

**MONDAY, JUNE 27**  
**ROSARY FOR PEACE:** 1:30 p.m. in church  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29**  
**VBS MEETING:** 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in church basement  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 30**  
**ROSARY FOR PEACE:** 7:00 p.m. in church  
**FRIDAY, JULY 1**  
**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY:** 3:00 p.m. in church

**VBS Notes**  
The deadline for registration was June 20. If you haven't paid, please put payment in the collection, drop it off at the Parish Center or mail it to PO Box 387. VBS is July 11-14, from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. each evening. On Monday, registration check-in begins at 5:30 p.m.

**VBS Meeting for Crew Leaders & Jr. High Helpers on Wednesday, June 29**  
7:00-8:00 p.m. in the church basement.

**VBS Items Sought**  
Vacation Bible School is just weeks away and we are looking for donations of the following items:  
Juice Barrel Hugs (drinks) ~ Sidewalk & Regular Chalk  
Buttons (all kinds of sizes) ~ Yarn (any color)  
Burlap/jute twine ~ ¼ inch ribbon (any color)  
Small hot glue gun sticks ~ Packaging Tape  
Duct tape (brand name only-works the best!)  
Non-chocolate individually wrapped candy  
Please put donations in box marked "Vacation Bible School" in the elevator entrance of church. Thank you for your continued support of our VBS program!

**HIGH SCHOOL Help Wanted**  
**(Incoming Freshmen thru Outgoing Seniors)**  
We need your help at the outdoor games for VBS, July 11-14, about 6:00-9:00 p.m. If you can't help every night, that's OK. Let Jill know when you can help (567-376-9115). There will be a pizza party for all youth helpers on Thursday evening after clean-up!

**Grief Camp for Kids**  
Putnam County Homecare & Hospice and Pathways Counseling Center are sponsoring a "Good Grief Fun Camp" for kids ages 6-13 who have lost loved ones or people close to them recently and could use some help coping with that loss. It is a one-day camp on July 13, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. There will be fun activities and games that allow kids to interact with counselors and other children who are in similar situations to help make sense of their loved ones being gone. Anyone interested can call PCHH at 419-523-4449 or email dbuss@pchh.net to register their children. We are asking people to please sign-up ASAP to allow for proper planning and accurate numbers to best accommodate the kids.

**Presentation on The Eucharist**  
St. John's, Glandorf, is hosting "Learn How to Embrace the Gift of the Eucharist," presented by Bishop Cozzens on four Wednesday mornings July 6, 13, 20 & 27, at 8:40 a.m. (after 8:00 a.m. Mass) OR four Wednesday evenings July 6, 13, 20 & 27 at 7:30 p.m., at St. John's Parish Center. Bishop Andrew Cozzens presents the incredible Reality of the Real Presence, as he unpacks the document "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church."

SERVER SCHEDULE		
Tues, 6/28	8:00 AM	Riley Horstman Mallory Kerner
Wed, 6/29	8:00 AM	Evan Langhals Max Langhals
Thurs, 6/30	7:30 PM	Issabella McKee Sophia Meyer
Fri, 7/1	8:00 AM	Cooper Horstman Jax Horstman
Sat, 7/2	4:30 PM	Grace Schroeder Ella Schroeder
Sun, 7/3	8:00 AM	Alex Shiningier
		Sara Siebeneck
		Jacob Siebeneck
		Owen Siebeneck
		Jaden Smith
	11:00 AM	Braylon Smith Reese Strauer

**Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - July 2 & 3**  
**4:30:** Lisa Niese, Michele Niese, Teresa Rampe, Tom Roof  
**LECTOR: Nancy Rampe**  
**8:00:** Dianna Kehres, Joan Niese, Rose Recker, Donna Schnipke  
**LECTOR: Donna Schnipke**  
**Ministers to Homebound:** Dianna Kehres  
**11:00:** Jim Hanneman, Deb McIntyre, Peter Morrissey, Beth Nienberg  
**LECTOR: Joyce Schnipke**

**USHERS - July 2 & 3**  
**4:30:** Team 1    **8:00:** Team 2    **11:00:** Team 3

**Recent Baptisms**  
**MASON JOSEPH GOOD**  
Son of Tyler & Megan (Miller) Good  
**NOAH EUGENE SCHROEDER**  
Son of Thomas & Rachel (Kahle) Schroeder

June Holy Name Raffle Winners			
\$250	Adam Berheide	\$100	Jamie Fuerst
\$100	Jeremie Magrum	\$100	Melissa Bendele
\$100	Karen Osterhage	\$ 50	Toni Jones
\$ 50	Robert Knippen	\$ 50	Gene Foppe
\$ 50	Liza Osterhage	\$ 50	Bill Schulte
\$ 50	Eli Carpenter	\$ 50	Dick Gerdeman

**Students for Life Movie Night**  
Thursday, June 30, at 7:30 p.m. at Diane & Gery Wurth's house (16821 Rd. 18; Ft. Jennings). Open to all St. George Deanery (Putnam County) High School students... (incoming Freshman-outgoing Seniors). There will be a bonfire and snacks, along with live music by James Adkins (check out his website at [www.jamesadkinsmusic.net](http://www.jamesadkinsmusic.net)). There will be a short pro-life talk, then movie begins at dusk. Bring your own lawn chair, blanket, and bug spray. Contact Jill Zeller with questions.

