MONDAY. APRIL 18

ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m. in church

HOLY NAME MEETING: 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

ROSARY FOR PEACE: 7:00 p.m. in church

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

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

Kalida EMS Annual Chicken BBQ

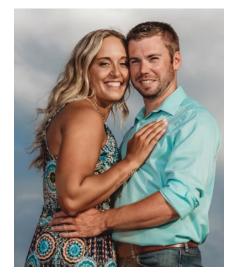
Sunday, April 24, from 11:00 a.m. until gone, behind the Kalida Fire Station. Carryout only and no presale. \$9/meal.

Polka Dance Rescheduled

The Ohio Polka Boosters Dance, originally scheduled for April 24, has been moved to Saturday, May 14. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. and the dance is from 3:00-7:00 p.m., at Kalida K of C. The Frank Moravcik Band will be performing. Call 419-966-3826 for more information.

Kalida Baseball Association Purse Raffle

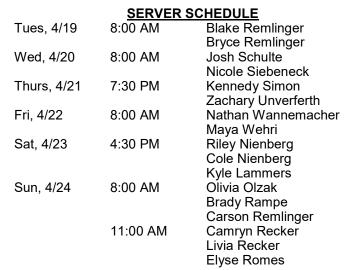
Twelve purses will be given away. Winners will be announced after the varsity baseball game on May 10. Tickets are \$20 each. Anyone interested can contact any KBA Committee person, Randy Buss or Brian Hoffman.



Upcoming Wedding

Paige Ordway
&
Robert Sarka
will be married on
April 23, 2022.
Please include
them in
your prayers.





Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - April 23 & 24
4:30: Lisa Niese, Brandi Schroeder, Karen Schroeder,
Lindsey Slusser LECTOR: Brenda Averesch

8:00: Deb Remlinger, Mary Siefker, Duane Steffan, Norma Unverferth LECTOR: Dennis Turnwald

Ministers to Homebound: Diane Schroeder

11:00: Lisa Trentman, Lisa Unverferth, Kay Unverferth, Scott Unverferth

LECTOR: Tony Unverferth

USHERS - April 23 & 24

8:30: Team 1 8:00: Team 2 11:00: Team 3

The Return of the Music Booster Calendar!

The calendar runs from September 2022 to August 2023. The cost is \$10, which includes a wall and pocket calendar. If interested in purchasing a calendar, send a check only (no cash) to P.O. Box 780 Kalida, OH 45853 c/o Paige Burgei. *Make the check payable to "Kalida Local Schools."* If you would like to add any listings such as a birthday, anniversary, etc., please enclose that information in the envelope as well. Contact Paige with questions (567-712-9101).

Kalida Area Garage Sales - April 28-30

Maps will be available at area businesses the week of April 25.

