

MONDAY, APRIL 22
ROSARY FOR PEACE: 1:30 p.m. in church
THURSDAY, APRIL 25
ROSARY: 7:00 p.m.
FRIDAY, APRIL 26
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY: 3:00 p.m. in church

Small Sacramentals for Tanzania

The annual Tanzanian mission trip will be May 26, focusing this year on the educational needs of the physically and mentally disabled poor children of rural, west Tanzania. Donations of small sacramentals would be appreciated as well as donations to help fund extra suitcase costs to bring needed essentials. Sacramentals may be placed at church exits marked "missions." Please call Ellen about monetary donations 419-796-0851. Please leave a message if I don't pick up. I will provide a receipt for tax deductions if requested. Thank you in advance!

Heartbeat In Dire Need of Diapers

Diapers are in extremely low supply, especially sizes 5 & 6, at the Heartbeat Offices. Please drop off donations in the box in elevator entrance of St. Michael's Church. **Thank you in advance for your generosity!**

Kalida Garage Sales—April 25, 26 & 27

Maps will be available at area businesses April 22.

Sold & Unsold Holy Name Raffle Tickets

Please turn them in to Nick Schulte. Thanks.

Annual Good Grief Kids Camp

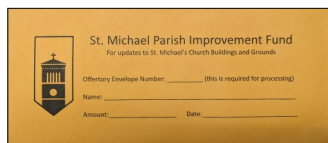
Putnam County Hospice, in conjunction with Pathways Counseling Center and Trinity United Methodist Church, will be holding our Annual Good Grief Kids Camp. This is a camp that is for children ages 5-18 who have experienced the death of someone special to them. Camp will be held on July 17th & 18th at Trinity United Methodist Church. Please call Kaylee Wilhelm @ 419-523-4449 or email kwilhelm@pchh.net to reserve a spot for a camper.

Rectory/Office Space
FUNDRAISING GOAL



Thank You!

We have raised \$129,208 for the rectory/office space. Thank you to those who have already donated!



Parish Improvement Fund Envelopes

If you would like to donate toward the improvements of the rectory/parish center and front steps, please use the special envelopes at the exits of church. Thanks!

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors - April 27 & 28

4:30: PB: **Brian & Bev Berheide**
 Alice Adams, Greg Bockrath, Meredith Bockrath, Michelle Buss
LECTOR: Dennis Turnwald
8:00: PB: **Tony Vorst, Norma Unverferth**
 Sandy Vorst, Don Wehri, Matt Bockrath, Logan Bockrath
LECTOR: Tony Unverferth
Ministers to Homebound: Carrie Patrick
11:00: PB: **Mike & Sandy Westrick**
 Lisa Trentman, Chellie Unverferth, Madison Unverferth, Bob Buss
LECTOR: Amy Wannemacher

SERVER SCHEDULE

Tues, 4/23	8:00 AM	Anna Kline Carson Knott
Wed, 4/24	8:00 AM	Owen Langhals Evan Leis Zach Lucke
Thurs, 4/25	7:30 PM	Anna McVey Madden Miller
Fri, 4/26	8:00 AM	Ava Niemeyer Ivy Patrick Drew Potts
Sat, 4/27	4:30 PM	Allie Kuhlman Grady Kuhlman Gavin Leis
Sun, 4/28	8:00 AM	Kyle Lammers Kara Lammers Drew Meyer
	11:00 AM	Ethan Langhals Max Langhals Evan Langhals

Offertory Bearers - April 27 & 28

4:30: Ryan & Amy Schnipke Family
8:00: Kyle & Jess Recker Family
11:00: Andrew & Tessa Wehri Family

USHERS - April 27 & 28

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

Everyone Welcome—Dance at Kalida K of C

A dance at the Kalida K of C, put on by the Ohio Polka Boosters, will be **Sunday, April 28**. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. and the dance is from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. with the Frank Moravcik Band. Call Mark at 419-966-3826 with questions.



Upcoming Wedding

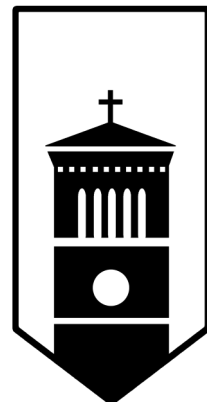
Bernadette Basinger
 Daughter of John & Brenda Basinger
 and
Ron Hovest
 Son of Robin and the late Ron Hovest, Sr.

will be married on
 April 27, 2024.

Please include them
 in your prayers.