**Kalida Alumni Band for 150th Pioneer Days!**  
This fall is the 150th Pioneer Days and we are organizing a Kalida Alumni Marching Band. Everyone needs to register by July 1. Registration form is available at the Kalida High School office or St Michael's Parish office. If you email or PM Chas Myers with your email address, he can email one to you ([drillman1@woh.rr.com](mailto:drillman1@woh.rr.com)). More information can be found at [stmichalskalida.org](http://stmichalskalida.org), under Recent Bulletins.

**ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH - KALIDA, OH - JUNE 26, 2022**  
**Pastor:** Fr. Mark Hoying, C.PP.S. **Deacon:** Bob Klausing **DRE:** Connie Cleemput  
**Youth Minister:** Jill Zeller **Maintenance:** Kevin Fischer **Website:** [stmichaelskalida.org](http://stmichaelskalida.org)  
**Address:** 312 N. Broad St.; Box 387; Kalida, OH 45853 **Phone:** 419-532-3474 **Email:** [stmichaelskalida@gmail.com](mailto:stmichaelskalida@gmail.com)



*From his first week  
here to his last:  
Fr. Mark Hoying, C.PP.S.  
Pastor of St. Michael's  
from 2009-2022,  
and the last pastor  
at Kalida from the  
Missionaries of the  
Precious Blood, who  
served us from  
1888-2022.*

*Thank You, Fr. Mark!*





From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. I'm not sure how I want to say goodbye to two wonderful parishes and so many wonderful people.



I will start by recalling an image I keep in my heart from the early 1970's from my farming days. It was late October, and the final wagon of corn was being taken in from the field. On our farm we had a long lane that led to the back fields, and I was driving a tractor, with no cab, down the long lane back home on a sunny

Autumn day with a full wagon load of corn. I stood up on the tractor to look over the harvested fields and feel the air blow in my hair and get above the smell of diesel fuel as it came from the exhaust pipe of the tractor. I thought to myself how blessed I was to be part of the scene. I thought to myself how nice it was to work with God. There was beauty in the sight but more than that, there was beauty in knowing that God was there.

As I look over the fields of our parishes, I somehow get the same heartfelt feeling. I have driven the lane between Kalida and Continental over these years and many times just smile. It may not have been a load of corn, but the loads of faith and love that I have encountered left me smiling on the familiar drive. I may have exceeded the speed limit a few (lol) times, but I still counted my blessings and smiled as I drove. It was so nice to work with so many good people and work with God. The harvest is great, but the laborers were not few. So many people helped with God's work of parish life. In these past years the aroma may have been of cows and pigs instead of diesel, but I still smelled the aroma of something holy. There is a certain joy of taking in the harvest.

But as I knew that just bringing in the load of corn into the barnyard was not enough, so it is with the joy of watching very alive parishes. The job is not yet done. The corn is harvested from the farm to be sent out into a hungry world. My dad longed for the day when there would be food enough so that there would be no one hungry in the world. There are hungers beyond physical hungers which need fed in our world. I really believe that the world is a little less hungry because of faith and love shared by so many of you. It is nice to rejoice that God's work is being done in our parishes but part of the joy of Christian life is to see others being fed beyond our parish boundaries. I hear it oftentimes said through emails and snail mail that people around the world love to watch Mass through Facebook so that they can see and worship with our faith communities. People around the world love to see our parish families (especially our children) and to feel part of a family themselves.

That feeling on the tractor from the 70's comes back to me time after time as I drove down Road 19 (so that I could avoid the patrols on 115). Thank you, Lord, for allowing me to work here. Thanks for a good harvest, good people of faith and joy. Thanks.

It has been my privilege and honor to share faith, hope and love of the Lord with you.

