

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20
ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m. in church
HOLY NAME MEETING: 8:00 p.m.
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21
RCIA: 7:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22
HIGH SCHOOL CCD: attend 7:30 p.m. Mass
YAHS CHOIR PRACTICE: after Mass
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: 8:00 - 7:15 in church
ROSARY: 7:00 p.m. in church
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church
FISH FRY AT KALIDA K OF C: 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

All-You-Can-Eat Fish & Chicken Fry

Sunday, February 19, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. in the St. Barbara Parish Center, **Cloverdale**. Adults-\$10, Children (12 & under)-\$5. Carry outs available. Altar-Rosary Society Bake Sale. In case of inclement weather, it will be held the following Sunday, February 26.

Bus Trip to Religious Locations

3 day, 2 night bus pilgrimage to Shrine of Christ's Passion, Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help and tour of the Sacred Heart Basilica at Notre Dame. Fee covers: bus trip, driver's gratuity, 2 overnight stays at St. Joseph St. Mary of the Lake, lunches, and dinners. Cost: \$545 single occ; \$530 double occ. See Mustard Seed for signup. Sign up by March 1.

PARISHIONERS OF ST MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

PUTNAM CO JOB & FAMILY SERVICES WOULD

LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

TO OUR 2022 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.

THANKS TO YOUR DONATION WE WERE

ABLE TO ASSIST MANY CHILDREN IN

PUTNAM COUNTY.

YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY REINFORCES

THERE IS STILL A REASON TO BELIEVE

IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON.

THANKS AGAIN

TRACI KOHL

PUTNAM CO JOB & FAMILY SERVICES

Just saying thank you
doesn't seem enough. I hope
you know how much your
thoughtfulness is
appreciated. During the holidays
is difficult being a single mom!
Thank you
again

Thank you so much for the wonderful
Christmas that you made possible for my family.
What we thought was impossible became
possible because of your donations.
Words can only begin to express our gratitude.
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.
-God Bless

A Few of the Giving Tree Thank You Notes

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - Ash Wednesday

7:30: PB: Lisa Unverferth, Scott Unverferth
Teresa Rampe, Mark Remlinger, Wendy Schimmoeller,
Lisa Trentman **LECTOR:** Brenda Aversch

Offertory Bearers - February 25 & 26

4:30: Ryan & Erin Kerner Family
8:00: Mike & Norma Unverferth Family
11:00: Josh & Mary Horstman Family

SERVER SCHEDULE

Tues, 2/21	8:00 AM	Taylor Nienberg Chase Rampe
Wed, 2/22	8:00 AM	Logan Rampe Lillian Schnipke Lucas Schroeder
	7:30 PM	Erica Kahle Nathan Kahle John Kaufman Emma Shiningier Luke Siefker
Thurs, 2/23	7:30 PM	
Fri, 2/24	8:00 AM	Aubrey Simon Landon Warnecke Hannah Bendele
Sat, 2/25	4:30 PM	Allie Kuhlman Grady Kuhlman Kyle Lammers
Sun, 2/26	8:00 AM	Mariah Kerner Logan Kerner Katherine Krouse Carson Klausing Evan Klausing Griffin Klausing
	11:00 AM	

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - February 25 & 26

4:30: PB: Kay Unverferth, Jerry Ellerbrock
Brandy Schroeder, Glen & Annette Schroeder,
Michele Niese **LECTOR:** Deb Kahle

8:00: PB: Mary Siefker, Duane Steffan
Joan Niese, Rose Recker, Barb Steffan,
Norma Unverferth **LECTOR:** Erin Kerner

Ministers to Homebound: Diane Schroeder

11:00: PB: Norma Vorst, Sandy Westrick
Lindsey Slusser, Mike Westrick, Greg & Jill Zeller
LECTOR: Jill Laudick

USHERS - February 25 & 26

4:30: Team 1 **8:00:** Team 2 **11:00:** Team 3



ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH - KALIDA, OH - FEBRUARY 19, 2023

Pastor: Fr. Nathan Bockrath **Deacon:** Bob Klausing **DRE:** Connie Cleemput

Youth Minister: Jill Zeller **Maintenance:** Kevin Fischer

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PRAY EVERY DAY THIS

LENT



Join the Lent #PRAY40 Challenge
HALLOW.COM/PRAY

Hallow is the number-one Catholic app in the world, with over 7 million downloads and 150 million prayers completed within the app. Every Lent, Hallow organizes one of the largest community prayer programs in the world, with over 200,000 projected participants in 2023.



