MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m., in church HOLY NAME CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

RCIA: 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4
HIGH SCHOOL CCD: 7:00 p.m.
YAHS CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY: 7:00 p.m. in church

FRIDAY, DECENBER 6

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for all the prayers, cards, visits and love I received while recovering from my surgeries and rehab. All the overwhelming support from the parish and community has been so appreciated. My family and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

Mae Webken & Family

Military Holiday Gift Boxes

The American Red Cross of WCO, through its Services to Armed Forces program, is collecting items to sent to troops from Putnam County. We continue to accept items and/or monetary donations. All financial donations received will cover the postage fee for boxes mailed. Please ensure we have your Putnam county family member's address who is currently active duty. For additional information please contact Michelle Williams or Peg Dickman at our Ottawa office at 419-523-4810 or Bonnie Knueve at 419-532-2052.



Ohio State Quilt Raffle

You can win this 70x89 inch quilt. It's \$5 per ticket and all money raised will benefit the John T. Massawe Charity for building churches in Tanzania. Contact Ellen Millott via Facebook Messenger for more information. See the quilt raffle link at stmichaelskalida.org for a form. You can drop the form and your \$5 in the collection. Drawing is 1/1/20 and you need not be present to win.

OFFERTORY - December 7 & 8

4:30 PM Ryan & Erin Kerner Family
8:00 AM Roger & Ruth Kahle Family
11:00 AM Barry & Beth von der Embse Family

USHERS - December 7 & 8

 4:30 PM
 Team 4

 8:00 AM
 Team 5

 11:00 AM
 Team 6

LECTORS - December 7 & 8

4:30 PM
8:00 AM
Mary Plescher, Nancy Rampe
11:00 AM
Brayden Recker, Wendy Schimmoeller

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - December 7 & 8

4:30: Dick & Jane Schulte, Kay Unverferth, Lisa Unverferth, Jim & Marilyn Becker, Bev & Brian Berheide, Greg Bockrath. McKenna Bockrath

8:00: Dianna Kehres, Norma Unverferth, Norma Vorst, Don Wehri, Amy Brinkman, Joyce Bonifas, Tom & Judy Bonifas, Gus & Judy Brinkman

Ministers to Homebound: Dianna Kehres
11:00: Scott Unverferth, Sandy Westrick, Kamryn Wurth,

Greg, Jill, Jade & Will Zeller, Alice Adams, Matt Bockrath, Janet Burgei

SERVERS

Tues, 12/3	8:00 AM	Evan Fischnich
		Grant Fortman
Ned, 12/4	8:00 AM	Alex Gardner
		Emma Hellman
Thurs, 12/5	7:30 PM	Madelyn Houck
		Allie Kuhlman
Fri, 12/6	8:00 AM	Katherine Krouse
		Ethan Langhals
Sat, 12/7	4:30 PM	Grant Helmke
		Paige Helmke
		Joel Horstman
Sun, 12/8	8:00 AM	Camille Hovest
		Gabe Hovest
		Alysen Hoyt
	11:00 AM	Katelyn Kahle
		Stephanie Kahle
		John Kaufman



ST. NICHOLAS

Feast Day is This Friday, December 6

Historically, we can pinpoint only the fact that Nicholas was the fourth-century bishop of Myra, a city in Lycia, in a province which is now known as Turkey. Perhaps the best-known story about Nicholas concerns his charity toward a poor man who was unable to provide dowries for his three daughters of marriageable age. Rather than see them forced into prostitution, Nicholas secretly tossed a bag of gold through the poor man's window on three separate occasions, thus enabling the daughters to be married. Over the centuries, this particular legend evolved into the custom of gift-giving on the saint's feast. In the English speaking countries, Saint Nicholas became, by a twist of the tongue, Santa Claus—further expanding the example of generosity portrayed by this holy bishop.

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - December 1, 2019

Pastor: Fr. Mark Hoying, C.PP.S. In Residence: Fr. Elmer Wurth, M.M. Parochial Vicar: Fr. Rick Friebel, C.PP.S. Deacon: Bob Klausing DRE: Connie Cleemput Youth Minister: Jill Zeller Maintenance: Kevin Fischer Address: 312 N. Broad St.; PO Box 387, Kalida, OH 45853 Phone: 419-532-3474 Website: stmichaelskalida.org



From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. I'm still in the Thanksgiving spirit, even though I know I'm supposed to get into the Advent spirit. I thought to myself that maybe I could combine them. Thanksgiving left me thanking God for big and small things. Last weekend I had three baptisms. All the babies brought a spirit of quiet and possibility of peace. When the babies are little, I always pray that, after their Baptisms, they begin to sleep through the night. Come, Lord Jesus, bring us peace.

