

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27  
ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m. in church  
HOLY NAME CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:00 p.m.  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28  
RCIA: 7:00 p.m. in Parish Center  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29  
HIGH SCHOOL CCD: 7:00 p.m.  
YAHS CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:00 p.m.  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30  
ROSARY: 7:00 p.m.  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1  
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: 8:30 - 4:00 p.m.  
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church

Eucharistic Adoration Opportunities

Sign up sheets are in the back of church for several days of Eucharistic Adoration coming up: December 1, December 7 and December 21. What a special opportunity to ready ourselves for the Birth of Our Lord!

Students Planning Mass This Week...

are Jill Zeller's second grade class on Wednesday, November 29, and Annette Gerding and Marv Kromer's grade 7 class on Friday, December 1.

High School CCD Notes

On November 29, everyone has class. On December 13, CCD classes will be canceled. All junior high and high school students are asked to attend the Jason Evert event at Sts. Peter & Paul Church, Ottawa, from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Pictorials...Soon and Very Soon

We still don't have a specific date, but our new pictorials are due to be delivered very soon. Once they arrive, we will have them in the church basement after weekend Masses. Only those who had their picture taken by United Church Directories receive a free book. If you submitted a photo, you can purchase a directory for \$15. If you pre-ordered an extra directory, they are also \$15. Unlike other times, we are not being given several extra copies; so if you did not pre-order an extra copy, you will have to wait to see if there are any extras after all have been distributed.

**Note:** If you are paying for a directory, please have a check written for \$15 to "St. Michael's Church." Our volunteer directory distributors will not be handling cash. Thanks!

2024 Offertory Envelopes Have Arrived...

and are in the back of church. If you don't see your name on one of the boxes, we have extra sets at the Parish Center.

Greeters for Funerals

The Bereavement Team is looking for greeters for Funeral Masses. If you are interested, please contact Millie McElwain at 419-231-5656.

November Holy Name Raffle Winners

\$250	Tony Fisher	\$100	Michelle Buss
\$100	David Schumaker	\$100	Isaac Brinkman
\$100	Ray Miller	\$ 50	Kennedy Simon
\$ 50	Bailey Izor	\$ 50	Jeff Bockrath
\$ 50	Jared Fortman	\$ 50	Brian Gerdeman
\$ 50	Andrea Winkle	\$ 50	Jamie Tyrrell

Ohio Polka Boosters Christmas Party

Saturday, December 2, at the Kalida K of C. Doors open at Noon. Meal is at 1:00 p.m. Meeting and dance is from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. Call 419-966-3826 with questions.

**Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - December 2 & 3**  
**4:30:** PB: Jerry Ellerbrock, Ryan Ellerbrock  
Ella Schumacher, Chellie Unverferth, Bob Buss, Michelle Buss  
**LECTOR:** Joyce Schnipke  
**8:00:** PB: Don Wehri, Greg Bockrath  
Dennis Bockrath, Dave Buss, Gus & Judy Brinkman  
**LECTOR:** Tony Unverferth  
**Ministers to Homebound:** Tom & Judy Bonifas  
**11:00:** PB: Sandy & Mike Westrick  
Lisa Trentman, Alice Adams, Jeff Bockrath, Ryan Buss  
**LECTOR:** Nancy Rampe

SERVER SCHEDULE

Tues, 11/28	8:00 AM	Lyla Siebeneck Zach Siefker
Wed, 11/29	8:00 AM	John Recker Jack Schulte Eli Selhorst
Thurs, 11/30	7:30 PM	Riley Unverferth Mallory Unverferth Quinn Unverferth
Fri, 12/1	8:00 AM	Brant Bockrath Corinne Brinkman Katherine Krouse
Sat, 12/2	4:30 PM	Allie Kuhlman Grady Kuhlman
Sun, 12/3	8:00 AM	Griffin Klausing Kyle Lammers Kara Lammers
	11:00 AM	Nathan Kahle Logan Kerner Mallory Kerner

Offertory Bearers - December 2 & 3

**4:30:** Scott & Angie Meyer Family  
**8:00:** Marc & Renee Kerner Family  
**11:00:** Andrew & Tessa Wehri Family

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**4:30:** Team 4    **8:00:** Team 5    **11:00:** Team 6



Our current church building will be 100 years old in 1926. A parishioner recently suggested we ask for memories/stories to be submitted of recollections from our parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, etc. about the construction of the current St. Michael Church. If you have any recollections that have been passed down to you over the years, submit them in writing.