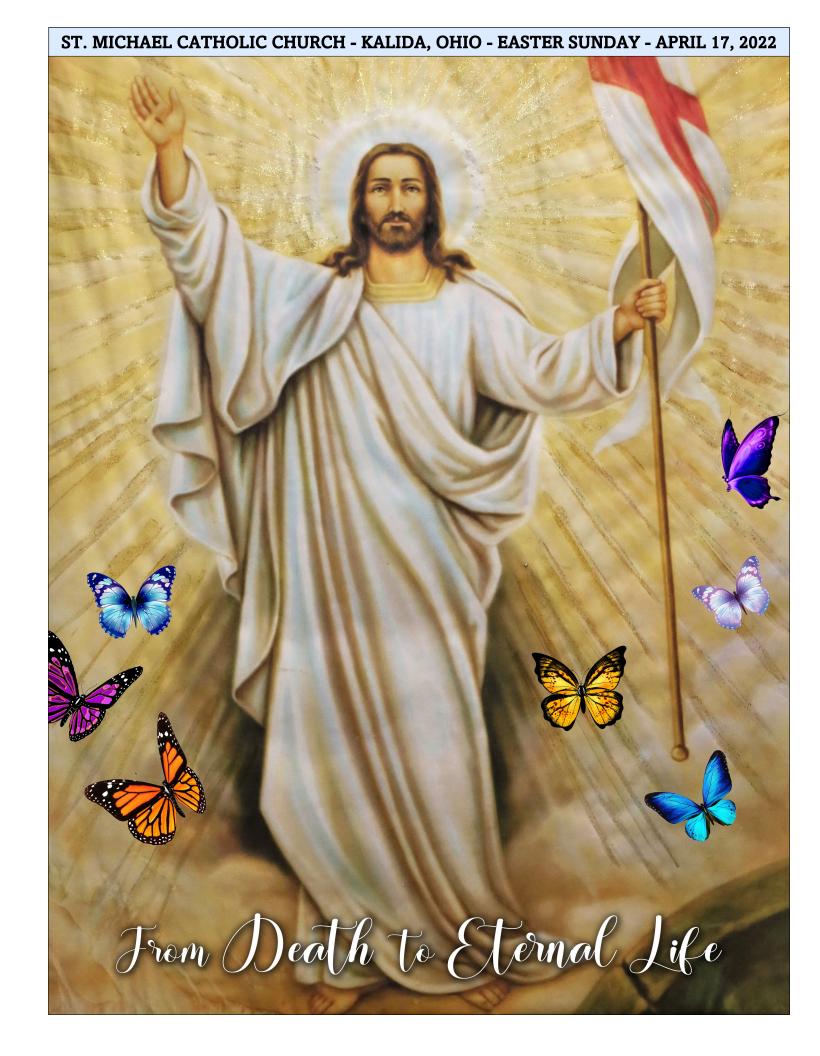


7th Grade Stations

Back row: Simon (Blake Remlinger); Soldiers (Max Langhals & Carson Buss); Jesus (Josh Schulte); Soldiers (Jax Horstman, Bryce Remlinger, Evan Langhals) Middle row: Veronica (Hannah Bendele); Mary (Kylie Peck)

Front row: Reader (Adam Bockrath); Women (Issabella McKee & Kennedy Simon); Reader (Nicole Siebeneck), Women (Mallory Kerner & Sophia Meyer); Reader (Maya Wehri)

These 7th graders reenacted the Stations of the Cross on Palm Sunday. They traveled around the church block with many parishioners and families to stop at each of the Stations. What a great witness of all Jesus experienced during His Passion to all who attended and all who passed by during the procession.



From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Happy Easter. He is risen as He said. I would like to wish all of you a blessed day, year, and life because you are filled with the life of the Lord. He just didn't rise 2000 years ago. That resurrection event is timeless and affects us today. As Mary Magdalene was so joyful to witness the risen Lord, our hearts should be just as filled when we realize that death has been conquered and He is truly risen for us. Happy Easter.

As I think of past Easters, I think of Easter baskets lined up in front of the porch windows. Each child had a basket, well the first eight did and the rest had to settle for a shoe box. The Easter bunny would make sure the candy was divided equally; well, the youngest ones usually got a bigger hollow chocolate bunny. The Easter Bunny would hide the eggs at the Hoying house numbers of times. He kept hiding the colored hard-boiled eggs in the front yard from morning till night. Easter at the Hoying house kept going and going and going. Inside the house my mom would make yeast rolls. She would put jellybeans in them to keep with the season. The rolls were the best. I'm not sure why they were so good, but I can still taste them today and my mouth is watering just thinking of them. We always had an Easter ham with dozens of colored eggs. It was a tradition to crack the eggs on a siblings' noggin. For some reason I don't think we refrigerated the eggs which is part of the Easter miracle that none of us ever got sick. On the outside of the house, we always had our potatoes planted on Good Friday along with peas, radishes, onions and lettuce. The Easter Bunny could hang out in the front yard, but he better stay out of mom's garden.

The question that we all had growing up around Easter was when was Lent over so that we could start eating the candy in our baskets. Could we start on Friday after church services? Heaven knows we stayed three hours on our knees. I'm sure God would understand if we could sneak a piece of chocolate after being in church for so long. Maybe Lent stopped on Saturday morning. Our family didn't go to Holy Saturday services, and it sure seemed like a waste of a day to not eat candy so close to Easter itself. All mom would say is "not yet." (I still think that my brother, Norman, would sneak into the porch and poach a few robin eggs from the little kids' baskets.) Finally, Easter would arrive, and mom gave us the look that said the Lent was over and the candy was in bounds. Candy was savored and malted milk balls melted slowly in our mouths. Each child had colored mouths as robin eggs seemed to melt too quickly before a new one replaced the old ones. Jellybeans were precious down to the last one which was hiding in the green artificial grass which filled each basket or shoe box. Easter was fun in the Hoving house.