“You are Dust, and to Dust
You Shall Return”

Lent is finally here this week and its purpose can easily be summarized by the first sentence of the first reading on Ash Wednesday: “Return to me with your whole heart.” Lent is all about bringing our hearts back to our Lord. We know how easily we are pulled in so many directions in life and when we look back, we can see at times we are off that straight and narrow path. Little do we know, being people of habit, that each of these mis-steps are actually changing us (e.g. our personality, the way we see the world, the way we value). Why do we emphasize prayer – fasting – almsgiving during this season? To change us back! To bring our hearts back to our Lord. Just as athletes have to endure conditioning in order to gain the right physical skill in order to succeed, so too do we need to condition our hearts. I remember as a kid that what I did in Lent, I did out of an attempt to impress God. I had it backwards. God isn’t impressed by what we give up, He is impressed by how it changes us into being more fully that “ambassador for Christ” as St. Paul says in the second reading of Ash Wednesday. So then, as we plan our Lenten practices, let us always ask how it will change our hearts so that we are closer to our Lord.

For Masses on Ash Wednesday, they will be 8:00 a.m. Kalida, 6:00 p.m. Continental, and 7:30 p.m. Kalida. At Continental starting on Wednesday March 1, we will have Stations of the Cross at 5:15 p.m., followed by Adoration and then Mass. At Kalida, we will have Adoration on Thursday, beginning at 8:00 a.m. and ending with Benediction at approximately 7:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross will be at 1:00 p.m. on Sundays during Lent at Kalida. Also, mark your calendar for the Eucharistic Revival that will be led by Bishop Thomas on March 19, from 3:00-4:30 p.m., at Kalida. This will consist of Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction, as well as an opportunity for Confession. Speaking of Confession, Continental will host a penance service on March 22, at 6:30 p.m. At this service, we kindly ask that you let the CCD student go first, then adults. Finally, Kalida will host a penance service on March 28. The first service will be at 4:00 p.m. and the second service at 7:00 p.m.

Let’s make it a holy Lent!

Fr. Nathan

Elementary CCD Lenten Project

Our Elementary students will be collecting money this Lent for the people of Appalachia. Maybe come up with some ways they can “earn” the money they wish to donate to this Lenten project. More information will be sent home with the students next week.

Group Photos for the Parish Pictorial

If you volunteer at St. Michael’s, please mark your calendars for Sunday, March 19, when we will be taking group pictures in church. Watch for a schedule in an upcoming bulletin.



Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week	
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21	
8:00 AM	Larry Peck
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	
8:00 AM	Lois Geyer, Alice Brinkman
7:30 PM	
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23	
7:30 PM	
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24	
8:00 AM	
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25	
4:30 PM	Doris Deters, Charles Nussbaum L/D Richard & Gladys Unverferth Family Denny McCollum, Ray Schroeder Family Jim, Keith & Mark Unverferth Jim & Angie Erhart, JoAnn Brinkman (A) L/D Alfred & Marcella Ellerbrock Family Tom Recker & Family
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	
8:00 AM	Bill Cleemput
11:00 AM	L/D Carl & Dolores Remlinger Family Ron Kahle, Jr., Marilyn Hamburg Eugene Hoersten
1:00 PM	Stations of the Cross

Last Week’s Collection: \$ 9,819.00

Choir - Ash Wednesday: YAHS (practice after)

Choir Assignments - February 25 & 26
4:30: YAHS 8:00: Alissia 11:00: Children’s Choir

Eucharistic Adoration During Lent
We will have Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays during Lent. The sign-up sheets are in the back of church.

Little Black Books for Lent...
are at the entrances of church.

Need Some Holy Name Raffle Tickets?
Call Nick Schulte 532-2131 or Mark Warnecke 532-3662.

Only 2 Spots Remain for Photos
There is one time slot available on March 3, and one slot available on March 11. So, if you cannot make your appointment, it’s critical you email or call Leslie (stmichaelskalida@gmail.com or 419-532-3474) so she can open up the spot for someone else. You can schedule a photo session by visiting: ucdir.com/schedule/login.php
church code: oh2607 password: photos

2023 Sacrament Dates
Confirmation: March 18, at 4:30 p.m.
First Communion: Sunday, May 7, at 1:00 p.m.

It’s the Annual Catholic Appeal Weekend...
in the Diocese of Toledo. Please send your donations directly to: Diocese of Toledo ACA
PO Box 917; Toledo, OH 43697-0917
If you didn’t receive an envelope in the mail, you can find one at the exits of church.
Thanks for helping us reach our parish goal!

