St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - January 17, 2021

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From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. As I look forward to this week's calendar, I look with a little bit of fear and a lot of hope. At St. Michael's, we always take the high school sophomores on retreat on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. weekend to Mercer County to have a fun time, but also learn about saints. I get to brag about my home area and get to know our young people better. I think they teach me as much as I try to teach them. We always have a good time. Please pray for us.

It is also Christian Unity Week. Being a history major and living through the days of Bobby Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr., I understand how unity is a wonderful concept, but difficult to put into practice. I remember the speech of dreaming that color of skin would not matter and children would play together. It is also Inauguration Week for our country. There will be many words spoken about coming together as a nation. The reality is that we are not united. Words of Fr. Elmer come to mind as I realize that there is so much division and unrest in so many "places" of our lives. And since the theme of our high school retreat is "Saints," Fr. Elmer's words that most saints come from places of unrest, either personally or in their times, now is a good time to be hopeful...now is the time for the making of saints. It is the year of St. Joseph. Ask him to help guide our new president and our country. Right after the Inauguration is the anniversary of Roe vs Wade. Be hopeful. Be prayerful. Let us do our parts to be people of life...the people of God...people called to be saints.

As I think of unity in the midst of confusion, I think of my own family. With such a big family and such a diversity of ages, interests, gender and personalities, it is a wonder that we survived. The line for the use of the one toilet in the house is a model I use in my ministry often. There were certain days when it seemed like everyone had to use the facilities at the same time. There were priorities of getting ready for dates, the newness of potty-training, flu season and just the urge to go that all needed attended to. Who would get the top priority in a whole field of priorities? Somehow we made it happen. There were tradeoffs and bargaining and even a few slips. Even with some mistakes under pretty important circumstances, we stayed as family and got through. Unity is not always easy or immediate. It is a process in which its participants believe in the end result and in each other. Believe me, Hoyings are no saints, but somehow we got the process right. In sainthood, believing in the end result, getting there together under the cover of God and just doing our best, leads to a Godly life.

I am hopeful for our high school students. I am hopeful for our country. I am hopeful because God believes in us. Even though we are sinners, He would live, die and rise for us to be together with Him forever.

Have a great week, everyone, and be a saint. Go in peace, lol. **Fr. Mark**

High School CCD - January 20

Everyone has class at 7:00 p.m.

Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19

8:00 AM Ron Kahle, Jr.

8:50 AM Grade 3

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20 8:00 AM Roger Buss 9:30 AM Grades 1 & 2

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21 St. Agnes, virgin

8:00 AM Grade 7 7:30 PM Agnes Ulm

60th W.A. Hubert & Joyce Wehri

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22 Protection of Unborn Children

8:00 AM Right to Life (CLC)

8:50 AM Grade 4

7:00 PM Respect Life Prayer Service

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

NM Schnipke & Rieman

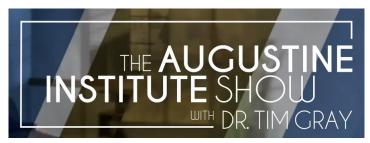
4:30 PM Marie Becker (CLC)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24 Ecumenical Sunday 8:00 AM Klara Frommherz, Ed Schroeder

11:00 AM Don Holtkamp Family

L/D Richard & Gladys Unverferth Family

Last Week's Collection: \$7,015.00



We're excited to announce a new live show airing on **FORMED.ORG** every Tuesday at 7:00 PM EST. It is an exciting new, weekly Catholic talk show that brings the truth and beauty of the Gospel to Catholics all over the world. This exciting initiative is the most recent addition to the Augustine Institute's robust and innovative programming, which aims to help Catholics understand, live, and share their faith. Each show will feature our host, Dr. Tim Gray, and a special guest who will discuss topics relating to a Catholic lifestyle. You'll be invited to submit questions and comments in real time, while you learn about everything from mental health to fasting.

