

Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Kalida, Ohio - Sunday, September 22, 2019

Pastor: Fr. Mark Hoying, C.P.P.S. In Residence: Fr. Elmer Wurth, M.M. Parochial Vicar: Fr. Rick Friebe, C.P.P.S.



FROM THE DESK OF FR. MARK



Hi, everyone.

It's birthday week. Someone asked me what I would like for my birthday and I didn't know what to answer. I really have been blessed. I'm a pretty simple person who doesn't collect anything in particular. I get to eat good food every week, with weddings and baptisms and other celebrations. My good clothes are basic black and I have plenty of those. Black never goes out of style and I have been styling for 35 years.

Then I thought a little deeper and really asked myself what I wanted. I do have a list. I like when others are happy. With Fr. Elmer's 90th birthday around the corner, I smile when he is happy. I purposely let him win at cards (ok, that was a lie) so that I can see him smile. I enjoy seeing young and old being happy, but especially children. There is something especially Christ-like about children sharing innocent joy. When they smile over a butterfly or sidewalk chalk, I smile. Perhaps it is from my days of being a chaplain at Children's Hospital and the hard days there, that seeing childlike joy touches my heart. I wish for happiness.

I would like to spend more time outside. I LOVE what God has created. I used to go squirrel hunting and just go to see what God could send my way that day. I didn't care about shooting a squirrel for a meal. The squirrels seemed to sense this and started to come to see me. For a while I thought I was Saint Francis, as squirrels would walk right up to me. I love mornings and nights. I like a fire in the Fall. I like frost and snow. I like sunrises and sunsets. I like what God has done and I like to thank Him for it.

I like God stories. When someone tells me how they have seen God, I smile. Some of you have told me some pretty amazing stories over the years. God has been so good to me and it is nice to hear how God has been good to others. I know that I'm His favorite, but it is nice to hear how God has other favorites, also. Keep those God stories coming.

I like kindness. I saw a little girl hug a tearful classmate this morning and I melted. Acts of kindness make up the kind of world I like to live in. I like people and when people are at their best with other people, I'm the luckiest of people. (Thank you, Barbra Streisand, for my first favorite song from 1965). I would like to see my mom and dad again. I know that one day that will happen, thanks to God. It is one thing for my wish to go to see God in heaven, but I want the whole picture of seeing all of God's goodness. I want to see happiness, fullness of life for those I love, the wonder of God's creative majesty and things I cannot even imagine. I know I can wait for those things, but while I wait, I want to see glimpses of them. So I look for them where I am. I would like to thank so many people who help me see and experience a little bit of heaven right now.

Have a great week, everyone.

Fr. Mark

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 *St. Pius of Pietrelcina*

8:00 AM **COMMUNION SERVICE**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:00 AM **Klara Frommherz**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:00 AM **Mike Kahle**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

7:30 PM **Nora O'Dell**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 *St. Vincent de Paul*

8:00 AM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

NM Kahle & Verhoff

4:30 PM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:00 AM

11:00 AM

**Jim Unverferth, Nolan Krouse
Shawn Bailey and the Intentions of
Fr. Elmer on His 90th Birthday**

Last Week's Collection: \$ 7,284.00

Choir Assignments - September 28 & 29

4:30: Ashleigh **8:00:** HN **11:00:** YAHS

The Holy Name Choir...

will begin fall practice on Monday, September 23, at 8:00 p.m. (notice change of time). If you enjoy singing, please join us.

September Holy Name Raffle Winners

\$250	Paul W. Horstman	\$100	Jim Becker
\$100	Bob Foppe	\$100	Joan Giesige
\$100	Scott A. Meyers	\$ 50	Glen Fortman
\$ 50	John Foppe	\$ 50	Kennedy Simon
\$ 50	Craig Hughes	\$ 50	Tim Verhoff
\$ 50	Josh Maag	\$ 50	Shelly Kroeger

Coffee, Donuts & Euchre

Sunday, October 6, in the church basement.

Parents of 7th Grade Students

There will be a mandatory Confirmation meeting on Tuesday, October 8, at 7:00 p.m., in the church basement.

8th Grade Students & Sponsors

There will be a mandatory Confirmation meeting on Tuesday, October 15, at 7:00 p.m., in the church basement.



Remembering Klara

Longtime St. Michael house-keeper Klara Frommherz died on Wednesday, September 18. Arrangements were not finalized as of the time of printing the bulletin.

