

Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - Sunday, November 15, 2020

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Thoughts from Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. It is nice to be back after days and days of quarantine. I feel pretty good, except a little weak. I haven't got my taste back, but I was never known as a person with good taste. Because of a lack of taste, I haven't felt like eating for about two weeks. Luckily, I had my winter reserve below my belt and should be good for a while. The time away from work and people gave me a chance to reflect and pray. I took walks throughout the day as the weather was perfect for isolation. I walked in different woods every day. I found out that I'm not very good at sneaking up on deer, but found deer every day. Birds of all varieties made my day with their colors and songs. Taking time to watch leaves fall is a luxury that I never take advantage of when I am feeling well. To watch an individual leaf float in circles till it reaches the ground makes me feel like I am in the palm of God's hand. If God can arrange nature to allow leaves to float in such a beautiful pattern, how much more does the Lord fashion this world for all of us? There are times we just have to let God be the author of life rather than to try to order God's handiwork. My favorite image from these days of quarantine and being in a woods is that of an owl I encountered a few days ago. As I began my walk, a huge great horned owl glided past me. Owls are silent fliers and at first it startled me and then amazed me. As I walked through the woods, it seemed like I tripped on many down branches or got scratched by brambles which would appear out of nowhere. Yet this big agile owl made circles through the woods like there was nothing in its path. I was amazed at this bird's eyesight at how it could see right in front of it to avoid a down branch and yet far ahead to know its next turn to keep it soaring through the brambles. The owl seemed to have a perfect balance of knowing the present and the future, to see right in front of it and yet knowing where it wanted to sail. If our spiritual journeys could be that balanced, it would be great.

And I missed everyone on a daily level and on a spiritual level. Mass has always meant so much to me and not praying with people was hard on me. I "went" to church on a media level, but it just wasn't like praying together on a real level. There is power when two or more gather in His name. I missed that way of being fed spiritually. I missed being fed with the Eucharist. God is truly present and I am really fed and watered by God. It was so nice to celebrate Mass this morning with our seventh graders and parishioners. I think I smiled all through Mass. It is good to be back.

My brother said that I should not overdue it. I will try. I just enjoy living God's life with the people of Continental and Kalida. May God bless all of you and know you were missed and prayed for.

Fr. Mark

Recent Baptisms

CAMBRIE ELIZABETH KRUSE

Daughter of Austin & Jenna (Kahle) Kruse

MADILYN ELIZABETH RICKER

Daughter of Michael & Emilee (Byrne) Ricker

Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17 *St. Elizabeth of Hungary*

8:00 AM Don & Joyce Jerwers, Cousins' Birthdays

8:50 AM *New Mass Time*

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

8:00 AM Alberta Utrup

9:30 AM *New Mass Time*

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

8:00 AM *New Mass Time*

7:30 PM In thanksgiving for successful surgery
Bob & Cleora Winkle, Emily Kahle (A)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

8:00 AM Special Intention

Walter & Mary Vennekotter

8:50 AM *New Mass Time*

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 *Presentation of Virgin Mary*

NM Siebeneck & Schnipke

4:30 PM L/D William Ellerbrock Family

Earl Kleman & Family, John Phillips

Jim & Helen Kneeven

Ray, Dorothea & Ron Aversch

L/D Virgil & Clara Horstman Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 *Christ the King*

8:00 AM Jim Siefker, Wilma & Jim Hohenbrink

11:00 AM John Kahle, Don Holtkamp & Family

Arnold & Jeff Siebeneck, Alan Heuss

Ralph, Mark, Bruce & Judy Honigfort

Jazzlyn Gray

Organist Assignments - November 21 & 22

4:30: Renee **8:00:** Laura **11:00:** Laura

High School CCD - November 18

Everyone has class at 7:00 p.m. Fr. Mark is with sophomores.

Virtue of the Week: Patriotism

Patriotism means paying due honor and respect to one's country with a willingness to serve. Some of the ways we show patriotism is to show respect for our country's flag. We can show respect for people and symbols representing our country and to pray for our leaders and soldiers. You can find out more about patriotism by checking out goLEDigital.org. Sign up as a family to view the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist digital library. Their videos on the virtues are taught by the Sisters and are kid friendly.

