

# Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - Sunday, November 8, 2020

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## Thoughts from Fr. Mark

Hi, everyone. I'm writing this while being quarantined. I tested positive on Monday and have been shut in and will be shut in until the 12th. I am doing well, but get really tired and I have no taste or smell. Fr. Elmer is doing well. The rectory is big enough that I don't have to have any contact with Fr. Elmer. He has to quarantine, also. He keeps trying to escape, but he has been behaving pretty well since I explained what quarantine meant.

Prayer has been different since all this has happened. My initial testing took 7 hours at the Urgent Care in Wapak. I remembered my hospital chaplain days and some people who waited sometimes all day in emergency rooms. I prayed for people who were scared or were waiting for results from tests and procedures. I do have to admit that I said a little prayer for myself for patience as the office staff lost my phone number and forgot to call me when it was my turn. The bad part was that I had my clerical clothes on and couldn't express myself as plainly as I would have liked to.

These past days, I have prayed for people who have little energy. The virus has zapped me of my energy. I try to get out every day to walk in a woods or watch farmers harvest corn from the privacy of my car. After an hour or so, I am drained of energy. I'm ready for a nap. I turn on the television to help pass some time, but I think I prefer the virus to five channels of Hallmark Christmas shows. It is amazing how many people in our churches who can use a prayer. I keep my parish picture books available to help me pray for those who need the energy of the Lord. God bless our parishes and the people who need blessed most.

Being alone is not easy. I know I am an interesting person, but I can only talk to myself for so long until I run out of things to say. I've prayed a lot for quarantined people, widows and widowers, single people and many other people who find themselves alone. With the holidays coming up, being alone isn't easy. I know that in my family there will be a couple of family members gathering on mom's favorite holiday. I'm not sure if I will risk getting together this year with family.

Lastly, I'd like to say a big thanks to all who have been praying for Fr. Elmer and myself. People have left goodies outside the doors of the rectory. I didn't appreciate the flaming brown bag that someone left me. Even though it was close to Halloween. Just kidding. I really appreciate the prayers and they have been returned back to you. God bless you all.

I miss Mass and praying with people. One of my favorite prayer times in a liturgical year is the memorial service we have for those who have died throughout the year. I take extra time to remember each family and give thanks to God for our departed loved ones. I miss Mass with the kids, as their energy inspires me throughout the day. Mass allows me to be touched by the hand of God in so many ways.

Have a great week, everyone. Next week I will have more energy.

*Fr. Mark*

## Recent Baptism

**CAMDYN KAY KLIMA**

Daughter of Kevin & Alicia (Ellerbrock) Klima

## Mass Intentions & Schedule for the Week

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10** *St. Leo the Great, pope*

**8:00 AM** Bill Cleemput

**8:50 AM** *New Mass Time*

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11** *St. Martin of Tours*

**8:00 AM** Leroy Warnement & Family

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12** *St. Josaphat*

**8:00 AM** *New Mass Time*

**7:30 PM** Irene & Leo Schnipke

Herk Selhorst, Tom Wannemacher

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13** *St. Francis Xavier Cabrini*

**8:00 AM** L/D Quinn & Stechschulte Family

**8:50 AM** *New Mass Time*

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

**4:30 PM** Louis Verhoff, Connie Miller

Vic & Andy Merschman

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

**8:00 AM** Len & Dolores Bockrath, Dorothy Miller

45th W.A. Ron & Donna Recker

L/D Oscar & Evangeline Kerner Family

Mary & Frank Wehri Family

**11:00 AM** For an end to COVID-19

**Last Sunday's Collection:** \$ 6,357.00

## Thank You

The Family of Paul Stechschulte would like to give a huge thank you to our parish family and our awesome community for all the prayers and support. Thank you, Fr. Mark and Steve Unverferth, for the special Celebration of Life Mass.

*With gratitude, Marge & Family*

## High School CCD - November 11

Everyone has class from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

## Virtue of the Week: Obedience

Obedience means to assent to rightful authority without hesitation or resistance. Some of the ways we can cultivate this virtue is to listen and follow directions; especially to follow directions the first time they are given and without complaint. We should listen to rightful authority and follow directions in a prompt manner; anticipating what is expected of you. Some saints who modeled the virtue of obedience are St. Padre Pio, St. Matthew and St. Catherine Laboure. Read up on their stories. They truly followed without complaint, even in the smallest of things. They are role models for us to follow. We are all called to holiness and to become a saint.

## 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.

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

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

## 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.

## All November Ministry Trainings Postponed