

MONDAY, APRIL 10
 ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m., in church
 CLC MEETING: 7:00 p.m.
 HOLY NAME CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12
 HIGH SCHOOL CCD: 7:00 p.m.
 YAHS CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:00 p.m.
THURSDAY, APRIL 13
 ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY: 7:00 p.m. in church
FRIDAY, APRIL 14
 CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m., in church

Kalida Band 4 Miler—Saturday, May 13
 This race is a fundraiser for the band's trip to Disney World, in November, 2017. The fee is \$20. The runners will receive a t-shirt (if registered by April 26), refreshments and snacks. Walkers are welcome. Overall and age group awards. Registration begins at 7:00 a.m. and the race begins at 8:00 a.m., at Kalida Four Seasons Park. Visit the race website to sign up or print an entry form at runsignup.com/Race/OH/Cloverdale/KalidaBand4Miler. Please contact Diane Vorst (419-532-2678) or Renee Kerner (419-532-2636) with questions.

Chicken BBQ to Benefit Amy Snavley
 Amy's Army (for Amy Snavley) is selling tickets for Uncle Buck's Chicken BBQ dinners on Saturday April 29, from 4:00-6:30 p.m., at The Meadows of Ottawa. Drive-thru or walk-in to pick up your meals! Cost is \$9 per meal and includes a baked potato, corn, and a roll. Bake sale items will be available, too. Please call or text Gina (419-788-3383) to order your tickets. All money raised will go to help Amy pay for her medical bills, as she fights stage four breast cancer.

Holy Thursday at 7:30 p.m.
Euch. Min: Erin Kerner, Abby Langhals, Becky Lucke, Taylor Lucke, Deb McIntyre, Mary Lou Merschman, Bob & Annette Meyer, Deb Miller
LECTORS: Alexis Meyer, Mary Plescher

Good Friday at 1:30 p.m.
Euch. Min: Karl & Darlene Miller, Maclerin Morrissey
LECTORS: Brayden Recker, Wendy Schimmoeller
USHERS: Team 1

Good Friday at 7:30 p.m.
Euch. Min: Joan Niese, Connor Niese, Donna Schnipke
LECTORS: Donna Schnipke, Joyce Schnipke
USHERS: Team 2

OFFERTORY - EASTER
 RCIA Candidates
 Roger & Ruth Kahle Family
 Volunteers

USHERS - EASTER
 Team 1
 Team 2
 Team 3

LECTORS - EASTER
 Barb Unverferth, Beth Selhorst
 Don Wehri, Ed Schroeder
 Carl Siefker, Paul Bonifas

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - EASTER
8:30: Don Rall, Teresa Rampe, Rose Recker, Deb Remlinger, Mark Remlinger, Tom Roof, Karen Schroeder, Dick & Jane Schulte
8:00: Tony & Sandy Vorst, Ed Schroeder, Joan Peck, Mary Plescher, Mary Siefker, Norma Unverferth, Norma Vorst, Don Wehri
Ministers to Homebound: Tony & Sandy Vorst, Ed & Tammy Schroeder
11:00: Michele Niese, Tori Niese, Lisa Rampe, Megan Schulte, Stacy Schulte, Kierstan Siebeneck, Kara Siefker, Duane & Barb Steffan

SERVERS		
Mon, 4/10	8:00 AM	Leah Schnipke Nathan Schroeder
Tues, 4/11	8:00 AM	Justin Siebeneck Adam Siefker
Wed, 4/12	8:00 AM	Tyson Siefker Jakob Swyers
Thurs, 4/13	7:30 PM	McKayla Maag Tori Niese David Peck
Fri, 4/14	1:30 PM	Carlie Rampe Evan Roebke
	7:30 PM	Ethan Schmenk Dakota Rosselit
Sat, 4/15	8:30 PM	Griffin Recker Michael Schroeder
	8:00 AM	Megan Schulte Brad Siefker
Sun, 4/16	8:00 AM	Trevor Siefker Jenna Siefker
	11:00 AM	Kierstan & Trent Siebeneck Kara Siefker

Saint Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - April 9, 2017

Pastor: Fr. Mark Hoying, C.P.P.S. In Residence: Fr. Elmer Wurth, M.M. Parochial Vicar: Fr. Rick Friebe, C.P.P.S.

HOLY THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. Mass (Continental)
 7:30 p.m. Mass (Kalida)

GOOD FRIDAY

9:00 a.m. Prayer Walk (Kalida)
 1:30 & 7:30 p.m. Service (Kalida)
 6:00 p.m. Service (Continental)

HOLY SATURDAY

8:30 p.m. Mass (Kalida)

EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 & 11:00 a.m. Mass (Kalida)
 9:30 a.m. Mass (Continental)



7th Grade Stations of the Cross



From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Welcome to Holy Week. There is so much going on I feel like the blind man in the scriptures after he received his sight. There is so much to take in that I don't know where to start. Today is **Palm Sunday** and just the beginning. I like the procession part, as I like different rituals which make me think differently about my faith. Last weekend we did outdoor stations, with cars beeping horns and children jumping from trees. I thought of Jesus carrying the cross and people oblivious about how He came to save them. How many times am I oblivious about Jesus' role in my/our lives? With Palm Sunday, people welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem. They didn't perceive who this person, Jesus, really was. Sometimes I don't take in the fullness and wonder of our Savior.