Thanksgiving Donations for Food Pantry

As it is our tradition at St Michael's to donate food items at Thanksgiving, here are a few suggested items that are needed at the food pantry: Crackers, any kind as long as in a sleeve; Ritz, Townhouse, graham crackers, cake or brownie mix, frosting, canned veggies except green beans & corn, Broth, Cereal, Boxed potatoes and pasta/rice side dishes. Thanks for your continued support.

Schedule of Students at Mass This Week

Tuesday: Grade 6 at 8:00 a.m. and Grade 3 at 8:50 a.m.

Wednesday: Grade 5 at 8:00 a.m. Grades 1 & 2 at 9:30 a.m.

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

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

Gospel Presentation at This Week's Masses

- On Tuesday, November 17, at the 8:50 a.m. Mass, the Third Grade Class will be acting out the Gospel about Zacchaeus the tax collector meeting Jesus. The actors will be Gavin Verhoff (Jesus), Cooper Rampe (Zacchaeus), Cami Buss and Kyla Unverferth (pharisees).
- On Wednesday, November 18, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass, the First Grade class will be acting out the Gospel which reminds us of God's love for little children. The actors will be: Grady Unverferth (Jesus), Adam Meyer (disciple), Brylee Unverferth and Scarlett Hanneman (mothers bringing their children to meet Jesus).

Reflection Booklets for Advent at Church

Available at the church entrances are the Little Books of the Diocese of Saginaw for Advent. These booklets feature a reflection on the previous Sunday Gospel readings, along with thoughts about Advent and Christmas seasons, the feast of the day, and various traditions and customs. Reflecting on the Scripture passage allows God to speak to us through the words, guiding us to reflections that sometimes seem to come from nowhere.

Lions Chicken BBQ - Sunday, November 15

Drive thru carryout at the High School from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Thank you for supporting our community projects.

Have Faith

To worry does no good at all,
But does a lot of harm;
It puts cross lines upon your face,
and dissipates your charm.
Whatever is to be, will be;
That, worry cannot change;
It only serves to dim your joy,
And all your friends estrange.
'Tis lack of confidence in self
That causes worry's fright;
A lack of faith in God's design
Your happiness will blight.
Then cast aside those gloomy thoughts,
That bring on doubt and fear;
Just live your faith, and trust in Him,
And worry will disappear.

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PICK OF THE WEEK
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MARY OF NAZARETH

This film vividly captures Mary's profound faith and trust in God amidst the great mysteries that she lived as the Mother of the Messiah, as well as her compassion and concern for others and the deep love that she and Jesus shared for one another.

Ministry Schedule

We're starting to schedule Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors for weekend Masses. If you'd like to be added to the list, just email stmich@bright.net or call the office at 419-532-3474.

November 21 & 22

4:30: Matt Bockrath, Michelle Buss, Jerry Ellerbrock

LECTOR: Jennifer Erhart

8:00: Gus & Judy Brinkman, Lynda Fortman

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11:00: Regina Fischnich, Kyla Fortman, Beth Nienberg

LECTOR: Kyla Fortman

November 25 & 26 (Thanksgiving)

7:30: Greg & Jill Zeller, Mark Remlinger

LECTOR: Greg Zeller

9:00: Duane & Barb Steffan, Kay Unverferth

LECTOR: Shelly Burkhart

November 28 & 29

4:30: Lisa Unverferth, Scott Unverferth, Matt Bockrath

LECTOR: Deb Kahle

8:00: Donna Schnipke, Deb Schroeder, Janice Foppe

LECTOR: Donna Schnipke

11:00: Norma Vorst, Ryan & Erin Kerner

LECTOR: Erin Kerner

74th Wedding Anniversary!

Tom & Alice Brinkman will celebrate their 74th Wedding Anniversary on Monday, November 16. Happy Anniversary, Tom & Alice!

Join the Kalida Baseball Association

Please consider joining and supporting the new Kalida Baseball Association. We are a 501c3 organization dedicated to improving all levels of baseball in our community through new equipment, new/upgraded facilities, more player opportunities, etc. More information can be found by searching for Kalida Baseball Association on Facebook or Twitter, or by contacting one of the following board members: Brian Klausing, Phil Maag, Keith Meyer, Craig Recker, Craig Stechschulte or Chad Ehrnsberger.

Upcoming Wedding

*Kylie Siebeneck
& Alex Schnipke*

*will be married on
November 21, 2020.*

*Please include them
in your prayers.*

