

St. Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - July 26, 2015

From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone.

I have enjoyed the sunshine of this past week. I feel like a new person. It is amazing what basking in the Lord's goodness can do.

This past weekend, Fr. Elmer and I were challenged to look at a quality which all missionaries need. I got a phone call out of the blue to ask if there was a hotel in town where someone could stay. I said no, but I asked, "Who is this calling?" It was a phone call from someone who is running across the country to raise monies for a well in Africa. He started out in California and arrived in Kalida on Friday. His favorite movie is "Forest Gump" and decided to run across the country to do a fundraiser. He runs thirty some miles a day and Kalida was a stop which looked inviting. Could I find him a place to stay?

Here is where the missionary quality kicked in. A missionary has to be a risk taker. With a little bit of checking to make sure (as sure as I could be) that he was legitimate, I welcomed him into the rectory for the night. I did ask Fr. Elmer first. Sure enough, he came to the rectory and could use a shower and a bed. If you remember, it rained on Friday, which he ran through for thirty miles. We learned all about his journey and we shared with him our stories of Kalida and Putnam County, New Zealand and China. When he left the next morning, he was fueled by energy bars and stories of the heart. I hope he takes with him a taste of Putnam County and of our faith to his next destination. Fr. Elmer agreed that it was worth the risk to have him stay at our place.

As part of the 200 years of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, I salute those missionaries who risked. A German-speaking priest named Fr. Brunner came to this area from Europe to share faith to our German speaking ancestors. He didn't know what would happen, except he wanted to share God's love with others. Parishes flourished in Putnam, Seneca, Auglaize and Mercer Counties. Because of a risk and lots of trust in God, amazing things happened.

How much are you willing to risk? Would you let a stranger in your house? Would you be willing to share your faith and stories of faith with a stranger or even a family member? Last Sunday, many children got up in front of church to sing a Vacation Bible School song. It can be pretty intimidating. But they did it and it touched the hearts of all who were there.

Be a risk taker this week. Risk sharing the faith. We say God is good all the time. Let Him be good through us as we risk this week.

Fr. Mark

Recent Baptism

COOPER ROBERT WINKLE

Son of Jerid & Lindsay (Brickner) Winkle

Kalida Junior High Cross Country

Reminder first Junior High Cross Country practice is Aug. 3rd @ 8:30am. Please meet behind the High School at the weight room doors. If interested and have not signed up please contact Coach Miller @ ka_miller@kalida.k12.oh.us or 419-532-2679.

Outdoor Mass...

at St. John's, Continental, on August 2 at 9:00 a.m. Bring lawn chairs and plan on staying for food and fellowship after Mass.

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, JULY 27

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

TUESDAY, JULY 28

8:00 AM Bill Cleemput

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

8:00 AM Norbert & Helen Sarka

THURSDAY, JULY 30

7:30 PM Connie Miller, Oscar & Leona Verhoff

FRIDAY, JULY 31

8:00 AM Ron Foppe

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

NM Vonder Embse & Zychowicz

4:30 PM 50th W.A. Mel & Ann Beckman

Wilfred Hermiller

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

7:30 AM Harold Rampe, Alvin & Mary Hoffman

40th W.A. Tom & Judy Bonifas

10:30 AM L/D Victor & Velma Nartker Family

James & Sandra Johans

Last Week's Collection: \$ 7,860.25

Choir Assignments—August 1 & 2

4:30: YAHS **7:30:** HN **10:30:** PW

Mass for 200th Anniversary of Precious Blood

The Missionaries of the Precious Blood and Companions are inviting everyone in the Putnam County area to celebrate with them; the 200th Anniversary of the founding of the C.P.P.S. by their beloved founder St. Gaspar del Bufalo. A concelebrated Mass will be celebrated at the Ottawa Knights of Columbus on August 23, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. Bring lawn chairs; if there in inclement weather the celebration will be moved inside the Knights of Columbus Hall. All who have shared in the ministry of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood need to be a part of this 200th Anniversary Celebration!

Kalida Knights of Columbus

Fr. Michael Muehe Council 5669 will celebrate the 50th ANNIVERSARY on Sunday August 9. We intend to begin with a Mass at the hall at 3:00 p.m., followed by social hour, and a light meal, which will include even lighter speeches. We then will hold a free dance with a live band. Mark your calendar for the event. Knights are welcome starting at 2:30 p.m. Public is welcome at 5:00 p.m. for the dance.

TMIY – What Do Those Initials Mean?

THIS MAN IS YOU is a new program coming and hosted at St. Michael's exclusively designed for the men of the area. In the coming weeks you will see posters, bulletin inserts, etc to help explain. Fr. Rick and Deacon Bob are leading the core team organizing TMIY which will meet on Saturday mornings starting September 19. Be open to thinking about what this will provide for you.

