

From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, and welcome to school. It is hard to believe that school has started and learning has begun. I expect big things from our students. With that said, I would like to recount something that happened last night.

Early this morning around 2:45 a.m., Fr. Elmer's classmate, Fr. Bill, got on his train in Bryan to continue his journey to the East. As we dropped him off, I thought to myself that the whole experience wasn't what I expected. I had never dropped anyone off at a train station before, but I expected something totally different. I had visions of a train station filled with Hollywood figures. At anytime I was expecting George Clooney or Julia Roberts to appear. There might be a mobster type or someone from NCIS, ready to take some action in a crowded, smoke-filled depot. My vision didn't have any smoking guns, but I expected at least some overturned tables, with lots of action.

When we arrived in Bryan, the depot was a one-roomed, locked small gathering space, that fit maybe ten standing people. No one came to unlock that room, and it was anything but exciting. Fr. Bill was the only passenger to board at 2:45 a.m. Three passengers disembarked the eastbound train. Where was the excitement? Where were all the Hollywood characters? This trip in the middle of the night and early morning wasn't anything that I pictured it to be. What a let down, or so I thought.

Fr. Bill enjoyed his time spent in Putnam County with his classmate. To enjoy meals at local eateries and have Putnam County hospitality were highlights of his trip. To have company in the early morning hours when the train was late meant so much to him, as Fr. Elmer could spend a little more time and a few more stories with an old friend. Even in the early hours, I could see how much that time spent at a railroad station meant to classmates. Time spent meant a lot and became a brush with God. And of those three passengers who disembarked, one attended a funeral in Continental and called me by name, as I was the celebrant for that important event. What a coincidence, where a chance meeting became a big thing as we talked of her departed loved one in the early hours in an ordinary train station. In the smallness of a small town event, no Hollywood characters came to visit-only God opportunities.

When I said I expect big things from our students, the trip to the train station changed my idea of what a big thing is. It is often how we deal with the small, everyday things in our life which makes all the difference in the world. My hope for the students is that they learn how to find God opportunities in the smallness of everyday occurrences of life. And then when a big thing does arrive, they will be able to see the face of God.

And the same holds true with all of our Christian journeys. We may expect huge miracle events that stand out, but it is in the ordinary where we will find God every day. George Clooney doesn't show up every day, but God does. May we all learn how to find God in the smallness of life.

Have a great week.

Fr. Mark

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

8:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

8:00 AM

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

7:30 PM Mildred Rampe, Don & Joyce Jerwers

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

8:00 AM Gary Bockrath, Bill Cleemput

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

4:30 PM John Stoepfel, Jr., Helen Korte
L/D Korte & Brickner Families
Anna Leiser, Mary Lou Felkey
Elaine Schimmoeller, Gilbert Riepenhoff

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

7:30 AM Parish

10:30 AM Oscar & Leona Verhoff Family

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 8,105.00

Choirs — August 30 & 31

4:30: Renee 7:30: Renee 10:30: Renee

Attention Choir Members

Renee Vorst is playing for all the Masses next weekend and is asking for volunteer choir members to come up and sing at any of the Masses. Thanks for your help!

Hellman Fire Relief Fund

There is an account at the Union Bank, in Kalida. They are also taking gift cards (Meijer, Walmart, Sears, Lowes, Menards, Kohls), gas cards and restaurant cards. Contact Shelly Knippen (419-286-2124) with questions. Thank you.

August Holy Name Raffle Winners

\$250	Urban Selhorst	\$100	Tara Verhoff
\$100	Frank Tobe	\$100	Carol Bockrath
\$100	Eugene Foppe	\$ 50	Joe Duling
\$ 50	Jeff Siefker	\$ 50	Ron Rampe
\$ 50	Alyssa Verhoff	\$ 50	Tom Wilhelm
\$ 50	Dick Kortokrax	\$ 50	Kayly Brobston

Teens, Mark Your Calendar!

