

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men. -Colossians 3:23

Stations of the Cross

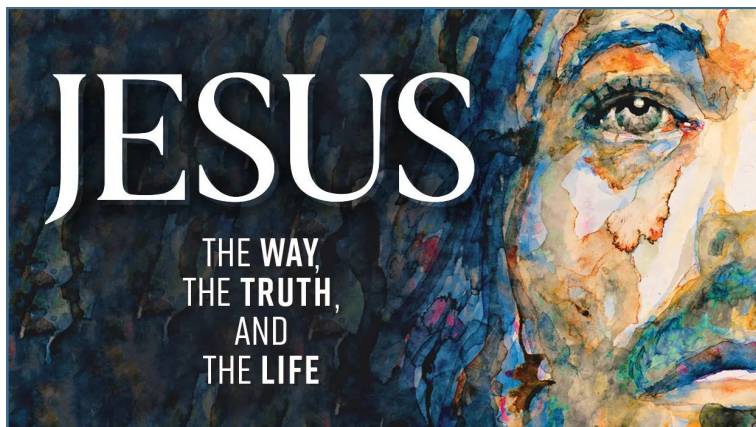


On Sundays during
Lent at 2:00 pm in the church
beginning March 1
(Penance service on Sunday,
Feb. 22 at 2:00 pm)



Scout Sunday was last weekend.
Blessings to all of our Scouts, their
leaders, and their families! We are
grateful for their service work and
leadership! Keep up the great work guys!

6-week Bible Study Offering during Lent



We are hosting a Bible Study on Mondays at 7:00pm
in the Parish Center Family/St. Therese Room. For
more information/to sign up, contact the parish office
at 419-453-3513

Email: icreligious@icchurchottoville.org
or text: 419-233-7640

The cost is \$10 per person to help cover materials.
A catch-up session for anyone wishing to start or
resume the program (that started during Advent) will
be held on Monday, February 16 at 7:00 pm. Session 5
will be Monday, February 23 at 7:00 pm.

2026 Women's Welcome Retreat

What's missing in your life? Join us **March 28-29** for the **Women's Welcome Retreat!** Discover how a deeper relationship with Jesus can renew your spirit and provide the energy you've been seeking. Come experience a weekend of meaningful friendships and faith-filled discovery with a newfound purpose.



Welcome.
There is **More to Life**

Register today to save your spot! Free for all women.
For more info, and/or to sign up contact Kari Norbeck
(567-204-5399) or Linda Knippen (419-236-6298) or use
the QR code (right) to register.



Online Giving Option for
Women's Welcome
Retreat

Want to donate to the **Women's Welcome Retreat**? Donation tags are available in the church narthex. If you would like to donate, take a tag and place the purchased item in the provided tote. Any monetary donations can be put in the envelopes provided and dropped off at the Parish Office or Sunday collection. Online donation is available using the QR code (left). Thank you! Your contributions are greatly appreciated!



Putnam County Council on Aging February Activities

XOXO

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
2-2-26	Tough Topics: A Lost Loved Ones Facebook	1:30pm	Putnam Co. District Library, Ottawa
2-4-26	The Role of Supplements and Healthy Longevity	10:00am	Northside Lions Den Shelter House, Kalida
2-5-26	Bingo	1:00pm	Fort Haven Apartments, Fort Jennings
2-10-26	Putnam Heritage Bingo	10:00am	Putnam Heritage Assisted Living, Ottawa
2-11-26	Pelvic Floor Presentation	10:00am	Fogle Center, Leipsic
2-12-26	Valentine's Day Party	10:00am	Sportsman's Club, Miller City
2-18-26	Left, Right, Center	10:00am	Parish Hall (Family Room), Ottoville
2-20-26	Beads and Bracelets Bash	10:00am	United Methodist Church Continental (Northside)
2-24-26	Euchre	10:00am	Church of the Good Shepherd Columbus Grove
2-26-26	Fueling your Golden Years	1:00pm	Community Center, Vaughnsville



Please call for more information or to attend!
419-523-4121 or 1-877-796-1760

XOXO



EXTRAORDINARY MISSION



DRAGON SLAYERS

Special prayers for our 2nd graders as they will be attending DRAGON SLAYERS on Sunday, a sacramental retreat created to be a fun and engaging way to learn about Reconciliation and most the Holy Eucharist.

What are dragons?

Dragons represent sins and obstacles that keep us from becoming DRAGON SLAYERS—saints—and to conquer them, we need the *weapons* and *armor* of virtue on our journey to holiness.

FREE THROW SHOOTING CONTEST



Nixon Varner and Brielle Vorst won their age group at the Knights of Columbus district free throw contest on Feb 8th and now move on to regional competition on Feb 22nd here at Ottoville. Best of luck!



Engaged Couples Conference ~ St. Anthony's
Engaged Couples Conference will be held
Saturday, March 7, 2026 from 8:30 a.m. until
Mass at 4:00 p.m.

Cost of the day is \$50.00 per couple.

Any couples interested, please call the parish
office at 419-659-2263.

***Payment can be dropped off or mailed to
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