

MONDAY, APRIL 17
ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m. in church
HOLY NAME MEETING: 8:00 p.m. in basement
THURSDAY, APRIL 20
ROSARY: 7:00 p.m. in church
FRIDAY, APRIL 21
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church

Annual Kalida EMS BBQ - April 16
11:00 a.m. until gone, at the Kalida Fire Station. \$10 per meal and carryout only. Thank you!

Kalida Area Garage Sales
April 20, 21 & 22. Maps available at area businesses this week.

Ohio Polka Boosters Dance
Sunday, April 23, at the Kalida K of C. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. A variety of dance music from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Music by Frank Moravcik. Call 419-966-3826 with questions.

Toledo Diocesan Women’s Day of Renewal
Join the women of the Toledo Diocese for a spiritual and inspirational retreat on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at Our Lady of Consolation Shrine in Carey, Ohio. The theme for this retreat is Service in Action. The day will start at 8:15 am and end at 3:00 pm. Registration forms with more details about the day can be found at the entrances of our church. The contact person is Tammy Schroeder (phone: 419-796-8964).

Ottoville Immaculate Conception Paint & Sip
Sunday April 23, at 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Center Banquet Room. Supplies and refreshments \$10 each. Reservations are required, call the Parish Office (419-453-3513) by April 14.

Pete Schlegel Concert
Saturday, April 29, 2023 at Ottoville Immaculate Conception Parish Center Gymnasium at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Reserve a table at Parish Office (419-453-3513) Cost is \$25 each. Proceeds benefit Parish 175th Anniversary Festivities.

Women’s Health Night—Monday, April 24
6-8 p.m. at St. Nicholas Parish Hall, Miller City. All women aged 12-100 are welcome to a night of education and discussion on women's health, cycle tracking, our superpowers as women, and more! This free event will include a light meal, presentations from educated professionals and breakout sessions for Q&A. Please RSVP using the following link:
<https://forms.gle/EYKnNSRnhwidNbiZ8>

Weekly Reconciliation Times
Thursdays at 6:45 p.m.
Saturdays at 8:30 a.m.

Have a Prayer Line Request?
Call Rita Borgelt (419-532-3637). Please leave a message if no answer.

Offertory Bearers - April 22 & 23
4:30: Josh & Mary Horstman Family
8:00: Kyle & Jess Recker Family
11:00: Tony & Erica Unverferth Family

SERVER SCHEDULE		
Tues, 4/18	8:00 AM	Emerson Burgei Isabelle Buss
Wed, 4/19	8:00 AM	Madelyn Cattell Gavin Leis Taylor Nienberg
Thurs, 4/20	7:30 PM	Rebekah Bendele Avery Bockrath
Fri, 4/21	8:00 AM	Ethan Dickman Matt Foppe Toby Goubeaux
Sat, 4/22	4:30 PM	Drew & Olivia Meyer EJ Miller
Sun, 4/23	8:00 AM	Malie & Adyson Miller Olivia Olzak
	11:00 AM	Riley & Griffin Nienberg Maddalyn Nienberg

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - April 22 & 23
4:30: **PB: Brian & Bev Berheide**
Brandy Schroeder, Glen & Annette Schroeder, Karen Schroeder **LECTOR: Jennifer Erhart**
8:00: **PB: Norma Unverferth, Tony Vorst**
Barb Steffan, Lisa Trentman, Sandy Vorst, Don Wehri **LECTOR: Don Wehri**
Ministers to Homebound: Wendy Schimmoeller
11:00: **PB: Sandy & Mike Westrick**
Wendy Schimmoeller, Ella Schumacher, Lindsey Slusser, Chellie Unverferth **LECTOR: Brenda Averagesch**

USHERS - April 22 & 23
4:30: Team 8 **8:00:** Team 9 **11:00:** Team 7

First History Book of Kalida

A local history group has been researching and is currently working to complete a comprehensive one-of-a-kind history book of Kalida...something that has never been done before! Expected completion and delivery is early 2024. It will be a hard cover book, estimated at 320 pages. We encourage you to order now to ensure your copy...there will only be one printing of this book. All proceeds will be used for the betterment of the community.

Checks can be made payable to “Kalida Book” and mailed to:
Millie McElwain; 17941 Rd. L, Ottawa, OH 45875.

Cost: \$65/book

of books_____ Total Payment: \$_____

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ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH - KALIDA, OH - SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023

Pastor: Fr. Nathan Bockrath **Deacon:** Bob Klausing **DRE:** Connie Cleemput

Youth Minister: Jill Zeller **Maintenance:** Kevin Fischer

Website: stmichaelskalida.org **Address:** 312 N. Broad St.; Box 387; Kalida, OH 45853

Phone: 419-532-3474 **Email:** stmichaelskalida@gmail.com **Office Hours:** Mon-Thus, 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.



