

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Faith - Tradition - Family

**32nd SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 10, 2024**

Good News!

By: FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Many years ago, I spent a summer in rural Mississippi living and sharing life with the folks of that area. Annie lived on a hillside in the “hollers” of that part of the country. In many ways, she reminded me of Granny from TV’s *The Beverly Hillbillies*. Annie was thin and wiry, wore bib overalls, climbed barbed wire fences, swore like a trooper, and raised a henhouse of chickens in her backyard.

I once asked her what she did with all the eggs she gathered, whether she sold them to make a little money for a rainy day. She said to me, “Lord, no. I give them away, and then when I need something, they give to me. That’s the way we live.” Her generosity embarrassed me, for she lived with trust like the widows in today’s two Scripture readings, giving from their want and their need and finding God taking care of them.

When our day is stretched beyond the time we need, and we choose to share what little time we have with someone who needs our help, somehow our day works itself out. When someone comes in need of love, and we sense we have not even enough to care for ourselves, but still we reach out, we find there is enough love for them and for us. Whenever we give from our want, it always seems God is present amid the trust that all will be well.



More Than All the Rest
- Mark 12:41-44 NLT -

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	OLM	11/09	4:00	P.M.	+Marilyn Lang (The Lang Family)
	SJB	11/09	6:00	P.M.	+Howard and +Edna Dyar (Family)
Sunday	SJB	11/10	7:30	A.M.	+Gertrude Arnold (Glenn and Marcia Pawloski)
	OLM	11/10	9:30	A.M.	+Will Beebe (Gary and Rose Beebe)
	SJB	11/10	11:00	A.M.	+Ralph E. Stollar (Vince and Shelly Stollar and Family)
Monday	SJB	11/11	8:00	A.M.	+Nelson Hendershot (Family)
Tuesday	SJB	11/12	8:00	A.M.	No Mass Today
	OLM	11/12	5:00	P.M.	+Darren Cheeseman (Sue Huck)
Wednesday	SJB	11/13	8:20	A.M.	+Katharine Schwendeman (Schwendeman Family) (School Mass)
Thursday	SJB	11/14	8:00	A.M.	No Mass Today
	OLM	11/14	5:00	P.M.	+Howard Schilling (Ed Schilling)
Friday	SJB	11/15	8:00	A.M.	+Shirley Oliver (Vince and Shelly Stollar Family)
Saturday	OLM	11/16	4:00	P.M.	+Cheryl Brooker (Brian Brooker)
	SJB	11/16	6:00	P.M.	+Edith Brooker (Birthday 11/14) (Charlotte Lang and Family)
Sunday	SJB	11/17	7:30	A.M.	+Virginia Arnold (Anniversary 11/16) (Family)
	OLM	11/17	9:30	A.M.	+Robert and Lucy Long (Ken and Jan Long)
	SJB	11/17	11:00	A.M.	Living and Deceased of +Lawrence and +Loretta Hendershot Family (Mike and Marilyn Schaad)
	SJB	11/17	1:30	P.M.	People of the Parish (SEARCH closing Mass)



LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

MASS	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Saturday 6:00 p.m.	Morgan and Baylee Warner	Eugene Huck	Melinda Treadway
Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Connor McCartney, Grace Francis	Hugh Arnold	Arnold Huck
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	Maycee and Brenlee Lang	Reese Lang	Lori Hart

<u>COLLECTION</u>	<u>D.P.S.C.</u>	<u>BINGO</u>
Total Collection last weekend \$3,520 Needed to meet parish needs \$4,750 Thank you for your generosity!	2024 Collected to date \$73,490 2024 Goal \$43,047 <small>This includes all monies sent directly to the Diocese.</small> Thank you for your generosity!	October 27 Group 4 \$0 If you are unable to work, please try to find a replacement

<u>ST. JOHN BINGO WORK SCHEDULE</u>	<u>C.W.C. BINGO CAKES</u>	<u>PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY</u>
Nov 10 Group 6 with Jeff Canterbury Nov 17 Group 7 with Brandon Wheeler Nov 24 Group 8 with Russ Lang Dec 1 Group 1 with Jeff Brooker Dec 8 Group 2 with Jessica Henke Dec 15 Group 3 with Ryan Lauchard Dec 22 Group 4 with Derrick Pottmeyer	November Group D - Elaine Wells CWC meeting for November has been cancelled. See you at the Christmas Party.	Please pray for all of the men and women who are serving our country in the military. May God watch over them and keep them safe.