St. Michael Catholic Church - Kalida, Ohio - April 21, 2024

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-Thur, 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



To Schedule a Baptism

Email Fr. Nathan
 nbockrath@toledodiocese.org
 (Classes are needed for your first child only)

To Schedule a Wedding:

Email Fr. Nathan
 nbockrath@toledodiocese.org

To Choose a Cemetery Plot:

Call Ron Schulte
 419-532-3078

Parish Council

Marc Kerner
 Dale Liebrecht
 Lisa Roebke
 Mary Gerding
 Deb McIntyre
 Don Rall
 Wendy Schimmoeller
 Scott Unverferth
 Allison Wurth

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Paul Bonifas
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 Joan Niese
 Norm Schnipke
 Cindy Webken
 Greg Zeller

Confirmed in the Spirit!

Fr. Nathan's Eucharistic Article 30 of 40

"Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought out bread and wine, and be a priest of God Most High, he blessed Abram" (Gen 14:18)

As we have seen (cf. art 7), a key significance of the Last Supper is that Jesus made His sacrifice on the Cross into a sacrament (i.e. Priesthood and Eucharist) which in turn is represented to us at Mass. In each biblical scene of the Last Supper (Mt 26:26-29, Mk 14:22-25, Lk 22:17-20, 1 Cor 11:23-26), we also see that Jesus chose bread and wine as the sacramental elements through which their essence/substance will be replaced with the essence/substance of Jesus' body and blood (cf. art 11). This is why, for example, we call the bread to be used for Mass "hosts," from the Latin *hostire* meaning "to strike," which was a term given to any animal about to be sacrificed. Nonetheless, this raises a question: why was bread and wine chosen? Could other items have been chosen? What is the significance?

Since Jesus is God, He could have certainly established this sacrament through anything in His creation. However, it seems there are numerous practical and symbolic reasons for why only bread and wine were chosen. From a practical point of view, it seems His primary reason for choosing bread and wine is its connection with the previous revelations of the Old Testament, and thus how it was preparing the people for the moment of Jesus. In the previous Covenant, bread and wine were offered in sacrifice among the first fruits of the earth as a sign of grateful acknowledgment to the Creator (Ex 23:19). Even before this, bread and wine received new significance in the context of the Exodus event. The unleavened bread that Israel eats every year at Passover commemorates the hasty departure that liberated them from Egypt (Ex 12:14-15) ... this is also the reason why we use unleavened bread at Mass, to remind us that we are a people "on the go" to Heaven. In addition, the remembrance of the manna in the desert will always recall that Israel survived by the bread of Heaven (Ex 16:4). At the end of the Jewish Passover meal, there is the "cup of blessing," which adds a festive joy to the meal as it points to our Lord's end goal of the Messiah's arrival.

Still before the Exodus account, the Bible recalls the unique encounter of Abraham with a priest of God and a king of Salem (most likely a reference to Jerusalem): Melchizedek (btw, you can see this scene in the stained-glass medallion in the sanctuary at St. Michael's, right above the entrance to the priest's sacristy). It's the first time a priest is mentioned in the Bible (Gn 14:18), and it's a rare occasion when a king is at the same time the priest. This scene occurred right before God established His Covenant with Abraham, and here Melchizedek had a role in his preparation: he blessed Abraham and *offered bread and wine on his behalf*. *St. Paul would ultimately see Melchizedek as a prefigurement of Jesus our true king and priest, that prepares us for our Covenant with the Father. St. Paul said Jesus "became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey Him, declared by God high priest according to the order of Melchizedek" (Heb 5:10).*

In addition to its connection to various Old Testament events, the church Fathers saw a reason for the use of

bread or wine due to the symbolism in how they are made. St. Augustine for example, saw in the manufacturing of bread a symbolism for "communion." A loaf of bread does not take just one grain, but many. The grains are joined together through a process, in like manner, the sacraments shape us into the Body of Christ = Church. So too with wine, St. Augustine observed how many grapes become wine only after a process that breaks down each individual grape in order for it to become something more. St. Paul too picked up on this symbolism: "because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf" (1 Cor 10:17).

Fr. Nathan

Upcoming Mass Schedule	
TUESDAY, APRIL 23	
8:00 AM	Jerry & Dorothy Unverferth Ralph & Dolores Verhoff
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24	
8:00 AM	Bill Mack (HN)
THURSDAY, APRIL 25 <i>St. Mark, evangelist</i>	
7:30 PM	Ron Kahle, Jr., Wilbur & Mildred Remlinger
FRIDAY, APRIL 26	
8:00 AM	Jim Hamilton
SATURDAY, APRIL 27	
1:00 PM	NM Basinger & Hovest
4:30 PM	Melissa Hoffman, Barb Sehlhorst Den, Bernie & Helen Sehlhorst Charles Nussbaum, Tom Recker Richard & Gladys Unverferth Family Jim & Angie Erhart Ellie Schimmoeller & Family
SUNDAY, APRIL 28	
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
11:00 AM	Brian Knott

Last Week's Collection: \$ 14,061.51

Choir Assignments—April 27 & 28

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

Confirmation is This Sunday!