Thank You

The family of Dorothy Marie Becker would like to thank Fr. Mark and Fr. Elmer for the visits to see mom, the Eucharistic Ministers for bringing Communion to her on Sundays and the CCD classes who wrote to her. We would also like to thank Nancy Erhart, the Kalida EMS, the Kalida Fire Department, Putnam County Ambulatory Care and Fr. Mark for being there the day she went to Heaven. Also, thank you to all who came to church and those who watched the Funeral Mass on TV. We appreciate the choir, Eucharistic Ministers and Fr. Mark for the beautiful Mass. Thank you again,

Barney, Ginny, Donna, Dan, Mike & Families

Schedule of Students at Mass This Week

<u>Tuesday:</u> Grade 6 at 8:00 a.m. and Grade 3 at 8:50 a.m. <u>Wednesday:</u> Grade 5 at 8:00 a.m. & Grades 1 & 2 at 9:30 am

Thursday: Grade 7 at 8:00 a.m.

Friday: Grade 8 at 8:00 a.m. and Grade 4 at 8:50 a.m.

Recent Baptisms KYLIE ROSE HERMILLER

Daughter of Jeff & Jackie (Schroeder) Hermiller NOLAN ROSTEN SMITH

Son of William & Brianna (Morrissey) Smith

K of C Friday "Knight" Carry-Out Dinners

As a warm up towards Lent, we are offering Fish and Baked



Chicken dinners on Fridays, January 22 & 29, from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m., at the Kalida Hall. This will be carryout only, with dual drive-thrus. Last year, you will remember, we lost ½ the normal Fish Fries, so we're hoping to make a Friday dinner easier for you & our needy bank account! Also, note the annual <u>MEMBERSHIP</u> <u>BREAKFAST</u> (free for dues paying/paid members) is POSTPONED until Sunday,

February 7, starting 8:30 or so. If you can't make the breakfast, please send dues to us at K of C; Box 138; Kalida, 45853.

Strawberries, BBQ Sauce & Popcorn...

are being sold by the Kalida FFA now until Friday, February 5. To purchase, contact a Kalida FFA member or call Samantha Bluhm at 419-532-3529, ext. 2111. The products will be ready for delivery *tentatively* the week of February 22.

PC Right to Life Garage & Bake Sale

Tuesday, March 23, 9 am - 7 pm, and Wednesday, March 24, 9 am - 3 pm, at the Ottawa K of C Hall (10759 Rd. H, Ottawa, OH). Gently-used items and baked goods can be dropped off on Monday, March 22, from 9 am - 6 pm.

Ministry Assignments - January 23 & 24

4:30: Jim & Marilyn Becker, Michelle Buss

LECTOR: Deb Schroeder

8:00: Mary & Brooke Siefker, Norma Unverferth

LECTOR: Donna Schnipke

11:00: Greg & Jill Zeller, Matt Bockrath

LECTOR: Erin Kerner

Upcoming Wedding

Cody Schnipke &

Kylie Rieman

will be married on January 23, 2021. Please include them in your prayers.







Parish Respect Life Prayer Service

7:00 p.m. in church
All are invited

Look for updates on our Facebook page.

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All 6th, 7th & 8th Graders...

in Putnam County are invited to the St. George Deanery Junior High Gathering "HOLY COW" Our Cloud Of Witnesses are the Saints. Who are the saints? What can we learn from them? How can we become a saint? and much more! It will be held on Sunday, February 14, 2021 at Ottawa St. Peter and Paul Church, from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Doors open at 3:15p.m. \$4/pre-registration and \$6 at the door. Registration forms were sent home with the students during CCD class. For more information, please contact Jill Zeller.

Engaged Couples Conference

St. Anthony of Padua, Columbus Grove, will be sponsoring our first Engaged Couples Conference on **Saturday March 6**, from 8:30 a.m. until Mass at 4:00 p.m. The Conference will include talks on topics of interest for those preparing for marriage and discussion by our own St. Anthony couples along with Father David. The day will also include some games, lunch, and great company. Cost of the day is \$35. Any interested couples can call the St. Anthony Parish office at 419-659-2263. Deadline for registrations is Monday, March 1.



St. Michael the Starch Angel Cookbook

Due to demand, we are placing another order for cookbooks.

Cost is \$20/cookbook

Please make check payable to: "St. Michael Church" and place in the collection or send to: Box 387; Kalida, OH 45853.

Deadline is January 31, 2021.

Name	
Phone	
# of cookbooks I would like to order:	
Total amount included:	\$