The next "Teen 120" gathering is September 8, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., in St. Michael's Youth Room. This gathering is open to all high school teens and encompasses sixty minutes of food and fun and sixty minutes of discussions on teen hot topics and how they relate to our faith. Join us!

Shopping Bus Trip

On Saturday, October 25, 2014, the Kalida Altar Rosary Sodality invites you to a fun day of shopping and great restaurants at The Greene Town Center and The Fairfield Commons Mall near Dayton. Cost is \$35 per person, which includes breakfast and snacks on the bus, as well as raffles and gift baskets being available. The bus will depart Kalida High School parking lot at 8:00 a.m., and return around 9:30 p.m. To reserve your seat, or if you have any additional questions, contact Sharon (532-2240) or Joyce (532-3260).

Shipment to Africa

Our shipping container going to Tanzania will be sent in December. Our last date to take little dresses for Africa, Days for Girls kits, and britches will be November 15. We will have two more Sewing Saturdays on October 11 and November 8, starting at 9:00 a.m., in the church basement. There will be no Sewing Saturday in September. Thanks for the continued support of these projects.

Youth Mass on August 24, at 6:00 p.m.!

The high school youth are organizing a Youth Mass as the conclusion of our "Homeless at St. Michael's" event and as a way to begin our school year! Please join us! There will be food and games after Mass until 8:00 p.m., for all teens in the basement (or outside, if weather permits).

Schedule for Holy Name Pioneer Stand

42 members were present for last Monday's Holy Name meeting, where we enjoyed bratwurst sandwiches. It was decided that the burgers at Pioneer would be the same price as last year...\$2.50. We will need help setting up for the Pioneer tent on the Tuesday of Pioneer week, at 5:00 p.m. Look for the work schedule in next week's bulletin. Also, watch for upcoming work days at the ball diamonds...we will need some help...thanks!

RCIA Classes

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the Catholic Church, or simply learning more about it, you may want to consider joining us for this year's RCIA classes. The classes begin the Tuesday after Pioneer, September 9. Call Deacon Bob (532-3607) or Fr. Mark (532-3474).

Recent Baptism

KENDALL ANN SCHNIPKE

Daughter of Brett & Chelsea (Verhoff) Schnipke

Music Boosters Raffle Tickets

Kalida Music Boosters are currently selling their 2014-15 raffle tickets. Four \$50 drawings are held each month, with special drawings at Pioneer and the fall, Christmas & spring concerts. The first drawing will be held on the Sunday of Pioneer, at 1:00 p.m., before the band performs in front of the fire station. Contact Linda Honigfort (419-236-1671) or Denise Recker (419-969-0396) if you would like to purchase a ticket. Thanks!

Baseball Camp in Kalida This Sunday

Chad Ehrnsberger will lead a baseball camp on Sunday, August 24, 2014, for Kalida residents only. It will be held at Kalida Holy Name Ballpark. Session one is for ages 6-10, and will be held from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. Session 2 is for ages 11-15, and will be held from 4:30- 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$25 (registration is limited). Instruction will be given in all areas: pitching, fielding, catching, hitting and base running. All instructors will be former or current college players or coaches. Contact Chad (c-ehrnberger@onu.edu or 614-537-6313) or Randy Buss (419-234-5660).

Saturday Mass at Cloverdale...

has resumed at 5:30 p.m.

CCD Notes

Our first All School Mass will be Friday, August 29. The high school CCD program will start on Wednesday, September 10.

2014-15 Crossing Guards

Our crossing guards for the 2014-15 CCD year are Tom Brinkman, Mike and Karen Sarka, Bill Kuhlman, Lucy Kahle and Lynda Fortman. Thanks so much for helping with this ministry.

Senior Catechist Needed

We are looking for someone (or a couple) to teach our seniors this year (in addition to Don Rall). Contact Connie (ccleemput@bright.net or 419-532-3494, ext. 102).