This Sunday, April 21, we welcome Reverend Msgr. William Kubacki, who will be with us for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Congrats to all those confirmed this weekend and thank you to their sponsors, parents and catechists for their support leading up to this day!

The Eucharist - with Bishop Robert Barron

This will be a three-session theological study with discussion questions following each video segment. Each session will not exceed one hour. Please join the study in the church basement. There will be evening study sessions and morning study sessions offered.

Evenings at 6:30 p.m.: Tuesdays, April 30 & May 14

Mornings at 10:30 a.m.: Fridays, May 3 & May 17

Our Condolences

The Funeral Mass for
Bill Mack
was held on
April 18, 2024.
Please include
Bill and his family
in your prayers.



Thank You!

Putnam County Right to Life would like to thank everyone who supported us at our garage and bake sale this year. Our sale was successful again. We thank all who supported us by donating baked goods and gently used items, those who came to the sale to purchase items, the Ottawa K of C for use of their hall again, and for Marilyn and the Knights who helped us clean up on Wednesday afternoon. We are so thankful for all the volunteers who helped us in any way - from advertising the sale to helping us set up on Sunday and Monday, during the sale, and take down on Wednesday. We could not do this without them. We want to give special thanks to all the students who helped set up and take down. We are also very thankful to Ruth who agreed to help manage the sale. God bless all of you! Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 7, at 7:30 p.m. in Kalida, St. Michael's Church basement. All are welcome.

April Holy Name Raffle Winners

\$250	Jeff Averagesch	\$100	Cheryl Bendele
\$100	Sam Recker	\$100	Jen Klausung
\$100	Art Warnecke	\$ 50	Zack Okuley
\$ 50	Carl Fortman	\$ 50	Russ Teders
\$ 50	Roger Selhorst	\$ 50	Ryan Miller
\$ 50	Dylan Schimmoeller	\$ 50	William Horvath

PTO Spring Flower Fundraiser

Tickets are available from any elementary student or in the elementary office. The \$20 ticket is redeemable for ONE 10 inch basket at The Greenhouse on Main in Columbus Grove from May 1 - 31.



Students Planning Mass This Week...

are Michele Doepker's grade 5 class on Wednesday, April 24, and Jill Zeller's grade 8 on Friday, April 26.

First Communion is May 5, 2024

First Communion practice is Wednesday, May 1, at 6:00 p.m. The children should come dressed in their First Communion clothes since the group and individual pictures with Casey Kahle will be taken after practice.

Senior Citizen Day Celebration in Kalida

The Putnam County Council on Aging will be hosting a Senior Citizen Day Celebration on **Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at the Kalida K of C from Noon - 2:00 p.m.** It will include a sit-down lunch along with entertainment by the Country Gentlemen. Ticket price is \$10. Reserve your ticket by calling 419-523-4121. RSVP's are needed by May 1.

TDCCW Day of Renewal

The Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is sponsoring Day of Renewal on Wednesday, May 8, at Our Lady of Consolation, 315 Clay St., Carey, Ohio 43316. Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. The morning speaker, Jeff Wilbarger, will present 'The Daughter Project' about human trafficking. Fr. Rick Friebe, C.P.P.S. will speak about addiction to pornography in the afternoon session. The day also includes Mass, lunch, the Rosary, and time to view the Shrine grounds and shop. The cost for the day is \$35 per person which includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Checks may be made payable to Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, and mailed to St. Ignatius Parish, Attn: Sue Hopkins, 212 North Stadium Road, Oregon, Ohio 43616. Please include your phone number and email address along with your name and parish. For more information and/or questions, please contact Rita Borgelt at 419-796-9168 or hborgelt@bright.net. Registration closes April 21.

Lion's Chicken BBQ – Sunday April 28

Drive thru carryout at Kalida High School from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. or until sold out. Thank You from Kalida Lions for supporting our community projects.

Cemetery Update

Thanks to the Holy Name, Union Township Trustees and the Cemetery Committee, the War Memorial is up to date. Records show there are 331 veterans from our community who gave of themselves to protect our country. What a great way to honor all these men and women for their sacrifices. Special thank you to Terry & Gene Dickman for caring for the memorial wreath. What a special blessing for our veterans. God Bless America!