<u>READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND</u>	
Daniel 12:1-3 / Hebrews 10:11-14, 18 / Mark 13:24-32	Please have all bulletin information to the Rectory no later than 10:00 p.m. on Monday

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Disaster Relief collection to help those who were affected by the Hurricanes. We have sent a check for \$4,861 to the Disaster Relief Fund of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Charlotte. Please continue to keep them in your prayers. May God bless you all!

33 DAYS TO EUCHARISTIC GLORY

Before leaving for Florida, Fr. Heinz purchased copies of 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory to be made available to the parishioners of St. John the Baptist and Our Lady of Mercy. Life is a pilgrimage. A sacred journey toward our eternal home with God. At critical times God's people are invited to consecrate themselves to the Eucharist and make a difference.

EMAIL & TEXT MESSAGE SCAMS

Just a reminder, Father David will NOT send anyone texts or emails asking for money in the form of gift cards. Please be vigilant! Check the actual email address that the message was sent from.

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

The annual food collection baskets for St. Vincent De Paul are set up on the altar. Please place food items (canned goods, peanut butter, mac & cheese or any non-perishables) in the boxes located on the altar. Please be generous and help those who are less fortunate.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GIVING TREE

St. Vincent De Paul is taking requests for the Christmas giving tree. If you know of someone needing assistance please notify Alberta Wesel at 740-374-4428.

CARD SHOWER

A card shower is being held for Leo and Joann Huck's 65th Wedding Anniversary on November 11. Cards may be mailed to Leo and Joann Huck, 1027 Lakeview Drive, Beverly, Ohio 45715.

EUCHRE

Euchre will be held at 1:00 p.m. at the Sr. Center on November 13 and 27. Euchre is held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. All are welcome.

CWC CHRISTMAS DINNER

The CWC Christmas Dinner will be on Thursday, December 12th at 6:00 p.m. at The Cornerstone Restaurant in Beverly. It will be a roasted turkey dinner. It's for the women and their spouses if they would like to come. Please RSVP to Marilyn Pottmeyer by December 1 at 740-516-6248. There will also be prizes available.

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HONORING ALL WHO SERVED
VETERANS DAY
— UNITED STATES OF AMERICA —



K OF C CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

We would like to invite your students to take part in the Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest for all boys and girls grades K-8. Please complete and turn in by Friday, November 15, 2024. We will award the winners at the Spread the Light of Christ blessing on Monday, December 9th at 6:30 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Taylor Pottmeyer, 412-215-6470 or churchtownkofc@gmail.com.

K OF C - CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST

The Knights of Columbus 4617 invites all Catholic students in public, private and parochial schools' grades 8-12, in Washington County, Ohio, to participate in the 2024 Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest. Mail essays and the Entry Form (or at <https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/community/catholic-citizenship-essay-contest/4208-essay-entry-form.pdf>) to Knights of Columbus 4617, 124 Klinger Road, Waterford, Ohio 45786 or email to churchtownkofc@gmail.com by Friday, November 15. Any questions please contact Taylor Pottmeyer at 412-215-6470.

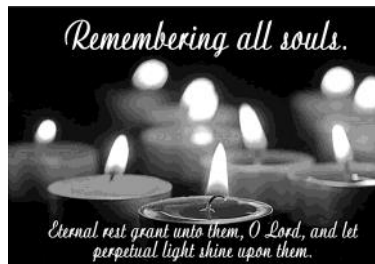
K OF C 4617 MEMORIAL MASS

Knights of Columbus 4617 Memorial Mass will be held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church on Monday, November 18, 2024 at 7:00 PM. The celebration honors our Brother Knights from Council 4617 who have passed away. All are welcome to attend and there will be refreshments after the mass at the K of C hall in Churchtown.

MARY'S HOUSE BAG AND BASKET BINGO

Mary's House will be holding their annual Bag and Basket Bingo on Sunday, November 10th starting at 2:00 p.m. (doors open at 1:00 p.m.) at the St Bernard Social Hall, Beverly. The cost is 20 Games for \$20.00. Tickets will be sold at door only. A 50/50 drawing, raffle, and concession stand will be presented.

MONTH OF ALL SOULS



The month of November is dedicated to All Souls. Let us remember our loved ones who have gone before us. The names on your All Souls envelopes are being placed on our altar for the entire month of November.

PRAYER FOR SOULS IN PURGATORY

Have you lost a loved one who passed away, or know someone who has? Prayers for Souls in Purgatory can help them! While we can derive great comfort from the hope that our loved ones are enjoying Eternal Life with God, it never hurts to pray for their souls in any case. Purgatory, the souls of many of those who have died in God's grace undergo purification so that they may enter Heaven. The Prayer of St. Gertrude, below, is one of the most famous of the prayers for Souls in Purgatory. St. Gertrude the Great was a Benedictine nun and mystic who lived in the 13th century. According to tradition, our Lord promised her that 1000 souls would be released from Purgatory each time it is said devoutly.

