

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - June 6, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

"FOR MY FLESH IS TRUE FOOD,
AND MY BLOOD IS TRUE DRINK."



From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. I hope you are all doing well. This is the first Sunday in which we are "back to normal." All the pews are available to sit in, Holy Water is back, signs of peace are more than just a wave to a neighbor and a number of other "normal" things at Mass are now back to the old ways. Because we couldn't "do" those normal things during our worship, maybe we will see them in a new light. I heard many times during the pandemic about bringing back the Holy Water. People missed that important sign of Baptism and blessing.

Probably the most missed "normal" part of Mass was the Eucharist. People missed receiving the Lord in Holy Communion. With weeks of no people in church, people began to hunger for the Bread of Life and thirst for the Cup of Eternal Salvation. For some, receiving the Lord became second nature before the pandemic. The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ gives us an opportunity to look at what Holy Communion means to us.

To be in communion with the Holy is our life here and for eternity. I remind myself that I am not receiving a host, I am receiving the Lord. I take Him in: body, blood, soul and divinity. Jesus is my life. The ordinary bread and celebratory wine become Him, who is our salvation. This is My Body, This is My Blood. For the salvation of the world. I am the Bread of Life. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life. There are so many phrases which come to mind when I participate in Holy Communion. Because of the pandemic, our communities will not be partaking of the Precious Blood. As a Missionary of the Precious Blood priest, I will miss sharing the Cup of Salvation with our churches. In that chalice I see the joys and sorrows of our world that our Lord participated in. He would shed His precious blood to make our lives holy. His life blood runs through our veins.

I also think of the mystical Body of Christ. As a Church, we are the Body of Christ. So much of our lives has become focused on the individual. Our faith is so much different. We are our brothers and sisters keepers. If we want to keep our lives, we must lose them. Part of our getting back to normal is to recognize Christ in the other. Some of us have put on a few pounds during the pandemic. Maybe we need to shed some ourselves and take on concern for the other. When we are in communion, we are also in communion with the mystical Body of Christ. As Christ loved the Church, we are called to this same kind of love.

Communion feeds us and stretches us to become what (who) we feed upon.

Have a great week, everyone. Can't wait to see everyone and celebrate the Lord's Supper: can't wait to be in Communion.

Fr. Mark

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Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

8:00 AM Carolyn Unverferth

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

8:00 AM Hubert & Agnes Horstman
Mildred & Wilbur Remlinger

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

7:30 PM

FRIDAY, JUNE 11 *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

8:00 AM Ed Schroeder

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

4:30 PM Helen Korte, L/D Korte/Brickner Families
Virgil & Virginia Unverferth
Chris & Jacqueline Potts, Beverly Siefker
Martha Turnwald

SUNDAY, JUNE 13

8:00 AM Bob Grote, Deb Grote
Dorothy Miller, Tom Pohl
11:00 AM Tom & Janet Schroeder
L/D Richard & Gladys Unverferth Fam.
50th W.A. Dan & Bertie Heitmeyer

Last Sunday's Collection \$ 6,797.02

Happy Anniversary of Ordination

On Wednesday, June 9, Fr. Elmer will celebrate his 65th anniversary of ordination and Deacon Bob will celebrate his 31st anniversary of ordination. Thanks to both of you for all you have done and continue to do for our parish!

Donations Sought for VBS

Below is a list of items needed for our VBS. There is a box in the elevator entrance where you can place your donations. There is also an envelope in your box of church envelopes marked for VBS monetary donations if you would like to help support this program in this manner. Those envelopes can be placed in the church collection. Thank you for helping us create a faith and fun-filled bible school!

hand sanitizer WIPES, sticky tack, duct tape (variety of colors), Personal packs of tissues, gallon Ziplock bags, napkins, balloons (bright colors), crepe paper (bright colors)

Several 2021-22 Holy Name Raffle Tickets...

need sold or returned. Contact Nick Schulte or Mark Warnecke. The new drawing starts in June!