Want to Help with the Mission Fest?

There will be a Mission Festival Planning Meeting on Wednesday, August 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Anyone wanting to help plan this year's Mission Festival is invited. Please consider being a part of this team. Our focus for this year Festival will be Appalachia.

Women's Convention in Ottawa

Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites you to the annual Diocesan Women's Convention. It will be held at Sts. Peter and Paul, Ottawa, on September 6. The day will begin at 8:00 a.m., with registration. The cost is \$25 if you register by August 29, 2014. Registration fee after that day is \$30. The keynote speaker will be Mother Margaret Mary, of the Children of Mary. Come enjoy a day of prayer, reflection and fellowship. If interested, contact Joyce Grote (419-532-3260), Rita Borgelt (419-532-3637) or Tammy Schroeder (419-532-3762).

18th Annual Christopher M. Potts Memorial Golf Scramble

Saturday, September 13, 2014, at Country Acres Golf Club. Begins at 7:30 a.m., with a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start. Cost is \$65 per person/\$260 per team, \$360 for a team and a hole sponsorship, \$100 for a hole sponsorship only. Entry deadline is September 6.

Attention Men of the Parish

Men, mark your calendars. "That Man is You" begins at Ottawa Sts. Peter & Paul on September 13. Modeled on some of the country's leading men's programs, "That Man is You" combines Scripture, solid secular research, and a little fun to address the pressures and temptations facing men in our modern culture. It seeks to form authentic leaders who will be capable of transforming homes and society. Check www.thatmanisyou.org for more details on the program. To register, contact Deacon Jim Rump (jrump1@woh.rr.com or 419-523-3137).

PC ALS Golf & Walk Benefit

Saturday, September 13, at 8:30 a.m., at Pike Run Golf Club, Ottawa. Lunch and benefit will follow at the Buckeye Club, in Miller City, OH. Registration forms and information is available by contacting Ryan Stechschulte (419-549-0151).

MONDAY, AUGUST 25
ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m.
THURSDAY, AUGUST 28
ROSARY: 7:00 p.m., starting at Mary's Shrine
FRIDAY, AUGUST 29
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church

Purse Bingo at Ottawa

Mark your calendars to attend our **Designer Purse Bingo** on Sunday, September 14, at 1:00 p.m., at the Ottawa K of C Hall, to benefit local youth traveling to Krakow, Poland for World Youth Day 2016! Tickets are \$30 in advance. Fee covers a bingo book for 20 games and light snacks. Prize raffle! 50/50 tickets! Don't miss out on an afternoon full of fun and fabulous purses! To purchase your ticket, please contact Lynne Rieman (419-722-7221).

Divorce Support Group

Begins Sunday, August 24, at 6:30 p.m., at the Kalida Family Outreach Center. RSVP to aswihartas1@gmail.com. Get help dealing with separation or divorce.

Duck Races Benefit Park Playground

Are you and your family hoping to spend quality time at our new community park once it's finished? If so, we need your help! Duck Races are coming back, due to popular demand (yes, live ducklings)! They haven't hatched yet, but when they do, they will be racing at Pioneer Days, as a fundraiser, specifically for playground equipment at the park. Races will be held at various times throughout the whole weekend. If your family or your business would like to get involved in sponsoring and naming a duck, we'd love to hear from you! The donation is \$50 per duck, per race. Contact [Amy Recker \(419-532-2366\)](mailto:Amy.Recker@parishcenter.com) or [Jen Edelbrock \(419-532-2950\)](mailto:Jen.Edelbrock@parishcenter.com) if you're interested in helping out. Deadline for entry on the official race registry is Sunday, August 31. Your kids, grandkids, neighbors, relatives and friends all THANK YOU for your support!



