

Saint Michael Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - August 26, 2018



From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. School started this week and I got to have my picture taken with some first graders. The children were full of excitement at the newness of so many things. They were wide-eyed at what might be next. Smiles were on faces as the children jostled for positions for the photograph. Whatever they were expecting, it was something good. There is something good about innocence which should be protected and respected. My brother Mike and I talked about this innocence from the perspective of growing up on a farm and having brothers and sisters as playmates, friends and confidants. There was something good about being sheltered and learning the secrets of the Easter Bunny and Santa a little later in childhood. What is so good about growing up so fast?

I believe there are ways to help our children be innocent and, as adults, to appreciate the gift of innocence. Children love to play. For adults, we can foster good play. Too often games become arenas of competition and unhealthy banter. There are many activities that are just fun and not competitive. In an adult world of having to be first, sometimes it is nice to just play.

Another way to stay and appreciate innocence is to take in the simple things of life. At this time of year, there are many things in nature which are just beautiful. There are butterflies and sunsets which show the creative wonder of God. The sweetness of peaches and pears can be appreciated anew. I remember a scene in the movie, "City of Angels." In this scene, a character has to describe a pear to a person who had never experienced a pear before. Try to describe the experience of ice cream before Summer is ended. Ask a child to describe his or her favorite flavor of ice cream.

To rob a child of their innocence is a crime and a sin. Millstones were meant for people who do. That is how important children were to Jesus. As we begin a new school year and see the face of innocence right before us, maybe we need to appreciate children a bit more. I believe that Jesus not only embraced the children, but maybe their innocence and its beauty. Don Henley, of the Eagles, had a hit song called, "End of the Innocence." I believe we need to rediscover innocence. I think we have to see the world with new eyes, a new innocence. Maybe a child will lead us.

God's love is so deep and yet so simple. Take time to take in the simple message of being loved by God. We are His children. Have a simple week.

Fr. Mark

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, AUGUST 27 *St. Monica*

8:00 AM Mildred Rampe
Sister Catherine Marie Holtkamp

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28 *St. Augustine*

8:00 AM L/D William Gasser Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29 *Passion of St. John the Baptist*

8:00 AM Alaina & Mia Landwehr

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

7:30 PM Tom, Rose & Kim Erhart

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

8:00 AM Loretta Vorst

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

4:30 PM George Basinger, Dan Basinger
Bruce, Judy & Ralph Honigfort
Norbert & Angie Recker, Theresa Foppe
Gina Ellerbrock, Florence Otto
Alfred & Marcella Ellerbrock

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

7:30 AM L/D Ray Verhoff Family

Mary & Alvin Hoffman
Parishioners of St. Michael's

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 9,853.92

Choir Assignments - September 1 & 2

4:30: TBA **7:30:** TBA **10:30:** PW



"Sundays at Seven"

Fr. Mark LIVE!

Fr. Mark will be doing a live broadcast this Sunday, August 26, at 7:00 p.m.

It will be a general, "Getting to know you" episode, where he will answer your questions LIVE!

All School Mass

Wednesday, August 29.

Students in grades 1-8 will attend.

High School CCD Teachers Meeting

Wednesday, August 29, at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Center.

MONDAY, AUGUST 27**ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m., in church****WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29****HIGH SCHOOL CCD TEACHER MEETING: 7:00 p.m.****THURSDAY, AUGUST 30****ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY: 7:00 p.m. in church****FRIDAY, AUGUST 31****CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church****Sunday School Begins September 23**

Registrations found at stmichaelskalida.org,
under "Recent Bulletins."

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)...

is for those interested in joining or learning more about the Catholic Church. Classes begin Tuesday, September 11, and run weekly through Easter 2019. Call Fr. Mark at 419-969-0148.

Recent Baptism**DUKE ALAN BECKER**

Son of Steven & Andrea (Lammers) Becker

August Holy Name Raffle Winners

\$250	Lincoln Yarnell	\$100	Makena Grote
\$100	Nick Schulte	\$100	Cy Vorst, Jr.
\$100	Cameron Remlinger	\$ 50	Tim Verhoff
\$ 50	Janice Siebeneck	\$ 50	Joe Maag
\$ 50	Jeff Hoyt	\$ 50	Caleb Siebeneck
\$ 50	Brad Niemeyer	\$ 50	Ruth Smith

Pioneer Bingo Sign-Up Sheets...

are on the bulletin board, in the vestibule of church. Thanks!