KHS Soccer Raffle Winners: July 20–24

July 20: Griffin Recker (\$50) July 21: Kevin Smith (\$20)
July 22: Deb Gerding (\$20) July 23: Griffin Recker (\$20)
July 24: Megan Schimmoeller (\$50)

MONDAY, JULY 27**ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m.****THURSDAY, JULY 30****ROSARY: 7:00 p.m., in church****FRIDAY, JULY 31****CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m.****Kalida Schools Notes**

Kalida Schools' "All Sports Pass" will be available in the Treasurer's office on August 3. Price is the same as last year: Family - \$325, Individual Adult - \$115, Sr. Citizen or Student - \$85. The following Kalida Schools' Supplemental Positions are available for the 2015-16 school year: Asst. Musical Director, Prom Advisor, Girls 7th Grade Volleyball Coach, Girls 8th Grade Volleyball Coach, Boys Varsity Assistant Basketball Coach, Girls Varsity Assistant Basketball Coach, Girls 7th Grade Basketball Coach, Girls 8th Grade Basketball Coach, Girls Varsity Softball Coach and Girls Asst. Softball Coach.

Holy Name Winners

\$250	Dale Schulte	\$50	Veronica Hicks
\$100	Marilyn McCollum	\$50	Bill Siebeneck
\$100	Ryan Kleman	\$50	Todd Miller
\$100	Ron Kerner	\$50	Ron Kahle, Jr.
\$50	Louis Schimmoeller	\$50	Raegan Gerdeman
\$50	Chris Weirauch	\$50	Dustin Trenkamp

Movie Night at Fort Jennings Memorial Hall

Come join us for a dinner and show hosted by The Meadows of Kalida and the Fort Jennings Historical Society on Wednesday, July 29. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with meal served at 6:00 p.m. A movie featuring the historical video made for the Fort Jennings Bicentennial will be shown after dinner. The meal and movie are both FREE. Memorial Hall is excited to share that their new elevator is now operational which makes the facility more accessible for everyone. Limited seating is available. Please RSVP by calling The Meadows of Kalida at 419-532-2961 by July 27.

Godstock Music Festival

will be Friday, August 7, beginning at 7:00 p.m., in the Otoville Parish Center gymnasium. This concert will showcase the talented young people in our area with a wide variety of music, including Rock, Pop, Christian, Country and Folk. Concessions will be available. Donations will be accepted and all proceeds will benefit the Never Let Go Ministry. Featured artists include: "Real Life Somebodies" of Otoville, Jodi Birkemeier of Columbus Grove, Jenny Simcox of Maumee, and Lima's premier all youth band, "Minor Blues." Tshirts will be available.

St. Michael's Holy Name Society

July meeting hosted 37 men and several chickens that would rather not have been there. Next month's meeting will feature a presentation by Fr. Rick on TMIY (This Man is You) and also the critical Pioneer social burger price debate. Kangaroo is also featured. Mark your calendar for the 3rd Monday in August.

Wildcat Soccer Camp

will be at the new Four Seasons Park this year.

OFFERTORY - August 1 & 2

4:30 PM Mel & Ann Beckman Family
7:30 AM Roger & Ruth Kahle Family
10:30 AM Paul & Marge Stechschulte Family

USHERS - August 1 & 2

4:30 PM Team 9
7:30 AM: Team 8
10:30 AM Team 7

LECTORS - August 1 & 2

4:30 PM Brenda Averagesch, Shelly Burkhart
7:30 AM Paul Bonifas, Michele Doepker
10:30 AM Maddison Edelbrock, Jennifer Erhart

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - August 1 & 2

4:30: Alice Adams, Marilyn Becker, Dick & Judy Bockrath, Joyce Bonifas, Tom & Judy Bonifas, Janet Burgei, Dave Buss

7:30: Ryan Kerner, Jim Hanneman, Gus & Judy Brinkman, Connie Cleemput, Ruth Foppe, Keith & Ann Rea Fortman, Mary Grote

Ministers to Homebound: Ryan & Erin Kerner, Jim Hanneman

10:30: Katey Buss, Kelly Buss, Eileen Decker, Dave & Cindy Erhart, Eric Fischnich, Regina Fischnich, Bob & Annette Meyer

SERVERS

Tues, 7/28	8:00 AM	Hannah Berheide Emily Buss
Wed, 7/29	8:00 AM	Connor Erhart Luke Erhart
Thurs, 7/30	7:30 PM	Paige Helmke Katelyn Kahle
Fri, 7/31	8:00 AM	Jayce Horstman Stephanie Kahle
Sat, 8/1	4:30 PM	Alex von der Embse Paul von der Embse Adam von der Embse
Sun, 8/2	7:30 AM	Renee Vorst Trevor Vorst Trey Webken
	10:30 AM	Allison Wurth Trevor Wurth Taylor Zeller

EXCLAIM Christian Concert July 26—FREE...

for the entire family, on July 26, at the Monsignor Schmit CYO Athletic Complex, 555 S. Holland Sylvania Road, Toledo. Gates open at 1:00 p.m. Main Stage Schedule: 2:00 p.m. - Curtis Stephan; 3:30 p.m. - Matt Maher; 5:00 p.m. - Francesca Battistelli and 7:00 p.m. - Closing Mass. Inflatable Games (\$5 Wristband for All Day Pass), Family Games, Sports Tournaments, Concessions, Opportunities for prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, and much more. Pack your lawn chair and a picnic dinner and join in on the fun! See www.exclaimtoledo.org for additional information!

Upcoming Wedding

Amy Vonder Embse & Nicholas Zychowicz
 will be married on Saturday, August 1, 2015.
 Please include them in your prayers.