**You can email them to:**  
**stmichaelskalida@gmail.com;**  
**mail them to Box 387; Kalida,**  
**or drop them off at the Parish Center.**

Also, as we lead up to the 100th anniversary of our church building, we will share some facts about the planning and building process, as well as facts about the building, itself; so look for the 100 years logo (above). Thanks!

St. Michael Catholic Church - Kalida, Ohio - Sunday, November 26, 2023

**Pastor:** Fr. Nathan Bockrath (nbockrath@toledodiocese.org)  
**Deacon:** Bob Klausing    **DRE:** Connie Cleemput    **Youth Minister:** Jill Zeller    **Maintenance:** Kevin Fischer  
**Website:** stmichaelskalida.org    **Address:** 312 N. Broad St.; Box 387; Kalida, OH 45853  
**Phone:** 419-532-3474    **Email:** stmichaelskalida@gmail.com    **Office Hours:** Mon-Thus, 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



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So, what is it? As we saw last week in article 8, this question is literally what “Manna” means in Hebrew. Frankly, its an appropriate name for the bread “that came down from Heaven” because there is nothing that we can compare it to from our ordinary experiences. In a very similar way, this is the case with the sacrament of Jesus’ body and blood: what is it? We see that Jesus calls it His Body and Blood, and even in the “Our Father” tells us to pray for “supersubstantial” bread. But, what actually is it? Is Jesus just using this as a metaphor to strive for spiritual communion? It is just a symbol that reflects Jesus’ desire for Heavenly Communion with us? The correct response to these and like statements is: **NO!!!** That is absolutely not the case; rather, we believe that this sacrament is really and truly Jesus’ body/blood, soul, and divinity!

*I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world (vv. 48-51)*

*Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him (vv. 53-57)*

Certainly, this concept is difficult to grasp, and I will offer an explanation in article 11 for how we can rationally make sense of Jesus' true presence in the Blessed Sacrament. But, for now it's important to note that many of Jesus' followers "returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him" because the teaching was too difficult to grasp (v. 66). Facing the Apostles, Jesus asked "do you also want to leave?" (v. 67). Peter replied with all faith: "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" (v. 68). So, too, we are asked today...is our faith strong enough to trust Jesus and keep going on this journey? **Fr. Nathan** (nbockrath@toledodiocese.org)

Sunday, December 3, 2:00 p.m. at Ottoville  
 Tuesday, December 12, 4:00 & 7:00 p.m. at Glandorf  
 Monday, December 18, 4:00 & 7:00 p.m. at Ottawa  
 Tuesday, December 19, 4:00 & 7:00 p.m. at Kalida  
 Wednesday, December 20, at 7:00 p.m. at New Cleveland

## The #1 Catholic Meditation App in the World!

1. Visit: [hallow.com/holyday](https://hallow.com/holyday) **(you need to sign up on the website before you download the app to access the free parish subscription)**
2. Search for our parish by typing “Kalida” then click on our parish name
3. Complete your profile with name, email address and password
4. Download the Hallow app
5. Explore the app!

*As Advent approaches, this app could help you build your relationship with God by creating a habit of prayer or enhancing your already-established prayer life.*

- Use the app by yourself or with your family...at home or in your car
- Create prayer groups within your family or your group of friends
- Allow Hallow to lead your family in prayer until you are more comfortable doing so
- Join the Advent Prayer Challenge
- Get an age-appropriate examination of conscience for Reconciliation
- Access daily reflections, homilies, novenas, rosaries, music, courses and much more!

*We will share more about Hallow in the coming weeks. Watch St. Michael's Facebook page and the bulletin for tips and ideas from parishioners who already use Hallow.*