To Schedule a Baptism
Email Fr. Nathan
nbockrath@toledodiocese.org
(Classes are needed for your first child only)

To Schedule a Wedding:
Email Fr. Nathan
nbockrath@toledodiocese.org

To Choose a Cemetery Plot:
Call Ron Schulte
419-532-3078

Parish Council
Matt Bockrath
Annette Gerding
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Why Do We Have Candles in Church?

One of the things about Catholic churches is that often no detail is accidental. In other words, there is a reason or intention for why things look a certain way and placed where they are. For example, holy water fonts are at the doorways of all churches to challenge us upon our entrance if we have been living out our baptismal promises...a good question to consider as the rest of church aims to draw us into communion with our Lord. Linen cloths are placed on our altars because Jesus himself was wrapped in linen as he was taken down from the cross (MK 15:46), and our altar is the place where Jesus’ sacrifice is represented to us in a sacramental way. I could go on and on; however, the one detail I would like to draw our attention to are the candles in church. What’s the point?

Candles have always been a part of our Catholic liturgies. Before electricity, they served the practical use of providing light. However, they also serve a deeper theological purpose...they are meant to symbolize Christ. The flame represents Christ who is the “Light of the World” (Jn 8:12). This is why the Easter Candle is a focal point here during the Easter season. The wick symbolizes Christ’s divinity which is hidden by the wax. In turn, the wax symbolizes His humanity. As the candle burns and gets smaller and smaller, it is in a sense “sacrificing” itself; hence, symbolizing how Christ sacrificed Himself on the cross for our salvation ... also why they are placed around altars, which is the place of the sacramental representation of Jesus’ sacrifice. Finally, the candles we use at the altars of both St. Michael’s and St. John’s are 100% beeswax. This is also significant because the wax is made by female worker bees that never mate (virgins). This further symbolizes Christ’s perfect purity, but also draws our attention to our Blessed Mother, Mary who is responsible for Jesus’ humanity. May we be open to Jesus continuing to enlighten the path before us!

God Bless,
Fr. Nathan



Can You Dig it?

This past week, you may have noticed a hole in the church yard. Work is currently being done to clean, inspect and fix any problems that might be found in the storm tile for the spouting off of church.

Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week	
<u>TUESDAY, APRIL 18</u>	
8:00 AM	Carolyn Unverferth, Craig Vorst (A)
<u>WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19</u>	
8:00 AM	Delores Maag (CLC)
<u>THURSDAY, APRIL 20</u>	
7:30 PM	Ron Kahle, Jr.
<u>FRIDAY, APRIL 21</u>	
8:00 AM	Brian Knott
<u>SATURDAY, APRIL 22</u>	
4:30 PM	Louis Verhoff, John & Catherine Kahle Ray & Connie Verhoff Family Charles Nussbaum, Harry Horstman Tom L. Siebeneck Family William & Marilyn Leopold Family Carl & Mae Webken Arnold & Emma Heitmeyer Luke & Janice Stechschulte
<u>SUNDAY, APRIL 23</u>	
8:00 AM	Lorene & Norbert Fuerst Moxie & Cindy Wehri, Kate & Alfred Wehri Ralph & Dolores Verhoff, Theresa Macke Jerry & Dorothy Unverferth
11:00 AM	Don Holtkamp & Family, Bill & Alice Kahle Jim, Keith & Mark Unverferth, Jim & Angie Erhart, Richard & Gladys Unverferth

Easter Week’s Collection: \$ 43.704.00

Choir Assignments - April 22 & 23

4:30: Ashleigh 8:00: HN 11:00: Renee

Diocesan Living Christ Campaign
Broadening Services to the
Spiritually and Physically Impoverished

While the offices provide immediate services and ministries to Lucas, Richland, Huron, and Erie counties, the lack of coverage in all 19 of the diocesan counties creates an opportunity for expanded services and new locations. Over the last decade, the number of individuals in need of the services Catholic Charities provides (food, clothing, shelter, rent and utility assistance, furniture, jail and prison ministry, and case management) has more than doubled from 20,000 to 45,000 annually. Supporting existing ministries and broadening our outreach throughout the diocese by establishing a presence in as many communities as possible, urban and rural, will be a step in the right direction toward helping and serving more people.