Looking back, I think I asked the wrong question. Instead of asking when Lent stopped, I should have been asking when Easter began. It is nice to think about the end of something difficult, but I believe it is greater to aspire to something greater. We are Easter people and Easter never stops. Death has been conquered. There is no sin that cannot be forgiven. God loves us so greatly. I do believe that if we aspire to live in the Lord, we become people of life. I have seen too many people in fear these past years. Instead of living, people kept asking the question of when was this going to be over. After the resurrection, Jesus brought joy to Mary Magdalene in the garden and the apostles in the upper room. He told them to not be afraid. He told them to go out and share the good news. He told them to live.

Easter is all about life. Live it full. Live it in the Lord. Happy Easter, everyone. May God bless you all.

Fr. Mark

Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

8:00 AM Carolyn Unverferth, Tom Recker

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

8:00 AM Fr. Elmer Wurth 9:30 AM Bill Cleemput

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

7:30 PM Dan Kleman, Earl Kleman, Dorothy Miller

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

8:00 AM Paul Hermiller

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

NM Ordway & Sarka

4:30 PM John Smith, Joe Langhals, Bud & Marie Becker

Tom L. Siebeneck, Ralph & Dolores Verhoff

Carl & Mae Webken

SUNDAY, APRIL 24 Divine Mercy Sunday

8:00 AM Jerry & Dorothy Unverferth, Larry Peck 11:00 AM Don Selhorst, Jeannie Buchholz

Thad Schroeder

Gene Stechschulte, Don Holtkamp & Family Jim & Angie Erhart, Dick & Gladys Unverferth

James, Keith & Mark Unverferth

Welcome to the Catholic Faith!







Torie Gerdeman

Paige Ordway

Chase Ordway





Dan Painter

Hannah Sullivan

Congratulations to our newest members of the Catholic faith: Torie, Paige, Chase, Dan & Hannah! Also, a huge thanks to our RCIA team, their sponsors, their family and friends, and all who supported them along the way.

Last Sunday's Collection \$15,308.77

Choir Assignments - April 23 & 24 4:30: Ashleigh 8:00: Laura 11:00: Youth

Umpires Needed for A & B Little League Games
Call Craig Recker (419-231-5401) if you can help.

Kalida Alumni Band for 150th Pioneer Days! Registration forms at stmichaelskalida.org. Register by July 1.

Save the Date for Fr. Mark's Farewell Party

We will have Fr. Mark's farewell celebration on Sunday, June 26, at the park. More information will be mailed soon.

Signatures Needed on Quilt for Fr. Mark

All parishioners are asked to sign their name on the quilt pieces at the exits of church (cream-colored areas only). Please use the provided permanent fabric markers only. The quilt pieces will be in church until May 8. Thanks!

Seventh Grade Catechist Needed for 2022-23

The time would be from 8:00-8:40 a.m. with class four days and Mass on Friday. Possibly two people could split the days. Contact Connie (419-532-3494, ext. 102), for info.

First Communion Masses Will Be...

Sat., April 30, at 6:00 p.m. & Sunday, May 1, at 1:00 p.m.

Collection for Little Lambs Christian Preschool

We are excited to announce that Little Lambs Christian Preschool is really taking off and on the road to success!! We are filling up and our registration and tuition payments will be a great start to managing funds for us, however, being a nonprofit organization, we are still in need of donations to really make us the best center we can possibly be! This is especially true for our first year, as we have many items to purchase in order to create a safe, inviting, and educational environment. We are lucky to live in such a supportive community and we know that with your help, we will have a dynamic preschool that will set the foundation for our young members to be successful in the next phase of their education. We plan to take up a second collection at Mass on April 23 & 24 to assist with our start up funds. Please consider donating, as these children are our future community leaders. Thank you so much!