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held July 12 - 15. The Parent Information Page and Registration form can be found on St. Michael's webpage, along with a registration form. We need adult Crew Leaders and Jr. High Crew Helpers. Please consider helping out. Thanks!

Volunteers Needed

The Holy Name is looking for volunteers to help prepare and/or sell hamburgers at the Fish and Game Extravaganza on June 12, 2021. To volunteer, please call Jim Burgei 419-532-2092 or Duane Simon 419-234-1740.

Trip to Smoky Mountains

Join us on another fundraising bus trip, benefiting Ottawa Legion Baseball, to the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. Enjoy a guided tour of the Titanic Museum, including dinner in the Secret Dining Room, Dolly Parton's Stampede Dinner Theatre and the Hatfield & McCoys Dinner Feud. Relax during a guided tour of the Smoky Mountains and free time in Gatlinburg. Trip also includes admission to Dollywood Theme Park, 3 additional shows and tour and tasting at The Ole Smoky Tennessee Moonshine. Dates are August 23-27, 2021 and cost per person is \$899. For more information, or to sign up, please call Cheryl Kersh at 419.890.8565, or email at cherylkersh@gmail.com

Marcus Landin Memorial Benefit

Chicken BBQ Dinner (potato salad, baked beans & roll) Saturday, June 19, from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., at Four Seasons Park Pavilion. Proceeds benefit HCM Research. Call or text 419-615-3101. Carry-out only and presale only. Donation is \$10. Thanks!

Kalida Youth Soccer League

Registration deadline to play soccer this coming season is Sunday, June 6. You can register online at clubs.bluesombrero.com/kys

Any questions, please contact Tara Verhoff at 419-796-8816.

7th Grade Volleyball Coach Needed

Kalida Schools has an opening for a 7th grade volleyball coach. If you are interested, please contact Adam Huber, athletic director, adam.huber@kalidaschools.org, phone 419-532-3529.

Is God Calling You to the Mission Field?

We will be heading to Appalachia again this year. Our trip begins June 27, and will last 3-4 days. If you are interested, an informational meeting will be held **on Wednesday, June 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center**. Any questions, please call Fr. Mark (419-969-0148) or Jackie Schroeder (419-236-0083).

Donations Sought for Children's Garden

If you would like to donate toward this project, please put your donation in an envelope marked, "*St. Michael's Children's Garden*," and place in the collection or mail to "St. Michael Church; PO Box 387; Kalida, OH 45853. If you have any questions, contact Chris Schroeder (419-615-3355), Adriene Swyers (419-796-0355) or Fr. Mark.

UPCOMING JR. HIGH SERVER SCHEDULE

Tues, 6/8	8:00 AM	Lana Grime
Wed, 6/9	8:00 AM	Jaxon Hoffman
Thurs, 6/10	7:30 PM	Nathan Kahle
Fri, 6/11	8:00 AM	Logan Kerner

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors—June 12 & 13

4:30:	Lisa Unverferth, Kay Unverferth, Duane & Barb Stefan
	LECTOR: Joyce Schnipke
8:00:	Norma Unverferth, Janice Foppe, Mary Siefker, Brooke Siefker
	LECTOR: Dennis Turnwald
11:00:	Jim Hanneman, Scott Unverferth, Alice Adams, Matt Bockrath
	LECTOR: Heitmeyer Family

Kentucky Cornerstone Mission Center - Appalachia (See Pictures Below)

The Appalachia area where our parish has served over the past five years experienced a terrible flood in early March. As a result, the hilltop the mission center sits on is literally breaking way, putting at risk the pantry area our parish built two years ago. They are in the process of raising funds to have a retaining wall built to preserve the mission center and maintain their weekly food distribution to over 100 families. If you feel led to donate toward this project, please put your donation in an envelope marked "Mission Work" and place in the collection or mail to "St. Michael Church; P.O. Box 387; Kalida, OH 45853. Checks can be made payable to "St. Michael's."