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with all the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners, everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home, and within my family. Amen.



New Parishioners

Welcome!

You can register by calling our Parish Office.

Prayer Network: Call

Mary Brooker 740-896-2002

Elaine Wells 740-896-3112

to place a prayer request on the prayer line or to join in the prayers for those in need.

Becoming Catholic (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For those interested in becoming Catholic, contact the parish office.

Care for the Sick or Homebound:

Call the Parish Office or Marilyn Kern to set up Communion visits or to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

Pastoral Musicians

Valerie Strahler, Crystal Lang

Scrip Coordinator

Betina Lang

PSR Coordinator

Andrea Ralston

Pastoral Council

Chairperson Maria Huffman

Parish Finance Council

Chairperson Russ Lang,
Casey Lang, Rachel Schott,
Jeff Canterbury, Pam Brooker

Cemetery Association

Andy Miller, Kevin Brooker,
Dean Hart, Howard Brooker

Club of Catholic Women

President Marilyn Zollar

St. John Central School

(740) 896-2697

Mrs. Becky Hilverding
Principal

Knights of Columbus

Council 4617

Grand Knight Taylor Pottmeyer

St. John School Foundation

Gary Arnold, President

Diocesan Catholic Charities & Information

Referral Line:

1-800-339-7890

Ancient Order of Hibernians

James Farly, President



What's Happening at St. John Central School
From Mrs. Becky Hilverding, Principal

We're thrilled to have begun the second nine-week grading period! Our All Saints Day celebration on Nov. 1 was a memorable event, with 4th & 5th graders hosting a Wax Museum, all students dressing up as their favorite saints, and joining Father Dave for Mass. A special thanks to Matt and Ashley Strahler for the hayride – students called it the "bestest day ever!"

Upcoming, we'll honor our veterans on Nov. 7, and on Nov. 13, Mrs. Day's PK - EL classes will enjoy "Thanksgiving in the Woods" inspired by the book (be sure to check it out if you haven't read it!). Our annual Thanksgiving Feast is planned for Nov. 26.

Our school facilities are also undergoing improvements with heating and air duct installations and new office spaces. We're excited to announce our student body has grown to 46 students in K-5 with a new 3rd-grade student. Lastly, save the date for our Gala on Nov. 16!

Thank you for your continued support as we grow and enrich the school community.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 4617



TAILGATE PARTY



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024
CHURCHTOWN KOFC BACK PATIO



6:30 PM

8:15 PM KICKOFF

CLEVELAND BROWNS

VS.



**BRING YOUR OWN TAILGATE FOOD AND BEVERAGES TO SHARE!
WE WILL HAVE THE GRILLS FIRED UP!**



ALL ARE WELCOME!

**BLESSED FR. MCGIVNEY MEMBER DRIVE:
COUNCIL 4617 IS LOOKING FOR
NEW MEMBERS. JOIN OUR
CATHOLIC MENS ORGANIZATION!**

FREE
ADMISSION
(ACCEPTING DONATIONS)

50/50

THIS IS AN OUTSIDE EVENT! DRESS ACCORDINGLY! NO ONE WILL BE PERMITTED INSIDE (RESTROOMS ONLY)!
QUESTIONS TEXT/CALL TANNER @ 740-516-4749 OR TAYLOR @ 412-215-6470

IMPORTANT PARISH BINGO MEETING

Russ Lang has decided to step down at the end of this year as our “Head Bingo Guy”. We cannot thank Russ enough for all the time, dedication and leadership he has generously provided the last several years to make sure our Bingo runs successfully. Should bingo continue, our license renewal is due by December 31. Therefore, we would need to have someone take over in January.

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Center to discuss the financial results of the last Bingo Year. Revenue has dropped to increased supply costs, lower player headcount, decreased ticket sales, and lack of volunteers. The meeting will decide whether to continue moving forward with Bingo.