Donation Day for Little Lambs Preschool...

is Sunday April 24, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. in the church basement. Please bring in your new or gently-used items to help us fill up our Preschool rooms! Here are some items we need:

<u>Manipulatives</u>: wooden puzzles, floor puzzles, games suited for children ages 3-6, building toys (Legos, magnet tiles, Lincoln logs, manipulative connector toys), magnet sets

Pretend Play: kitchen set and play food, cash register, baby doll changing table with baby doll supplies, community helper trucks (fire truck, ambulance, tractor with wagon, garbage truck, etc.), wooden train set, animal figures, doctor set, dress-up outfits

<u>Art:</u> stamps, stencils, playdoh tools, paint smocks, paint brushes, unused supplies (paper, markers, pencils, paint, stamp pads, ect.), easels, dry erase boards

Other: Sturdy shelves, book stand/tower, classroom décor/wall hangings, sensory table

Students Planning Mass...

are Pat Broecker's grade 3 class on Wednesday, April 20, at 8:00 a.m. and Ruth Kuhlman's grade 2 class at 9:30 a.m. On Friday, April 22, Annette Schroeder's grade 8 class has Mass.

Virtue of the Week is Humility

Humility means to have an awareness that all one's gifts come from God and an appreciation for the gifts of others. Ways to show humility are to acknowledge the accomplishments of others and to look honestly at your strength and weaknesses. Saints who practiced humility were St. Bernadette, St. Bonaventure and St. Gemma Galgani. Our prayer 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!

Sincere Thanks...

for all who remembered me with cards, visits, gifts, phone calls and especially prayers while I was in the hospital recently and since my return home. I am now recovering and will never forget the many acts of kindness shown to me. A very special thanks to Fr. Mark for his visits. *Joan Schnipke*

Next K of C Meeting: Thursday, April 21, at 8:15 p.m.

Toledo Diocesan Women's Day of Renewal

Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at Our Lady of Consolation Shrine in Carey, Ohio. The cost is \$20 per person. Reservations are needed by <u>April 20, 2022</u>. Registration forms with more detailed information are available at the doors of our church. Local contacts are Rita Borgelt (419-532-3637) and Tammy Schroeder (419-796-8964).

Want to Help Others? Saint Vincent de Paul May be for You!

Whether you are already a member or thinking about it, you are invited to attend a free training day. The Lima Ohio St. Vincent de Paul Conferences have planned a day on April 30, at 9:00 a.m. at St Gerard Parish (240 West Robb Avenue, Lima). A light breakfast will be served and a lunch will be provided. This is a free event offering a time to learn about the society, to inquire, and to grow in holiness with friends who serve others. Make your reservation with Deb Karbowiak (419-516-4415 or d k bartlett@yahoo.com). Please register by April 26. This is a six hour scheduled session. Please join us—all are welcome.

Spaghetti Dinner at Ottawa Legion

Wednesday, May 4, from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Ottawa Legion. Carryout only. Drive thru the alley for pickup. \$8 donation. Presale only and tickets can be purchased at the American Legion or by calling 419-523-3849 or 419-303-4674. Proceeds benefit Christmas Carnival in December.

Youth Elect Service Project: will be hosted by Ottoville Immaculate Conception Parish this year from June 2 - 4. Students, young adults, and adults from the St. George Deanery will gather for a weekend service retreat and reach out to residents of Putnam County to help in all kinds of FREE service. They will help those in need with things such as landscaping, small paint jobs, spring cleaning, wash windows, and even washing cars, to name a few! Volunteers of ANY age are needed, and if you are interested, call Jill (419-532-3494, ext. 103). Need some help at your residence? Call Jill. Donations are needed this year to help make this project possible! We have served as many as 55 residents in Putnam County in one weekend, and to help cover the cost of supplies we are asking Parishes, Businesses, and Organizations to contribute as they can. All the work is at no cost to those being helped. We can always use buckets, supplies such as garbage bags, paper towels, Windex, Lysol wipes, antibacterial wipes etc., and pop, water or snacks. The high school youth will contribute a fee to cover their cost of a t-shirt and food. If you would like to make a monetary contribution, a donation of supplies, or would like to donate your time, call Jill (419-532-3494, ext. 103).