

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Mass Times

Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Monday 7:00 p.m.

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Sunday 8:00 a.m.-8:15 a.m.

Anointing of the Sick

419-695-4050

Baptism

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

Matrimony

Please contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance to schedule your wedding preparation and celebration.

August 23, 2026

Please pray for...Anita Bertsch, Eileen Bonifas, Sam Bonifas, Jon Brenneman, Myra Carpenter, Janice Etzkorn, Marilyn Heitz, Linda Hoffman, Tom Klausing, Joan Mason, Brody Miller, Gerry Mueller, Jodi Parsons, Kenzie Ray, Ann Rees, Cody Ricker, Kristy Ringwald, Hailey Wannemacher, Sue Wildermuth, Stella Wrasman, Tom Wurst

Diocese of Toledo Welcomes Nine New Seminarians, Largest Increase in 23 Years The

Diocese of Toledo is celebrating a significant sign of hope for priestly vocations: nine new seminarians have



been accepted to begin formation for the Diocese this fall — the largest single-year increase in 23 years. The nine men gathered Tuesday, Aug. 11, for an official “Signing Day,” marking the beginning of their journey as seminarians for the Diocese of Toledo. They join 11 returning seminarians, bringing the Diocese to 20 men in priestly formation for the 2026-2027

year. The new seminarians come from parishes across the Diocese, from Mansfield and Bellevue to Sylvania, Oregon, Ottawa, Swanton, Van Wert, Port Clinton and Ottoville. All nine are entering the Propaedeutic Stage of priestly formation. This initial stage takes place before the Discipleship Stage and the formal study of philosophy. It introduces a new seminarian more deeply to the spiritual life while providing a solid foundation in human formation. Their arrival comes amid a broad diocesan effort to foster a culture of vocations and invite the faithful to pray intentionally for an increase in vocations to the diocesan priesthood. For the past three years, Bishop Daniel E. Thomas has asked Catholics throughout the Diocese to make a simple but intentional commitment: pray one Hail Mary each day for an increase in priestly vocations and offer some form of fasting each Friday for that intention. That prayer continues this year alongside expanded efforts to help Catholics throughout the Diocese know their seminarians, encourage young men to discern the priesthood and make prayer for vocations a regular part of parish life. Among those efforts is the third annual [Walk for Vocations](#), Sept. 27-Oct. 1. Under the theme “Each Step a Prayer for More Priests,” priests and the faithful will make a more than 70-mile pilgrimage across the Diocese, praying specifically for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. The addition of nine new seminarians is a joyful beginning to a new year of formation — and an invitation to continue building a culture in which young men are encouraged to listen for God's call and given the support to respond generously. Please pray for these nine men, for all 20 Diocese of Toledo seminarians, and for the young men throughout our Diocese whom God may be calling to the priesthood.

Fall Breakfast will be on Sunday, September 27. We will feature Sausage, Eggs, Pancakes, Burritos, Toast, Coffee & Juice.

Free Will Offering. Serving 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon.

SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN **Get ready for the second season of - SHE**

She Shall Be Called Woman, a program developed **for all women** by Paradisus Dei, is coming to **Delphos, Landeck and Spencerville!** This is a parish-based women's program that fosters a supportive environment for spiritual growth. It consists of two 9-week sessions— one in fall and one in the spring. Each meeting consists of a video, small group discussion and fellowship. Through dynamic speakers, meaningful prayer experiences and opportunity for enriching conversations, women of all ages (from 18 yrs and up) will gain deeper insights into Scriptural teachings, theological truths and practical wisdom. **SHE** is a formative journey you won't want to miss!

Program Information

When: Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 p.m.
Where: St. John the Baptist Church,
Landeck Basement
Beginning: September 15th 2026

For more information, contact

Pam Hickey at: hickey.pam@gmail.com
For help registering, call
Kathleen Wreede at: 419-695-4050 ext. 1005

Register by dropping this off to the Ministry Center @ 201 N. Pierce St. Delphos, OH!

Register online by QR code here!