Toledo Diocese Women's Conference

September 22, 2018, at Camden Falls, Tiffin (2460 S. SR. 23)
Sponsored by Toledo Council of Catholic Women (TDCCW)

Conference starts at 8:00 a.m. and will end at 4:30 p.m.

Come join us for praise and worship, confession, adoration and Mass with Bishop Daniel E. Thomas. Connect with great speakers like Teresa Tomeo, Sr. Ellen Lamberjack and others. There will be a pre-conference dinner on Friday evening honoring those women who have led TDCCW before us. Cost for that dinner is \$35. Registration for the conference is \$40 for TDCCW members and \$45 non-members. After September 1, the cost is \$50 (St. Michael's Parish is a member of TDCCW). Questions can be directed to Debby Luman, President TDCCW (Ph. 419-898-0906 or 419-734-4004 or email debluman@aol.com). Local contact person is Tammy Schroeder (419-532-3762 or 419-796-8964 or email ews@bright.net).

Hotel reservations can be made at Hampton Inn, 2492 S. SR 231, Tiffin, OH 419-443-5300.

Room rate is \$129, plus tax, until September 7. Hotel is next to Camden Falls. Both buildings have the same parking lot.

Conference Registration (Due by September 1, 2018)

(No tickets will be issued)

Name _____

Email and/or Ph# _____

Parish _____ City _____

Mail to: Diocese of Toledo; Attn: TDCCW
1933 Spielbusch Ave. Toledo, OH 43604-5360

OFFERTORY - September 1 & 2**4:30 PM****7:30 AM****10:30 AM**

Barry & Beth von der Embse Family

Ken & Carol Vennekotter Family

Dick & Jane Schulte Family

USHERS - September 1 & 2**4:30 PM****7:30 AM****10:30 AM**

Team 8

Team 9

Team 7

LECTORS - September 1 & 2**4:30 PM:****7:30 AM:****10:30 AM**

Tara Gerding, Deb Kahle

Mike Kahle, Deb Schroeder

Erin Kerner, Stacy Knueve

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - September 1 & 2

4:30: Jim & Marilyn Becker, Brian & Bev Berheide, Matt Bockrath, Joyce Bonifas, Tom & Judy Bonifas, Janet Burgei, Regina Fischnich

7:30: Joan Peck, Deb Schroeder, Dick & Judy Bockrath, Gus & Judy Brinkman, Ruth Foppe, Keith & AnnRea Fortman, Lynda Fortman

Ministers to Homebound: Joan Peck

10:30: Dave Buss, Kelly Buss, Michelle Buss, Eileen Decker, Lori Erhart, Dave & Cindy Erhart, Nicole Fortman, Phil & Sue Fuerst

SERVERS

Mon, 8/27	8:00 AM	Griffin Nienberg Maddalyn Nienberg
Tues, 8/28	8:00 AM	Kyle Lammers Riley Nienberg
Wed, 8/29	8:00 AM	Olivia Olzak Camryn Recker
Thurs, 8/30	7:30 PM	Elyse Romes Katelyn Roof
Fri, 8/31	8:00 AM	Ella Schumacher Sara Siebeneck
Sat, 9/1	4:30 PM	Cole Nienberg David Peck
		Carlie Rampe
Sun, 9/2	7:30 AM	Gabe Roof
		Dakota Rosselit
		Dayna Schimmoeller
	10:30 AM	Evan Roebke
		Ethan Schmenk
		Nathan Schroeder

Upcoming Polka Dances at Kalida K of C

Monday, September 3, at Kalida K of C, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m., with the Aaron Duffing Band. Ohio Polka Boosters meeting and dance on Wednesday, September 19, at the Kalida K of C. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Meeting is at 6:30 p.m. Dance is from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. The band is "Happy Times."

Chris Potts Memorial Golf Scramble

Saturday, September 15, at Country Acres. Cost is \$65/person, which includes 18 holes of golf with cart, food, on-course beverages, door prizes and more. Email cmp_inc@hotmail.com for more information. Hole sponsorships are available.

Blood Drive in Ft. Jennings

Wednesday, September 12, at the Ft. Jennings American Legion Hall, from Noon - 6:00 p.m. To make an appointment please call Alice Wiegand (419-286-2774) or Dianne Miehl (419-286-2796). Walk-ins are always welcome. Thank you!