

Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - Sunday, May 19, 2019

GOD BLESS OUR 2019 KALIDA HIGH GRADUATES!

C - Choir CC - Challenge Club EM - Eucharistic Minister L - Lector S - Server U - Usher



Samantha
Backus



Bernadette
Basinger



Racheal
Basinger



Faith
Burgei



Michael
Cox



Cassidy
Decker



Keith
Doepker



Morggan
Edelbrock
S



Brian
Edwards
S



Melissa
Erhart
C



Adam
Fitzgerald
S



Collin
Fortman
S



Nicole
Fortman
S, EM, CC



Jonah
Gerding



Tara
Gerding
EM, S, L, CC



Camryn
Hoffman



Makena
Hoyt
S



Halie
Kaufman
EM



Connor
Krouse
S, U



Trevor
Lambert
S



Lauren
Langhals
EM



Grant
Laudick
S



Daley
Lewis



Treyton
Martin



Hayden
McKee



Alexis
Meyer
S, EM, L



Clay
Meyer
S, U



Morgan
Mock
S



Maclerin
Morrissey
EM



Christian
Nartker
U



Owen
Niemeyer
S



Makena
Niese



Owen
Recker



Dakota
Rosselit
S



Ethan
Schmenk
S, EM, U



Alyssa
Schulte



Megan
Schulte
S, EM



Cameron
Siebeneck



Bradley
Siefker
S, U



Hannah
Smith



Adam
Snipes



Joshua
Verhoff
S



Paul
von der Embse
S, U



Trevor
Vorst
C, S, U



Maide
Westrick



Allison
Wurth



Jack
Zeller
S

From the Desk of Fr. Mark

Hi everyone.

Sunny and warm as I write this on St. Isidore Day. For those who don't know, St. Isidore is the patron saint of farmers whose feast day is May 15th. He and his wife, Maria, were farmers and fed the hungry of his day in the name of the Lord. I always thank God extra on this day for allowing me to be born as a child of farmers. I'd like to share some of the things I am thankful for.

As a livestock farmer we always had something being born. With hogs, cows, cats and dogs on a farm the chance to see new life never got old. The anticipation of a new arrival and birth brought great joy. To be there to assist in taking that first breath or assisting a calf onto its clumsy feet to take its first drink of its mother's milk let me share in life. I still pray for every couple in our parishes who are expecting new life either through pregnancy or adoption. Farming helped me have a zest for life.

As a crop farmer I think of a lot of work on our farm. On the farm that I grew up on, we had to clear a woods so that we could have a new field and plant our crops. Once we cleared the trees and undergrowth, we had to pick up the leftover branches and roots. Even though we had a lot of kids in the family to pick up the sticks, it took years to clear all the residue from that woods. And then there were the rocks to pick up. Just when you thought that the job was done, frost or a plow would bring new rocks to the surface. And dad hated rocks that would get into the farm implements. So we walked those fields a lot. In the midst of all the work, we would have dirt clod throwing contests or we might find arrow heads or just enjoy being with each other as we took a break and rested by the creek. Work was not a bad four lettered word. Work brought our family together with a purpose and a goal. As I see people in our parishes work, especially physically work, I think of family...and smile.

As a family farm we did so many things together. We baled hay together. We hoed the fields together. We milked cows together. So many of the jobs on a farm could not be done by ones self. It took teamwork. It made a family. And so did praying together. We prayed before and after meals. We prayed before and after storms. We prayed for rain and for sun. I would sprinkle holy water from Easter on the fields and dedicate the produce of the fields to the Lord. Maybe that is why I like the sprinkling rite in church. When I see our churches full of families praying, I smile.

If anything that the farm gave me that I take with me often, it is hope. I loved seeing down the corn rows. I loved climbing to the top of the barn and watching wheat and oats wave in the wind. The harvest hadn't happened yet, but there was promise. I loved that there was something new on a farm. I learned that with God there is always something new and never finished. After a harvest or even after a bad crop year, we would always look to another year because we believed in God. The hope wasn't in us as farmers, but hope in the goodness of God.