Churchtown Bingo 2023-2024

BINGO REVENUES:

Traditional Bingo Games Computer & Paper (+)	\$	201,930.00
Supplies Income Add'l Paper & Daubers (+)	\$	6,953.63
Food (+)	\$	12,578.43
Bad Check Redeposit & Other (+)	\$	<u>2,059.00</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$ 223,521.06 \$ **223,521.06**

BINGO EXPENSES:

Traditional Bingo Games Prizes	\$	169,500.00
Door Prizes	\$	14,600.00
Advertising	\$	-
Bingo Supplies	\$	6,370.00
Misc. Supplies & Other	\$	4,381.93
Rent & Utilities	\$	24,000.00
Bad Checks	\$	1,740.00
Food Supplies	\$	9,297.63
Electronic Games	\$	<u>30,359.00</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 260,248.56 \$ **260,248.56**

BINGO NET PROFIT \$ (36,727.50) **-22%**

Average per night		Per
Players#	101	Player
Packet Line \$	\$4,206.88	\$41.76
Instant \$	\$3,684.64	\$36.58
Concession \$	\$262.05	\$2.60
Supplies \$	\$144.87	\$1.44
# Sessions	48	\$82.38

INSTANTS REVENUE:

Instants Gross Receipts	\$	743,776.00
Instant Prizes		<u>580,295.00</u>

GROSS PROFIT \$ 163,481.00 \$ 163,481.00 **22%**

INSTANTS EXPENSES:

\$ 41,140.00

INSTANTS NET PROFIT \$ 122,341.00 \$ **122,341.00** **16%**

TOTAL BINGO & INSTANTS NET PROCEEDS \$ 85,613.50 **9%**

	Nov 1, 2023 to Oct 31, 2024	Nov 1, 2022 to Oct 31, 2023	Nov 1, 2021 to Oct 31, 2022	Nov 1, 2020 to Oct 31, 2021
Sessions	48	49	48	26
Net Bingo Revenue	(\$36,728)	(\$23,788)	(\$29,373)	(\$16,431)
Net Tickets	\$122,341	\$163,380	\$140,168	\$75,733
Total Net Proceeds	\$85,614	\$135,992	\$112,713	\$59,302
Average Weekly Player Count	101	107	108	104

48 Sessions were held during the Bingo Year with sessions canceled for Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve, Easter and one snow date. Contributions for the year were \$85,613, down significantly from previous years, with a substantial reduction in the last half of the Year. For example, tickets sales were down from an average of 17,850 in the first 12 Sessions to 12,780 in the last 12 Sessions. Additionally, supply costs have increased dramatically, with the cost of some tickets and paper supplies nearly doubling since 2020. We continue to have issues with not enough help to properly staff Bingo, and we still have captains who have generously given over 20 years of time as group captains. Meetings will be held to determine if it is viable to continue Bingo given the circumstances.

	Nov 1, 2023 to Oct 31, 2024	Nov 1, 2022 to Oct 31, 2023	Nov 1, 2021 to Oct 31, 2022
BINGO REVENUES:			
Traditional Bingo Games Computer & Paper (+)	\$ 201,930.00	\$ 219,734.00	\$ 215,814.00
Supplies Income Add'l Paper & Daubers (+)	\$ 6,953.63	\$ 7,019.75	\$ 6,926.84
Food (+)	\$ 12,578.43	\$ 13,508.34	\$ 12,731.62
Bad Check Redeposit & Other (+)	\$ 2,059.00	\$ 990.00	\$ 990.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 223,521.06	\$ 241,252.09	\$ 236,462.46

BINGO EXPENSES:			
Traditional Bingo Games Prizes	\$ 169,500.00	\$ 174,500.00	\$ 172,500.00
Door Prizes	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 14,850.00	\$ 14,840.00
Advertising	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bingo Supplies	\$ 6,370.00	\$ 7,223.50	\$ -
Misc. Supplies & Other	\$ 4,381.93	\$ 13,513.12	\$ 9,857.43
Rent & Utilities	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 24,500.00	\$ 24,000.00
Bad Checks	\$ 1,740.00	\$ 1,229.00	\$ 1,100.00
Food Supplies	\$ 9,297.63	\$ 9,847.17	\$ 10,813.85
Electronic Games	\$ 30,359.00	\$ 32,977.00	\$ 30,806.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 260,248.56	\$ 278,639.79	\$ 263,917.28
BINGO NET PROFIT	\$ (36,727.50)	\$ (37,387.70)	\$ (27,454.82)

INSTANTS REVENUE:			
Instants Gross Receipts	\$ 743,776.00	\$ 968,665.50	\$ 885,803.50
Instant Prizes	\$ 580,295.00	\$ 740,736.00	\$ 696,958.00
GROSS PROFIT	\$ 163,481.00	\$ 227,929.50	\$ 188,845.50
INSTANT EXPENSES	\$ 41,140.00	\$ 54,550.00	\$ 48,678.00
INSTANT NET PROFIT	\$ 122,341.00	\$ 173,379.50	\$ 140,167.50
TOTAL BINGO & INSTANTS NET PROCEEDS	\$ 85,613.50	\$ 135,991.80	\$ 112,712.68