Last weekend I got to be with a Jedi group of young people in Lima. I am thankful that I have the opportunity to have Mass for them in a hotel for the past several years. I am always thankful for their enthusiastic spirit. Even though they are from different schools, they pray together and especially sing together. They risk embarrassment, which is huge when you are in eighth grade. You should have heard them sing *Amazing Grace*. It was beautiful. There were no hymnals. They sang from their hearts. Send your help. Send your Grace. Send your Son. Come, Lord Jesus, come for all people.

There was a group of high school kids who went to New York City and came back this weekend. They saw a lot and they returned with lots of stories. I am always thankful when they return safely. I got to hear stories of how they weren't in Kansas anymore or Putnam County either. A highlight was that they sang with a homeless man who was playing guitar. They spoke of the joy that was on his face when they sang together. It was harmony in song and small town and big apple coming together. Thanks for safe journeys and coming home. Come, Lord Jesus, bring harmony to the whole world. Take away divisions so that every place can be home because all home is where the heart is. And when we are united we are at home in love, in God.

I also got to go to a hockey game with servers from the County. It was fun to see the young people pounding against the glass walls. As the cameras panned the crowds, our small band of enthusiastic fans became the fans of the night. I am so thankful for all the enthusiasm that I get to share in our parishes. Come, Lord Jesus, let us celebrate life to the full. We don't have to wait to celebrate the fullness of life till we get to heaven. We just have to live life to the full as enthusiastic children of God.

As we start the journey of Advent this year, let us journey with one another and especially with God. *Fr. Mark*

Parish Cookbook Reminder for the Holidays!

With the holidays upon us, we want to remind you to take a picture of anything you cook/make that you'd like to submit for the Parish Cookbook. We've extended the deadline for submissions until the end of January 2020.

Recipes and photos can be emailed to: kalida.stmichaelyouth@bright.net

Don't have email? Call us at 419-532-3474 or bring in your recipe. We want as many as possible!

Recent Baptisms
BECKHAM ROBERT KAHLE
Son of Brandon & Chelsea (Gerten) Kahle
WILLIAM NOLAN RECKER
Son of Kyle & Jessica (Krouse) Recker

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2
8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3 St. Francis Xavier

8:00 AM Ed Schroeder WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

8:00 AM Pats & Rita Broecker

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5 7:30 PM Al & Anna Ma

Al & Anna Marie Warnecke Sister Gertrude Ann Knipper Dorothy Miller

Herk Selhorst, Tom Wannemacher FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6 St. Nicholas, bishop

8:00 AM John Kahle (HN)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 St. Ambrose, bishop

4:30 PM Gary Bockrath, Ted Sealts
George, Nora & Dan Basinger
Norbert & Angie Recker, Larry Haselman

Ralph, Dolores & Sandra Verhoff Virgil & Mary Agnes Recker, Mike Recker

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Norbert & Lorene Fuerst Moxy & Cindy Wehri Alfred & Kate Wehri

11:00 AM L/D Harry & Alberta Selhorst Family

Arnold Siebeneck

Deceased of Harold Vorst Family

Last Week's Collection: \$ 9,876.00

Choir Assignments - December 7 & 8 4:30: YAHS 8:00: HN 11:00: Matt

March for Life Pilgrimage Bus Trip Deadline is This Sunday!

Leaving from Kalida on Thursday, January 23 and returning on Sunday, January 26, 2020. Approx. cost is \$235/person. Includes bus transportation, hotel and Metro Pass. Reserve your seat soon - \$100 deposit is due by December 1, 2019. Contact Jill Zeller (567-376-9115) for more information.

CLC Christmas Party - Wednesday, Dec. 11 We're Celebrating 100 Years!

The Kalida CLC Christmas Party will be Wednesday, December 11, at 6:00 p.m., in the church basement. Catered by Dick's. Reserve your spot by Friday, December 6. Call Ann Warnecke (419-532-3662). Join us as we're celebrating 100 years, as our council was founded in 1919!