As I look at our graduates this year, I think of hope. There has been so much life and there is so much life ahead for them and us. I believe in them because of what parents, friends, educators have given them. I believe in their future and have hope because God will do amazing things with them and for them. They may not all grow up to be farmers, but I know that God's seed of love is in each one of them. May each and every one of them know they are loved a hundredfold and may they produce a hundredfold of love to change the world. May God bless all our graduates. Have a blessed week everyone **Fr. Mark**

Mass Intentions for Holy Week

MONDAY, MAY 20

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

TUESDAY, MAY 21

8:00 AM Reese Kahle

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

8:00 AM

THURSDAY, MAY 23

**7:30 PM Bernie & Helen Sehlhorst, Barb Selhorst
Herk Selhorst, Tom Wannemacher
Marilyn Burkhart**

FRIDAY, MAY 24

8:00 AM

SATURDAY, MAY 25

NM Miller & Laudick

4:30 PM Louis Verhoff, Cy, Cecelia & Nick Vorst

SUNDAY, MAY 26

8:00 AM Don Hoffman

**11:00 AM Gary Stechschulte, Carolyn Unverferth
Greg Erhart, Martha Wallace**

Last Week's Collection: \$ 9,528.50

Choir Assignments - May 25 & 26

4:30: Renee **8:00:** HN **11:00:** PW



Our Condolences

The Funeral Mass for

Theresa "Reese" Kahle

was held on

Friday, May 17.

Please include Reese and her family
in your prayers.

Thank You

We want to thank Fr. Mark, Organist Carol Vennekotter and the choir, Helping Hands and everyone for all the prayers, support and thoughtfulness that was extended to our family during this difficult time with the passing of Dorothy. It meant so much to all of us.

Ralph Miller & Family

Thank You

We want to thank everyone for all the love, support, and prayers we received while Howard was in the hospital. The support of this parish & community has been overwhelming and we are grateful beyond words. We are truly blessed to live in such an awesome community! Thank you so very much!

Howard & Jodi Rellinger & Family

Holy Hour for Good Weather

A Holy Hour of Prayers for good weather will be held at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine (4106 State Route 269, 7 miles south of Bellevue) Bellevue, Ohio, **this Sunday, May 19, at 2:30 p.m.** Exposition, Benediction, Litany for planting and blessing with the Relic of the True Cross will be part of our Devotions. Please join us as we pray for farmers, gardeners and all that work the land

Precious Blood Meetings at Carthage

Monday through Wednesday next week the Missionaries of the Precious Blood will be meeting to discuss the future direction of our Community. We will be looking to combine the Cincinnati Province with the Kansas City Province because of lack of personnel. Please pray for the Missionaries of the Precious Blood this week.

Mission Trip to Appalachia

There is still room for anyone wanting to join us in Appalachia. People of all ages are welcome to this trip to Kentucky to join in a week of work, fun and prayer. Check your calendar for the week of June 16. Families can make this part of their summer vacation. For more information, call Fr. Mark.

Youth Elect Service is June 13-15

The 2019 Y.E.S. project will be held at Ottoville Immaculate Conception Parish Center this year, beginning Thursday, June 13, at 5:30 p.m. **Current 8th grade students through graduating seniors** are encouraged to join us for this weekend service retreat. This will give you opportunities to make new friends from throughout the St. George Deanery and have some fun, grow in faith and be the hands and feet of Christ in your community! Registration forms are available from Jill Zeller or at stmichaelskalida.org, under the Youth Group tab, and are due by May 31! Bring your friends because the opportunities are endless and the reward is eternal!

Y.E.S. Adult Team Leaders Needed

We'd love for you to join our adult team leaders for the Y.E.S. weekend June 13-15, starting at Ottoville Immaculate Conception Parish Center and working throughout the St. George Deanery! **Adult team leaders and assistant leaders** need to be current college freshman or older! For questions or to sign up, contact Jill Zeller @ 419-532-3494 (x103).

Music Department Community Calendars

If you would like to purchase a Music Department Community Calendar and haven't already been asked, please contact Kathy Lammers (419-890-6564) to place an order. The calendars run from September 2019-August 2020. Cost is \$10 and includes both the wall calendar and the pocket calendar. Thanks for your continued support of the music department!

Thanks for the Donations!

Kalida Sew & Sew 4-H Club would like to express a sincere thank you to all who donated for the completion of the Chemo Kits. We were able to make over 30 kits to donate to local treatment centers. We greatly appreciate all of your help. Thank you!