On **Wednesday**, our diocese celebrates the **Chrism Mass**. Priests around the diocese, who can make it, come to the cathedral to remember priesthood. It is also a time to bless the oils which are used in the life of the Church. As the Oil of the Infirm is blessed, I say prayers for all those who will be anointed throughout the year and that the Lord's healing power be with them. With the Oil of Catechumen, I pray that all the unbaptized, children and adults know the strength of the Lord to say yes to following Him as they approach Baptism. Chrism is the last oil to be blessed. It is used for blessing of new churches and altars; in Baptism, to mark that we are called to be priests, prophets and kings; in Confirmation to seal our faith in the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and lastly in the Sacrament of Holy Orders. This year I will be praying especially for Matt Keller, as he will be ordained in July as a deacon. Wednesday may not be a full day in the life of a parish, but it is a full day in the life of the Church.

Thursday marks the celebration of the **Lord's Supper**, our Communion with our God and each other. I especially like the washing of feet. Again, this is one of those special rites which happens only once a year. We are called to be in communion with the servanthood of Jesus. So much of Jesus' ministry was about serving others. He asks us to do the same. He lifts us up and this is a foreshadowing of being lifted up on a cross. To many, the cross was a sign of shame, while for Christians the cross is a sign for us to follow and take up ourselves for the sake of others. The institution of the Eucharist is so important for our life and worship. We take in all that Jesus is. We say, "Amen" to who He is, what He has accomplished by uniting us with the Father, and who we will become as true children of God. There is so much happening at this celebration that the Church gives us time to reflect on this Blessed Sacrament by staying after the Mass to spend time in Adoration. Plan on taking time to stay and pray and say, "Yes" to the fullness of the Lord.

Friday is the only day in the Church calendar when there is no Mass celebrated. It is a time to reflect on the **Passion and Death of our Lord**. Last Sunday we heard that the Lord wept at the death of Lazarus. Shouldn't we weep and be sad that He would die because of our sins? We give reverence to the cross, which is the instrument that saved us. As believers, we know the final outcome, but so did Jesus when He wept for Lazarus. We venerate the cross and receive Communion, which was blessed on Holy Thursday.

Saturday is a day full of Symbols of our faith. These symbols help us reflect on the depth of our faith. The Church

around the world begins in darkness, as if someone was in the grave. A fire is lit so that the Easter candle can be lit and carried into the church. Christ is the light who overcomes all darkness, including the darkness of sin and death. Light is passed to all in church, except the persons who will be baptized on this Holy Saturday night. The Easter candle is placed in front of the church as the Exultet is sung. It is an ancient hymn of our salvation. Important readings of our salvation are proclaimed, (creation, exodus from Egypt) to set the stage for the proclamation that Jesus has risen, as He promised. Salvation has come.

Baptism and Confirmation are celebrated, which gives all of us a chance to reflect on our saying, "Yes" to the Lord and all He has done for us. The litany of saints is sung to give us more to reflect on—that death did not conquer the saints and will not conquer us. By the Lord has this been done. Holy Saturday is quite impressive and a time of celebration for all in the Church.

Easter Sunday is a time of great festivity. Jesus has truly risen and the world wakes up to newness of faith. I always think of my Mom and Dad and family members (over the years that includes all my spiritual family in all my assignments) who are now fully alive. Death has been overcome. The strife is over and battle won. Jesus is life itself.

Make plans this week to attend our services. Take in the Lord in our wonderful faith. Happy Holy Week, everyone.

Fr. Mark

Mass Intentions for the Week	
MONDAY, APRIL 10	
8:00 AM	Gene Stechschulte
10:30 AM	Funeral Mass—Harold Altenburger
TUESDAY, APRIL 11	
8:00 AM	Earl Kleman
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12	
8:00 AM	Harold Altenburger (HN)
THURSDAY, APRIL 13 <i>Holy Thursday</i>	
7:30 PM	Tim Fuerst
FRIDAY, APRIL 14 <i>Good Friday</i>	
1:30 PM	Passion of Our Lord
7:30 PM	Passion of Our Lord
SATURDAY, APRIL 15 <i>Holy Saturday</i>	
8:30 PM	Connie Miller, Chris Potts, Emily Kahle Leonard & Anna Rose Kahle Virgil & Virginia Unverferth, Bill Bellmann Marvin, Frances & Tim Fuerst Carl Webken, L/D Warnecke/Webken Fam. Bob Schimmoeller, Jerome & Ethel Bendele
SUNDAY, APRIL 16 <i>Resurrection of the Lord</i>	
8:00 AM	Don & Joyce Jerwers Alfred & Irene Peck
11:00 AM	Leroy Warnement Family Norm Kahle, Tom Warnecke

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 11,341.00

Choir Assignments - Holy Thursday

7:30: YAHS

Choir Assignments - Good Friday

1:30: YAHS **7:30:** HN

Choir Assignments - Easter

8:30: YAHS **8:00:** HN **11:00:** Youth (Practice at 10 am)

Our Condolences

The Funeral Mass for **Harold Altenburger** will be held this Monday, April 10, at 10:30 a.m. Please include Harold and his family in your prayers.