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings...

are on Tuesdays at the Trinity Methodist Church, Ottawa, from 8:00-9:00 p.m. Use the entrance on Hall Street. On Wednesdays, the meetings are held at the Leipsic Fogle Center(815 E. Mathias St.) from 8:00-9:00 p.m.

2020 St. Michael Parish Calendar

If you'd like a \$5 calendar with pictures of St. Michael Church, the deadline is this Sunday, December 1. For more details, see last week's bulletin. **Do not include money**.

I would like a 2020 St. Michael calendar



Our Condolences

The Funeral Mass for

John Kahle
was held this past
Wednesday, November 27.
Please include John
and his family

in your prayers.

Children's Books

Before church, do your Sunday mornings sound like this? Can I just stay home? Can't we skip? I don't want to go to church! "Dear Lord Jesus, Why Do I Have to Go to Church" is a new Christian children's book (ages 3-9) that helps parents with explaining to their children why it's good to go to church, instead of just saying "Because I said so." Check out local author from Fort Jennings, Jacqueline B. Kohls, and her new book at www.jacquelinekohls.com. It is available on Amazon.com or check out the copy in the tower entrance of church.

"Catechism of the Seven Sacraments" is a book with attention to detail and solid Catholic teaching presenting the Sacrament using Legos. Check it out at Holy Heroes.com. This publisher has other great resources to bring out Catholic faith alive for children. They have a deck of playing cards that presents the mysteries of the rosary, designed for faith-filled family fun.

Students at Mass This Week

Pat Broecker's 1B Class will have Mass on Wednesday, December 4, and Ellen Millott's 6A Class will have Mass on Friday, December 6

High School CCD - December 4

Everyone has class at 7:00 p.m.

TDCCW Christmas Tea

You are invited to join us at the Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Christmas Tea on December 8, at 2:00 p.m. The Tea will be held at the Chandelier Community Center at 151 S. Washington St., Tiffin, Ohio. Send reservations to: St. Mary's Parish, Attn. Jane Oddo, 85 South Sandusky St., Tiffin, Ohio 44883. Reservations are needed by December 1. Local contact is Tammy Schroeder (email: ews@bright.net or phone 419-796-8964).

Kalida Kindergarten Registration

Kalida Elementary School is conducting kindergarten registration for the 2020-2021 school year. Registration forms are available in the elementary office. Please return the completed registration form with a copy of a certified birth certificate before December 15. Children must be five years old on or before September 30, 2020, in order to register. Contact the school office at 532-3845 for more information.

Ohio Polka Boosters Christmas Party

Saturday, December 7, at the Kalida K of C Hall. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Meal at 5:00 p.m. Meeting at 5:30 p.m. Dance from 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. Music by Big Daddy Lackowski, of Detroit. Public is welcome. *RSVP for the meal by calling 419-966-3826*.

JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT TO CHRISTMAS

As Mary, Joseph and unborn baby Jesus traveled to Bethlehem for the census, we travel with our families to Christmas. Help us help families in the area have a blessed Christmas by bringing in supplies which Mary and Joseph may have packed for their journey.

<u>December 7 & 8 (Benefiting the Youth of Lima City Schools and Toledo Public Schools)</u> What did they need for warmth?

Pray for those who are in need of clothes, especially warmer clothing during winter months and for warmth in their hearts.

Please donate the following:

Hats, gloves and socks. Boys and girls long or short sleeve solid color polo shirts with a collar, black, navy or gray cardigan sweaters,

khaki, blue or black pants (Sizes S-XL or 5-18 for boys and 6-18 for girls for previously mentioned items) and boys and girls coats (Sizes 5T-16)

December 14 & 15 (Benefiting Putnam County Council on Aging)

How would they care for themselves?

Please pray for those who have difficulty obtaining the basic needs/essentials to care for themselves and their family.

Please donate the following:

Chapstick/lip balm, toothbrush, toothpaste, bar soap, lotion, bath towels, small bottles of laundry detergent and dish soap, tissues/Kleenex, paper towels, napkins

December 21 & 22 (Benefiting Heartbeat of Ottawa and Lima)

How would they care for their baby?

Pray for expectant mothers and fathers, their unborn child and all children.

Please donate the following:

Onesies & Sleepers (newborn to 9 months), receiving blankets, diapers (size 4, 5 & 6), baby wash/shampoo, wipes small toys for ages 2 & 3 and parenting books (contact the Parish Center if you need suggestions).