VBS Registration

This year's VBS registration form can be found on the St. Michael's website under the Religious Education tab. Forms were also sent home with the youngest in the family of students enrolled at the elementary school.

VBS Adult Crew Leaders are Needed...

to make this year's program happen. Vacation Bible School benefits over 200 children can not happen without the involvement of adults to lead them through the activities. Please considering giving your time from 6:00-8:30 p.m. for 4 evenings, July 15-18. Contact Kelly Buss or Connie Cleemput. We also need students in grades 6 through 8 to be crew helpers. You can use the VBS Registration form to sign them up.

Final Elementary CCD Class...

is Tuesday, May 21. Thanks to all of our teachers, Mass helpers and crossing guards for all of your help!

Need Some Help Around Your Home?

On June 14 & 15, St. George Deanery high school youth and adults will be helping private homeowners without family members nearby or who are unable to maintain or improve their homes. If you would like help with jobs around inside or outside of your home, please contact Jill Zeller (419-532-3494, ext. 103). Deadline to submit a request is June 9.

Attention Athletes Entering Grades 7-12

Specialized Therapy Services is offering a summer training program called Sportsmetrics. This program is designed to decrease the risk of serious knee ligament injuries, while also focusing on athletic performance. The program is 3 times a week for 6 weeks with a pre-testing day on Wednesday, May 29, at St. Michael's Gym. To sign up or learn more about this program, please stop in the Kalida High School office. You may also call Amy Edwards on her cell phone at 419-233-4173 or at the clinic at 419-228-7871 with questions.

2019-20 Holy Name Raffle Tickets

Many Holy Name raffle tickets still need to be sold. If you need any tickets, contact Nick Schulte (419-532-2131).



MARY'S GARDEN
The weather cooperated last week so that some of the religion classes could spend some prayer time in Mary's Garden. Feel free to stop by the garden any time!

MONDAY, MAY 20**ROSARY FOR PEACE:** 1:30 p.m., in church**HOLY NAME MEETING:** 8:00 p.m. in church basement**THURSDAY, MAY 23****ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY:** 7:00 p.m. in church**FRIDAY, MAY 24****CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY:** 3:00 p.m. in church**OFFERTORY - May 25 & 26**

Ryan & Erin Kerner Family

Paul & Rose Recker Family

Mary Ann Hoersten Family

USHERS - May 25 & 26

Team 1

Team 2

11:00 AM

Team 3

LECTORS - May 25 & 26

Tara Gerding, Clara Elkins

Bob Buss, Shelly Burkhardt

Sandy Westrick, Jennifer Erhart

Positions Open at Miller City St. Nicholas

St. Nicholas & Holy Family Parishes, Miller City-New Cleveland, are recruiting for two parish office positions: an Administrative Assistant and an Operations Coordinator.

Job descriptions and application information can be found at stnicholasholyfamily.org.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - May 25 & 26

4:30: Greg, Jill & Jade Zeller, Janet Burgei, Kyla Fortman, Nicole Fortman, Bob Gerdeman, Sue Gerdeman, Tara Gerding, Lynda Fortman

8:00: Tom & Judy Bonifas, Bob Buss, Ruth Foppe, Joyce Bonifas, Phil & Sue Fuerst, Mary Grote, Darlene Hanneman, Joan Peck

Ministers to Homebound: Joan Peck

11:00: Sandy Westrick, Greg Bockrath, McKenna Bockrath, Dave Buss, Kelly Buss, Michelle Buss, Eileen Decker, Clara Elkins, Lori Erhart, Regina Fischnich

SERVERS

Tues, 5/21	8:00 AM	Adult Volunteer
Wed, 5/22	8:00 AM	Leo Rafaniello
		Hanna Rampe
Thurs, 5/23	7:30 PM	Livia Recker
		Kevin Schumaker
Fri, 5/24	8:00 AM	Jaden Smith
		Allison Stechschulte
Sat, 5/25	4:30 PM	Kenzie & Kyla Fortman
		Tara Gerding
Sun, 5/26	8:00 AM	Paige Helmke
		Gabe Hovest
		Katelyn Kahle
	11:00 AM	Alysen, Makenna Hoyt
		Stephanie Kahle

Last week: the sky was blue, the lilacs were blooming
and the kids were just plain cute!