The St. Michael Church staff wants to extend a special thank you to Tammy & Ed Schroeder for their dedication to Klara over the last several years, especially during her time in the nursing home.

If you have RSVP'd to Fr. Elmer's 90th Birthday Party next Sunday, September 29, you are invited to wear RED to the celebration. If you can't come to the party, come to the 11:00 a.m. Mass, where he will be the celebrant.

Youth Money Wall Fundraiser for NCYC

On November 21-24, 2019, eight KHS students will be joining almost 25,000 other Catholic teens from all across the United States in Indianapolis for the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC). This weekend, those students will be talking at each Mass about this upcoming conference. At each entrance of church, you will find a Money Wall, which contains envelopes with various dollar amounts on the front. If you would like to help us, please choose an envelope, place your donation inside, and return it to the Parish Center or into the collection basket. If you have a prayer intention, please include it with your donation, and know we will be praying for you during our NCYC pilgrimage. Thank you very much for your donation to the St. Michael Youth! Your generous financial and prayer support is greatly appreciated.

Battle of the Youth

St. George Deanery BATTLE OF THE YOUTH will be Sunday, October 6, at Fort Jennings St. Joseph, from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Battle of the Youth is a series of fun, sort of crazy, athletic events. This year it's the "Battle of the Holidays." Each team should consist of 10 High School Students (max. of 5 boys) with an adult coach (20 years old or older). Cost is \$5/person. Registrations are due September 27. Contact Jill at 419-532-3494 (x103) for forms & more details.

Students Planning Mass this Week...

are Annette Schroeder's 4B class on Wednesday, September 25, and Jill Zeller's 7B class on Friday, September 27.

High School CCD Notes

Everyone has class on September 25, at 7:00 p.m.

8th Grade Confirmation Retreat - October 9

Permission forms were mailed out. Please sign and return to your child's homeroom teacher in the high school building.

Church Crawl - An Adventure for All

Sunday, October 27, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. We will start our Church Crawl with an adventure up in the Church Tower (optional and weather-permitting). We will be visiting four local churches in Putnam County (and beyond) and be given a tour to learn about the history and architecture, etc. of their church. There will be a scavenger hunt-like game at each location. We will then travel back to Kalida for a tour of St. Michael's. The day will conclude with dinner with Fr. Mark. Cost is \$10/person. Registration forms are available at all entrances of church or www.stmichaelskalida.org. Please RSVP by Sunday, October 20.

Mission Festival Planning Meeting

Tuesday, September 24, at 7:00 p.m., at the Parish Center.

Sunday Preschool and Kindergarten Program

Begins this Sunday, Sept. 22, during the 11:00 a.m. Mass.



Remembering Klara

January 24, 1927 - September 18, 2019

This past Wednesday, Klara Frommherz got her wish to go home to the Lord. Klara grew up in Reichenbach, Germany, in the Black Forest Region. After living through World War II, Klara moved to the United States (around the age of 20) and worked under her uncle, who was a priest. Eventually, she found herself in Putnam County, where she worked at Immaculate Conception, Ottoville, and St. Joseph, Fort Jennings. In August of 1983, Klara began working here, at St. Michael Church, as a housekeeper, under Fr. Norbert Adelman. She worked and resided in the rectory under pastors Fr. John Hoying, Fr. Scott Kramer, Fr. Ken Alt and Fr. Mark Hoying, until 2016. Klara was an extremely hard worker. When not cooking or cleaning at the rectory, you could find her tending to her garden, taking children to Mass, canning, helping cook at weddings, serving at funeral luncheons, visiting residents at the nursing home, playing cards with her friends, walking around the church block, riding her bicycle, volunteering to help in the parish office, playing a prank on an unsuspecting pastor, dressing up for her role in the "Haunted Rectory," recycling cans or, most importantly, playing with her beloved dog, "Ami." We can imagine all the stories she could share from her years working here at St. Michael Church. Klara was one of a kind and we will miss her.

Auf Wiedersehen, Klara. Until we meet again...