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone Number: _____



Last Weekend's Gifts

August 16, 2026

Total: \$2,278.00

Sunday Envelopes: \$1,631.00

Maintenance: \$ 30.00

Loose Offering: \$ 367.00

Assumption: \$ 250.00

July MyEoffering

Total: \$3,061.89

Offering: \$2,797.19

Maintenance: \$264.70

Capital Campaign for the week

\$131.00

Mass Intentions

Sunday ~ August 23rd

8:30 a.m. Jackie Looser
Cynthia Etzkorn
Melvin & Alberta Maas Family

5:30 p.m. Celebrant's Intention

Monday ~ August 24th

7:00 p.m. Celebrant's Intention

Sunday ~ August 30th

8:30 a.m. Caden Meyer
Jerome & Ann Bonifas
Alexis Mack

5:30 p.m. Ralph & Betty Bonifas

Monday ~ August 31st

7:00 p.m. Darlene Schulte
Stan Mozingo

Ministry Schedule

Sunday, August 23, 2026		Sunday, August 30, 2026	
Sunday	Crystal Flanagan	Rosary	Keith & Julia Kleman
Lectors	1 st Reading – Sarah Jamison 2 nd Reading – Jennifer	Lectors	1 st Reading – Martha Miller 2 nd Reading – Dave Meyer
Gift Offering	Ed Etzkorn Family	Gift Offering	Caden Meyer Family
Commentator	TJ Knippen	Commentator	Jennifer Carpenter
Communion Distributors	Lois Hemker Mike Berelsman Ken Miller Julie Schroeder (choir)	Communion Distributors	Linda Martin Jeff Martin Karen Stant Ron Bonifas (choir)
Servers	Aiden Kroeger Ezra Erickson Hannah Etzkorn	Servers	Stella Meyer Joseph Meyer Mia Munoz
Usher	Jim Miller	Usher	Jim Miller
Cantor	Jamie Rahrig	Cantor	Art Rode/Norb Renner
Mass Set-Up	Rick Stant	Mass Set-Up	Matt Etzkorn
Projector	Chelsie Brotherwood	Projector	Josh Mueller

Money Counters	Mike & Becky Berelsman Carl & Diane Bonifas	Money Counters	Mike & Becky Berelsman Carl & Diane Bonifas
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Worship Schedule

Sunday, August 23rd	Sunday, August 30th
8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. – Confessions	8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. – Confessions
8:30 a.m. – Mass	8:30 a.m. – Mass
5:30 p.m. – Mass	5:30 p.m. – Mass
Monday, August 24th	Monday, August 31st
6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. – Adoration	6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. – Adoration
6:00 p.m. Confessions, 6:45 p.m. -Benediction	6:00 p.m. Confessions, 6:45 p.m. -Benediction
7:00 p.m. Mass	7:00 p.m. Mass

Café Team The Landeck Cafe team would like to invite you to a meal in the Landeck Church Basement on Sunday, August 23rd, following the 5:30 PM Mass. Please join us for fellowship and a meal featuring pizza, wings and chicken chunks with sauces along with various sides and homemade desserts and ice cream. We hope you can come enjoy the fellowship.

GriefShare

Come join us! Our support group offers help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. In our GriefShare group you will find understanding, guidance, relief and a safe place to navigate the challenges of grief that is open to all adults in our area. Our next session begins on Tuesday evening, September 8, 2026 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Delphos St. John Ministry Center, located at 201 N. Pierce Street in Delphos. Registration can be completed at the GriefShare website at www.griefshare.org OR by contacting Kathy Ulm, program coordinator, at 419-516-3994 or Delphos St. John The Evangelist Ministry Center at 419-695-4050.

Register Now for PSR

Our Parish School of Religion (PSR) will begin on September 13 (Grades 1-8) Classes will meet on Sundays from 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Preschool & Kindergarten will begin on September 27th. You are welcome to invite any children you know to attend. Registration papers are in the back of church. **Sign up as soon as possible!**

FEELING OVERWHELMED?
STRESSED OUT?
YOU'RE NOT ALONE.

Join other high school students as we journey through Stress Less: A Scriptural Journey from Anxiety to Peace by Steve Allgeyer. Together we'll discover how Scripture, prayer, and authentic conversation can help us find Christ's peace in the middle of life's stresses.

Open to ALL High School Students!

Whether you're from Delphos, Landeck, Spencerville, Van Wert, Lima, or anywhere nearby—you are welcome!
Each month we'll explore a different real-life topic in a welcoming environment where faith meets everyday challenges.

When:

Mondays from 6:30–7:30 PM
Aug. 31 / Sept. 7 / Sept. 14 / Sept. 21 / Sept. 28

Where:

The Upper Room
Corner of 2nd & N. Pierce St.
Delphos, OH

Parking available near the convent.



Questions or Ready to Register?

Contact Wendy
☎ 419-692-5371 ext. 3011
Bring a friend. Everyone is welcome!



Lord Jesus, bless our students, teachers, staff, and families as a new school year begins. Fill their hearts with wisdom, patience, courage, and kindness.

Guide their steps, protect them each day, and help them to see Your presence in their classrooms, friendships, and challenges. May this school year be filled with learning, growth, faith, and joy.

Dates:

August 18th
September 15th
October 20th
November 17th
December 15th
January 19th
February 16th
March 16th
April 20th
May 18th

High school teens and young adults are invited to our Tri-Parish Night of Worship on the third Tuesday of each month. Join us for an evening with the Lord through Exposition, Confessions, and Benediction from 6:30–7:30 PM at St. John the Baptist Church in Landeck, followed by fellowship in the parish basement until 8:15 PM.