Sunday School Registration

Child's Name _____
 Parents' Names _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____
 Date of Birth _____
 Special Needs: _____

Children should be 4 years old by September 30, 2014. There is a fee of \$25 for activities and textbooks. Please return the form and fee (check made payable to St. Michael's) to the Parish Center or in the collection by September 7. Sunday School will begin September 14, during the 11:00 Mass. Please note: you are asked to bring your child into church with you. At the beginning of each Mass, all the Sunday School children will be called forth and escorted downstairs. For further details, contact Sarah Bendele.

OFFERTORY - August 30 & 31

4:30 PM Fran & Diane Vorst Family
7:30 AM Mike & Norma Unverferth Family
10:30 AM Joe & Linda Hovest Family

USHERS - August 30 & 31

4:30 PM Cole Miller, Austin Schulte, Derrick Schimmoller, Michael Schroeder, Brent Hovest, Drew Hovest, Austin Klausing, Collin Wurth, Jeff Knueve
7:30 AM: Austin Vorst, Alex von der Embse, Adam von der Embse, Brandon Erhart, Kaleb Selhorst, Logan Roebke, Mitchell Kerner, Trent Gerding, Trent Siebeneck, Griffin Recker
10:30 AM Team 12

LECTORS - August 30 & 31

4:30 PM Sandy Westrick, Paul Bonifas
7:30 AM Shelly Burkhart, Michele Doepker
10:30 AM Jennifer Erhart, Bob Buss

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - August 30 & 31

4:30: Don Rall, Lisa Rampe, Mark Remlinger, Tom Roof, Karen Schroeder, Cassy Schulte, Dick & Jane Schulte, Stacy Schulte, Norma Unverferth
7:30: Tom & Judy Bonifas, Bob & Annette Meyer, Joan Peck, Mary Plescher, Mike & Karen Sarka, Donna Schnipke, Mary Siefker
Ministers to Homebound: Tom & Judy Bonifas
10:30: Rose Recker, Deb Remlinger, Allison Siebeneck, Katelyn Siebeneck, Duane & Barb Steffan, Lisa Unverferth, Kay Unverferth, Austin Vorst, Norma Vorst

SERVERS

Tues, 8/26	8:00 AM	Megan Schulte Bradley Siefker
Wed, 8/27	8:00 AM	Josh Verhoff Paul von der Embse
Thurs, 8/28	7:30 PM	Trevor Vorst Allison Wurth
Fri, 8/29	8:00 AM	Jack Zeller McKenna Bockrath
Sat, 8/30	4:30 PM	Noah Hermiller Kelsi Hipsher Trevor Holtkamp
Sun, 8/31	7:30 AM	Erica Honigfort Sarah Hovest Kyla Hoyt
	10:30 AM	Brittany Kahle Hannah Kahle Jacob Kahle

St. Anthony School Bingo for Bags

On Friday, November 14, St. Anthony, Columbus Grove, will be hosting a **BINGO FOR BAGS**, in the church basement. All purses are designer bags: Coach, Kate Spade, Dooney & Bourke, Michael Kors, Tory Burch, and more. The doors open at 5:30 p.m., with bingo beginning at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 each, which includes 20 bingo games and light hors d'oeuvres. There will be drinks available, 50/50, and raffle items. Contact Kate Morman: 419-659-6085, kgmor-man@watchtv.net or Kim Birnesser: 419-659-5641, birnesser@fairpoint.net today to purchase your ticket.



St. Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio

Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

Sunday, August 24, 2014

Pastor: Fr. Mark Hoying, C.P.P.S.

Deacon: Bob Klausing DRE: Connie Cleemput Youth Minister: Mary Siefker

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BINGO

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7	25	44	57	62
15	22	40	50	70
11	30	FREE 8737 SPACE	46	74
2	28	37	55	68
10	27	39	59	75

We need your help to continue this tradition at Pioneer. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board at the front entrance of church.

Mission Fest

We're looking for some new ideas for this year's Mission Fest and some extra people to help. If you're interested, come to the meeting this Wednesday, August 27, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Center. We hope to see you there!