Support for Helping Hands

Located just east of downtown Toledo, Helping Hands of St. Louis serves low-income and homeless families and individuals. This ministry serves as a direct lifeline for families and children who are in need of food, clothing, and heartfelt care. To ensure that the thousands who receive these services can continue doing so in a dignified way, capital improvements must be made to the existing campus including:

- Demolition of the existing food center and building a new one at a suitable site
- Renovations to the existing clothing center



Our Condolences

The Funeral Mass for
BRIAN KNOTT
was held on
Monday, April 10.
Please include Brian
and his family
in your prayers.

Thank You

The family of Brian Knott would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers and visits at this very difficult time. A special thank you to the Bereavement Committee, Helping Hands and everyone who volunteered doing various ministries at the Funeral Mass. They also wanted to share this message from Brian’s 12 year old son Carson:
“God has a plan for all of us. He wants us to be happy. He wants us to love everyone. And me, I love my family, friends and enemies. Every day I wake up and thank God I see another day. I thank God that my dad was my dad and we need to believe. Look what God put himself through—that was for us. We need to love everybody every single moment because that is what God wants. Be thankful, be nice, be caring. Be the best person you can be. Don’t complain about what you have; be grateful for what you have, because one day we will go; and we need to be thankful for every moment and pray. I know that my dad would want to join Grandma and me in thanking you all so much. God bless you all.”

Retreat for Next Year’s Grade 8 Students

The Damascus Confirmation Retreat for our next years grade 8 students will be November 10-12, 2023.

K of C News

The Charity Ticket campaign is going well; LAST TURN-IN is May 1, so look for your envelope! We are also now selling presale tickets for the SMOKED PORK CHOP dinner Saturday April 22, at the Hall, 4:00-6:30 p.m. Large chop, green beans, redskins, roll, cookie etc. Tickets are available through a Club officer (e.g. Duane Stefan at 419-532-3484 or 419-604-1801) and also at KALI-DAMARKET who provided the yummy fish and also the pork chops!

St. Anthony School in Need of Teachers

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School, 520 West Sycamore St., Columbus Grove is seeking primary and intermediate teaching candidates for the 2023-2024 school year. If you are interested in applying for a position, please contact Mrs. Nancy Dukes, Principal, at dukesn@stanthonysschool.info or 419-659-2103.

Turn in Your Sold & Unsold
Holy Name Raffle Tickets to...

Nick Schulte or Mark Warnecke.

Students Planning Mass are...

Annette Schroeder's grade 4 on Wednesday, April 19, and Michele Doecker's grade 6 on Friday, April 21.

Catechist Needed for Grade 4 Next Year

The time would be from 8:45 - 9:30 a.m. Contact Connie for more information. Thanks.

The Virtue of Humility...

invites us to be aware that all of our gifts come from God and to appreciate the gifts of others. Saints who practiced humility were St. Bernadette Soubirous, St. Bonaventure and St. Gemma Galgani. Our prayer for this week is "Dear Jesus, You said, "Learn from Me, for I am meek and humble of heart." You are God, yet You became little out of love for me. I desire to become little for love of You. Help me to be honest about my strengths and weaknesses. May You be glorified in everything that I do!"

First Communion & May Crowning

First Communion Practice is May 3, at 7:00 p.m.
First Communion is Sunday, May 7, at 1:00 p.m.
May Crowning is Sunday, May 14 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

Retreat for Next Year’s Second Grade...

will be November 11, at Sts. Peter & Paul School, Ottawa. Please mark your calendars. This retreat is a requirement for the First Reconciliation/First Communion year.

Praying the Rosary in May

Since May is the month of Mary, our Mother, we have traditionally prayed the rosary before each Mass. We will need volunteers to lead these rosaries before the 4:30 p.m. Mass and the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Thank you to the Gene and Mary Jane Stechschulte family for leading the rosary each week before the 11:00 Mass! If you are able to help, please let us know by using the sign-up sheet posted in the back of church. Thank you for volunteering! If questions, call Tammy Schroeder at 419-796-8964.

Parish Council Election

The parish council election will be held the weekend of May 13 & 14. If you would like your name on the ballot, call or email Leslie at the Parish Center by May 1.
419-532-3474 or stmichaelskalida@gmail.com

PLEASE CHECK YOUR INFORMATION

We have printed the address and phone information for parishioners to be listed in the back of the parish pictorial. You can see the information on the tables in the back of church.

Please make sure to check the accuracy of your information. Everything listed on these papers will be printed in the directory. If you do not want your phone number in the directory, note that on the paper beside your listing. Call or email Leslie if there is a mistake or your name is missing. THANKS!

DON’T ASSUME YOUR INFORMATION IS CORRECT ;)