Informational Meeting for
NCYC (November 16-19) &
Steubenville Conference (July 14-16)

Open to current 8th graders thru Juniors.
Monday, February 27, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center for both students and/or parents. There is no commitment at this meeting, just a chance to find out what NCYC & Steubenville are all about.

Upcoming High School Events
HOMECOMING MASS

THIS Sunday, February 19, at 4:30 p.m.
All Students and Families are invited to attend.
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Sunday, March 12, at 1:00 p.m. High School Students will be leading. Contact Jill if you want to join us.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL & GATHERING
Sunday, March 19, from 3:00-4:30 p.m.
An afternoon of prayer and Eucharistic Adoration.
4:30 p.m.-? There will be a St. George Deanery High School Gathering after the Eucharistic Revival in St. Michael’s Church Basement. We will have Games & FREE food. All HS students from the county are invited to join.
SENIOR CITIZEN PROM
Sunday, March 26, in Leipsic
NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference)
NOVEMBER 16-19, 2023

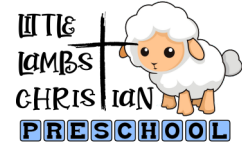
Open to current 8th graders thru Juniors. Contact Jill if interested in going. We will be starting fundraising soon.

Weekly Reconciliation Times
Weekly times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation are:
Thursdays at 6:45 p.m.
Saturdays at 8:30 a.m.

Virtue of the Week is Fortitude
This virtue makes us strong in the pursuit of goodness, helping us to resist temptations and overcome obstacles. A disciple of Christ living the virtue of fortitude shows firmness in difficulties and is constant in the pursuit of good. They do not engage in gossip and participate in unjust acts. A saint who practiced Fortitude was Blessed Chiara Luce Badano. Her story is one of great courage.

Engaged Couples Conference at Kalida
Sunday, March 19, 2023, starting at 8:30 a.m. This will include Sunday Mass. Email stmichaelskalida@gmail.com or call 419-532-3474 to sign-up.

2023-24 Preschool Registration
Look for Little Lambs Christian Preschool Registration for the 2023-24 school year. They will open to new families on Tuesday, February 28, at 6:00 p.m. It will be an online registration and the link will be posted that evening on their Facebook page.



Offices are Closed...
On Monday, February 20.

Students Planning Mass...
for Ash Wednesday are grade 5 with Michele Doepker and Ruth Kuhlman. This is an All School Mass. There will be no students at Mass on Friday.

High School CCD - Ash Wednesday
Everyone is asked to attend the 7:30 p.m. Mass

VBS Week is July 10-13
"Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light" is our theme.

Soup Nights During Lent
St. Michael’s will begin the soup nights for Lent on February 28. Soup will be available every Tuesday, from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. This is open to the parish walk-ins, drive up, and anyone who wants to come together to eat in the church basement. If soup was delivered to you last year, your name will remain on the list for delivery this year. Please call Millie McElwain at 419-231-5656 if you want added to our delivery list. Chili and Chicken Noodle Soups are being served on February 28. Donations for making the soup can be left in the basement by February 26. Cookies and brownies would also be appreciated. If your family would like to donate a roaster or pot of soup, please call Joyce Buss at 567-825-3480. On March 7, we will be serving potato and vegetable soup.

Thank You from Kalida Baseball Association
Thank you all for your generosity and kindness shown with the contributions to the St. Michael’s Holy Name Ball Park. Those signs of support will further ensure we reach our goals, and we can build a facility that our parish and our community will be proud of for generations. If you’re interested in future contributions or interested in discussing the project further, feel to reach out to any of the following gentlemen: Brandon Recker (419-303-2988), Joe Recker (419-233-5431), Neil Recker (419-303-7491), Craig Stechschulte (419-230-0288), Larry Unverferth (419-233-2775), Ross Unverferth (419-231-3594).

Lending Library Moved to Basement
There are free books for the taking in the church basement. The lending library was moved to the church basement. Books were organized with duplicates put out for the taking. Check it out.



Ash Wednesday Mass Times
8:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. at Kalida
6:00 p.m. at Continental