Fr. Mark

Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week

MONDAY, JUNE 27	
10:00 AM	Funeral Mass - Gene Ellerbrock
TUESDAY, JUNE 28 St. Irenaeus	
8:00 AM	Larry Peck
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29	
8:00 AM	Bud Guisinger
THURSDAY, JUNE 30	
7:30 PM	NO MASS
FRIDAY, JULY 1	
8:00 AM	NO MASS
SATURDAY, JULY 2	
4:30 PM	John Phillips, George, Nora & Dan Basinger Eugene & Rosalia Osterhage Virgil & Virginia Unverferth, Chris Potts Gene Ellerbrock (HN)
SUNDAY, JULY 3	
8:00 AM	Alvin & Mary Hoffman, Larry Peck
11:00 AM	L/D Carl & Dolores Remlinger Family

Last Week's Collection \$ 9,124.00

Choir Assignments - July 2 & 3

4:30: 8:00: Ashleigh 11:00: Renee

Our Condolences

The Funeral Mass for Gene Ellerbrock will be held on Monday, June 27, at 10:00 a.m. Please include Gene and his family in your prayers.



Is Your child Just Turning 3 or 4?

Have you thought about the benefits of sending them to pre-school an extra year? We believe that our Young Preschool Program is just what your child needs! We will introduce structure and routines, how to best handle social interactions with peers, fine motor strengthening activities, letter, number, and shape recognition, and much more! Little Lambs Christian Preschool still has a few openings left for our Tuesday and Thursday class, from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Email littlelambs2022@outlook.com for a registration form!

Some More Reflections from Fr. Mark

Fr. Mark noted that what he will miss about Kalida is people coming out to help each other the way small towns do. He also liked that people felt more comfortable sticking around after Mass and talking to each other. He sees this as an important aspect of Church.



Some Other Happenings During the Fr. Mark Years

We're sure we missed some, but here are a few...

- A Latchkey after-school program was begun
- A Parish Facebook Page and a YouTube Channel were created
- Sealing of church tower and gold-leafing of cross
- Plans were made for a Children's Garden
- A new sound system was installed
- A new boiler was installed
- Little Lambs Christian Preschool will begin in the fall
- Assigning different grades to do the ministries at the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass once a month during the school year
- Installation of new lighting system in church with LED lights
- St. John's, Continental, became our sister Parish
- The addition of a second weekday Mass on Wednesdays for the first and second grade
- Easter Egg Hunts in the Church Yard
- The additional Mass time on Christmas Eve
- Tuesday Soup Nights with Delivery to Shut-Ins, etc.
- Euchre Tournaments on First Sundays
- Memorial programs for funerals
- Brought full payout Bingo to Pioneer Days

We also have to note Fr. Mark's culinary skills in making pies, salsa, soup and pavlova, among other things.



Fr. Mark: By the Numbers...

740 Baptisms 323 Weddings 235 Funerals  
Approximately 5,000 Weekday & Weekend Masses

And these were just at our parish. He has been asked to do several funerals and weddings and weekend Masses throughout the county and beyond. And he rarely declined the invitation. The pictures in the bulletin show how lively our parish was during the Fr. Mark years. But beyond the fun, he was there with us through many important times in our lives and, of course, allowed us to attend Mass. He rarely took time off and there were many occasions where, when he was going to get away, he changed his plans to be there for our parishioners and others at funerals, etc. We are beyond grateful for his ministry to us!

Fr. Mark's Farewell Gathering Sunday, June 26, at Four Seasons Park

- 11:00 a.m. Fr. Mark's Final Mass (in church)  
12:30 p.m. Lunch Begins  
Receiving Line: Fr. Mark will be under the pavilion to greet people as they line up for lunch. Fr. Mark and others will be sharing remarks during/after lunch.
- 3:00 p.m. Square Dancing called by Fr. Mark and some Line Dancing
- The tent will be set up behind the pavilion at Four Seasons Park for lunch/dancing
  - We will have several inflatable slides, etc. for the kids (or adults) to enjoy
  - We will have an ice cream machine, snow cone machine, popcorn and cotton candy
  - There will also be a water balloon launch with a target

We will be serving lunch all afternoon, so feel free to stop by any time until 4:00 p.m. to eat. We rented an extremely large tent, but it still won't hold everyone at once. However, the party could continue through the night, as we really don't want to say goodbye! There are several picnic tables by the pavilion, but it's not a bad idea to bring your lawn chair.

Getting the Party Started on Time: we want to get the party started pretty quickly after Mass, so Fr. Mark will have to go right from Mass out to the park. We ask that everyone find a seat as quickly as possible, so the party can begin. Thanks!

Would you like a golf cart ride straight to the tent?

It's a little bit of a walk to the party and cars will not be able to drop people off at the tent. So if you need a ride to the tent via golf cart, please park on the north side of the road (across the street from the pavilion) and look for the white tent. We will have golf carts in that area to escort you to the party and back to your car when you are ready to leave.