Good Friday Walk

April 14, at 9:00 a.m. The walk will begin at the Family Outreach Center, where all will gather inside for prayer and song. The walk will end at The Meadows at 11:00 a.m., with prayer, song and snacks. Visitation will follow for anyone wishing to visit with the residents.

Update on Lighting

It continues to be an adventure when it comes to lighting at St. Michael's. The system put in 20 years ago has become outdated. Since the system is computerized and has dimming features, getting parts and people who know about the system have become limited. A new motherboard was installed which was supposed to fix the old system. It knocked out the whole system last week. Lights now have to be operated from breakers in the basement. We have been guaranteed that we will have lights for Easter and that a new system is being designed for our church. One good thing is that I am having to do lots of steps. You may have a broken lighting system for a while but your pastor is getting healthier. Sorry for any inconvenience that the broken lighting system is causing anyone. While we are working on the basic system we are also working on updating to L.E.D. lighting which will help us recoup costs from a new system.

Attention Parents of Boys in Grades 8-12

All boys in grades 8-12 are invited to join Fr. Mark for a fun day, visiting Carthage, on Monday, April 17. The boys will learn more about the Precious Blood Community, tour the grounds, visit some area churches and a robotic dairy farm and maybe even do a little fishing in the ponds and exploration of the woods. We will leave from the Parish Center at 9:00 a.m. and return to Kalida around 5:00 p.m. **RSVP by April 13, by calling 419-532-3494, ext. 103.**

Easter Flower Intentions Due This Sunday

The deadline is this Sunday, April 9.

Senior Citizen Prom This Sunday, April 9

4:00 p.m., at Leipsic St. Mary's Parish Life Center.

Easter Eggs at Kalida Knights Hall

Join us for the annual coloring of the Easter eggs after Holy Thursday Mass. Also, join us for the Easter Egg Hunt (and candy) on Sat., April 15, at 1:00 p.m., at the Kalida K of C.

Penance Service at Ottawa Sts. Peter & Paul

Monday, April 10, at 4:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Made 2 Thrive

Back by popular demand! ALL WOMEN are invited to join us for another made 2 THRIVE retreat, with new topics to help you THRIVE through this life, not just survive it.

Sat., April 29, from 8 a.m. - Noon, at the Parish Center If you are interested in attending, contact Jackie Schroeder (419-236-0083) Brooke Sickles (419-236-2079) or Adriene Swyers (419-796-0355) by April 26.

High School CCD - April 12

Everyone has class. This will end our high school CCD year.

Students Planning Mass This Week...

are Annette Schroeder's 4A class on Wednesday, April 12.

Parents of Second Graders

There will be a mandatory First Communion meeting on Tuesday, April 18, at 7:00 p.m. in church.

Recent Baptisms

EMMA RYAN BUSS

Daughter of Ryan & Ashley (Kerner) Buss

KYLIE RAE RIEMAN

Daughter of Brad & Kayla (Dukes) Rieman

St. Michael's Cemetery Spring Cleanup

April 15 is the final cleanup date to prepare for the mowing season at the cemetery. All decorations should be restricted to the footers (nothing should be on the ground). We would like to keep the cemetery beautiful and peaceful for our loved ones' final resting place. Thanks for your help with this. Please contact a cemetery committee member with questions.

CLC Meeting

Monday April 10, at 7:00 p.m. Brenda Maag, from the "Mustard Seed," will have items available for First Communion, Confirmation, etc., on display and/or for purchase. April birthdays will be honored & we will play cards and bingo.

Garage Sale at Kalida St. Michael's

April 20 & 21 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., in the church basement. All proceeds benefit the missions in Tanzania, Africa.

K of C Charity Bonanza Reminder

First ticket turn-in will be April 13, conveniently at our next meeting. Please either mail back or drop off at the meeting or to an officer. We get a higher % of ticket proceeds for local charity with tickets returned first round. We also wish to thank members of St. Michael's Youth Group (attending NCYC this fall) for selling tickets at the fish fries. The group used the \$2 earned from each ticket sold as a fundraiser for the trip. If you are a procrastinator, second turn in is May 11.

Story Time & Easter Bunny at Kalida Library

Story Time & Crafts at 10:00 a.m., on April 11. Bring your camera for a picture with the Easter Bunny.

Restructuring the Rosary Altar

The Rosary Altar will now be meeting three times a year. We will gather for the Christmas party in December, Bingo at the Meadows in March and the Women of All Ages Banquet in May. We will be sending reminders for these (and other events) through an email message to everyone who fills out the information below. Please cut out this form and return it to the parish office or put it into the collection. Thanks!

Yes, I would like to be contacted about any upcoming Rosary Altar events or items pertaining to the Rosary Altar:

Name _____

Email _____