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m., in church****HOLY NAME CHOIR PRACTICE: 8:00 p.m.****TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24****RCIA: 7:00 p.m. in the church basement****MISSION FESTIVAL MEETING: 7:00 p.m. at Parish Center****WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25****HIGH SCHOOL CCD: 7:00 p.m.****THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26****ROSARY FOR OUR COUNTRY: 7:00 p.m. in church****FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27****CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church****Toledo Diocesan Women's Fall Conference**

October 5, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., at the Kalahari Resort & Conference Center, Sandusky. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. Cost: TDCCW members--\$45 (St. Michael's is a member parish). After Sept. 6--\$55. Send reservations to St. Ignatius Parish; Attn. Sue Hopkins; 212 North Stadium Rd.; Oregon, Ohio 43449. Kalahari Resort Fee for water park will be waived with room reservations. Local contact person: Tammy Schroeder (419-796-8964 or ews@bright.net). Registration forms are available at the doors of the church.

Polka Dance This Sunday at Kalida K of C

The Ohio Polka Boosters are sponsoring a dance with Party Time Reunion Band on Sunday, September 22, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m., at the Kalida K of C. Doors open at 3:00 p.m. The dance is open to the public. Call 419-966-3826 for more information.

Visit Portugal, France, Switzerland & Poland

Join Fr. Charles Obinwa, pastor of Fort Jennings St. Joseph and Chaplain at Lima, St. Rita's, on a trip to Portugal, France, Switzerland & Poland from June 3 - 13, 2020. Cost is \$4,699. For more information, call Jennifer Wadsworth at 612-730-2890 or email jennifer@procatolictours.com. We'll visit Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Lourdes, the Auschwitz Concentration Camp and Holocaust Memorial, St. Faustina's Convent, the birthplace of Pope John Paul II and more!

St. Catherine's Embrace...

is a new outreach ministry that will acknowledge and support the many families in the St. George Deanery who have lost babies through miscarriage or stillbirth. Are you interested in helping? We need volunteers from each parish, and we have multiple ways to get involved! Our next meeting is **Monday, September 16, at 6:30 p.m. at St. John Parish Hall Cafeteria, in Glandorf.** Grab a friend and join us to discover how your talents and gifts can easily be used to accompany families in their time of need. Also, mark your calendars for our first annual Memorial Mass to honor the lives of all babies lost. It will be held on **Sunday, October 20, at 1:30 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Church, in Glandorf.** All are welcome at this Mass, whether your loss was recent or years ago. If you have questions or want to RSVP for the September 16th meeting, call or text: Mary Beth Weisenburger at (419)980-8065, Ruth Gerding at (567)204-1275 or Jill Streicher at (419)796-0637.

Bake Sale

Saturday, September 28, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. - Noon, at the Ottawa Walmart. Proceeds benefit the Post 63 American Legion Veteran's Day Dinner, in November.

OFFERTORY - September 28 & 29**4:30 PM**

Jim & Brenda Burgei Family

8:00 AM

Herm & Rita Borgelt Family

11:00 AM

Fr. Elmer's Family

USHERS - September 28 & 29**4:30 PM**

Team 7

8:00 AM

Team 8

11:00 AM

Team 9

LECTORS - September 28 & 29**4:30 PM**

Clara Elkins, Jennifer Erhart

8:00 AM

Paul Bonifas, Shelly Burkhart

11:00 AM

Joyce Schnipke

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - September 28 & 29

4:30: Teresa Rampe, Deb Remlinger, Mark Remlinger, Tom Roof, Karen Schroeder, Dick & Jane Schulte, Megan Schulte, Stacy Schulte, Kay Unverferth

8:00: Joan Peck, Karl & Darlene Miller, Joan Niese, Mary Plescher, Rose Recker, Mike & Karen Sarka, Donna Schnipke, Mary Siefker

Ministers to Homebound: Joan Peck

11:00: Alice Adams, Connie Cleemput, Greg, Jill & Jade Zeller, Phil & Sue Fuerst, Mark Kahle

SERVERS

Tues, 9/24	8:00 AM	Lauren Schulte Jacob Siebeneck
Wed, 9/25	8:00 AM	Braylon Smith Jack Stechschulte
Thurs, 9/26	7:30 PM	Reese Strauer Avrie Unverferth
Fri, 9/27	8:00 AM	Madison Unverferth Drake Zeller
Sat 9/28	4:30 PM	Blake Eickholt Clara Elkins Colin Erhart
Sun, 9/29	8:00 AM	Brandt Brinkman Ryan Fischnich Nick Foppe
	11:00 AM	Evan Stechschulte Peyton Wurth Sydney Wurth

Upcoming Wedding

*Justine Verhoff
& Eric Kahle*

will be married
on Saturday,
September 28, 2019.
Please include them
in your prayers.

